

THE TRIBUNE

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LOCAL WEATHER BULLETIN.

For the 24 hours ending at 12 noon, December 16, 1916: Temperature at 7 a. m. 32

For Bismarck vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday; colder tonight.

Temperature: Calgary 14, Chicago 6, Galveston 38

COMMERCIAL CLUB.

It is a wise plan to dispense with the social activities of the Commercial club and concentrate all efforts toward movements for the welfare of the city.

When the new board and officers are elected, special attention should be given to a thorough reorganization of the club.

There is much to commend in the work of last year. The Commercial club initiated several projects that have been beneficial to the city.

As a sort of civic incubator, an active commercial club is indispensable to the city. Every effort should be put forth to place the club on a better footing.

The most important work ahead of the club now is to see that Bismarck secures proper freight rates so that it can develop more rapidly as a distributing center.

His services would save shippers of the city considerable sums each year in addition to developing Bismarck as a jobbing center, and check any injurious discrepancies in rates.

The railroads are always ready to correct rates that seem to discriminate, but it is essential to have a man on the job constantly working these tariffs out.

PEACE AND BUSINESS.

American business could hardly have been more panicky had Germany declared war on United States instead of merely enlisting her services as a peace advocate.

The sea-sawing, the tottering and the frantic efforts of speculators to soothe and calm the market, merely serves notice that after all we are living in a fool's paradise and the day of reckoning will surely come.

The Wall Street Journal sees no legitimate basis for the market's attack of nervous prostration. There probably is none, so far as peace is concerned, but the inflation that has been going on during the last two years is bound to suffer under the slightest pressure, real or fancied.

While most people pray and hope for an early and lasting peace, yet in their hearts few believe that such a consummation is possible. Despite the bad breaks in the wheat pit and the slump in the war bread, our railroad terminals are choked with freight. There is a congestion at the seaboard unparalleled in the commercial life of the nation.

But what really happened was this: The American people are more or less convinced that the exceptional prosperity of United States is dependent upon the human slaughter in Europe.

Peace probably will bring greater demands from industrial America than war has. There will be a severe period of readjustment, of course, after the war, but ultimate good is bound to come and the United States

will be the most important factor in the reconstruction of Europe.

England's answer so far to Germany's peace proposals has been a call for \$10,000,000,000 of new credit and 1,000,000 more men for the west front.

Developments on the stock curb and in the wheat pit are as liable to be as spectacular after Lloyd George speaks in the House of Commons next Tuesday as they were depressing when Hollweg gave his famous peace talk this week before the Reichstag.

Unless England is disposed to enter peace deliberations, the war brides will be restored to favoritism and wheat will recover and add new lustre to its value.

Wheat, whether there is peace or not, is bound to regain losses. The supply is known and the demand is apparent. Trained economists know the price fixing propensities of old Supply and Demand.

The world must eat, whether it fights or not.

WHY HESITATE?

Resolutions that are not worth making now, are not worth making simply because a New Year is about to start. If you've got to wait for some special occasion to turn over a couple of new leaves of your life book, those leaves are right liable to blow back again when the occasion dies out.

If you would become an abstainer from booze, smokes or cuss words, abstain when the idea first hits you. Do it while the abstaining is good. Then, if you find it does not agree with you, when New Years comes you can "swear" yourself back to the "old stuff" again. And you're pretty sure of keeping that resolution, after you have tried it both ways.

The majority of resolutions made as the church bells start merrymaking on a wild revel New Years eve, are bunk with a large B. It is easy to resolve, and a blamed sight easier to forget.

If you have anything in mind that is worth doing to make this little old world a better place for you to live in, and for everybody in general to live in. DO IT NOW!

Oftentimes, he who hesitates is lost.

EASY TO FORGET.

"The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the son of man hath not where to lay his head."—Matt. 8:20.

This is a Bible verse which almost anyone can repeat. There is a personal reaction to the words, "hath not where to lay his head," which makes them not to be forgotten.

They express what is most forlorn in human experience. What dread is so terrible as that of being without shelter? If a friend's house burns down, we hurry to offer help and sympathy. If a city is stricken we raise funds for the homeless, as in the San Francisco fire.

But when a nation's population is driven from the shelter of its homes, when the women, children and old men of a hundred towns have no where to lay their heads, we accept the horror because "This is war."

We can measure war economically by its cost in money; we can value it scientifically by its marvelous instruments of destruction; we can compute it potentially by the size of its armies and navies; but we can never estimate it humanely because we have no gauge for human pain.

We know what misery would mean to us if we were set adrift on the face of the earth in Christmas weather, but we cannot imagine the agonies of a people whose homes are in the line of advance of some "tremendous offensive."

Yet there is a sad toll of little nations which have been martyrs in the strife of the great powers: Belgium, Poland, Serbia, Armenia, Montenegro and now Rumania. It is not possible to estimate the total of the refugees, exiles, orphans and outcasts which this war has made, the great hosts of derelicts who have no where to lay their heads.

We think of projectiles, shells, grenades, liquid fire, shrapnel, bayonets, pistols and knives as the munitions of war. But war has other weapons—cold, famine, disease and death for non-combatants when they are homeless. It is not only the soldiers who count in war's losses. Any war is a war on the helpless as well as the strong, on babes as well as men.

And for every shout of those who rejoice over victory there rises the wailing of cold and hungry children in the land which has suffered defeat.

Soldiers as individuals are not necessarily responsible for the robbing, burning and murdering of innocent victims; any army in action is in itself an instrument of atrocity; like a plague of locusts, it sweeps a green country brown as it passes.

