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SQUIRREL'S PLAN IS HALTED

Little Pet Permitted in Carrying Away
Doctor's Winter Supply of Care-
fully Halted Walnuts.

Hillie, one of the pet squirrels in
Fletcher's pen, became very indig-
nant recently, relates the Indianapolis
News. The doctor had burned con-
siderable gasoline in starting the pump
and gathering walnuts, until he
lost three or four bushels for winter
use. Hillie watched the doctor load
the nuts, put them in a sack and set
them in the sun in the back yard so
dry. The nuts looked good to Hillie
and when the doctor was called away
Hillie got busy and began laying up
his own winter store. The squirrel
had opened off and buried about half
a bushel of the nuts when the doctor
returned and put the sack thief to
flight.

Hillie returned the next day and
found the doctor had opened the sack
on the roof of his garage and covered
it with wire screens, but this didn't
deter Hillie, which at once
swung a tail in the wire and pulled
out the nuts with its paws. It was
busy burying them in the neighborhood
of the garage when the doctor
discovered that some of the nuts were
missing.

"Show you little rascal," the doc-
tor said, as he made a dash for the
squirrel.

Got out of my way," roared Hillie
in squirrel fashion as the little animal
made a dash for another nut.

"Not one more!" yelled the doctor
as he attempted to close the sack. As
the wire screen, but the squirrel did
not budge, on each side attempted to
jump and bite.

Finally the doctor pushed the squirrel
off the roof and threw a nut at
it, which was promptly buried with
the others that had been stolen. Hillie
then sat on his haunches with tail
curled upward and clattered all mem-
bers of the kind things till the owner
of the nuts had packed them away in
the cellar.

HOLDS A "PLAIN DOG" SHOW

Philadelphia is Originator of Novel
Contest in Which Canines of All
Walks of Life Enter.

Hungry dogs, clipped dogs, thin
dogs, fat dogs, blind men's dogs—any-
thing from a cheese hound to a sky
terrier—gathered themselves together
for the third annual "Plain Dog" show,
held under the auspices of the Society
for the Prevention of Cruelty to An-
imals, says the Philadelphia North
American.

The dog for which Mother Hubbard
made her epochal trip to the cupboard
was there, hobnobbing with Old Dog
Tray.

Taking them by and large, tall for
tail, the wistful eyed canines of every
kind, and in blue blood, but long on
faithfulness, vagabondy, loquaciousness
and all the other traits that have won
for them a "place in the sun" or be-
hind the stove, so far as young Amer-
ica is concerned.

Philadelphia originated the idea of
a "plain dog" show, and this year it
was extended to accommodate every
kind of dog, from the smallest to the
largest.

Scientific Use of German.
A correspondent of the London
Times writes to that paper his
impression of the German Ambassador
Germany's use of the German language
as it regarded to him in his speech.
"Hear him," he says, "and you will
be struck by the fact that he speaks
like an American, with occasional
but frequent use of the word 'I' in the
first person singular. The sentences
were simple, for German sentences, rather
short. One was not kept waiting an-
xiously for the verb, as for a German
sentence. In the long field, nor was the
verb announced, in the German style,
by the premonitory rumblings of semi-
detached propositions. But the flow
of words was easy, and all the points
were made, and the only effect of the
simplicity of the ambassador's ac-
cent was to inspire the deputations
with fuller confidence in his goodwill
and Anglo-Saxon sympathies."

Wakerson's Appetite.
Col. Henry Wakerson's appetite has
long been the envy even of men far
younger than himself. A fellow-jour-
nalist tells of his experience in try-
ing to keep the colonel company. "I
was invited to dine with him, at a time
in Louisville one time. At that time I
would eat with anybody anything at
any time. As I followed the colonel
through a long list of fancy dishes.
At dinner he ordered two omelettes
and filled them with walrus liver cream
and sprinkled the cream with paprika.
I followed him that far, but then he or-
dered two chickens and sliced and
over the cream in his canisters and
offered me the other. I did not take
it, and that is the reason why I am
giving this interview today."

Montenegro.
Montenegro is a small independent
country in southern Europe, area about
3,000 square miles and bordering part-
ly on the Adriatic sea. It is a heredi-
tary monarchy, the present king be-
ing Nicholas I. It is a very mount-
ainous country, the Italian name Mon-
te-negro signifying black mountains. It
does also the Turkish name Kara-
dag, and the mountains are not barren,
and the Montenegrins are brave mount-
ainmen, poor, industrious and patri-
otic. At the beginning of the present
war Montenegro took part with the
allies and later it was overrun by the
Germans and Austrians and is still
held by them.

GERMAN FINANCES

The president of the German
Reichsbank said last year that when
the interest on Germany's indebted-
ness became equal to her annual in-
crease of wealth the empire would
be on the point of collapse.

If that was true—and nobody with
a smattering of financial knowledge
can help seeing that it must be true
—Germany is already near that point.

It was estimated by Germany's fi-
nancial experts before the war that
the nation's wealth increased at the
rate of \$2,000,000,000 a year.

Germany's national debt before the
war was about \$5,000,000,000. State
debts were four billion. Possibly sev-
eral billions should be added for mu-
nicipal debts, but to be moderate, call
the total public indebtedness \$10,000,
000,000.

The German chancellor a few days
ago stated that the seven previous
war loans totaled 73,000,000,000 marks
and asked for a new credit of 15,000,

000,000 marks. Inasmuch as German
credits are spent before they are
raised, for practical purposes we may
call Germany's present bonded war
debt \$22,000,000,000.

There must also be considered \$2,
000,000,000 of notes issued by the
Reichsbank, \$1,500,000,000 issued by
the war loan banks, and five million
of treasury certificates. There may
be other big obligations outstanding,
but these suffice to show Germany's
precarious financial situation.

It seems certain that the public
debt already saddled on the German
people amounts to somewhere near
\$40,000,000,000.

The New York World figures an
annual interest charge on present
obligations of about \$1,500,000,000.
The New York Times says that it
cannot be much below the two billion
mentioned.

"Perhaps no living nation," says the
Times, "was ever in such desperate
financial straits." Subscriptions to
the seven war loans have fallen 20

000,000,000 marks short of the cred-
its voted. The government has been
driven to every sort of device, from
issuing notes in billions after the
manner of Mexican revolutionists to
borrowing from neutrals under
threats and offering 15 per cent dis-
count for credits outside the empire.
The mark has fallen to a ruinous
level in neighboring countries.

It seems impossible that Germany's
present war debt should ever be paid.
It is impossible to see how the in-
terest on it can be paid except from
further borrowings. That is a short
road to bankruptcy. And the cost
of the war is mounting up faster than
ever.

No wonder Germany is trying to
force a decision in the war this win-
ter. If she fails to win, and win
quickly, financial collapse is sure.
And that would probably bring mili-
tary and political collapse.

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