

KAISER'S FORTUNE DWINDLES \$20000000

Wilhelm Supposed to Have Had Largest Income in Empire; Third in Wealth.

Paris, Aug. 17.—A report that the Kaiser's private fortune has been diminished by \$20,000,000 since the war began has led to discussion as to his wealth.

When the war contribution was levied in Germany a few years ago the Kaiser was placed first in his empire as having the greatest income, \$5,625,000 a year, but third as regards the amount of fortune, ranking after Madame Bertha Krupp von Bohlen with \$56,600,000 and an income of \$3,200,000, and Prince Henckel von Donnersmarch, \$50,000,000, and an income of \$2,000,000.

According to this official return, the Kaiser's visible income was composed of his civil list, \$4,375,000; rents and products of crown forests, \$875,000, and interest on the crown treasury, \$375,000. His visible assets were entered as, real estate, crown forests, etc., \$17,500,000; building property, \$10,000,000; property and land in Berlin, \$4,500,000, totaling \$32,000,000.

1. The crown treasury formed after Jena by Frederick William III., of \$3,750,000 (half of which was not to be touched except under stress of a severe crisis) and increased by William I. by \$1,200,000, taken from the war indemnity paid by France in 1871.

2. His share of the personal wealth left by William I., the total of which was \$20,000,000.

3. An unknown sum representing investments made since he came to the throne.

The amount these investments represent is not exactly known, but he is a heavy holder in the Hamburg-American line, the Reichbank and above all in Krupp's. His name does not figure on the official lists of shareholders in these companies, but the shares there given as belonging to M. Muller and afterward to M. Grimm, administrator of the Emperor's private purse, are generally credited to being the Kaiser's property.

LINCOLN'S OLD BODYGUARD. Union Light Guard Will Hold Reunion at Coming G. A. R. Encampment.

Washington, Aug. 17.—A reunion of the Union Light Guard, which was the bodyguard of President Lincoln for two years during the Civil War, is planned in Washington during the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic Sept. 27 to Oct. 2.

While conversing with Secretary of War Stanton in 1862, the governor of Ohio offered to obtain a bodyguard for President Lincoln. Secretary Stanton gave asked for a picked man from each county in Ohio, but did not say what the service was to be.

Each man thought he was going to the front, or to lead a "forlorn hope," that he gave his life when he enlisted, and that it was accepted as a sacrifice to his country.

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dent, and they served as such until after the war closed. They were quartered on the south end of the treasury, and some of them were on guard every hour, two hours being the limit for each day and night, winter and summer. There were 80 men in the company, and nearly every county was represented. A few were slow in responding, and the deficiency was made up from other counties. They were mustered in at Columbus, Ohio, December 17, 1863, and their enlistment was for three years of the war.

MONTANA PROHIBITION TO BE FOUGHT BY UNIONS

Great Falls, Mont., Aug. 17.—Members of unions employed in breweries, saloons, hotels and restaurants in Montana, it was announced, have assessed themselves twenty-five cents monthly for a fund to fight prohibition in Montana. The assessment will be collected until November, 1916, when the people are to vote on prohibition.

PACIFIC COAST HAS JAPANESE VILLAGE

Genuine Bit of Old Japan Has Come to Be One of the Show Places of the West.

Los Angeles, Aug. 17.—Old Japan, colorful, quaint and primitive, already has invaded the United States, although not through force of arms as has been prophesied by alarmists. So quietly did the little brown men and their women transplant themselves that their presence is unknown to hundreds of thousands who live within a score of miles of their tiny city.

The invasion began about five years ago, when a few hardy fishermen sought a protected cove on the Pacific coast near Los Angeles, where sea food was plentiful and where their lives might be lived according to the traditions of their race, free from contact with other nationalities. The few huts on the beach have developed into a thriving fishing village, but the place has not lost its original identity. Only those were added to the population who favored life as it is lived in their native land, untrammelled by the customs and dress of the Occident.

Discovered by Film People. The moving picture companies that have plants in and around Los Angeles were among the first to discover the possibilities of the village.

Quickly Saw Money in It. Meanwhile the humble fishermen began to perceive that there might be money in it. A hotel and restaurant, serving Japanese dishes, was established, and also a tea house.

Under Suspicion. When Japan entered the lists against Germany and there were fears expressed that she was planning an invasion of the west coast of the United States, there were rumors that instead of being the humble folk they appeared, the inhabitants of the Japanese village were soldiers and sailors of the Mikado detailed to prepare a landing place in case of war. One story was that 10,000 rifles had been smuggled into California in the fishing craft. There is deep water in the harbor and it is not far from the ports of Northern Mexico, where, it was said, a Japanese military base was maintained.

