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THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

That which is past and gone is irrevocable, and wise men have enough to do with things present and to come.—Francis Bacon.

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A little more snow, which helps the sleighing.

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We prefer extreme cold weather to too much water.

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If he is liberal with his wad, it pays to love your neighbor.

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Opinions of men who endeavor to be on both sides are not worth while.

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A man does not have to run very fast to escape when the office is seeking him.

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The short skirt enables a woman with curved legs to show the courage of her convictions.

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About now the housewife rejoices that the hens have laid some cold storage eggs for breakfast.

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It is not right to refuse to marry a leap year girl because she cannot cook. Maybe she has money enough to pay your board.

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Did you ever notice how many men are just like the Egyptian pyramids? Very broad at the foundation and very narrow at the top.

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Every democrat is invited to attend the banquet on Thursday night, February 10. No one will be excluded as long as there is room.

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You may get Mr. Bryan off to The Hague after the November election, but not one day before. He gets too much for his opposition to Wilson and preparedness.

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The candidate who will send a newspaper two columns of first-class eulogy of his dear, important self, accompanied by a 50-cent postal order, has the gall to be a winner at any kind of game.

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Whatever congress does at this session is going to be largely for political effect, as is apt to be the case before a general election, but it isn't always possible to forecast what the effect will be.

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The only preventive of victory in the democratic party of Nebraska will be the lack of harmony and peace. And the Bryans don't intend we shall have that unless it comes their way—and it is not going to come their way this year if the common voters can help it.

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If Charley Bryan should in any way capture the democratic nomination for governor and a republican is elected, which is a sure thing in that event, it would really be more of an endorsement of President Wilson than if Bryan is elected. All democrats know that both of the Bryans are unfavorable to endorsing the president.

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Is seed corn more delicate than it was ten or forty years ago? Experts advise farmers to select their seed corn early, see that it is well dried out and not permitted to freeze. Farmers who have always gone to their cribs in the spring and selected their seed corn, or laid it to one side as they fed corn during the winter and who, from this method of selecting seed, raised bumper crops, turn up their noses at the idea of seed corn freezing.

FRUITS OF PROSPERITY.

Never before in this country have the big factories been busier and labor more fully employed than now; never have the railroads been more steadily laden with freight; never have the harvests been heavier, the yield of the mines richer, and all business brisker and sounder. Never did a new year come upon greater prosperity than the American people are enjoying today. What does it mean to us? The most common question is, "Will it last?"But that is not the most important question. Prosperity means more money, of course, more comforts, more pleasures, more freedom from worries, more joy in living. The industries are laying aside a competence. Hundreds of thousands of homes are being built. It is a time rich with hope and achievement But what does all this really mean to us? Merely more money, more comforts, more plasures? Are there no blessings for us in prosperity beyond the material joys of easier living? Alas for us as a people if we fail to see in our bountiful plenty the responsibility to our better selves which this prosperity has put upon us! Adversity develops great differences in men Prosperity develops greater differences still. Many are glad to seize the fruits that fall from the cornucopia and eat, drink and be merry. Many others store them securely away where they are of no use to themselves or anyone else. And others carefully use them as means to develop their own minds, to broaden and sweeten their sympathies, to educate their children, to lend a helping hand to the weak, to soothe the sorrowing, to make the home wholesomer and happier, to build schools and hospitals and churches, to grasp not the joys that must perish with themselves, but to create those leavening human forces that shall endure forever. Wealth itself never advanced humanity a single step. Prosperity that is wholly material can never truly benefit any people. It is but enriched soil in which the real treasures of life may be better grown.

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Satan doesn't care how loud a man preaches on Sunday if he can get his attention the other six days.

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Women who have nothing else to commend them are the ones who make most display of their anatomny.

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There is so much cheap talk in the world to line the people that the moving picture has brought about relief.

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A tariff board will put the tariff question out of politics. What will the tariff howlers do then—poor fellows?

