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THOUGHT FOR TODAY
Sorrrows are like thunder clouds—over our heads they are scarcely gray; in the distance they look black.—Schiller.

August 31—remember the date.
Beginning of "Home Coming" celebration.

And enjoy the greatest event of your life.

Meet all your friends here on that date, sure.

Efficiency is the greatest hardship to a shiftless person.

Saving starving Poland is a cause which should receive unanimous support.

Men are not looking for jobs any more, but the jobs are looking for men.

Everybody that is anybody, stands up for the two P's—Plattsmouth and Progress.

Francisco Villa may be physically constituted to stand all these deaths, but paragraphs are not.

A poor man always feels that he could bear up bravely under an income tax if he only had an income.

By the way, what has become of the cabbage snake story, that used to go the rounds in the newspaper?

There are no raw recruits on the border now. With the mercury at 106 and worse, they are well done on both sides.

German dyestuff manufacturers are no doubt deriving some profit from the advice in international correspondence.

Speaking in a general way, candidates for office are the most agreeable people you meet now days. They meet you with a smile that won't fade away until you have said "no, I can't support you."

A nickel is now worth six cents "on account of the war." This, however, represents its intrinsic value, not its trade value, so now we will continue to get 16 cents worth of round steak for five nickels, as before.

A traveling man remarked to the editor yesterday, that Plattsmouth was the busiest little city he had visited for sometime. "Stand up for Plattsmouth," is our slogan all the time. We never let up, but boom right along.

The republicans of Otoe county do not seem to take kindly to the candidacy of Marshall T. Harrison for float representative, and insist that Zimmerman remain on the ticket, although absent. He is with his regiment on the border.

As the date for Mr. Hughes's notification approaches there is not the slightest flurry on the stock exchange. Is it possible that those fellows have again got advance information and know whether he is going to accept or decline that nomination?

The theater managers strongly resent the proposed war tax on their business. They say it will take 40 million dollars a year from the pockets of the amusement men. It would be a great relief to the amusement men if the proposition were dropped and a tax of five cents were levied on each loaf of bread.

RURAL CREDITS CRITICS

We are solemnly advised by local wise-acres that the new land bank rural credit law isn't apt to prove of much advantage to the farmer who happens to be a tenant, and that it is "hard to understand" why the president gets so much satisfaction out of the passage of the measure.

Of course this suggestion is easily recognizable as an effort to discredit the law because it was passed by a democratic congress and approved by a democratic president as a part of a democratic constructive legislative program.

Yet the dispatches say that when President Wilson signed the bill there were present representatives of the national grange, the farmers' educational and co-operative union, the farmers' national congress and the national council of the farmers' co-operative association.

There was another present also. It was David Lubin. Now who is David Lubin? Why he is the originator and head of the international institute of agriculture, which has its headquarters at Rome, Italy. He is an American citizen who has devoted his life to the promotion of agriculture, and when he conceived the idea of the international institute to gather world-wide information for the betterment of the processes of agriculture, being unable to find at home the encouragement necessary to establish and maintain the institute, went abroad and found backing that enabled him to establish it at Rome with assurance of financial aid enough to stabilize it.

David Lubin found in operation in Europe certain forms of rural credit promotion, and at once began agitation for the adoption of a similar but modified system in the United States. He has kept up that agitation for a number of years.

Now it would seem that if David Lubin and the various representatives of the numerous organizations of farmers named above approve this measure, as they did in being present when the president signed it, these wishful financiers in Nebraska republican newspaper offices might with propriety withhold adverse criticism until a test of the merits of the law shall have been made. If these men who have made, from self-interest, a study of what the farmer needs, find merit in the law, perhaps it is not the but-in of the spokesman for a too critical partisanship.

It has been urged before that the farmer who wants to borrow money can get it on better terms than can some manufacturer and merchants. The suggestion invariably meets indignant denial from the western communities, where interest rates on farm loans recently ran as high as 8 per cent. The growing plenitude of money may have diminished this western Nebraska rate during recent months.

This rural credits law may not be perfect. It is possible that its application may bring out defects. But it is an important first step. Possibly in time it may be made to fulfill the needs of the tenant farmer. In time it must also extend to the home-seekers taking up government land, most of whom really need help. It would tend wonderfully toward rendering new unused portions of the national domain fruitful if the government should provide a system of aiding those who settle upon raw land in the hope of making it serviceable to mankind.—Lincoln Star.

