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Disarmament is the big question of the immediate future. It will be the subject of local, national and international conferences for some years to come. For the guidance of those who will have to take part in reaching a solution of this problem the book by Mr. J. W. Wheeler-Bennett, Jun., honorary secretary of the Association for International Understanding, which has been published under the title of "Information on the Reduction of Armaments" is certain of wide appreciation. It shows what has been done, what is suggested, and what can be accomplished, and is certainly the best informed text book on the subject which has yet been issued, and will probably be the standard work for years to come. As its title implies, it is informative rather than discursive, and as most people believe in disarmament of some kind a book of facts is likely to prove of greater service than one which only discusses the theory. Mr. Wheeler-Bennett's book is strongly commended to all interested in disarmament.

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CONFEDERATION LIFE.

Miami Citizens Sweep Off Mud

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 1.—Leaving behind a trail of mud and debris, Miami's flood which placed this famous winter resort under nearly two feet of water following a terrific rain-storm Sunday night, receded to-day.

The entire city got busy at once with brooms and water-hose and washed away the "muck."

The damage to Miami alone is expected to run into thousands. Lobbies of hotels and first floors of business houses were over-run with the high water and a careful check was underway to estimate the losses.

Hialeah, a suburb of race tracks and other sporting attractions, also suffered considerably from suspension of business.

The familiar sight yesterday when many of the tourist crowds mingled with natives on the streets of Miami in bathing-suits was missing to-day as the populace went back to the more sober business of trading in real estate.

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Secret Service Work

The instalment of the Page Letters in the current issue of The World To-day give the history of the interception by the British Naval Intelligence of the Zimmermann despatch to Mexico which finally brought the United States into the war. The following correspondence tells the tale:

London, February 24th, 1917.
Secretary of State, Washington.

In about three hours I shall send a telegram of great importance to the President and Secretary of State.—Page.

London, February 24th, 1917.
Secretary of State, Washington. Confidential for the President and the Secretary of State.—Balfour has handed me the text of a cipher telegram from Zimmermann, German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to the German Minister in Mexico, which was sent via Washington and relayed by Bernstorff on January 19th. You can probably obtain a copy of the text relayed by Bernstorff from the cable office in Washington. The first group is the number of the telegram, one hundred and thirty, and the second is thirteen thousand and forty-two, indicating the number of the code used. The last group but two is ninety-seven thousand five hundred and fifty-six, which is Zimmermann's signature. I shall send you by mail a copy of the cipher text and of the decode into German and meanwhile I give you the English translation as follows:

"We intend to begin on the first of February unrestricted submarine warfare. We shall endeavour in spite of this to keep the United States of America neutral. In the event of this not succeeding, we make Mexico a proposal of alliance on the following basis: make war together, make peace together, generous financial support and an understanding on our part that Mexico is to reconquer the lost territory in Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona. The settlement in detail is left to you. You will inform the President (that is, President Carranza of Mexico) of the above most secretly as soon as the outbreak of war with the United States of America is certain and add the suggestion that he should on his own initiative, invite Japan to immediate adherence and at the same time mediate between Japan and ourselves. Please call the President's attention to the fact that the ruthless employment of our submarines now offers the prospect of compelling England in a few months to make peace.—Zimmermann."

The receipt of this information has so greatly exercised the British Government that they have lost no time in communicating it to me to transmit to you, in order that our Government may be able without delay to make such disposition as may be necessary in view of the threatened invasion of our territory.

The following paragraph is strictly confidential: Early in the war the British Government obtained possession of a copy of the German cipher code used in the above message and have made it their business to obtain copies of Bernstorff's cipher telegram. Mexico, amongst others, which are sent back to London and deciphered here. This accounts for there being able to decipher this telegram from the German Government to their representative in Mexico, and also for the delay

from January 19th until now in their receiving the information. This system has hitherto been a jealously guarded secret and is only divulged now to you by the British Government in view of the extraordinary circumstances and their friendly feeling toward the United States. They earnestly request that you will keep the source of your information and the British Government's method of obtaining its profoundly secret, but they put no prohibition on the publication of Zimmermann's telegram itself.

The copies of this and other telegrams were not obtained in Washington but were bought in Mexico.

