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April 7, 1927, to E. J. Pratt, a son.

MARKET

Table with market prices for various goods like flour, sugar, and other commodities.

CHINESE SITUATION A GAME OF "BLUFF"

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unanimous in support of their nationals. Considerable bad feeling against foreigners in general was the result; and this had not altogether died out when incidents of the recent struggle between the Cantonese and the Northerners led to further cases of dispute, some loss of life on both sides, and a general revival of anti-foreign sentiment.

"At this time the Cantonese realized that nothing but a completely new deal could save them from annihilation by the re-united North. The cards already dealt by their seizure of Hankow required them to either throw up their hands and retire, or make a gigantic bluff. Why not come out boldly as the only real champions of Chinese freedom and make good their claim by attacking the foreigner and thrusting him into the sea? Thus only could public sentiment and the growing anti-foreign feeling be turned to their advantage, or their depleted ranks be filled with recruits. If the foreigners, scattered in far-flung stations, and dependent upon Chinese protection, would only kill a few patriots during the struggle to defend themselves, all the better! More fuel would be added to the hatred-of-foreigners fire; public opinion could more easily be inflamed, and the people would flock to the standards of the Nationalist armies.

"There was very little risk in the scheme, for long before foreigners could appear in force to succour their nationals, the repleted Cantonese armies could smash through the Northern bandit forces to full power in Peking. Then a gentle 'climb down', or evasive negotiations would placate the foreigners whose mutual jealousies could be relied upon to play into Chinese hands, and Canton would at last rule Peking!

"This gigantic bluff succeeded, but in the meantime the Cantonese had set a fashion: for Chang Tso Lin in the North, in order to placate his constituents and gain recruits, demanded the return of Tientsin and all other concessions. Chang's lieutenant at Shanghai, in order to retain his hold on his riches and keep his army in being, with one hand opposes the Cantonese, and with the other winks at incipient efforts at the seizure of the concession by the Chinese. This scramble for recruits under the cloak of despoiling the hated foreigner, is the real game. Really fighting the foreigner is the last thing intended by any of the groups. The fly in the ointment is that this whole fabric of bluff is built on a very dangerous reality: i.e. sincere anti-foreign sentiment.

"Popular passions in the hands of inexperienced or unscrupulous persons are always liable to produce disasters. Of course the British and other foreigners know this, and must take steps to protect their nationals at Shanghai, Britain, with most at stake, considers a couple of divisions sufficient for the purpose; the United States and Japan think a few marines and a lot of warships are required. It behooves all foreigners, whether governments or individuals, to clearly realize that whatever moves they may make in the crisis, they make purely as pawns in a purely CHINESE game of politics. The chaos is Chinese chaos, engineered by Chinese, and will be cured by Chinese; and nothing that the foreigner may do can help the situation. Foreigners need not be alarmed; they must, can, and will certainly be allowed to retain and protect their interests. They must, however, remain level headed, and not be confused by a mass of high sounding details as to exactly what sort of a game they are taking part in. It is a peculiarly Chinese game of revolution, that will probably last another fifty years. It is China's 'War of the Roses'. Foreign intervention will but aggravate the one feature dangerous to foreigners—anti-foreign sentiment. Remember THERE IS NO CHINA yet and won't be, until the Chinese, through seas of suffering and blood, have created a NEW CHINA.

"In the meantime, while the Chinese revolution is expensive, it is not unusual, and Britain and the other powers are probably bluffing too. Chen, in the south, has won the first hand on a four card flush, but so long as the foreigner keeps his poker face straight and doesn't take such bluffs too seriously, no great harm has been done. A few foreigners in the interior, (many of whom shouldn't be there at all) have suffered discontent, but trade will revive in spite of the continuous state of chaos. Let us all hope that one or other faction may soon become predominant.

