Rerrefpendenz and Dentidiand. (Bon Mathens Santidla.)

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Rad eilichen beißen Bochen ift wieder Abfühlung eingetreten. 8. 8t. haben wir ftarten Weftwind und bann und wann talte Regenfcauer. Der Gifenbahn Berein "Spremberg" machte an ben beiben Sonniegen, ben & uub 15. Juni, feiren Commer-Ausflug nach Guben. Guben an ber Reiffe ift eine fcone Stadt mit prachtigen Aulagen und berühmt burch feinen Dbft. bau, Rirfden u. bergl. mehr. Die Ririchen find diefes Jahr in Guben ebenfo teuer wie anderwarts, nehmlich 80 Pfennige - 20c bas Der Gifenbahn - Berein Bfund. "Guben" fuhr am 8, und 15. Juni nach Cottbus. Die Reife bon Spremberg nach Suben ging über Cottons Mergborf, Renendorf, Beis Dft, Jenfcwalde, Rerlwis. Das Land um Beis Dft bat große Kehnlichkeit mit einer Brarie in Teras, nur bag biefes Land in ber Mart Brandenburg nicht fo troden ift, denn ich erblidte auf demfelben etliche große Leiche. Das Rindvieh weibet bort ebenfo ohne Suter wie in Tegas Am Montag; ben 16. Juni, wird in ganz Deutschland bas Bjahrige Regierungejubildam Gr. Majestat Raifey Wilhelm II. geleiett werden... En blich Friebenl, ruft herr Gruß hei-ter im Spremberger Anzeiger" pom & Juni be. 36, aus und tunpft an biefen Frieden folgendes hummiftifo . fatyrifces Gebicht:

Correspondence from Germany (from Matheus Hentschko)

Post 107 near Spremberg, June 3, 1913

Dear Readers of the *Volksblatt* in faraway Texas!

Cooling has returned again after several hot weeks. We currently have strong westerly winds with cold showers now and then. The Railroad Club "Spremberg' made summer excursions on both Sundays, June 8th and 15th, to Guben. Guben on the Neisse is a nice town with splendid structures and is renowned for its fruit cultivation, cherries and more. The cherries in Guben are also as expensive as elsewhere this year, namely 80 Pfennig -20 cents per pound. The Railroad Club "Guben" traveled to Cottbus on June 8th and 15th. The trip from Spremberg to Guben proceeded via Cottbus, Merzdorf, Neuendorf, Peitz East, Jenschwalde and Kerkwitz. The land around Peitz East is similar to a prairie in Texas, the difference being that it lies within the Mark of Brandenburg which is not as dry, as I noticed while passing a number of large ponds. Also, the cattle graze there without a herder, as in Texas.

On Monday, June 16, all of Germany will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the reign of His Majesty Kaiser Wilhelm II...

"Finally Peace" shouts Mr. Ernst Heiter in the "Spremberg Gazette" on June 8th of this year and attaches the following humorous and satirical poem in reference to this peace:

Jen gu raten und taten in Londing bie herren Diplometen. Sie wollien den Frieden gern foliegen, fie hatten genng bon bem Schiefen. Sie faben, gemitlich beifammen en bampfen bis Baltau-frieges Stammen, nas haben feit Lagen und Bochen, feit Monden bie Cache befprochen. Die Sache ging gar nicht begenbe, man bachte, fie tam nicht gin Gube und glaubte bei foldem Betreiben noch lange in London ju bleiben. Go gab beim Beftimmen ber Grengen tagtaglich aufs nen Differengen, und war man mit einer am Schluffe, dann tam es gu neuem Berbeuffe. Dft fagen bie Berren Diplomaten und mußten fich felbft nicht zu raten, ob ftets die Bertrefer ber Machte auch meinten, fie rieten bas Rechte, Erfchien mal jum Beffern bie Bandlung, bann ftodte die Friebentverhanblung; ber Türle in Fallen, bie fritifc, betrieb bie Berichleppung politifd. Man hatte ben Tarten bezwungen und gang. lich ihn niedergerungen, und als er vernichtet, gertreten, ba bat er um Frieden gebeten. Run galt es bon feinen Begirten Die Teilung gerecht ju bewirten : ba logen fich Gerben, Bulggren und Griechen fofort in ben haaren. Inbef nun bie Friebens . Gefandten bie Dinge gum Befferen wandten, be reigten bie Monienegriner fogar bie Regierung, die Biener. Man mußte erft mobilifieren und folieblich mit Nachbrud blodieren; ba mußten ber Machte Berttetet ben Frieben berfchieben auf fpater ! - Run ift er guftanbe getommen: bie Belt bat es figunend vernommen. Unglaublides bat fich ereignet: man bat ben Beetrag unterzeldnet, unb with nun in lünftigen Tagen noch jenem Bertrag sich vertragen noch jenem Bertrag sich vertragen. So folgt man dem defferen Drange — indeffen, man weiß nicht wie lange. Die Gerben, die feindlichen Brüder, fie mobilisieren fcon wieder; man muntelt bon neuen Gefahren : pon Streit swifden Serben, Bul-garen; icon muffen die herren Diplomaten aufe nen jur Berftanbigung raten, fonft wefterte und gabri es noch weiter - bem frieen jum Aroje !"

"In London were seated the gentleman diplomats to deliberate and act. They wished to enact peace for they had enough of the shooting. They were assembled in friendly manner trying to dampen the flames of the Balkan war and had been deliberating the matter for days, weeks and months. The matter did not turn nimble, it was thought that there was no end, which fostered the belief that they would be in London for a long time. In matters on defining the borders, differences developed on a daily basis and as conclusions were reached, something else would become a new annoyance. The gentlemen diplomats were often without a clue as to whether the representatives of the great powers agreed with their guessing. When the proceedings seemed to move for the better, the peace negotiations would again falter; the Turks, in almost all cases that were critical, approached the abduction politically. The Turk was defeated and totally subdued and when destroyed and tread upon, he sued for peace. Now it was a matter of dividing the territory rightfully; to that end, the Serbs, Bulgarians and Greeks were immediately in each other's hairs. Now that the peace delegation was turning things around for the better, Montenegro began to rile the government of Vienna. It was now time to mobilize in order to finally block the process with emphasis; so the representatives of the great powers had to postpone a peaceful solution until later!

Now it has come to be: The world has accepted it in awe. The unimaginable has happened: the treaty has been signed and will now, as agreed, be put in force in days to come. Thus we follow this expressed urge – not knowing how long it will last. The Serbs, the hostile bunch, are already mobilizing again; there are rumors about new dangers; about discourse between the Serbs and Bulgarians; already the gentlemen diplomats are required to advise again on new understandings, or the rantings will continue – in defiance of peace.

Ernst Heiter

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