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Thought for the Day

Selected by Mrs. R. B. Elliott

I will think compassionately of the nations of

the old world now torn by inconceivable strife

and discord. I refuse to lay the blame heavily

on any of them, for I see the working out of the

It looks as if the weather man were the most

Did you get that, Jim? The mayor of At-

With so many presidential primary states,

The real question is whether an American

citizen has any rights outside of his own coun-

try when other nations are at war with one

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unwilling candidates would do well to keep a

law and the fulfilment of a prophecy.

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Judge Gary's Warning. THE OMAHA DAILY BEE

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Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, warns the people of the United States to prepare against the time when the war now raging will no longer support American industrial activity at its present stage. Similar caution has been given by others, who foresee the changed conditions that must follow after peace. It is not the replacement of the billions of dollars of property now being wasted in the prosecution of the conflict that must be considered, but the re-establishment of the commerce and industries of the peoples now engaged in that conflict.

The great economic problem will come with the beginning of the readjustment of world relations. No matter what political circumstances then prevail, the nations alike will face the necessity of re-entering the race for trade, and out of this general competition, certain to be flercer than any yet known, must spring expedients and devices as new and startling as were the weapons of war so suddenly disclosed to an astonished world. This much may be accepted.

The only prudent course for Americans will be to place themselves in the strongest possible position. Progress made in foreign fields need not be abandoned, nor efforts in that direction lessened, but it is at home the greatest measure of protection will be required. Our home market, the most attractive in all the world, must be absolutely preserved for the home producers. Judge Gary's warning, as well as that of all who have carefully studied the situation. points directly to the need of abandoning the democratic doctrine of free trade.

Senators and Our Neutrality.

The debate on neutrality in the senate on Wednesday afternoon served at least to relieve the pressure on some minds, enabling a few of the opponents of the policy adopted for the United States to discharge pent-up feelings. Beyond this, though, the oratory and colloquies incident thereto will have little effect. Statements made give no evidence of change of heart on part of any one who took part, and may be taken as fairly indicative of continuance of personal positions voiced before adjournment last summer.

Our neutrality as a nation does not rest on sentiment, but on justice. Individuals have their own views, and the utmost freedom in voicing them, but the nation must hold itself clear of any or all favoritism, and has so far succeeded in doing so. The personal opinions A visiting medical authority is discussing of the critics of the course followed by the presi-"The Ideal Physician." The ideal physician is dent are interesting as such, but they do not change the fundamentals involved in our dealings with the belligerents. These have been so fully, and so capably expounded, that it seems astonishing senators can be found who will yet profess to believe in palpable distortion of cold facts as a condition of proper behavior on our part as a responsible people.

The debate so far as it progressed will merely serve to continue the division of opinion supply of carbon copy withdrawals constantly on as to the sale of munitions, and gives no indication as to what may be the position of the debaters on defense measures.

Harassing Hall.

The state house democrats are spending their post-holiday season in enjoyment of the sport of baiting the state treasurer, and pursue True, our Nebraska representatives at Washington make an appearance of keeping mighty him with the fatuousness that has ever marked that party's course when it has bent itself to blundering. Mr. Hall's offense, heinous from the view point of his associates in office at Lincoln just now, has been a due regard for the constitution and the laws of the state, which the other officials find in the way. He declines to be made the scapegoat for the party's inefficient administration. A blunder of the legislature, due to partisan manipulation and an underhand effort to conceal legitimate expenditures, has forced a situation the governor and his coadjuters have sought to evade by ignoring a law the governor helped to pass. To bring this to success, it is necessary that the state treasurer ignore the letter and the spirit as well of the constitution. The situation is typical of democratic administration, and is not in any way creditable to the state. It will leave a nasty mess for the coming republican administration to clean up.

Can You Answer These?