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There is some talk in Lincoln of Hon. George W. Berge coming out for governor. He is a democrat, an able man, and the people know right where to find him. He never takes advantage of any partciular issue, which is supposed to be popular, to get into office. He isn't two-faced in his dealings, and the democrats have supported him in the past and can do it again.

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Our friend, Frank W. Brown, editor of the Kearney Times, extends to the Journal editor a very cordial invitation to the Commercial club banquet in that city Tuesday, February 8. We are sorry that it will be impossible for us to attend, as the present condition of our health, and also weather conditions will not permit. We would like to attend, if for no other reason than to hear our own Matt Gering, and visit a short time with our good old Missouri friend, Judge W. D. Oldham, and also Frank W. Brown, son of one of our dearest friends, who peacefully sleeps the long sleep, and was also a Missourian.

Money will often bring a title, but no brains.

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A good reputation, unless lived up to, soon goes lame.

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Until it is spiked a lie sounds just as good as the truth.

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It takes a heap of ginger to warm up a dead proposition.

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The president's swing around the circle was without any accidents, and was a great success.

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The days are growing longer, but the skirts show no disposition to follow that worthy example.

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It is hard to convince a farmer that one can do a day's work in eight hours. Well, he can't on the farm.

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Hitch your wagon to a star, but if she is a high-salaried actress she may divorce you if you do not come up to the notch.

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Congress is going to indulge in a lot of tiresome talk; in the matter of oratory congress lacks nothing in preparedness.

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This is a season of the year when you see incubators in the store windows, and some fairly well developed chickens coming from the matinees.

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There are many good men for office in the democratic party of Nebraska. But the Bryan "ruel or ruin" policy has knocked the most of them off the "Christmas box."

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Easter comes pretty late this year—Sunday, April 23. If Easter Sunday's appearance has any bearing upon the advent of spring, spring isn't going to be in any great hurry about coming around this year.

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It is scarcely advisable for the ambitious youth to become disguested with the small opportunities of country life, even if a few bankers are going to get a rake-off of the $10,000,000 for financing the allies' loan.

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We notice in many cities, including Omaha, the merchants are cutting down on the prices of the necessaries of life. We don't know how the poor people are to exist if the prices of the necessaries don't come down all over the country.

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It is rumored that at least two more democratic candidates will file before many days for governor. One tip-top good man, like ex-Senator Allen, will be enough to put the kiwash to Charley. Or, any other one good man can do it.

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Democrats should bear in mind that they will all be welcomed at the banquest Thursday night, February 10. There is no exclusion of democrats from a love feast of this character. So don your "best bib and tucker" and come. There was no special invitations sent to any democrat in Plattsmouth. It has been taken for granted that they are in the general "get-up" of the affair. The committee did not think it was necessary to send special invitations to our home democrats. And in fact, it wasn't.

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Hugh Farrelly on newspapers: The modern newspaper is an aid in law enforcement, is a power in preventing violation of law—especially in ordinary violations and crimes and the home paper is the one that may be and is the greater aid. * * * Man is only human, the newspaper is made by human hands, human hearts and heads. To err is human, to forgive divine. Publicity is the greatest weapon against lawlessness, and it can be better obtained in the newspaper than in any other way. * * * If the county attorney, the sheriff and other officers whose business it is to enforce the law and to prevent violations of the law, will be frank and fair with the newspaper, nine times out of ten the necessary publicity will be made at the proper time, and the modern newspaper may be made even a greater aid to law enforcement than it now is.

CANADA'S BIT.

