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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Education is only like good culture; it changes the size, but not the sort. — Henry Ward Beecher.

Will we have it cold all summer?

The weatherman should change his tactics.

Iowa republicans hoot the mention of Teddy.

Spring fever is the lazy man's most plausible excuse.

It looks like Mexico won't be happy until it gets a good, sound thrashing.

The high cost of gasoline has not perceptibly reduced the number of joy-riders.

If one term in office satisfies a man's ambition he wants another for vindication.

The farmers could appreciate some very warm weather just now for the benefit of the growing crops.

Billy Sunday isn't getting the money at Kansas City that he succeeded in pulling out of Omaha.

The politicians started the Hughes boom as a joke, and now what annoys them is that he seems to be taking it seriously.

The Michigan G. O. P. is for "Hughes and preparedness." But the Justice may be for Hughes and disarmament.

When the good old summer time comes, if it ever does, the coal bill can be dispensed with. And that is what ice men are praying for.

Rather a formidable task, isn't it, trying to make a straw hat and white trousers look right along with a winter overcoat with the collar turned up?

Stalwart men may feel the blow and weep bitterly in private, but they will try to bear up under the tidings that there is a shortage of canary birds.

According to a Cincinnati judge, fathers take better care of their children than mothers. Not always. There are a few fathers who have the tango habit.

It's a big war, of course, but it isn't big enough to stop the importation of new Paris fashions for women to this country; and maybe no war could be big enough to stop that.

Republicans can't agree on a candidate, can't agree on a platform, and can't agree what they will do if they get the offices. They have only one agreement—they want the offices.

A government report having recommended the use of dogfish to supplement the food supply, perhaps the department of agriculture will publish a recipe for the making of dogfish into sausage.

Barefooted women in Greece, innocent victims of the war, are pleading for shoes. And yet here in this country our classic dancers ask us to endure their bare feet as reminiscent of glorious Greece.

Chicago has selected June 10 as the day on which to hold its preparedness parade. It seems a psychological time. The republican convention will be having a similar demonstration along about then.

WILSON'S ACHIEVEMENT.

Nearly all the nations of Europe have been drawn into the vortex of war. Even several nations, remote from the scene of the original conflict, nations which have not been able to participate actively on the western front or the eastern front, or even use their battleships in the conflict, have been drawn in, through treaties and agreements or through mistakes of statesmanship.

The greatest statesmen of the world have realized that in these days of world upheaval there has been a danger far greater than the actual loss of life and property that is now shocking all civilized nations. The danger has been that the entire world, instead of half of it, might become involved; that international law might be wiped out in a day, and that civilization itself might be uprooted, no great nation remaining at peace to voice the protest against war madness.

In the German note of May 5, announcing the abandonment of the submarine methods against which the United States government protested, the following paragraph appears:

"If the German government nevertheless is resolved to go to the utmost limit of concessions, it has been guided not alone by the friendship connecting the two great nations for over one hundred years, but also by the thought of the great doom which threatens the entire civilized world, should the cruel and sanguinary war be extended and prolonged."

All the belligerents, with their passion at white heat, nevertheless have recognized the part that America has played in upholding international law, protecting the rights of neutrals and non-combatants, and confining the limits of the raging conflict.

Since July, 1914, the people of the United States have lived in peace and prosperity, with the war surrounding them, and yet with the conscious knowledge that there has been in the White house a man who, while protecting the nation's honor and upholding its dignity, nevertheless retained for the country its peaceful leverage upon war-ridden Europe.

The conduct of President Wilson throughout the European war has won him not merely the respect of Europe, but the commendations of the people of the United States of all shades of political opinion. There has been no rashness nor timidity. The ship of state has been steered with deftness and sureness. The best traditions of American statesmanship have been upheld by Woodrow Wilson in the most trying time in the world's history.

Many newspapers have been telling it far and near that it was violation to write a check for less than a dollar. Nothing in it. You can write a check for ten cents if you have the money in the bank.

If times were dull and we needed excitement there might be some excuse for recalling Turbulent Teddy to the White house—he would furnish entertainment. But these are serious times and we need—a Wilson.

The Business Men's association of Nebraska City is beginning to materialize in a way that promises much good for our sister city. The real business men of that city are in the saddle purely for the benefit of the city, with selfishness cut out.

We still are of the opinion that the democrats should re-nominate Vice President Tom Marshall along with President Wilson. We cannot conceive any possible excuse for not doing so. He has proved faithful and made good in every way, and there are no better democrats in the country than Tom Marshall.

And still it rains a-plenty, thank you.

"Home Coming" week the latter part of August.

President Wilson tells the Pope he is eager for peace.

Some get rich in war stocks and some raise cucumbers.

Sometimes the old guard in the republican party must wonder whether it really pays to be a standpatter.

This piece of news should be more generally circulated: In the last three months the ship yards of the United States launched 173 merchant vessels.

