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Peace and the Future.

With the signing of the joint resolution declaring the state of war between the United States and the Central Powers of Europe at an end, control of the situation passes from congress to the president.

Fortunately, Mr. Harding has a secretary of state who commands, as does his chief, the confidence of the people. That we may again be treated to such exhibitions as Mr. Wilson afforded in his State department difficulties is not probable.

What the immediate effect will be on affairs at home of the formal ending of the state of war is not certain. Inasmuch as we have been proceeding for many months on a constructive peace basis, the change now to be noted will probably be slight indeed.

Germany will also be the gainer, because the change will put its trade on a definite footing. Settlement of war claims will speedily follow, and the ultimate obligations to America, growing out of the war will be known.

Conferences at Dublin.

Speculation as to the next move in Ireland is not likely to give comfort to any who are not habitually content with guesswork, yet the conferences at Dublin between the leaders of South Ireland is of such moment that impatience to know its outcome may be pardoned.

No Stampede on the Paving Proposition.

Omaha has many times survived rains as heavy as that which fell on Sunday night. The city's sewer system is calculated to deal with torrents, although under conditions of deluge that amount to almost cloudbursts the run-off is too heavy to be immediately cared for.

this reason it is urged that the bids be rejected and new tenders asked. Cement is cheaper, labor is cheaper, and other materials needed for the job can be bought at prices much below the rate prevailing at the time the tending proffers were made.

Farm Tenancy Spread Checked.

Inasmuch as in France and Germany more than 75 per cent of the farmers own the land they till, there is no reason for national vainglory over the census report showing that only 62.3 per cent of American farms are operated by their owners.

Although tenancy is sometimes defended as a step toward land ownership, no thinking citizen would wish to see absentee farming increase. The factor of tenancy is one which has played its part in the rise and fall of many nations, and it is held to be indubitable that those countries in which possession of the land is spread among the people rather than held by a comparatively few great landlords are on the sounder basis.

Table with 3 columns: Date, Per Cent, Tenants. Rows for 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920.

The decline in the percentage of landowning farmers, which has now passed, did not imply that farmers who once held the titles lost them and became renters, but rather that a longer time is required to acquire the money with which to buy a place.

To enable young men to become possessors of the soil they till and to reduce the number of veteran farmers who never achieve ownership is a worthy ambition for the government. That much yet remains to be done is evidenced by reports of the assessor's office in Hamilton county, Nebraska, where, of the 1,600 farms, 822 are farmed by tenants and only 786 by their owners.

A Drive on Interest Rates.

It is hazardous business for one not familiar with the inner workings of the nation's financial system to attempt to outline a change in policy, the full effect of which he is not competent to trace down. So it has happened that many who have felt that the process of liquidation has gone too fast or too far have remained silent through the desire not to embarrass the delicate adjustment.

Senator Smith declares that there is lying in the vaults of the federal reserve banks a billion dollars in gold which is not used, but withheld from the use of farmers and business men. The actual figures show that total reserves are something more than \$970,000,000 in excess of the legal requirement, which is set at 40 per cent of total deposits and federal reserve note liability.

Sudden inflation might be dangerous, but too great deflation might be equally so. While no one will be found to urge that the full possibilities of credit expansion be utilized now, there are many who feel that a halt ought to be called on high interest rates and tight credit.

Holland has gone in for government ownership of the oil business, which might be expected to eliminate all taxation, although it will not.

If there is a freight car shortage in August, even the most optimistic man must admit that inefficiency is the curse of America.

Depression's Peak Is Passed

Business on Up Turn Now, Is Opinion Held by the Experts.

Outstanding in the present business situation, as the quiet summer season begins, is a dominant note of confidence, such as has not been heard during the last two years. Bankers in widely separated districts are announcing that the general banking condition throughout the land exhibits a promising strength and that, by and large, credit conditions are sound and firm.

There is a growing assurance today that a new era of industrial prosperity and effective American leadership is in the dawning and much effort is being made to inspire the country to hasten this era by confident attack on the part of all upon immediate difficulties and by a strengthening team work.

President Harding's notification to business leaders from all parts of the country that the government intends to give a free hand to honest enterprise to meet and solve the difficulties now confronting it and his direct summons to them to get themselves and the country into a "full speed ahead" attitude of mind has stirred a wide and active mobilization of the best energies of the land for the task of reconstructing the country's economic morale for the purposes of restoring general well being and of firmly repossessing America of the advantages of her new leadership.

President Harding's declaration of the new administration's attitude toward business and his summons to business men to meet present national and international emergencies was given direct to business leaders from all parts of the country by the New York Commercial.

Our ancestral sun, as pictured by Laplace, originally extended in a state of luminous vapor beyond the boundaries of the solar system. Rotating upon its axis, it slowly drew the rough loss of heat by radiation, leaving behind it portions of its mass, which condensed to form the planets.

The Marvel of the Sun

George Ellery Hale, in Scribners.

How to Keep Well

By Dr. W. A. EVANS

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

CHINESE CURES FOR BABIES.

How they keep children healthy in tropical China in hot weather is a subject on which Dr. Berocovits gives us some information which we can use to advantage in hot weather in this country. He is writing about American children, for nothing suffices to keep Chinese children healthy. They must have general ventilation or so of training in China, much better sanitation than they now conceive of, better understanding of health habits and better economic conditions before they can be much hope for the Chinese themselves.

How to Feed Year-Olds. Mrs. J. G. writes: Will you please advise me how to feed a year-old baby. For the last three or four months I fed him four times daily with cereals, soup, potatoes, vegetables, stewed prunes, and apple sauce.

How to Keep Well. A child 1-year-old will get on very well with three meals a day. For breakfast give cereal, toast, fruit sauce and eight ounces of milk. For dinner, potato or rice, vegetable, toast and broth.

Farmer Has Not Struck

(From the Burlington Hawkeye)

Do you remember the talk of a "farmers' strike" last fall? The farmers were going to stop producing food because they were not paid enough for it to cover the cost and give them a decent profit.

Need More Starch, Sugar. Eat a half dozen crackers dry while still in bed. Eat cereal cracked between breakfast and lunch, between lunch and supper, and at bedtime. Keep your system supplied with ample starch and sugar.

Blaud's Iron Tablets. S. L. writes: "Can you tell me whether or not Blaud's iron tablets, taken regularly, will remedy the condition of irregular and sometimes continual menstruation?"

Not Serious Case. F. C. H. writes: "Will you please tell me the cause of the temperature of a man 61 years old remaining almost constantly below normal and often 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 degrees sub?"

It is of no significance in all probability. When the thermometer is placed under the tongue it frequently registers low. Low temperature and low blood pressure sometimes go together. But even a low blood pressure in a man 61 is more of an asset than a liability.

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Conant Hotel Company OMAHA HOTELS. Includes photos of Hotel Sanford and Hotel Henshaw.

A. Hospe Co. The Art and Music Store. Includes text: "I feel that if I have made the slightest impression on the public by my playing, said a world-famous composer..."

What "ROYAL" Week Means to every home. It means a new era of better baking, more wholesome baking, more economical baking — and this means Royal Baking Powder. Includes recipe for Strawberry Pie and text: "ROYAL contains no alum — leaves no bitter taste"