A man making an effort to take defeat gracefully is putting on the most painful performance.

Every town has a citizen who "has buried two wives" since he arrived there, and is suspected of having others planted around at several former places.

THE NATIONAL GUARD

He who is not for us is against us.
Are you a boomer for Plattsmouth?
Then boom with all your might for "Home Coming."

We don't expect any sluggards to do anything of the kind.

Besides the physical and military training you get in the army, you don't have to eat salad.

The devil has but mighty little use for the man or woman who attends strictly to their own business.

The rankest piece of business that we ever heard of is the theft of seven skunks from a skunk farm in Indiana.

Democratic postmasters are severely scolded by Postmaster General Burleson for officiating in politics. Is there any more cause for complaints under democratic administration than there was under republican rule? I guess not.

The resolution adopted by the Otoe county republican convention at Syracuse last Tuesday, endorsed John L. Kennedy for United States senator, and Congressman Reavis, but not a word appears in commendation of Sutton for governor. But this is simply a straw.

Prince Henry of Bavaria has been wounded in the head. This should start rumors of a new gun of wonderful range, provided he was not like the Prince of Wales, wounded by the husband of a sergeant's wife. It will be a long day ahead before a prince is shot while fighting in the front trenches.

A newspaper man of long experience observed the other day that because of some trifling inaccuracy, or the belief of someone that there was an inaccuracy, a newspaper will be branded as being irresponsible. With so many chances for mistakes to get into a newspaper, considering the large number of facts handled by a daily newspaper, the wonder is that more errors do not creep into print. Often the person who criticizes most severely the newspaper for an inaccuracy has neither the ability nor the qualities that would admit of him managing a newspaper for a single day, and the mistakes he makes in his own business every day, which are covered up where the newspapers errors are public, would amount to a far bigger average of errors compared to accuracies. The newspaper is made by human beings with all human deficiencies, and their critics usually have little to do and plenty of time to do it in, a state of happiness the newspaper maker never has opportunity to enjoy.

PROSPERITY

However, complaints of scarcity of labor continue, and farmers are now feeling the pinch in this respect. New buying of steel comes largely from foreign sources, the orders indicating an admixture of war's wants with materials used for constructive purposes. Crop reports barring those coming from the Gulf sections of the south and reports of big crust emanating from the northwest are favorable. Railroad traffic is heavy, earnings are exceptionally large, and cross revenues of large funds for the fiscal year ending June 30 promise to exceed \$1,190,000,000, the largest sum ever reported for any previous like period. Bank clearing greatly surpasses those of one and two years ago. At this time last year war orders were diffusing activity in widely separated lines. Money is firmer, demand is better and deposits at some points are decreasing, but at the metropolitan funds placed by trust companies seem to have prevented the market from maintaining the full advance. The stock market reflects bearish operations, which apparently are shifted from one group of stocks to another when and as conditions are deemed propitious. Binding expenditures for the first half of the year at 120 cities equal the best aggregates of past years, and are 27 per cent ahead of a year ago.—Bradstreet's Review.

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The calling out of the National Guard has developed some facts that are worth notice. In the states where there has been a constant demand for a large army and navy, where there has been the largest preparedness parades and where the press has been denouncing the peace proclivities of the president, fewer men have responded to the call in ratio of population than in others where no displays or demands have been made. The mobilization will be worth all it will cost even if there is no war with Mexico. The first effect of the appearance in a few days after the call of about 100,000 men on the border, all well armed, fully equipped and in splendid physical condition, was to cause some Mexican politicians to change their methods toward the United States.

This mobilization beats all the Plattsburg camps ten to one. The men who have gone to the front are under strict military discipline, and will be brought face to face with the training that men of the regular army are subjected to. There is vastly more of military gain in such an experience than could be gathered from many sessions of the camps in Plattsburg or elsewhere.

The mobilization has brought up new questions that will not down. The Springfield Republican in speaking of the National Guard says: "We are all ready to pay them honor when the government demands their service, but not all of us have been equally sympathetic and regardful of them before the crisis came. The least we can do when men go out from the community life to serve their country is to see that dependents they have left behind are adequately cared for."