Nebraskans live so far from the northern border of this great nation of ours that they may not realize the part our northern neighbor, Canada, is playing the war. Canada has already recruited a quarter of a million men, many of whom have given their lives for the empire on the fields of France and Flanders, and Canada begun the New Year with a determination to raise its quota of troops to a half million. That, for Canada, is about the same as if the United States should call for 6,500,000 volunteers. Probably with the incentive of a war of defense, the United States could raise as many, but it is doubtful if it oculd raise them for warfare overseas. Besides Carada pays her troops better than the United States, which European nations seem to think pays too much The pay of a Canadian private is $1.10 a day, compared with about 50 cents in our own army. But Canada has done more than merely to supply her quota of men; she has been a great help in feeding the mother country, and has loaned money to Great Britain to enable her to buy supplies in Canada. That, of course, is not an entirely unselfish action, for it keeps industries doing in Canada which might otherwise suffer from the stagnation of war. But the millions in out-and-out gifts from private sources do spell patriotism and self-sacrifice to a high degree. And it must not be forgotten that all that Canada has done has been purely voluntary; she has, of course, the interest of protection in belonging to the empire, but aside from that she is about as independent as this country to do as she pleases, as are Australia, New Zeland and Sopth Africa. It isn't our war, as it is Canada's, but Canadian example gives Americans something to think about; that men in millions are needed when modern war comes and that the nation which isn't prepared to furnish them will fall.

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Have you had a bobsled ride yet?

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Brace up, old chap; spring will soon be here.

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We are all for Plattsmouth—or ought to be.

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If it isn't one thing to worry about it is another.

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Moving time among the farmers will soon be here—March 1.

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Aside from the grub a man isn't greatly interested in the table decorations.

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Some people don't believe half they hear, and some don't hear half they believe.

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Have you bought a banquet ticket yet? Don't you think it is time you was doing so?

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A lot of people are sure they are right, without going ahead to any marked degree.

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It is possible that Governor Morehead will attend the democratic banquet next Thursday night.

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There are several ways of fooling the dear people, and most of them are known to the politicians.

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Are you going to the banquet Thursday night? Of course you are. You can't afford to miss a genuine democratic love feast.

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George W. Berge has filed for the democratic nomination for governor. That settles it. As between George Berge and Charley Bryan, it wouldn't be a hard matter to decide in favor of Berge.

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It is now reported that a well-defined movement to nominate Major General Leonard Wood for president on the republican ticket has been started in the east, when it was learned a few days ago, by letters received in the west. These letters, it was learned, came from those high in the councils of Teddy Roosevelt.

ELMWOOD.
Leader-Echo.

Lillie Schneider, who was reported very sick last week with pneumonia, is much better at present.

Mrs. William Lefler returned Tuesday evening from Louisville, where she had been at the bedside of her mother, who was quite poorly.

Mrs. R. L. Clark and son, Harold, of Gunnison, Utah, arrived Tuesday evening for an etxended visit at the home of her father, E. T. Comer, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maseman were up from Avoca Sunday and Monday visiting at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. L. K. Penterman, who has been very ill with pneumonia.

Perry Colbert is having quite a tussle. We asked him if he had been kicked in the jaw by a mule, but he informed us that he was suffering with a severe case of neulgria.

George Oehlerking was on the Omaha market Wednesday with a mixed load of stock. He accompanied the shipment and took occasion to pay a visit to his brother-in-law, Rev. G. Streicher, across the river in Council Bluffs.

A felon on the forefinger of his right hand is causing Parson Bill Hulfish much grief and annoyance. He keeps the "pet" nicely wrapped up—mighty bothersome, and it keeps one constantly mindful of his great affliction.

A deal was completed this week whereby O. M. Ward and Orville Robertson became the owners of the old store building north of the Beatrice Creamery Co. building. This property they purchased of Frank Enycart of Douglas, Neb. It is understood that they have made a deal whereby they have disposed of this property to another party.

Another land deal was put through Monday whereby Mrs. Louisa Hettrick disposed of her eighty-acre farm, six miles southwest of Elmwood, to Mr. Lorenz of Logan, Iowa. We understand Mr. Lorenz will move over from Iowa, but that his boys will do the larger portion of farm work. Mrs. Hettrick purchased the farm a few years ago, the family moving out from town. We have not learned as to what their calculations are for the future. The eighty sold, acording to our informant, for $8,400.

