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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

If you want to claim your birthright in the chain of mental evolution, you must look to your own link in that chain, and not too busy to keep it shining and from rust.—Eden Philpott.

Get out that drag—and use it.

Floods all over the country.

So far we have been very fortunate.

When the snow breaks loose in the mountains we may get ours.

Freshness is a commendable condition in eggs but not in children.

Not more than twenty-five bills have been signed by the governor.

Mayor Sattler seems to have smooth sailing for re-election, and without opposition.

Now that beef has gone up again, you will hear lots more "beefing" among the meat eaters.

Mexico could perhaps control its hands better if they were not allowed to operate without license.

The tornado season is now on, says the weather man, and he generally hits it on the bad order of things.

Loyalty to the flag does not require you to hate your neighbor, even though he may have been born under the flag of a tyrant.

Old winter has a hard time getting away, but wait till Old Sol is after him good and hard and he will decamp in very short order.

Easter hats are not pretty to say the least, but the women folks will have them just the same. The uglier they are the better they like them.

If you don't want to dance, that's your business, but don't object to others enjoying themselves so long as they pay the fiddler.

Of all increases in the price of food-stuffs perhaps the most justified is that of milk. This important article has never until lately cost anywhere near its real value as compared with most other common articles of food.

Having ordered Uncle Sam to keep off the ocean, Emperor Bill had to try to make good his bluff. It is to be hoped that America's entrance into the war will shorten the struggle, and let us keep out of our hearts all hate for the German people especially the millions who have shown their love for America by leaving the fatherland. This is a time that requires clear thinking and sound judgment, and hate does not beget or promote these qualities.

Did you ever stop to think what good mathematicians some of your neighbors are? If you have not, just do something they may not exactly appreciate of and see how quickly they will multiply the occurrence by four. Not all of them are good at subtraction, but at addition on multiplication many of them are wonders—and they work without pay, too!

Prohibition is one of the problems that is not disposed of up to this time by the senate, but which will no doubt come to vote within a few days. The senate ordered printed five hundred copies of the bill as it came over from the house. Of course there will be amendments offered to the measure in the senate and we suspect that a portion of these amendments are going to receive the approval of the senate.

"April Fool," next Sunday.

When you know you are watched it is mighty easy for you to be good.

Looks as if every European hock-shop will soon have a crown or two in the windows.

They say that Bagdad recently captured by the British is one of the dirtiest and most unsanitary cities in the world and not a very choice place in which to sojourn very long at a time.

Every citizen who claims America for his home should support President Wilson and stand by the Stars and Stripes. A thoroughly united country is what will do the business.

"If you don't like Uncle Sammy," you are in a dice of a fix, for William has forbid you to travel the seas, and if you cross the Rio Grande the Villa goblins will surely get you. Better amogie up to Old Glory, don't you think?

We trust the senate will get down to business this week and act just as the constitutional amendment says. If they will do that the people will be satisfied. When the people are with you the chances are you can't go very far wrong.

Be sure and vote for Jess Wurga because he has been tested and "not feant wanting." This is his second term and should be reflected on general principles and because he had made a splendid official. No use to "stop to trade horses in the middle of the stream," especially when your horse is the best.

There will have to be something done with the prohibition amendment this week or it will go by the board. There is one section in the amendment that they can't very well get over, and that is were the people of Nebraska are permitted keep it on hand for their own use. It would appear that to mark this section out this amendment would not be legal. While we would like to see it "bone dry," we await the action of the senate.