R AYMOND A. KENT, '10 A. M., nasistant pro-

fessor of education and principal of the University High school, gave an examination to the funior and senior classes of the College of Education

to test their general knowledge. Fifty questions were asked, as follows: Name the-

Vice president of the United States. Covernor of Minnesota. Roler, with title, of England. Ruler, with title, of Germany. United States senators from Minnesota

Locate-Petrograd. Vatican. Court house Parthenon. Galden Horn Golden Gate. Who-

Was the little corporal? Played the harp before Saul? Invented the telegraph?

Discovered the Pacific ocean? Wrote nine symphonies?

Received the Teh Commandments? What-

Is the motto of the United States"

is the Triple Entente? is the blood forcing organ?

is the center of the nervous system?

Is the normal temperature of the body? is the maximum weight carried by the parcel post? Who wrote-"Captains Courageous?" "Treasure Island ?" "The Virginlans?" "The Virginian ?" Franklin's Autobiography?"

"Paul Revere's Ride?" Complete the following-Fools rush in-

It's a long way-

Give me liberty-

What is so rare-Why are the following famous?-

Alexander Graham Bell7

Father Damien? Daniel Boone?

Edward MacDowell?

Florence Nightingale?

Fritz Kreisler?

Mary Pickford In what books do the following characters appear-

Aladdin?

Shylock? Little Eva ?"

Rowens?

Some fell as low as 16 per cent on the examination, and the general average was not high. The same test was given to the high school students and they fell still lower in percentages earned.

Try them yourself and see haw many you can answer

Talking Through Hats

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The few published remarks President Wilson made to members of the democratic national committee but whet our appetite for those concealed. It is easy to imagine that the president explained to his party committee how he has been deliberately trying to trim his administration sails to current breezes. He thinks that he has trimmed so much that the only debatable issue left is the tariff and he intimates a willingness to reverse himself on that as soon as he can ascertain just what course will be required at the end of the war. In his complacence over his achievements he said that the opponents who predicted his defeat were talking through their hats.

The hat has furnished politics with imagery before The democrats sought to associate Benjamin Harrison with his grandfather's headgear. Mr. Wilson once singled Mr. Bryan out as the typical unscrupulous demagogue of America and expressed a wish for some way, "at once dignified yet effective, to knock Bryan into a cocked hat, once for all." Colonel Roosevelt's contribution of a hat to the ring will linger long in the memory. Mr. Wilson will not soon hear the last of his slang imagery. He has acquired something of a reputation himself for using the ventilation holes in his hat for purposes of conversation. He admitted in his 1913 letter to John Brishen Walker that his "History of the American People" was written with ignorance and prejudice of place and that he was not in a position to think while writing it. He has conferred that what he used to say about foreign immigration. the initiative and referendum and organized labor came through his hat. His New Jersey speech on tolls, his Harvey correspondence, his "too-proud-tofight" speech, his varying expressions about Mexico and his inconsistent attitude toward civil service, war loans, export of arms, public economy and the binding force of platform pledges prove him almost a professional hat talker. On the subject of preparedness he must have talked through his hat last December when he poked fun at the "nervous and excited" people who contended that the country had been "negligent of national defense." He used rhetorical opiates to deaden the effect of Secretary Garrison's annual report of 1914 urging military preparation. He put his stamp of approval on Secretary Daniels' fatuous report last year. He has been on both sides of nearly all current problems except the tariff, and he shows signs of flopping on that. The saddest feature is that he can never tell when he is talking through his hat.



Smooth Auto Transmission.

Bee: Several years ago the present writer

placed quite a little study on the automo-

bile transmission gear. In the study of the question I could find no satisfactory

method by which to eliminate the several

gear wheels, much less to make the shift

out the usual whang and jerk incident to

The present transmission is much im-

proved over the transmission of a few

years ago. But the knock of the allding

sear is still in evidence, and a look into

most any garage will convince you that

the transmission still has its faults. A

great many of the beat engineers of the

country have worked for many years to

eliminate the transmission entirely, and

this might be done were the roads level

and the machine might be started with-

out the aid of the low gear. But like

every other fellow who never knows

how to quit, I took up the subject

again, and now I feel certain that I

from high to low and intermediate with-

the present transmission.