Box Butte county commissioners spent \$6,000 on the roads of the county last year. The Alliance Commercial club co-operates with the commissioners in putting the roads of the county in condition. The club pays \$500 to a man with team and wagon for the season to assist in marking and maintaining the roads. Last year 687 miles of road were marked by the Alliance Commercial club. Business men of that city declare that trade has increased materially since the Commercial club adopted the policy of co-operating with the commissioners in bettering road conditions.

Some democrats are of the opinion that it will be an impossibility to unite the party on the state ticket. Of course the fellows who talk this do not intend to vote the ticket, or else they are talking to hear their heads rattle. An united democratic party can easily carry the state, although there may be, as there always is, several who slipped in on the ticket whose unpopularity will weaken the balance of candidates. We candidly believe that Willis E. Reed, attorney general, has increased his popularity to such an extent as to lead all others by several thousand votes.

WHEN THE WAR WILL END.

A New York banker just returned from London and Paris, where he had gone to look over the financial situation, says that "it is privately understood by the French, English and Belgium bankers that the 'great offensive' will not begin until next year." He said there "had been a delay in the plans on account of the English failure in the Tigris campaign. It is plain that the English authorities have been moved to greater caution and preparedness by the cumulative English failures."

The banker said that this postponement was a great disappointment to people of the allied countries and was only gradually being revealed, but the French and English military authorities were of one mind on this subject and that instead of the war commencing in May, 1915, as Lord Kitchener had said, it would not commence until May, 1917. The recent conscription act passed by the British parliament, after the situation and plans were explained in secret session, was part of the plan agreed upon in the recent conference in Paris.

The report that the war is to be extended for another year will be as regretfully received by the neutral nations as by the allies, but so far, there seems to be no indications that it will end sooner. The length of the war is charged to the want of preparedness on the part of the English. They say that France and Germany and the English navy were in a state of preparedness, but England had practically no trained army except the few regulars, and no laws for assembling and training an army. It is true that they raised a million men in a few months, but they were useless as a fighting force for want of training and lack of arms and equipment. It has taken a year and a half to arm and train them. It is said that while England has at the present time 5,000,000 men enlisted, not half that number are equipped or trained sufficiently to go into the field. The great banking interests of New York are no doubt in position to get the most authentic news of the situation in Europe.—World-Herald.

THE IRISH TRAGEDY.

The terrible mess of Irish mismanagement since the Dublin uprising was suppressed has plainly got on to the nerves of the nationalist leaders and also on the nerves of the radical section of the British electorate. It is a most ghastly tragedy for all Irishmen and Englishmen, who for so many years have mightily endeavored to satisfy Irish grievances by constitutional methods and to win home rule for the Irish people.

John Dillon's fierce invective against the government for permitting the Dublin executions was the bitter upbraiding of an almost heart-broken man, who saw his whole life work being done by firing squads. That Messrs. Dillon and Redmond feel that Ireland is slipping away from their political control by reason of summary executions characteristic of a Russian autocrat combating revolution in Moscow a dozen years ago is evident from their present bearing and utterances.

Mr. Asquith's sudden visit to Dublin discloses his final realization of the peril of a reaction among the mass of the Irish people against the British government. Such a dreadful incident as the military murder of the Dublin editor, Skeffington, is enough to drive a whole nation into a violent passion against martial law and the imperial authority sustaining it. It is true that the situation suddenly created by the Sinn Fein revolt was exceedingly difficult to control without the commission of excesses by the authorities, but there was so much staked upon an avoidance of unnecessary harshness that the failure of the government must be regarded as one of the worst calamities which the war has brought upon the United Kingdom.

The ultimate effects of the government's mistakes must be felt not only in Ireland but wherever in the wide world the Irish race has found a home. The relations between Great Britain and the United States can scarcely fail to be influenced, even during the remainder of the war; for the Dublin executions have been such a shock that American sympathy with the allies has tended to cool. Active pro-German propaganda could never accomplish in this country what quickly results from the killing of half a dozen rebel poets, schoolmasters and editors, placed with their backs to a wall in Dublin.

An effective guaranty of home rule, as Mr. Redmond wants it to be, with Sir Edward Carson's unqualified in-forsement of it, if immediately offered to Ireland, might go far to counteract the impression made by the executions upon Ireland and the cversea neutral countries. Unless something of this character is done, the kaiser may soon become an Irish hero and his success may be prayed for in every Irish cottage beyond the limits of Ulster.—Springfield Republican.

Vacant houses are a very scarce article in Plattsmouth.

No use telling the man who is sick to let well enough alone.

Let us hope that peace will not be postponed over matters of etiquette.

Everybody will boost for the "Home Coming" week. Make it a big success.

Don't you think the republicans will drop Hughes merely because Perkins is for him.

Wall street clamors for Teddy. They know what a good friend he was to the steel trust.

The fly season has been greatly retarded owing to the cold, backward spring. That is one thing to be thankful for.

If Mr. Taft says Justice Hughes will run and Mrs. Hughes says he won't, you will have to guess whether he will or not.

A Mexican general promises to "finish up the Villista bandits quickly." Evidently Carranza is ready to exhaust the last verb in the language on the job.