When the man breezes into your city, who does not know that it can not be done, yet goes ahead and does it—tie to him. He is the very party every hamlet or city wants. Grab him and give him the best corner lot in the city on which to locate. Welcome him with the hand and carry the glad mitt extended for him. Many a city has beaten the famous old Rip in their somnolence. It took a Moses to get the children of Isreal out of the swamp. He was the same kind of a man every town needs. We should breed live wires instead of short circuits. Plattsmouth has been against short circuits long enough. We wear a forty dollar hat and go barefooted. We buy gasoline for the car and thin the pancake syrup for the kids. With the wealth lying idle on deposit in our local banks it looks as if many of us expected to take it with us. Some may, but we advise them to leave the paper money behind. A few here have their first pair of overalls. True, we pay our debts. But for the live wires in Plattsmouth things would be worse yet. The word progressive should be found some where else than in the dictionary. Spring will soon be here. How about a can of paint for the home? Paint's the stuff which takes a city out of class and sets the poor house still further over the hill. Let us wash our faces and comb our hair (those that have hair) and catch step with the men who said it cannot be done, but went ahead and did it.

SEEING RED.

That the spirit of war is in the air is emphasized by newspaper reports which tell of bursts of patriotism everywhere, that the Red Cross society is swamped with applications, and that schools have established military drill.

Have the people of the United States gone war mad? It would seem so, if all reports are true.

They are playing right into the hands of the money kings of Wall street.

They have jumped at the bait, and have swallowed hook, sinker, and all.

They are beginning to see red—and when once red is seen that means war.

And you know what war is. President Wilson was re-elected because his campaign slogan was, "He kept us out of war."

That meant that the big majority of the people of the United States were opposed to war—and there is every reason to believe that they still are of that opinion.

All this war talk cannot be because of the loss of American lives at sea.

That is out of the question, since about five times as many American lives were lost in Mexico as were lost at sea because of Germany's submarine policy. And in Mexico they are constantly killing Americans and insulting the American flag.

But no, America must be forced into the world's greatest war for only one reason—and that reason is not for patriotism, far from it, it is purely because Morgan and company's millions which have been invested in British securities must be protected.

Fighting for such a cause would not be patriotism.

It would be the greatest mistake that the American people could possibly make.

When these vast amounts of English securities were being brought to this country for Morgan and company we pointed out at that time that it would have the very effect that England desired it to, and that was to eventually force the United States from a neutral position to the side of the allies—"because these Morgan millions must be protected."

Now the time has arrived when we can point back to that statement and say that we made no mistake when we said it.

Let us hope that all Americans who are faithful to American ideals of justice, liberty, and humanity will be found strongly entrenched against the United States being dragged into war for the mere purpose of saving millionaires' securities.

If the American people are seeing red today it is because Morgan's millions must be protected.

Do you want the United States to engage in the world's greatest war for such a cause?

Think it over. Think it over.—Hastings Tribune.

ADD ANTIONAL GUARD CALLED National Issues.

The war department statement follows:

"Many states have deemed it advisable to call out the national guard for police purposes of protection. As the necessity for such steps arises from issues which are more national than local it has been deemed advisable by the president to call into federal service, for the above mentioned purposes several guard organizations."

The strength of the navy will be increased from 87,000 men to 100,000 if the present plans are carried out by congress.

The Zimmerman Mexican-Japanese plot—and others—convinced the nation to the extent to which Germany could, and would go. Now that war grows daily nearer, the government foresees the possibility of trouble with in the nation, aimed at such vital things as plants constructing ships or munitions.

Racial disturbances are regarded as a possibility.

The city election takes place next Tuesday.

THE WHEAT SITUATION.

The agricultural department has been making another search in the United States for wheat and reports that it found on the first of March 101,365,000 bushels. As flour stocks are not considered, and if this be added to the 89,614,000 bushels said to be held by the mills and in elevators, the total wheat on hand would be around 266,000,000 bushels. Spring seeding takes about 39,000,000 bushels, and domestic consumption from March 1 to July 1 averages 170,000,000, making in all 200,000,000 bushels we will need before new wheat comes to market.

This effort to ascertain the amount of wheat in this country has been most carefully conducted and without doubt the result is as accurate as it is possible to make it. It leaves this country in a position different from what was ever before known.

