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REAPING A PROFIT.

That this country is beginning to reap some advantage from the European war is evidenced by the establishment between the United States, on the one hand, and Argentina and Brazil, on the other, of a direct exchange of financial credits.

By the exchange of credits American importers doing business with the Argentine and Brazil will be able to pay cash for their purchases without having the business done through London.

It means, according to one enthusiastic commentator, that the dollar and not the pound sterling will be hereafter the basis of South American exchange.

CONCEALING THE HORROR OF WAR.

The elimination of the war correspondent may have other effect than simply to rob the world of the opportunity to follow the great European conflict with intelligent appreciation of the strategy in progress.

It also eliminates pen pictures of the horrors of war, the shocking mutilation of men, the destruction of homes, the havoc wrought upon the face of the earth.

If concealment of the cost of a war that will "stagger humanity" serves to any serious extent to minimize the abhorrence and the dismay with which countries not engaged in the conflict or with which non-combatants in nations actually at war view it, we may well ask if the price is not too great for the doubtful security secured.

It was newspaper correspondence that was responsible for Florence Nightingale's splendid work in the Crimean war, and the institution of a hospital service that has done so much since to mitigate the sufferings at the front.

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civilized nations have bound themselves in agreement not to employ such practices. Germany is a party to that agreement. It is quite beyond understanding that she should now revert to the ways of the half-civilized world of Alva and Frederick the Great.

It is quite possible that Germany may now be able to extract this immense indemnity from Brussels, as the price of saving the beautiful city. But it is very certain that the inauguration of such a policy will mean that the allies will be more determinedly fought to the bitter end.

Such performances as this are calculated to alienate whatever of moral sympathy and support may be enjoyed by the German cause. The violation of Belgian neutrality at the very outset of the war left a bad enough impression.

Whether it is any part of the United States' duty at this time to convey protests to the Berlin government against such a course, it is manifest that some neutral power ought to make itself the voice of civilized sentiment, and there seems to be none other big enough to command respect, and not already engaged in the war.

GERMAN DELAY COSTLY

The three weeks which Germany has lost in attempting the Belgian flank movement, expected to take perhaps three days, are beginning to threaten dire danger to the Kaiser's whirlwind. He has not swept like a whirlwind into France from the north before the Czar could begin to press him with vast forces along the Russian boundary far to the east.

Every day that he spends working toward Antwerp weakens his extending lines in that territory, enables the French and English to mass their growing forces there in the west of the Continent and draws the Russian hosts further toward or within the Prussian border in the east.

Evidently the best thing that could have come to the Kaiser in the last several days would have been a great battle, before the French and English allies were ready for him on one side of Europe and before the Russians could roll down upon him from the other.

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Emperor raised to the rank of count the baron who, as foreign minister, had snubbed Italy, had inflamed Russia's enmity through his treacherously sudden annexation of Bosnia-Herzegovina, had awakened England's scorn by his duplicity in the same connection and had failed in his efforts to win French confidence enough to secure a French loan.

The cycle once more completed may well bring heaviness to Francis Joseph's heart as he reflects upon his country's lost peace, lost prestige, and possibly lost political integrity.

THE CITY'S PLAY-GROUNDS.

One of the most popular features of Potomac Park, as far as the Washington public is concerned, is the long array of tennis courts, which afford a playground for men and women who need relaxation from their daily labors.

There are ten of the courts in the park, just south of B street and west of Seventeenth street. They are in great demand. Nine more are building, and by next spring there will be nineteen courts, as good as can be found, and all for the public use.

But—and this is a significant but—these tennis courts, like so many other valuable features of Potomac Park, are conveniently available only to those fortunate classes who own automobiles or other vehicles. This particular class of our citizenry is the group that can and does support country clubs and other outdoor clubs. They can easily afford their club for play purposes.

On the other hand, the majority of men and women who work in offices and shops, and who cannot afford their expensive club, are far removed from this playground. They must walk the great distance from the nearest car line, in reaching the courts and in returning. To most of them this long walk is too great a tax for them to avail themselves of this healthful play opportunity.

It would seem that this affords another excellent reason why there should be some cheap and readily available means of transportation to these two great parks.

Then, too, in Montrose Park, in Georgetown, bordering a great residential section, the oldest in the city, the office of Public Buildings and Grounds has installed a tennis court for the use of the public. The popularity of this court is overwhelming.

Any attaché of the office or employe of the park will tell you that this court is going from daylight until dark every day. It is always crowded. It is handy to all the residents of upper Georgetown, but there is only one court, and comparatively few can play. Another, or better still, others are needed. A census of visitors to the park will show that of all who enter its beautiful confines a majority go there to play tennis. Those who play are considerate. There are few permittees who, having a right to the court for a given hour, will not voluntarily give way to others. It has come to be a common practice that the players there play a set or two and then rest to give others a chance, regardless of permits, taking turn about and giving all slight opportunity.