Even the foxes which have their dens and the birds of the air which have their nests are more fortunate than the helpless civilians of a vanquished land.

In the gayety of the most cogit Christmas known in the world—as is this of 1916 in the United States—it is easy to forget that the earth is crowded with grief-worn wanderers. In truth the horrors of the great war have passed far beyond human comprehension, but that is no good reason for falling to understand as such as one may.

GERMANY'S PEACE PLEA ONLY A TRUCE

(Continued from Page One) and the Atlantic port she wants so much. She could annex Switzerland and get the world's greatest water powers. With these alone she could override all commercial competition around the globe and be borne up to inconceivable wealth and power.

Still, it was a master mind that made this move at this time. We have got to hand it to the Kaiser. This was his devising and nobody's else. He has shown at other times a knowledge of the mental operations of other nations that seemed uncanny. But this beats them all.

The Allies will have to refuse the terms and the war will go on, with every speech in the reichstag beginning with: "We offered to make peace but our enemies were wickedly determined to prolong the horrors of war."

Instead of peace you will probably see more determined fighting, greater activity, greater expenditures, greater taxes.

There is now nothing on which the fight can be called off. Nothing has been decided so far except the tremendous advantages of a nation that carefully presses forward and the handicap of a nation that trusts to peace and popguns.

In the very nature of things the unparalleled sacrifices of so many peoples cannot be turned off that way. In this world of ours war isn't like a scenic waterfall in a playhouse that you can turn on and off as you like. When you turn it on, something has to be settled before you can turn it off.

GRAIN MARKETS

DULUTH: December 168, May 170 1/2, July 166 1/2

MINNEAPOLIS: No. 1 Hard 170 1/2 @ 175 1/2, No. 1 Northern 167 1/2 @ 170 1/2

ST. PAUL: Cattle—Receipts, 400. Steers, \$4.50 to \$7.00; cows and heifers, \$4.85 to \$7.00; calves, \$5.00 to \$11.25.

NETS 824 RABBITS: Amidon, N. D., Dec. 15. Champion rabbit hunters of Midway, this county, shot 824 rabbits in a 12-hour drive.

MINER CAUGHT IN CAVE-IN: Mineral Springs, N. D., Dec. 16. Caught in a cave-in of a lignite coal mine near here, J. H. Thompkins was so seriously crushed he may die.

THE DRINKING OF WATER

(By M. C. Lucas, M. D.) The general conclusions of the latest medical scientists prove that drinking of plenty of pure water both between meals and with one's meals is beneficial to health. It has also been proven by means of the X-rays and actual tests upon many healthy young men that the drinking of water with meals is not harmful to digestion.

Those suffering from a catarrhal condition of the stomach will find benefit in adding about 10 grains (one-sixth of a level teaspoonful) of baking-soda to a pint of hot water, drinking it a half hour before each meal. Such as are inclined to hyper-acidity should drink a pint of medium cold water, two hours after meals.

Those suffering from headache, lumbago, rheumatism or any of the symptoms of kidney trouble—such as deep colored urine, sediment in urine, getting out of bed at night frequently and other troublesome effects, take a pint of hot water and a little Anuric before meals. These Anuric tablets can be obtained at almost any drug store and were first discovered by Dr. Pierce.

American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and often the poison reaches the tissues, causing rheumatism and gout.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead, when your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night, when you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, ask your druggist for Anuric. I have found in practice that Anuric is more potent than lithia and in most cases it will dissolve the uric acid as hot water does sugar.

BULGARIAN CITY IS BOMBARDED

Petrograd, Dec. 13.—Official dispatches here from the war office report the successful bombardment of Eakchik, despite the enemy's attack of shore batteries. Zeppelins and submarines attacking were unharmed. The bombardment was with the view of destroying mills supplying Bulgarians with flour.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room; 802 Ave. B. Phone 528. FOR RENT—Modern furnished room; 507 Fourth St. 12-16-17

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To The Public Having leased the Northwest Hotel, corner Fifth and Main, opposite the McKenzie Hotel, I desire to announce to the public that the house will be placed in first-class condition and be ready to receive guests by January 1, 1917.

AFFECTION OF DEFENDANT FOR BIRD PICTURED Judge Ellsworth Paints Word Picture of Part Little Prairie Chicken Plays

SEVERAL IOWA BATTERY MEN INJURED IN WRECK Grapeland, Texas, Dec. 16.—Several members of Battery A, Iowa first field artillery, were injured when a broken rail on the International Great Northern railway caused two Pullman cars to leave the track this afternoon.

DIFFERENCE OF ONE VOTE; LOW MAN FILES CONTEST Hoping that a recount may overcome a difference of one vote in favor of his opponent, Lorenzo Joss, defeated at the general election for a place on the Mercer county board by Commissioner Stoebling, has filed contest proceedings. Stoebling's vote was 225, and Joss's, 224.

Have You Tried Our Work on Collars and Shirts? If Not, Then Do So at Once We Can Satisfy You PHONE 684 Let us care for your family washing during the holiday season—either rough dry or finished Capital Steam Laundry 311 Front Street

UNDERGOES X-RAY. G. J. Keenan, register of deeds, underwent an X-ray examination at the Bismarck hospital yesterday. Mr. Keenan has been confined to his home by illness for over a week. His condition is not thought to be serious.

Wear-u-well FACTORY PRICE SHOES SAVE A DOLLAR TWO

OVER 1500 FACTORY BRANCHES "A Perfect Cushion Shoe" —Sector Foot. FREISE & SON 219 Fourth Street