Republicans are beginning to worry over the democratic platform. They know the democrats have done the business to brag about.

The latest Ford joke is about a man being arrested in a dry town for driving fast in a Ford. The charge against him was "rushing the can."

Hon. S. R. McKelvie, who ought to be the republican candidate for governor of Nebraska, will deliver the address to the high school graduates at Auburn.

"One uprising no government can control is that of prices," says the Wall Street Journal. That paper seems to know, as it speaks for the Wall street gamblers.

A "tightwad" is a misery to himself and a carbuncle upon society and opposed to everything good for the town. He does not know what the word "progress" means.

A man doesn't like to be "kidded" about his car, his dog, his lodge or his first mustache. Neither will a woman stand for funny remarks about her baby, her preacher, her age or complexion.

England probably will continue to open our mail in spite of our protests, so Washington learns. The only way to forestall her, apparently, is to do all our European correspondence on postal cards.

One may get rid of his money in different ways, according to the hurry he is in. He may buy a string of race horses, or he may start a newspaper to push a presidential boom for a favorite son.

Carranza wears those wild and wind-swept whiskers for some unknown reason. But Funston's beard is short enough and his record long enough to show that he hasn't a retreating chin.

It is just as important to be sure you are wrong before backing down as it is to be sure you are right before going ahead. But some people are so egotistical as to think they are right all the time.

What is the difference between a printing press and a preacher? The printing press you feed with paper, and the preacher with chicken. But chicken nowadays is a great deal cheaper than paper.

The governor of Texas is on the warpath and says it is time to intervene and restore order in Mexico. Texas governors who have to stand the brunt of Mexican raids are usually one the warpath towards the Mexicans, and who blames them?

The civil war having been over a matter of fifty-one years or so, and construction being well under way, the Methodist Episcopal church now believes it safe to broach the subject of peace within its lines, to close a break over national issues which occupied the public mind away back in 1844.

The superiority of democratic control in the national government has been demonstrated in a score of affirmative measures since Wilson was inaugurated; but perhaps the best proof of all is negative. The Roosevelt panic of 1907 was a result of bad republican party government in times of peace and plenty. The prosperity of 1916 is a result of good democratic party government in times of stress and storm never before dreamed of among men.

"I am opposed even to breaking our relations with any of the countries at war in Europe. I think we ought to remain at peace, to stand even insult and injury."—Republican Leader Mann. It would suit Leader Mann "to stand insult and injury," rather than suspend diplomatic relations, so long as he could have a democratic presnet to abuse for permitting the country to be injured and insulted. Leader Mann is a wonderful political strategist. Prevent a rupture at any cost is his program; the national wrath over the insults not resented would finish Wilson.

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Senator Paul O. Husting of Wisconsin delivered a great speech on the floor of the United States senate April 27. Read this extract:

"I am for the United States against Germany or Austria or Great Britain or Russia or France or Japan or Turkey or any other nation on the face of the earth when opposed to us; I do not care what they are or who they are. I want each and every nation to respect our rights, as we propose to respect theirs; and I will not conceal the fact that I was in hopes long ago that Germany would yield and recognize our rights, so that we might straightway and promptly turn our undivided attention to other flagrant violations of our rights on the part of other countries. I believe that Germany has been standing in her own light. I believe that in her refusal to bow and yield to the rightful demands of the United States she has in a way hindered and obstructed herself, because I believe there is a sentiment in this country which is that we shall play no favorites, but defend our rights, no matter how or by whom invaded. There is also a belief prevailing in this country that as long as the lives of our citizens are the issue that must be settled first; and then, I say, I believe there is a further sentiment in this country that when that is settled, and settled right, we should turn our attention to those who are wronging us in other ways and make them see the right also.

"That is the attitude that I want to take in this body, and the attitude that I think is the proper and just and right one. In this controversy that lies nearest to our right hand I believe it is absolutely necessary, in order to convince Germany that we mean business, that the country as one man should put themselves back of a president who has used his talents, his genius, his time, his energy, and all his other qualities of hand and heart which nature has so richly endowed him, to keep us out of war and preserve our honor. I say such a president as that deserves the support, in my humble opinion, of the humblest citizen in the land, as well as that of every senator in this body."

DR. FLYNN ATTENDS MEETING
STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

This morning Dr. P. J. Flynn departed for Omaha where he will attend and take part in the meeting of the councillors of the Nebraska State Medical Association, to make arrangements for the meeting of the State Association which will be held at the Fontenelle Hotel in that city. Dr. Flynn was elected as representative for the eighth district while he was a resident of O'Neill, and will take part in the general arrangements for the big state meeting. A number of matters relating to legislation at the coming session of the legislature as well as the work of the profession will be taken up at this meeting of the state association, and it bids fare to be one of the most interesting sessions held for some time.

ARE REJOICING OVER
A NEW DAUGHTER

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday a fine little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kuhnney, who is considered by the happy parents as just about the finest little lady in the land, and being the first child in the family, there is nothing too good for the little one. Both the mother and little daughter are doing nicely.

Read the want ads in the Journal.

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