OMAHA, Jan. 6 .- To the Editor of The

Nebraska Editors

The Grand Island Daily Independent, A. F. Buechler, editor and proprietor, rounded out the thirty-third year of its existence last week. The weekly edition is fourteen years older,

Editor Thomas of the Alliance Herald entertained the members of his staff and their wives at a Christmas dinner at an Alliance cafe. Mr. Thomas was presented with a handsome pipe and case by his employes.

W. A. Overhage and W. W. Moore have purchased the Schuyler Sun. F. Raiston Moore will continue as local editor.

The Nemaha County Republican and the Auburn Granger have been consolidated. R. E. Cunningham purchased the interests of his partner, Mr. De Wolf. in the Republican and later made a deal with J. H. Dundas, whereby he became the owner of the plant and good will of the Granger. Mr. Dundas retires from the Auburn newspaper field after thirty years of active service.

the Gibbon Reporter from R. A. St. John The transfer was made December 31.

LAUGHING GAS.

"It is the regret of her life that she has never been able to afford a trip abroad." "Wants to see the world, does she?" "It len't that. But she has a remedy for seasickness that she is simply crazy to try."-Kansas City Journal.

"Don't you think it as extravagant to think of siving that record egg-laying hen a diamond engagement ring, as they did in Philadelphia" "I think if an outrage when so many other 'chickens' have to do without diamond ones."-Baltimore American.



Well, you had better send out a photo with every letter if you expect to get any biz."-Louisville Courler Journal.

Judge-Why did you commit a second theft after you had just been adquitted of the first one? Prisoner-I had to pay my lawyer, your honor.-Boston Transcript.

"The hero in the play sang the old ballad. "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes." with an appealing effect." "It appealed, all right. When the men had all come in for the next act, there was scarcely a dry eye in the house."-Baltimore American.

THE WORLD'S WORKERS.

James Russell Lowell. times demand new measures and new men; The world advances, and in time out-

grows laws that in our fathers' days were The

best: And, doubtless, after us, some purer

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have a drive with no gear wheels to shift, and no pesky knock and jerk in getting to high and low. The new transmission is much more simple than the present one, and the cost of manufacturing should be reduced 50 per cent, with no cause for trouble to the driver. A patent will be applied for on the drive. and we will then let the other fellow criticise it. WALTER JOHNSON.

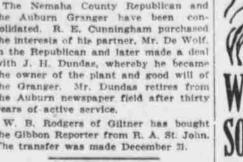
Don't Like Tug-o'-War Way. OMAHA, Jan. 6 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I have been taking quite an interest in the tug-of-war which is being held at the Auditorium this week, and feel as though it really needs some comment In my opinion, I do not think that things are conducted fairly and squarely, as they should be. Take, for instance, the Bohemian and Irish match on Monday night. After twenty minutes of hard tuseeling, the referee declared the Bohemians the winners. The Irish, however, protested it, and stated that the anchor man gripped the ladder twice and that he had fouled. It certainly was a surprise to me that an argument should arise over that, as the anchor man of the German team had at various times supported himself so that his team might not slip. Why was this not criticised? I wish to call attention to a fact which I, as well as hundreds of others, have witnessed. When the captain of the Bohemlan team was giving orders to the team, the rope around the Irish anchor

man slipped under his arms and the

captain of their side adjusted it. Now, if this isn't a foul. I would like to know what is. However, the captain of the Bohemian team, not wishing to start an argument, agreed to have the teams pull again, as he is a man who wishes to see a fair and just play.