No provision is being made at this time for another court, or courts, in Montrose Park. That there is room for others cannot be gained, but the general plan as laid out, did not contemplate a big playground. Wouldn't it be reasonable under the circumstances to change the plan?

Mails Bring Bomb to State Food Inspector. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Aug. 22.—A giant powder bomb was received through the mails by William J. Mickel, deputy state food inspector, who has been active recently in prosecutions at Muskegon and Manatee. Mr. Mickel noticed what appeared to be grains of powder in a partly broken corner of the package and soaked it in water. He carefully cut open the wrappings and found that the cover of the box was arranged so that upon opening matches would ignite, causing an explosion. The bomb was turned over to United States postal inspectors.

Concert Today. By the United States Marine Band, at the White House, 5 p. m. WILLIAM H. SANTELMANN, Leader.

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Activities of Society

By JEAN ELIOT. THE AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA AND MRS. GEORGE T. MARYE, who have been for some time at White Sulphur Springs, are spending a few days at Atlantic City, and will return to Washington early next week.

The minister from Switzerland, Dr. Ritter, is in New York for a few days, but is expected back next week.

Glen Stewart, second secretary of the American legation in China, is visiting in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward K. Rowland, of Philadelphia, are entertaining a house party at their country home at Radnor, Pa. The Ambassador from Austria-Hungary, Dr. Dumba; Senor R. de Torres, who was chargé d'affaires of the Mexican embassy in Washington and Miss Laura Chanler, of New York, are among their guests.

Dr. Dumba has closed the summer embassy at Manchester-by-the-Sea and will return to Washington early next week.

The Vice President and Mrs. Marshall were among the guests at a dinner given last evening at the Country Club, by Congressman and Mrs. Peter Goetz Gerry. The additional guests were the Spanish Ambassador and Madame Riano, Mr. and Mrs. Gist Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. McLean and Preston Gibson. The dinner was followed by dancing.

Mrs. Gerry has recently joined Congressman Gerry at their Washington home, after spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Richard Townsend, at Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Crome left recently for Columbia, Tenn., to visit Mr. Crome's mother, after which they will spend a few days in Cincinnati, Ohio, with Mrs. Crome's relatives.

Mrs. F. D. Carter and her daughter, Mrs. Mae E. Bennett, are convalescing, after a two weeks' illness at their home, 2113 Newton street, Mt. Rainier, Md.

Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt, who has been at the New York Hospital for the last two weeks, suffering from a slight attack of typhoid fever, is now convalescing, and was yesterday removed to Sagamore Hill, the home of her father-in-law, Col. Theodore Roosevelt, at Oyster Bay.

Mrs. H. Frank Moore entertained several tables of bridge on the veranda of the Washington Country Club yesterday afternoon.

Lieut. Julian P. Wilcox, who has been visiting in Washington, has returned to the navy yard at Charleston, S. C., where he has been stationed for about six months.

Mrs. George A. Armes will go to Newport to attend the Congressional Union conference to be held on August 29 and 30. An interesting program has been arranged and suffragists from all over the country will attend to assist in planning the autumn campaign. Miss Julia Nichol, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Nichol, of Alexandria and Annapolis, is visiting Mrs. Armes and will make the trip to Newport with her.

Admiral and Mrs. Dewey entertained at luncheon yesterday at the Oriental Hotel, Manhattan Beach, where they are spending the summer. During the annual carnival to be given at Manhattan Beach on September 5, Admiral and Mrs. Dewey will entertain a party.

Mrs. R. K. Hawksworth will direct the program of a small and select dinner to be given at Newport on Thursday, August 27, at Bellevue Lodge. Among the patronesses from Washington are Mrs. H. H. George, Mrs. George Pennington, Mrs. Walter Scott Andrews, Mrs. Edward Beale McLean, and Miss Maude Wetmore.

Several dinner invitations await Messrs. Brooks and Wilding, the Australasian lawn tennis players who are expected in New York tomorrow.

Among the recent arrivals at Bar Harbor are Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Glover, of Washington.

Nathan Straus has as his guest on his yacht Siellina II, Gen. Nelson A. Miles, who recently celebrated his seventy-fifth anniversary. They are at present cruising in Long Island Sound.

Among those who arrived in motors and are registered at the New Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, are C. D. Langhorne and David Dunlop, of Washington.

Mrs. John R. Williams has returned from New York, where she spent several days, and is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Ormsby McCammon, at Chevy Chase.

Colonel Williams and his daughter, Mrs. William F. McCormack, are en route for Panama City to join Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leiter.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Pennington, of New York city, are in Washington visiting friends. While here they are at Hotel Powhatan.

P. E. O. Society, Founded by Seven Girls, Now Numbers 16,000 Members

Washington Chapter Finds Time to Add Social and Community Welfare Work to Literary Study.