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EX-KAISER LONGING FOR THAT DEAR BERLIN

It is too bad Germany has no Lloyds. It would be interesting to know what odds would be given against the return to the country of ex-Kaiser Wilhelm II before the end of the year, writes the Berlin correspondent for the New York Herald-Tribune. At the moment of writing it appears as if the so-called war lord has a good sporting chance of returning, not as a ruler, but as a private citizen, to dwell among his one-time subjects. This judgment is based on the halting and reserved speeches of Walter Von Kuehdell, new Minister of the Interior, made in the Reichstag last week, when estimates for his department came up for review. Von Kuehdell is a Nationalist Minister who backed the wrong horse in the Kappstuech in 1920 and nearly ruined his political career. But he has a charming personality, being an erstwhile dashing cavalry officer, plays the piano exceedingly well and is much sought after in Berlin aristocratic society. He has acquired the reputation in the Reichstag of talking much but saying little, which seems to indicate that he has the necessary requisites for a shining Parliamentary success.

The Law May Lapse.

Recently, for instance, he made four speeches in the Reichstag in as many days, and at the end the deputies knew no more about what he intended doing concerning the ex-Kaiser than they did when he first rose to speak. So they call Von Kuehdell nowadays the man "who says nothing." The Minister of the Interior made the Socialists and Democrats very angry because one law keeps the ex-Kaiser from returning to Germany and that law—the so-called law for the defense of the Republic—expires July 1. It was passed after the shooting of Walter Rathenau in 1922, which placed the Republic in jeopardy. The famous paragraph 23 is the law which provides that members of those families of which a relative up to November 1918, ruled in the German Federal State and who have taken up residence in a foreign land can be refused entry into the Reich by the German Government, or their residence restricted to a specific district or locality of the Reich in the event the re-entry is deemed inimical to the Republic. If the members of the former ruling German families violate this law they can be ejected by the German Government. This act was directed especially against the ex-Kaiser and the Crown Prince. The Crown Prince has been permitted since to return, largely through the efforts of Dr. Gustav Stresemann, the present Foreign Minister.

Behind the Scenes.

Several signs seem to indicate that behind the scenes negotiations are under way which would have as their object the undisturbed taking up by the ex-ruler of his residence in Germany. As early as last fall, when the ex-Kaiser had an attack of influenza, feelers were put out from Doorn that the Dutch climate did not agree with his health. Then came the Hohenzollern property agreement with Prussia to alarm the republicans with the ominous provision that if the ex-Kaiser returned to this country his castle and estate at Hamburg should be placed at his disposal. This so upset public opinion that the Marx Centre Government then in power adopted a resolution to the effect that the law for the defence of the Republic would be renewed before the date of its lapsing arrived. Since last Autumn the Marx Centre Government has given way to the Marx Right Government, in which monarchists and Nationalists are predominant partners.

Preparing the Palace

At present the old palace of Wilhelm I on Unter den Linden is being fixed up by the Kaiser's second wife, Princess Hermine, ostensibly for her own residence. Suspicion is rife that the ex-Kaiser himself means to enjoy the elaborate installations being placed in the Hohenzollern palace. Finally the enigmatic speeches last week of Von

