Correspondence from Germany. GDV, 31 Jul 1913. Image 011300647.

Rerriporbent ant Dentidianb. (Bes Retbens Cantiéle.) Voles 107 bei Optenberg. H. Jati 1918. Berte Bollsblattlefer im fernen Terall Bie man in beutichlandifchen Beitungen lieft, foll gegenmartig in ben Ber. Staaten angergewöhnlich warmes Better berrichen. Daørgen ift es bier bei uns fo talt, bas man bei Rachtbieuft bie 28arterbuden beigen muß. 3n Spreme berg wurde am 6. und 7. Suli bas 19te Bunbesgefangefeft unb 50jabrige Jubilaum bes Rieberlaufiser Bangerbunbes in großartiger Beife gejeiert. Außer den amei Sprem. berg'er BRufit . Rapellen (Berbla's and Roch's) batte man noch bie Rilitarmufil . Rapelle Des Ronigi. Bidfiden Stelb . Artillerie . Regiments Ro. 32 aus Riela au bem Sefle berangezogen ; and tongertierte mabrend bes zweitägigen ffeftes ein aus 5 anmutigen jungen Rabden jujammengejestes und bon Direttor D. Rugel geleitetes Glite . Damen . Drchefter "Biener Rofen." Ueber bie Unnahme ber Deered-Bermehrunge-Borlage im bentiden Reichstag bat Ernft Beiter bas folgende launige Bedicht : Das große Bert' verfaßt: Run,ift bas große Bert bollbrocht, bas größte biefer Lage, genehmigt ift bie Deeresmacht, bie Riliterborlage, und jubelub flingts landaus, landein : Lieb Baterland magft ruhig fein. jest find wir gut beraten, wir haben viel Golbaten ! Bir fagen, mas wir früher nicht fo 3 ficher fagen tonnten : es fteben aufre Reihen bicht, gerüftet nach zwei Fronten. Bon welcher Geite er erfcheint, wir fachten tanftig teinen Seind, und tommt und it-Bir rafen : Uns tohn

Correspondence from Germany (From Matheus Hantschko)

Post 107 near Spremberg, July 14, 1913.

Worthy Volksblatt Readers in far away Texas!

As one reads in German newspapers, exceptionally warm weather prevails in the United States. Here, on the other hand, it is so cold that the gate keeper's hut has to be heated at night. In Spremberg we celebrated, in grand style, the league's 19th song festival and the 50th anniversary of the Lower Lusatia singer league on the 6th and 7th of July. We had, in addition to the two Spremberg bands (those of Zerbka and Koch), invited the military band of the Royal Saxon Field Artillery Regiment No. 32 from Risa to the festivities; we were also entertained by the "Vienna Roses", an elite women's orchestra of 5 charming young ladies lead by Director P. Kugel, during the two-day festival.

Ernst Heiter has the following to say, in a witty poem, about the diet's approval of the bill for the increase in the size of the military: "The Great Deed" authored:

"The great deed is now accomplished, the largest of its day, with the military bill the size of the army is approved and with jubilation it is declared everywhere: Dear Fatherland, you are well advised and may now rest assured since we will have many soldiers! We now say that which we could not say with certainty before: we have closed ranks, fully armed, on two fronts. It does not matter from which side he appears, we will not fear any enemy in the future and if anyone approaches we will call out: Uns kann leider! (Unfortunately we can!)

feiner ! Seht wirds bem , Gegner
erdreiften, und unfer Reichetag bat
gezeigt; er tarn noch etwas leiften,
nub gebefreudig bat er bie - brei
Regimenter Revallerie, Die man
erft nicht gebilligt , jum Schluffe
noch bewilligt. Der Kriegemlnifter
neigte fich nach rechts und fints !
verbinblich; ein Abftrich ware ficher-
lich gewejen febr empfinblich ; nun
bot bet Gratulanten Echar ibm
frohbement hen Gladmunth hart
und brudte ihm bie Rechte nach
beißem Bortgefechte. Die große
Arbeit ift getan und mit ber Beet-
patlage tritt als erfebigt ab bom
Blan nun auch bie Dedungsftoge.
Gs marb bas lehte Sinbernis be-
feitigt burch ein Rompromis, and
relfichem Gruhlans ? Pain man Gall
gern enforgen. In Stebi unb Sand
in Cad und Rord bat man es dern
bernommen : es wird felbft mand
entlegener Drt jest Garnifon be-
tommen. 3m Borgefühl ber Gelig-
feit ruft wonneboll ble Rachenmaid, I
berbreunt ihr auch ber Braten : 2
"Balb gibts auch bier Selbaten!" f
3m Musland ficht man fannend I
ba, es ichallt von Bol ju Bole: u
Gewappnet if Germania bom a:
Echeitel bis jur Goble ; last ja ben &
Richel jest in Rub, benu webe, b
folagt bet eiumal ant 60 biene ff
jest dem Frieden die Racht, die bi
ihm beichieben. Go ift ein großes qu Bert vollbracht, ber Begen jeigt m
gemacht die Betten Bollevertreter. !"
Run giege befriedigt fie nach Dans 8
und ruhn fich bon ber Arbeit aus. 8
3m Derbft gebts wieber weiter - be mit uener Rraft ! Eruft Detter. ur
Miestretta

It will no longer be easy for an opponent to boldly provoke us, as our diet has shown that it can still accomplish something when it authorized, while in a spending mood at the end, an additional three regiments of cavalry which had not been considered in the beginning. The minister of war leaned engagingly to the left and to the right; a curtailment would certainly have been very painful; now the congratulating "Schar" budged to offer his good wishes and shook the right hand after numerous verbal skirmishes. With the big job of endorsing the military bill done, it was time to consider a plan to cover the cost. The last stumbling block was removed through compromise and, after "considerable consideration", agreement was reached and eagerly lauded in cities and states, from the south and the north: many remote villages will now house a garrison. In anticipation of such bliss the kitchen maid cries out, while she chars the roast: "Now soldiers will soon be here, as well!" Foreign countries are in awe and one Pole exclaims to another: Germany is now fully armed, from head to toe; leave the Michel alone for, beware, he will hit back! Give peace the leverage to which it is entitled. A major task has been accomplished, the blessings will come later; this was well done, for once, by the representatives of the people. Satisfied, they now return home to rest from work. To be continued in the fall -- with renewed energy!

Ernst Heiter

Translated by John Buerfeind

(Translator's note: No attempt was made to duplicate Heiter's rhyme.)