Starting as College Sorority, Scope Has Been Broadened Until All Deemed Worthy May Be Admitted.

Neatly half a century ago seven girls of a Western college formed a secret society which was destined to become a nation-wide organization with more than 16,000 members. That organization is the P. E. O.

A flourishing chapter of the P. E. O. is Chapter B, of Washington, which has found time for much community welfare work in addition to the pursuit of literary studies, which is the main purpose of the organization.

Out of this chapter grew the Day Nursery and Dispensary Association, and the Federation of Women's Clubs has found the chapter a valuable ally in many reforms it has undertaken.

By J. R. HILDEBRAND. The P. E. O. is a secret society with but one secret. That is the meaning of the initials by which the organization is known. These letters, worn on a star-shaped pin, are said to comprise the highest ideals of womanhood. The five points of the star represent the virtues of faith, love, purity, justice, and truth.

AMERICANS GUARD POWERS' INTERESTS. This Country Represents Warring Nations in Every Quarter of Globe.

Throughout most of Europe and much of Asia and Africa, the United States today is looking after the interests of European powers now at war. The State Department register shows that the United States represents Germany in Russia, Belgium, France, Great Britain, Serbia, Nice, Vancouver, Calcutta, Saigon, Cape Town, Hongkong, Singapore, Ceylon, Aden, Madras and Rangoon.

Austrian interests are in the hands of the United States in Belgium, France, Russia, England, Canada, Ceylon and Cape Town.

For Great Britain the United States is acting in Austria, Apsia in Berlin, Macao, in Santo Domingo and is looking after Canadian interests in Germany and Austria.

The United States is representing France only where Spain cannot assume charge. So far only the French embassies in Vienna and Berlin have been turned over to the American diplomats.

Spain is representing Russia throughout Germany. Through a general order to the diplomatic and consular service of the United States, on August 6, Secretary Bryan said that this Government would look after the interests of the belligerents wherever requested, because requests are coming in almost daily and the list is being enlarged constantly.

U. S. Forces Dominican Factious to Stop War. Peace has been established in the Dominican republic, according to advices received at the State Department.

The special commission sent to the island by President Wilson has succeeded in having both factions in the little republic agree on plans by which it is hoped permanent pacification of the island will be established.

The United States commission, headed by Gen. John E. Fox, of New Jersey, Charles Smith, of Pennsylvania, N. H., and Minister Sullivan, gave the war a half day's respite. A regiment of marines was en route when the peace commission submitted its report.

A Provisional President, who is believed to be named to succeed President Borden.

Two Rich Prizes Seized Off Brazilian Coast. The German steamer Santa Katharina was captured by the British cruiser Glasgow, and the British steamer Dresden was sunk by the German cruiser Albatross, according to dispatches received from Rio Janeiro, Brazil.



MRS. FRANK FULLER, MRS. E. ZANE PYLES, MRS. WILLIAM E. ANDREWS.

eration of Women's Clubs. Members of this chapter believe that their ideals find concrete expression in the broad work undertaken by the Federation.

The national society, now 16,000 strong, was the outgrowth of an alliance formed by seven girls of the University of St. Pleasant, Iowa, in 1868. Though one of these young women was but sixteen years old, and all of them were young, the constitution they wrote and the obligations they outlined still are followed by the hundreds of chapters of the order.

Began As College Sorority. For a while the society corresponded to the sororities existing in many colleges. But in the sixties, when fraternities and sororities alike adopted the Greek letter designations, the P. E. O. retained its English initials and decided to broaden its scope of membership to include everyone considered worthy to take the obligation. Membership is by invitation only.

Chapter B, the second to be organized in Washington, was formed at the home of Mrs. William An-

draws in 1901. In 1905 it joined the federation. Since its inception the chapter has had but four presidents—Mrs. Marie W. Hodgkins, Mrs. W. E. Andrews, Mrs. Margaret C. Buell and Mrs. Frank Fuller.

Though the chapter has done a broad philanthropic and reform work, it is primarily a literary society, and it has continued its study in conjunction with its other activities. Members began the study of Shakespeare in the first year of the chapter's formation. Then a two-year course of American history was completed and that subject was found so interesting that three years more was spent in studying the history of this country. Then the members spent a season in writing book reviews. Last year the municipal art of Washington was taken up, and next year the "Women of the Bible" will be the topic.

Founded Day Nursery. One of the chapter's most worthy achievements along social welfare lines is the day nursery and dispensary which it founded, and for which it was responsible until the Day Nursery and Dispensary Association was formed four years ago. Mrs. Andrews, president of Chapter

B when this work was undertaken, now is president of the association. The chapter still furnishes the noon-day luncheon.