There has been some objection to the severe physical requirements, but that there has been no discrimination between them and the regular army is shown by the fact that five colonels of the regular in service on the border as well as several of lower rank have recently been retired for physical disability. The result is that perhaps no other army of 100,000 men of equal physical ability to that on the Mexican border was ever before assembled. Governor Morehead said that "every man had to pass an inspection by twelve different doctors, each a specialist in some part of the physical anatomy." The result was that a man had to be perfect from his toes to his teeth. Several were rejected on the account of the condition of teeth and at least one man because he had a crooked toe.—World-Herald.

BETTY GREEN'S MONEY

Never before in a national crisis was the country so supremely confident of the wisdom and courage of its leaders.

There are a good many things that need modifying in this city, but it is not our duty to take such matters in hand. If it were, we would proceed to do it.

There's an art in keeping cool and comfortable in hot weather and the first rule is to keep cool! Those who are by nature of a calm, placid temperament are those who on the hottest days remain cool and comfortable. Cultivate placidity, then, don't get excited, don't run, don't fuss mentally or physically. Remember that it is far easier to keep cool than to get cool.

She was a dream. She was fairer than the dawn. She seemed to float across the big room, such was her grace. Everybody looked. The typewriters stopped. Even the telegraph instruments stopped. Not for many a day had the office been freshened by such a vision. She approached our desk. Proudly we rose. With a smile that revealed the whitest of teeth, she asked, "Where's the city editor at?"

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The live wires are the people who do the work—and they are doing it.

Quite a number of men know women who can keep a secret pretty well, but they are a very scarce article.

The York Democrat: Judge Sutton stand up! Did you ever have a government liquor license made out in your name?

The study of domestic science perhaps could be made even more popular, with the girls if cooking, sewing and dishwashing were eliminated.

We yield to no man our admiration for the consuming sex. That's why we do not wish them to enter the base ball game and the wrestling match.

A Wakeney, (Kansas) young woman is nursing a sprained arm, the result of a vigorous hug from her fiancé! This is a warning to fiancés in Plattsmouth. Some kind of hugs are dangerous.

Henry Ford is not in the habit of throwing away his money. He might accept the nomination of the prohibition party but he knows that no matter how much he spent it wouldn't take him within miles of the White House.

They are all coming to Plattsmouth on Thursday, August 31, and remain during the active "Home Coming" festivities, which end on Monday, September 4, with a great Labor day program, including the flag raising at the Burlington railroad shops.

Parents of girls and boys, under 14 and 15 years of age, should keep them off the street after 11 o'clock at night, at least. Their tramping the streets at this hour of the night does not speak well for the parents or city either.

Farm loan bank race between Omaha and Lincoln will make a warm fight. Lincoln beat Omaha out of the Reserve bank by her contention and she will do the same with this. Omaha should turn around and favor some more central location than Lincoln—say Grand Island.

The standpatters are viewing with some uneasiness the fact that Teddy's sell out is not going to fly out. Leaders can lead when they are right but they can't pull the wool over the eyes of the people to the extent of voting in a party that is all wrong. They are getting tired of that kind of business, and no one can realize this except those who were once popular Teddy Roosevelt.

PEACE MOVEMENT

Yes, a big time in Plattsmouth.
From August 31 to September 4, inclusive.
Everybody interested should remember dates.
The greatest event ever pulled off in the old town.
They are coming from the east; they are coming from the west; and the north and south.
Evidently the Hughes managers are going to have a hard time to even get the standpatters together.
That America may be free among nations and that America may be free among men—that is the democratic propose.
A scientist claims to have discovered the germ of idiosyncrasy. It's so plentiful that it is a wonder that it wasn't found out before.
Did you ever hear of anyone going to sleep at a ball game? Not here in Plattsmouth. But we've heard of boys making eyes at the girls in the grand-stand.
Ex-Governor Handy, of Indiana, is the nominee of the prohibition party for president. The nominee is quite an able gentleman, and a full-fledged temperance man. Will the temperance people support him?
The government has undertaken the task with local help to clean the waters in the vicinity of New York of man-eating sharks. If they clean up all the sharks infesting New York they will have undertaken quite a job.
Spend \$17.50 on August 13th, and go with Rosencrans for a three days trip to Chase County.

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