There will be practically no wheat to carry over to next year. The outlook for a big crop this year is very good. There has been an increased acreage of fall wheat sown and the late rains and snows have put it in prime condition for this time of year. The department reports that there will be a largely increased acreage of spring wheat sown. The great shortage in the countries south of the equator and the shortage in the war stricken countries is certain to make wheat a good price after the crop is harvested, even though it should be a large one and every acre of wheat which Nebraska farmers will return a good profit.—World-Herald.

THE OPTIMISM OF MR. HUGHES.

In a recent issue of Leslie's the following rather extravagant expression of an optimism that the facts do not fully warrant is credited to Hon. Charles Evans Hughes:

"This is an hour when we are reacting upon the responsibilities which are pressing upon the leader of this nation. I am glad to say that I do not believe that there is a man of any party who does not stand behind the president of the United States in maintaining inflexibly the rights committed to his trust. We are a nation of free men with the desire; our rights we would maintain; our honor of the nation is our sacred trust."

O yes there are men, Mr. Hughes, who do not stand behind the president of the United States in maintaining inflexibly the rights committed to his trust. If Mr. Hughes could come to Lincoln next week he would hear one of those who does not stand behind the president in this respect and who came 1,500 miles to try and explain to his constituents why he has refused to do so.

It is evident that Mr. Hughes has not been keeping in touch with the records of the senators of his party.—Lincoln Star.

The navy needs men and there are thousands of young men here in the west that are just fitted for the navy. The enlistment for sailors is going on all over the country, and it is just simply a question of time until the young men will be called for the army or navy.

The new steel bridge that the state and the counties of Cass and Sarpy propose to place over the Platte river, will be a God-send to the traveling public. It will cost about \$40,000.00 and will be free to everybody. That's the proper caper.

The British government became socialistic enough to reach out and take possession of all the coal mines. Now is the time for your Uncle Samuel to do the same thing.

It looks now as though that grand old man Clump Clark will be re-elected speaker without any trouble. The Independents are for him.

We hear a lot these days about the "bone dry law." If the constitutional amendment says "bone dry," make it that way.

We are prepared to serve large or small dinners, banquets, etc., at any price to suit you, at the Riley Hotel.

Letter files at the Journal office.

BUMPER CROPS OR U. S. FOOD SHORTAGE

Commissioner Says Government Should Guarantee Market to Farmer.

Washington, March 28.—"There is just one way to avoid a food shortage in the United States, and that is to raise the biggest crops this season that America ever raised. To accomplish this, the government ought to guarantee a market to the farmer, fixing a minimum price for all the principal articles raised, according to the recommendation of Chairman Charles F. Nesbit of the special food commission, working under the auspices of the treasury department and the District of Columbia government.

"The supply is short," Mr. Nesbit continued. "The 1914 and 1915 wheat crops were enormous, but the 1916 crop was not above normal, and the 1917 crop promises to be almost a failure. We have been exporting at steadily increasing rate for foreign consumption.

"The canned goods crop is short. There are less horses for agricultural labor, less live stock on our farms, and less provisions in our storehouses. The mounting prices of food will create an overwhelming demand for an embargo by summer or fall, unless something is done.

"An embargo would mean starving the allies, and that would mean losing the war. The United States must help by raising crops. We must cultivate our vacant lots or backyards, our untilled acres. We must work the land within the city limits where labor is at hand for the work.

"Most rural communities are doing all they can with the labor they have. City labor could be used to make productive the land in and near our cities and towns.

"The work should be done co-operatively, and it would pay the government to undertake to buy all surplus products of this character offered at a certain price. If this were done everybody would know that his products would find a market, and that the increased supply would not break the market, nor would the producer be robbed by the middleman."

Local News

Mrs. W. T. Richardson came in this morning from her home at Mynard and departed on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where she will visit for the day.

P. E. Ruffner and wife who have been spending a week in Omaha returned last evening after a most delightful visit with their children in the metropolis.

Peter Lenhard, one of the prominent farmers of near South Bend, came down yesterday from his home and spent a short time here looking after business affairs.

Henry Heil and wife and children of the vicinity of Cedar Creek motored to this city this morning and spent the day visiting friends and attending to some business matters.