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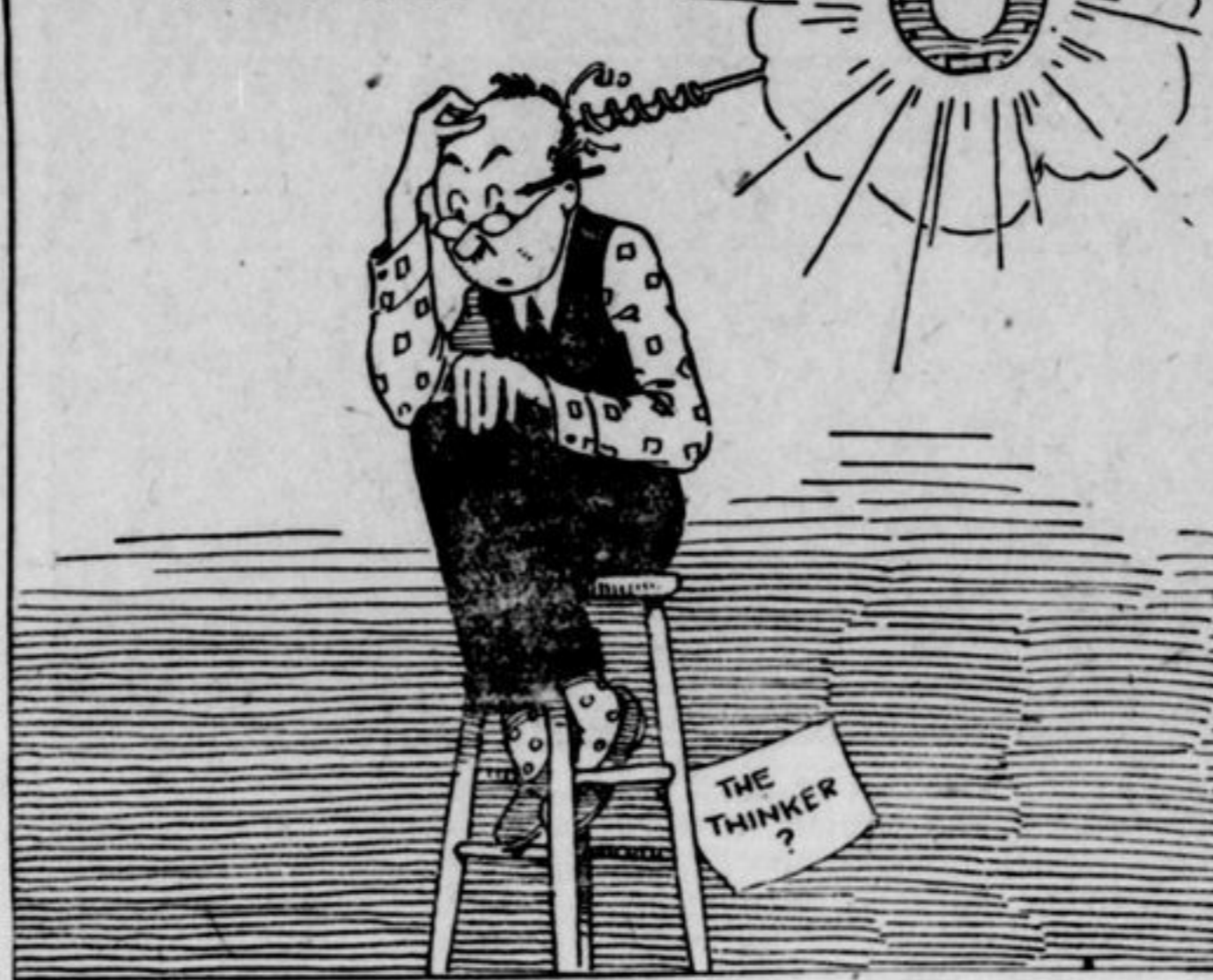
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Kuehdell show that either the present Cabinet at best has not definitely decided to exclude Wilhelm or that at worst it has made up its mind to permit his re-entry by quietly allowing the hindering law

to lapse. All that the Republicans could elicit from the Minister on the subject was that the question of the return of the ex-Kaiser was not "acute." The Republican Deputies of the Reichstag declared that

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though the return of the ex-Kaiser would not jeopardize peace it would menace civil order by providing a rallying point in the country for monarchist demonstrations and plots. The Republicans pointed to the wise example of France in refusing to allow Bourbon and Napoleonic pretenders to reside on French soil.

What Would Neighbors Say?

An important consideration that may deter the present Marx Cabinet from permitting the ex-Kaiser to come back to his country is the influence such tolerance would have on foreign countries. The entrance of the Nationalists into the German Cabinet has cooled French opinion toward Germany so that even Stresemann was forced to admit this week that speedy evacuation of the Rhineland seems further away than ever. The spectacle of the former Emperor living in Germany would give rise to suspicion both in France and England. An interesting point would then arise as to whether the Allies would make use of their right under the Treaty of Versailles and demand the deliver-

ing up by Germany of the ex-Kaiser. When the Allies tried to fulfill Lloyd George's threat to hang the Kaiser in 1920 Germany was able to answer that she was not in a position to fulfill this clause as the Kaiser had fled to Holland. But the Allied right to demand the handing over of the ex-Kaiser does not expire next July. It is extremely doubtful, however, whether the Allies would care to exercise their right. For indignation against the Kaiser in Allied lands has greatly cooled down in six years, and Germany is by no means the hapless, defenseless state she was at that time.

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