I have thanked Balfour for the service his Government has rendered us and suggest that a private official message of thanks from our Government to him would be beneficial.

I am informed that this information has not yet been given to the Japanese Government, but I think it not unlikely that when it reaches them they may make a public statement on it in order to clear up their position regarding the United States, and prove their good faith to their allies.—Page.

The manner in which the British had acquired this message is disclosed in Page's telegram. An interesting additional fact, says The World To-day, is that this is not the only way in which the British obtained this priceless treasure. The German Government was so determined to make this Mexican Alliance that it did not depend upon a single route for transmitting the Zimmermann message to von Eckhardt. It dispatched it in several other ways.

Bird Value to Trees

"The service that birds perform in protecting woodland trees," writes Mr. E. H. Forbush, State Entomologist of Massachusetts, in *Useful Birds and Their Protection*, "is more nearly indispensable to man than any other benefit they confer on him. Were the natural enemies of forest insects annihilated, every tree in our woods would be threatened with destruction, and man would be powerless to prevent the calamity.

"He might make shift to save some orchard or shade trees; he might find means to raise some garden crops; but the protection of all the trees in all the woods would be beyond his powers. Yet this herculean task ordinarily is accomplished as a matter of course by birds and other insectivorous creatures, without appreciable injury to his great woodland interests." The above is quoted by Bird Notes and News.

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Recovery

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The tree is empty now as an old bell Suddenly swung. . . . The darkness gathered here. Was filled with silent movement, of the shapes That never speak. Each bird that fluttered through Hung up an echoing wing-beat, like a leaf. The gentle winds that hourly wandered in Made hesitating music, never lost. Nor ever heard by any but the nights That folded round the days and darkened them— All sleeping till the tempest burst about. . . . The tree has not lamented what is gone. Time, and the open air, and the quiet Already work together with the wrens And noiseless, climbing spiders. They collect New treasure now, sufficient for a while."

—MARK VAN DOREN, in the North American Review.

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Ex-Kaiser's Glitter

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In these terse sentences Mr. Alexander Carlisle told an Evening News representative how Wilhelm, monarch without a throne, is still his Imperial Majesty the Kaiser, holding court at Doorn.

Mr. Carlisle is the seventy-one-year-old friend of the ex-Kaiser, and brought back from a week-end visit to Doorn the impression that the ex-Kaiser's life there is "just like Potsdam."

"Dinner was a most stately affair," Mr. Carlisle said. "Even in the old Berlin days there was not more ceremony."

"The Kaiser looked ever younger than when I last saw him in 1913—and that in spite of his white beard, which indeed becomes him well."

"He talked with all his old enthusiasm. He still has his old dignity. 'Speaking of England, he said: 'Two of the visits I enjoyed most in bygone years were visits to Lord Rosebery and to Beaulieu Abbey."

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Raising the Seam

CRICKET'S LATEST CONTROVERSY
Quite a flutter has been caused in Australian cricket circles since Malley raised the question of lifting the seam of the ball, says an Exchange Melbourne message.

The outcome will be a discussion to establish definitely against artificial aids likely to give advantage to a bowler.

Bob Crockett, who has umpired the international games for thirty-two years, and is regarded as the greatest authority on Australian cricket, interviewed, said he could not understand what all the discussion was about. He had not seen one bowler lift a seam during the past fifteen years.

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"Malley," Crockett says, "certainly does not do it; his greatest trouble is that he gets too much break. Bowlers nowadays are more anxious to keep the ball smooth than make it rough. Douglas often rubbed the ball on his arm to make it smooth."

Nearly all the bowlers used resin, he added, against which there was no rule. Formerly bowlers, particularly M. A. Noble, liked the ball a little rough, but the custom died out. One thing which annoyed bowlers, despite

its legitimacy, was the sticky mixture wicket-keepers used on their gloves.

A Bishop's Three Remedies

"The world was still a tired, toiling old world. To put it right he suggested that three things were needed: Comradeship, leadership, and strength. The comradeship must not be too

big to exclude individual freedom, nor too small to exclude teamwork with the nations; leadership must be sane, reasonable, and something more than bookishness. As to strength, the meaning of the word would be without spiritual force and power. The Bishop of Chelmsford.

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