George P. Meisinger, assessor of Eight Mile Grove precinct, came in this morning from Cedar Creek to attend the meeting of the county assessors at the court house.

F. W. Young came up from Union on the morning train to attend the county assessors' meeting which is being held at the court house today. Mr. Young was a pleasant caller at this office.

L. H. Puls and wife of Murray and Mrs. Adam Hild of near Mynard were among those going to Omaha this morning, where they will visit at the hospital with Mrs. Fred Hild for a few hours.

Frank Hronek and daughter, who have been here for a few days visiting, while en route to their home at Pocatello, Ida., departed this morning for their home. Mr. Hronek and daughter have been in Chicago visiting for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Joachim and little son and baby daughter, Stephen Joachim and Mr. and Mrs. August Stohman, of Louisville, motored to this city this afternoon for a short visit with friends and to attend to some important business matters.

For any itching skin trouble, piles, eczema, salt rheum, hives, scald head, herpes, scabies, Doan's Ointment is highly recommended. 50c a box at all stores.

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Cedar Creek

Ice cream at Reames' Saturday, March 31.

Will Schneider is building a new hen house this week.

For good, fresh Candy, Fruit and Nuts, see S. J. Reames.

Mrs. Ruth Thomsen sold a fine lot of Easter hats and bonnets this week.

Mill Meisinger and family visited under the parental roof Sunday for the day.

August Keil and family were visiting with Philip Stoehr and family Sunday.

Mrs. John Buseche was among the Plattsmouth visitors Monday for a few hours.

Wolf & Ault are kept busy setting up farm machinery for the farmer's these days.

Mrs. J. E. Wolff is a very busy woman these days, kept busy trimming Easter bonnets for the Easter trade.

John True is building a new house on his farm east of Cedar Creek that is to be most comfortable and pleasant.

Preaching at the Cedar Creek church next Sunday morning, April 1. Services will also be held in the evening.

Henry Heebner, the Duff grain elevator manager, was receiving grain Saturday from the farmers in this vicinity.

Andrew Thomsen, the Farmers' elevator manager, was busy receiving grain Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Sam Hackenberg and son were attending the revival at Plattsmouth last week and greatly enjoyed the meeting.

James Johnson, our blacksmith, is hammering from morning until night fixing up farm machinery for the farmers.

Ferdinand Hennings, sr., and sons were in town Monday for a few hours, hauling lumber and building material for their farm.

Mr. Larson, our hotel man, departed on a business trip to Mason City, Ia., Saturday, where he will remain for a few hours.

P. H. Roberts, manager of the Cedar Creek Lumber company, is a very busy man these days, filling out orders for building material.

Farm Loans, Insurance and Real Estate. See J. F. Foreman.

Henry Heebner and Cashier J. F. Foreman went to Plattsmouth on business in the new Maxwell roadster Tuesday, to spend a short time.

The dance at Sayles' hall Saturday night was well attended and a jolly good time was had. The next dance will be on Saturday evening, April 7.

Come in and read the bulletin board at the First Security bank, it will cost you nothing and has proved a great help to both the farmers and our little village.

We are glad to learn that our old friend, Peter Meisinger, is up and around again after a severe seige of pneumonia that made his condition serious for some time.

Louis Hennings has just completed a fine new modern dwelling on his farm south of town, and is moving his family this week to the new home. Louis has all new buildings, built up-to-date. The lumber and building material was purchased of the Cedar Creek Lumber company.

Henry Dasher and family are packing their household goods and shipping them to Greenwood, where they have bought property. We are very sorry to lose such good neighbors, but our loss is Greenwood's gain. Their friends wish them a pleasant and happy future in their new home.

An Honest Letter From an Honest Man.

Enos Halbert, Paoli, Ind., writes: "I contracted a severe cold this fall and coughed continually. Could hardly sleep at nights. I tried several remedies without relief. Got Foley's Honey and Tar and the first bottle relieved me, curing my cough entirely. I can recommend it for all coughs." Get the genuine. Sold everywhere.

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