The Bohemian and American match was Tuesday night. After almost thirteen minues of hard tusseling, the Bohemiaus had pulled the Americans two feet over the line. One of the bystanders came up to the referee and said that the Bohemlan anchor man had fouled by gripping the ladder. The referee admitted that he never saw it, but after a few words between each other the referee, taking the word of the bystander, called it off and declared the Americans the winners. This certainly is not just and fair. That very night in the match of the Germans Swedes, I have seen, as well as others, that the German anchor man had

twice supported himself by gripping the ladder, and the third time he even assisted himself and team by using both



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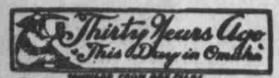
"One for all, and all for one," the Pan-American motto, is comprehensive and appealing. As the Kentuckian said of Blue Grass elixir, "It smells good, it tastes good, and, by hevins, at feels good."

Oil companies are coming in with inspection fees and promises of future good behavior. A moment's thought should convince the oil men that digging up affords relief from the monotony of digging in.

It's a mighty poor public office that can not accommodate the incumbent in some ways, and it would be a shame to disturb the private practice of the United States district attorney for Nebrasks, just to attend to public business.

Pretty soon some one will be blaming the American tourists marconed in Europe at the outbreak of hostilities for allowing themselves to be caught abroad without taking precautions against the war risk, to which they were exposed.

A Portland police judge has quit his \$3,300 job because he cannot stand it to witness the misery of the unfortunates coming before him which he is unable to relieve. Neither of our two Omaha police judges show any signs of leting go for such cause, though neither of these jobs pay as much as \$3,300.



New county officials assumed their offices, among Shariff, William Coburn: treasurer, Henry Bolin; county clerk, Charles P. Needham; coroner, John C. Drexel.

Reaidents of South Thirteenth street saw a atreet car running on the tracks in that locality for the first time since last Saturday.

The employee of A. Hospe, twelve in number, toarthur with some of the musical profession, were served with an elegant banquet last night.

John Matza of Cheyenne is here to spend a few days to visit his brother, Officer Pete Matas.

Samuel Willcox, for two years chancellor of Knights of Pythias lodge No. 1, was the recipient of a goldheaded cane from his associates, the presentation speech being made by Alfred D. Jones.

The new ordinance creating the office of boller in spector fixes the salary for the job at \$1,300 a year. John Stirling of Fredonia, Ia., is a guest of his

old friend, chief Butler. Judges Neville and Wakeley have re-appointed Louis Grebe bailiff of the district court.

L. M. Bartletz of Worcester, Mass., is here visiting Will T. Taber, organist of the First Congregational church and speculating on making a permanent location in Omaha.

The storm, which had abated, was resumed iast nizm, with a drop of twenty degrees in the temporanging the thermometer to six below zero, and and wind, again playing havor with rail. ad street cars.

Conscription in England.

The British government has formally embarked on its newly adopted policy of enforced military service. While the measure is brought forward in the name of Premier Asquith, it will be generally ascribed to the tory rather than the liberal influence. Restricted in its present operation, the bill contains the principle that is capable of indefinite extension, and as such is certain to encounter vigorous opposition of the people, who have cherished the privilege of volunteering for national defense as a proof of political freedom.

The last vestige of involuntary servitude under the Union Jack was wiped out with the disappearance of the navy "press gangs" in the early part of the last century. Return to the principle of conscription denotes the desperation of the government. The Derby plan has been reported as having brought to the colors. three million men. The Asquith bill will add but few to these, if it is carried, and therefore its value, even as an immediate expedient, is questionable. "Slackers" have always been present, many of them conscientiously opposed to war, and willing to suffer for conscience's sake. These will not be stirred into any unwonted military activity by any threat of penalty under the proposed law, and jails once filled with Quakers may again be used in Merry England.

The value of the present movement towards conscription to fill the ranks of Kitchener's army is dubitable, because of the certainty of revolt, and the consequent diminution of patrictic impulse.

In suggesting Taft for the supreme court vacancy. Judge Parker forgets that the former ran against and defeated William J. Bryan in his third race for the presidency, and that the appointment, therefore, might displease the former secretary of state.

L'incoln's city council declines to allow a spur track to be laid across a street to reach the university campus, although the lack of such a track costs the state several thousands of dollars a year in hauling. This is one way of redeeming promises.