Meanwhile the little fishing village, known as Port Los Angeles before San Pedro became a part of the city, provides entertainment for curious tourists who are aware that this bit of transplanted Japan is ever under the watchful eyes of coast guards.

The entry lists for the National Lawn Tennis championships close on Friday and the announcement of the players who will compete for the respective titles at Forest Hills, L. I., two weeks from tomorrow is being awaited with interest by all followers of the court game. Notwithstanding the entry restrictions imposed by the U. S. N. L. T. A., this season, it is thought, that the field will be larger than any of the lists received for the Newport tournaments of recent years.

It is significant that in the matter of tempering steel we are no further advanced than our ancestors of some 5,000 years ago.

CHINA WILL PLAN NATIONAL DEFENSE

Conscription for the Army One of the Measures to Be Considered by the Parliament.

New York, Aug. 17.—An extensive program for national defense, including conscription for the army, will be laid before China's first parliament when it assembles in December, according to a forecast of the government's intended proposals, given out by the Far Eastern Bureau here. Plans are also to be submitted looking to the building of new railways, the colonization of frontiers, the reform of the taxation system, the development of mining and the establishment of a government labor bureau.

The proposals are subject, it is explained, to such changes as may be made necessary by events transpiring between now and the general elections in October. The general defense board, it is stated, is now in session with the leading officials of the army and the navy completing and correcting three bills for submission immediately after President Yuan Shi-Kai's statement to parliament as to the general condition of the nation.

Provides for Conscription. The second bill, it is said, provides for conscription. It is planned to commence conscription with the beginning of 1916. The general board has already taken steps to pave the way for this measure, which, it is expected, will be approved by the people, notwithstanding China's age-old peace-loving proclivities. Soldier-ship is described as being encouraged and extolled in all the public schools.

The third bill provides for the establishment of naval bases and coast and frontier fortification. The economic measures are being considered by the cabinet. President Yuan Shi-Kai will urge definite steps, it is stated, towards carrying out the trunk railway plans and the extension of branch railways for which the surveys have already been made, as well as light railways to link up important mining and other industries.

End Petty Tyranny. In reforming the taxation system, the government intends to make a strong effort, it is asserted, to end once and for all local and petty tyranny which is said to be fostered by the old Manchu unequal system of taxation, and to be largely responsible for the poverty of the people. The revision of the customs tariff is also to be strongly urged.

PEOPLE OF PARIS TO HONOR KING ALBERT. Paris, July 31.—Correspondence of the Associated Press.—The sword of honor to King Albert has been completed by the sculptor Petu. It will first be submitted to General Florentin, grand chancellor of the Legion of Honor, or then to Monsieur Poincare, president of the republic, after which it will be placed on view for a time at the exhibition of Belgian art at the Petit Palais.

"No thoroughfare," is the inscription upon the guard at the foot of the hilt in the form of a statuette in massive gold, representing a young athlete upon a pedestal. On the other side of the hilt the inscription, in Flemish type, the statuette represents the figure of a Belgian having posed for the figure. The guard is also of massive gold, bearing the arms of the city of Paris in blue and red enamel, with the cross of the legion of honor and the date "1914-tu nec moritur" and the date "1914-tu nec moritur". On the other side of the hilt, in golden letters upon blue enamel, is the inscription: "The people of Paris to his majesty Albert I., king of the Belgians." The inscription on this side is surmounted by a laurel wreath set with emeralds and rubies.

Sport Shirts Jar Allah's Anointed. New York, Aug. 17.—Sayid M. Wajih, descendant of Mohammed, assistant sheik ul Islam, and imperial Ottoman religious commissioner of the Philippines, arrived here today, clad in a red turban, a flowing silk robe and a Chicago mail order suit. In excellent English he assured ship news reporters he is here to prove the Moslems are not as black as they are painted.

An interesting view of the status of the British army at the front is contained in a letter from a university man serving in France, to the London Observer. "The battle of Neuve Chapelle found us here with a relatively enormous army, it resembled a physically perfect wrestler who didn't quite know how to wrestle. To tell him how was beyond the power of any man; that was an art that could only be learned by years of maneuvers on a colossal scale, like the

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SALESSEN NOW SAFE. Lassen volcano, California, spent most of its energy in its violent eruptions of last May, according to reports received by the forest service, and it is believed that there is little likelihood of further destructive outbreaks.

DROUGHT IN SOUTH AMERICA. The drought of several months in certain sections of this district has seriously affected business prospects. Several prominent farmers state that it has been the worst in their experience of over forty years.

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