Mrs. Andrews has been a vice president of the national organization, and frequently has represented her chapter as a delegate at the national convention of the P. E. O. One activity of the national body in which Chapter B was vitally interested was the setting aside of a fund, left over from P. E. O. day at the St. Louis exposition, for the education of girls who needed financial aid. Since that time forty girls have been kept in school from one to four years with the help of this fund.

In all federation movements Chapter B has taken an active part. It worked with other club women for the betterment of conditions in Washington alleys, and it was directly interested in the movement to lower the steps on Washington street cars.

Present officers of the chapter: Mrs. Frank Fuller, president; Mrs. Eva Lynch, vice president; Mrs. Helen Orton, recording secretary; Mrs. William E. Andrews, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Edith Zane Pyles, treasurer; and Mrs. Maude Emyer, journalist; Mrs. Lynch also is delegate to the federation.

THE SILVER LINING. EDITED BY ARTHUR BAER. In spite of Luther Burbank, the smelt refuses to secede from the onion.

Beyond the Alps lies Italy, but the correspondent doesn't confine his Munichian proclivities to such a confined area.

THE OLDEST INHAB SEZ. "Commissioners have certainly kept th' streets clear o' ice an' snow this summer."

AUSTRIAN WARSHIP BLOWN UP, REPORT. PARIS, Aug. 22.—The war office, in an official statement just issued, says: "It is reliably reported that the Austrian battleship Zrinyi was blown up during the bombardment of Antivari."

Consumer Urged to Pay Cost to Get Clean Milk. Urging a demand by consumers for clean milk, the Department of Agriculture defends higher milk prices, and declares that the consumer should be willing to pay increased production costs for cleanliness and health safeguards.

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Rumor German Cavalry Has Occupied Ostend. LONDON, Aug. 22.—News agency dispatches say that German cavalry reached the outskirts of Ostend today and has occupied that seaport town.

Allies Shun Baltic Sea. LONDON, Aug. 22.—Dispatches from Berlin received at Amsterdam say that repeated reconnoitering by the German navy as far north as the Finnish gulf have found the Baltic to be free of all hostile ships.

Powerful have requested us to respect the neutrality of Belgium when the deers hunting season opens here.

Slater would take lot more interest in war news if it was only set to fish-walk music.

Well—as Marie Antoinette remarked, "If you can't get bread, eat cake." If beefsteak is beyond your financial reach, tenderloin.

Army-Navy game will not be played here this fall. Football enthusiasts could cable abroad and get capable substitutes.

Despite high prices of cats, misguided merry-makers still insist on burling rich at happy young couples instead of presenting it to them in a neat little package.

With the foreign supply of aniline dyes cut off, we soon will be unable to tell one kind of ice cream from another.

Swiss Troops Set Guard in Tunnel. How the mobilization of troops in the countries of Europe impeded traffic on the railroads is told in an interesting letter received in Washington today by Mrs. A. P. Clark, Jr., from her daughter, Miss Marguerite Clark, now in Italy.

Written on August 2, at Domo d'Ossola, Italy, Miss Clark's letter, in part, says: "We started at 10:30 o'clock this morning on a three-hour journey from Interlaken to Barenno, and now at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon we are only as far as Domo d'Ossola, just over the Italian frontier."

Switzerland is much disturbed. All the men have been called for jacket duty, and our consierge and hotelier will leave tomorrow. Hotels are closing and it is difficult to catch checks, Venise out of our trip, as it is if the main line, and near Austria, and we might have difficulty in leaving.

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WAR RISK INSURANCE IS HELD UP BY MANN. Forces Meeting of Rules Committee, Which May Embarrass Democrats.

The failure to get unanimous consent for the consideration of the war risk insurance bill in the House today may force a meeting of the Rules Committee, which has not convened for two months because of its desire to dodge the woman's suffrage and prohibition issues at this session of Congress.

The Administration bill to establish a system of war risk insurance under the auspices of the Government, is an emergency measure, and Congressman Adamson asked to day for its immediate consideration.

The Georgia Congressman endeavored to take from the Speaker's table the bill which passed the Senate yesterday and to substitute the House bill, which is identical as to language. Minority Leader Mann entered an objection, and asserted that the bill was not a bill for the war risk bill await its turn on the calendar.

Confronted with an indefinite delay, as the bill may not be reached for several weeks under the calendar call, Mr. Adamson and other House leaders began to get impatient.

House leaders were in consultation this afternoon regarding the best means of getting up the war risk bill which the President and Secretary of the Treasury McCadoe desire to have passed without delay.

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Fired Upon by Citizens, Germans Burn Tongres. ROTTERDAM, Aug. 22.—Bearing citizens from the concealment of their homes fired on German Uhlans, the town of Tongres was burned. All of the inhabitants were compelled to march out of their homes and proceed for nearly two miles along the road with their hands extended over their heads. They finally took refuge beside the Dutch frontier.