Twice Told Tales

Breaking the News.

In Liverpool there is a man famous for his calmness on every occasion. One day he strolled isisurely into the office of a friend. "I've just had a chat with your wife," he began.

'Why, I didn't know she was in town.'

'Oh, she wasn't in town," replied the other. called at your house."

"I didn't know she was receiving today," said the husband, with some surprise. "I thought she had a headache.

"She didn't mention it to me," said the calm man-"There was quite a crowd at the house."

"A crowd!" echoed the husband, "Yes," went on the calm man. "They came with the

fire-engine. "The fire-engine!" "Rasped the husband,

"Oh, it's all right," went on the calm man. "It's all right now. It wasn't much of a fire, but I thought you'd like to know of it."-Pearson's Weekly.

Both Lose.

At one time Kid Brown a famous dance-hall propriator and early-day character of Alaska, was approached by a gambler and requested to lend him ten dollars. Without saying a word, the Kid punched the cash register, pulled out five, and handed it to the gambler

"What?" said the latter. "Didn't I ask you for a ten-spot?

The Kid shifted his chew of to-acco over to the other side of his mouth, kicked his slippers in the corner, and drawled in his characteristic fashion: "We both lose five."-Everybody's Magazine.

Squelched.

Uncle Joe Cannon has a way of speaking his mind that is sometimes embarrassing to others. On one occasion an inexperienced young fellow was called upon to make a speech at a banquet at which former Speaker Cannon was present,

"Gentlemen," began the young fellow, "my opinion is that the generality of mankind in general is disposed to take advantage of the generality of---"

"Sit down, son," interrupted "Uncle Joe," "you'ra coming out of the same hole you went in at!" Everybody's Magazine.

anchor man had also done this once. Now, why is it that no word of complaint has been brought against the other nations' anchor men gripping the ladder. and that the Bohemian man should be commented on it both times?

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stated that he had fouled. The Swedish

In my estimation, I do not believe they want the Bohemians to get any honors, as it surely looks as though they are giving them the worst end of the deal. Of course, they could start an argument, but they are a people who prefer peace. I want to see the best team win, but I wish to say that to be a good loser is as great an honor as to be a winner. And Tuesday night had proved the Bohemians to be good losers. I certainly would like to see that things were conducted more just and that no certain nation would be given preference.

A. KLEPETKO.

Editorial Snapshots

Washington Post: Possibly one reason why our sister republics are unable to get together on the basis of a perfect understanding is because they are sister republics.

Boston Transcript: Postoffice returns show that every city in the country sent away more Christmas gifts than it received. Which indicates that the cities of the country are like the individuals who compose them

Chicago Herald: Though quite old enough to do better he is still "her boy" to the old mother he plundered and she is ready to forgive him and pay the others he robbed. We get our truest conception of the infinite when we consider the patience of mothers.

Indianapolis News: Von Bethmann-Hollweg, who says his government disclaims all responsibility for the continuation of the war, reminds us of what a party of "us boys" would like to have done after we had started a ten-ton boulder down a steep hillside once on a time.

Springfield Republican: If the king and the British people and Baron Astor are pleased, that is surely all that matters. The American people won't care, and it is, of cource, absurd to propose that they will feel flattered by this royal honor to an "American." There is no hyphen in the baron's Briticism, in spite of the \$60,000,000 source of his income in New York City real estate.

Baltimore American: Now a theorist wants international marriages to bring about world peace. There is one thing certain in the whole situation: It is going to let loose all the fool theories which the mind of man can conceive upon the world. And the mind of man has always been particularly fertile and disdainful of such restraints as reason and probability in the direction of theory.

Springfield Republican: "Does a maker of baby carriages increase the birth rate?" asks Henry Wise Wood, who sees no difference between this relationship and that of preparedness and Angolam. There is quite a difference. Baby carriages are made in anticipation of bables; not to guard against tham. Would Mr. Wood favor a kind of preparedness that would encourage the feeling that was is in evitable?



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