UNION.
Ledger.

The young folks at the home of J. H. Russell, who have been on the sick list, are rapidly recovering.

Mr. Osborne, who suffered a broken leg last week while falling timber, is getting along as well as could be expected.

There were seventeen conversions at the M. E. revival meetings, which came to a close last Wednesday night.

Roy Upton is again able to be out after a week or so in the house taking care of a good-sized case of rheumatism.

Miss Lyda Clark, the popular clerk at Hunt & Morton's, is on the sick list this week, a sufferer of the grippe.

Rue Frans was out too late one night last week and as a result was confined to his home the fore part of the week with Mr. Grippe.

Charles R. Niday has purchased the residence occupied by Harve Miller, from Ray Frans and will get possession about the first of March.

Mrs. Carey Stottler, who has been quite ill with the grippe, is somewhat improved this week. Her daughter, Mrs. Iris of Lincoln is with her during her illness.

Luther Hall will go to Hamburg, Iowa, next Tuesday to cry a sale for Charles O'Brien. Besides a good lot of farm property Mr. Hall will sell an extra good lot of farm mules at the same sale.

Luther Hall and Richard Smith shipped three carloads of cattle to South Omaha last Tuesday from Murray. Two cars were stock cows and brought $6.20, which was the top of the market for that grade of stock.

EAGLE.
Beacon.

A. H. Vanlandingham shipped a carload of hogs to the Nebraska City market Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Betts of Avoca is making an extended visit at the home of her son, E. P. Betts.

John Hartsock returned home Sunday from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Gregory, S. D.

Rev. S. W. Longacre of Lewiston, Neb., visited over Wednesday night with his brother, Dr. C. H. Longacre.

Dr. J. H. Blomencamp left the first of the week for Bruda, Neb., at which place he will locate and practice medicine.

Bert Price, who is managing a general merchandise store at Pickrell, Neb., was in town Monday of last week shaking hands with old friends.

W. G. Jack of Avondale has been confined to the house the past few days with a siege of the grippe, but we are glad to report that he is improving at this writing.

Charles Myers and family of Chickasha, Okla., have moved on the William Sacks farm, south of Eagle, Mr. Myers having hired out to Mr. Sacks for the coming year. Mr. Myers is a brother of Ed and Floyd Myers.

Mrs. Adolph Schroeder and son, Henry, left the fore part of last week for Clearwater, Neb., for a visit with Ernest Schroeder, who is farming near there. Mrs. Schroeder returned home Wednesday afternoon of this week, while Henry will remain there for a few weeks.

WEEPING WATER.
Republican.

Frank Cappen, who has been having a serious time with blood poison in his hand, is getting along much better the last few days.

Troy Wiles was in town Monday and reports Mrs. Wiles as getting along nicely and was able to eat Sunday dinner at the table with the family.

Miss Olga Gercke was absent from school from last Wednesday until Wednesday of this week on account of being sick. She spent the time at her home at Seward.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pool of Wabash were down Monday looking after some busines matters regarding some improvements at the farm where they will move the coming spring.

John McFarland of Avoca and his cousin, Mrs. J. W. Sperry, left Sunday evening for Sumner, Neb., where they were called by the serious illness of Mr. McFarland's father, who is 81 years old.

The stork visited the town Monday night and left a son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kilbourn; also a son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wagoner, who live at the George stoner home.

Herman Klietsch, who had been home a week, returned to the farm near Unadilla again this week. He was accompanied by his son, Harley, who has quit the barber work in Iowa to take up the farm work.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynd, who have been visiting at the home of the latter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mitchell, southwest of town, the last two weeks, left Tuesday morning for their home at Brockton, Montana.

Charles Philpot, who has been staying in town for several weeks, got so homesick to see a bunch of cattle that he went to South Omaha and watched the cattle sales Saturday. Charley would go out to the ranch, but this kind of weather is not the best kind for setting fence posts.