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Thought for the Day. Selected by Katherine Morse. Look to this day—For it is life, the very life of life!

When in doubt, play safety first by calling a doctor. Cold wave flags wigwag a message of joy to the ice man.

Our foreign policy makes us a laughing stock of the whole world. Ex-Senator Depew. Yes, but it's no laughing matter and we believe the American people are waking up to the true situation.

That Harmony Mass Meeting.

The Lincoln Journal takes what seems to us the sensible view of the "harmony mass meetings" called to endorse a set of delegate-at-large candidates to represent Nebraska at the coming republican national convention.

Neither the editor of The Bee, nor anyone connected with this paper, has had anything to do with the call for the mass meeting, yet we are not disposed to condemn in advance any move that leads in the direction of solidifying the republican ranks into the united phalanx necessary to success in the battle of 1916.

What is equally to the point, as the Journal reminds us, the voters have a veto on any "slate" by whomsoever put up and, if they do not approve, they can and will break the "slate" and register their preferences as they see fit as between all who may be running.

Dutch Disturbing the Doves.

Disquieting news comes from The Hague, where the doves who followed the flight of Henry Ford and Frau Schwimmer across the rolling brine find their slumbers disturbed by the presence of Dutch soldiery.

Troubles Times for John Bull.

In all their history the English people have faced no such crisis as that now presented to them. Division of sentiment on matters of policy is common enough among the inhabitants of the United Kingdom, and civil war has frequently been waged in settlement of questions not so momentous as those now involved.

Label on the Bottle.

The supreme court of the United States has just decided that the label on a bottle of medicine must not contain a patent untruth, or promise to cure a disease for which there is no known specific.

The New York World, staunch champion of the democratic administration, refers to Senator Gora of Oklahoma "as being more definite in his opposition to the president than any of his program colleagues, except those like Senator O'Gorman and Senator Hitchcock."

In reorganizing the School board committees, would it not be a good idea to recognize the usefulness of all the members instead of merely those elected on the citizens' ticket last year?

The Second Winter

The upsurge of heavy fighting on the Russo-Galician frontier reminds us that winter in itself need not force a suspension of operations. There were big midwinter battles a year ago in east Prussia, in Champagne and on the Aisne.

But the winter of 1916 is likely to witness a kind of secret operations for which the time was not ripe a year ago. The men in the trenches will be thinking of peace, and peace will be in the minds of the leaders and the statesmen.

For Germany, as she balances her books for the year, the account stands somewhat as follows: On the credit side are her visible conquests in the west, in Russia, in the Balkans; and the unbroken spirit of her people.

Among Germany's enemies the situation is still more complex. If talking of peace is a confession of weakness, they dare not venture on the thing publicly. It would confirm Germany's claims with regard to the military situation.

On both sides there is a great longing for peace. An unseasonal war critic like Major Morahit speaks of the desolation of the winter trenches, of the severe pressure on the souls of hundreds of thousands of the educated classes.

Twice Told Tales

An Unpleasant Hobo. A hobo knocked on the back door of a suburban home, which was opened by a large, muscular, hard-faced woman. "Get out of here, you miserable tramp!" exclaimed the woman in a screechy voice.

People and Events

Rope skipping is giving the tango a run for social popularity in New York hotels. The correct skipping costume is a flannel waist and a short skirt, although bloomers are permissible.

The Bee's Letter Box

Thanks for Polish War Victims. OMAHA, Jan. 10.—To the Editor of The Bee: We express our most sincere thanks to the Hon. J. H. Morehead, governor of Nebraska, and Hon. J. C. Dahlman, mayor of Omaha, for their appeal to the citizens of our state and city.

THE AMERICAN VIEWPOINT. BROWNVILLE, Neb., Jan. 11.—To the Editor of The Bee: I must make exceptions to Henry Arp's German viewpoints in The Bee.

MR. ARP makes over a column of charges against the English speaking people and does not prove one word of his charges. We Americans know what made this country and what it is and who has kept it as it was given to us.

I was in the civil war nearly four years. There were lots of soldiers that were of German birth, but they were true Americans and were fighting for their homes.

THE ART OF THE DANCE. OMAHA, Jan. 11.—To the Editor of The Bee: After paying real money to see the recent performance of Miss Gertrude Hoffman in our city, and seeing this said performance, I am at a loss to express my idea of it in Chesterfieldian language.

WHY BOTHER THE POSTMASTER. YUTAN, Neb., Jan. 11.—To the Editor of The Bee: Since last Monday I have had a great deal of amusement in reading the articles of our new matrimonial agency in Omaha.

MR. POSTMASTER, don't you think you are making a mistake in your effort to furnish the Texas widow with a husband? First, I believe if the widow is worthy of a husband she would have no trouble in getting one in the largest state in the union.

PEOPLE AND EVENTS. A pleasant party was given at the dancing academy, Eleventh and Farnam, in honor of the seventh wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. P. Carey, host and hostess of the Doran house.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS. Louisville Courier-Journal: This year woman proposes. Man disposes. Chicago Herald: If Mr. Taft is appointed to the supreme bench the bench will gain a great judge and politics will lose a poor politician.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS. Brooklyn Eagle: The boy who gets up at midnight to run four miles to a fire and falls into a well, breaking a rib, and lies there helpless until discovered some hours later, gets about all the trench warfare worth while around Hempstead.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS. Boston Transcript: What with gold flowing here from Europe, and our mines greatly increasing their output, gold promises to become so common in this country that they will soon be putting good brass on the outside of it.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS. Cleveland Plain Dealer: Having raised their social status by a meager increase in salary, the Pullman company appears to have made larger tips to porters necessary. It is a rare madness that has no method in it.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS. Pittsburgh Dispatch: General Sherman calls the defense program "criminal foolishness without sanity or excuse," which should put him at least a lap ahead in the race of wordy patriots.

STRENUOUS FEMINIST (pompously)—My dear sir, I have some plans for the promotion of peace on which I am seeking organized action. And by the way, I want to propose to you. Business Man (nervously)—Sorry, Miss Feminist, to decline the honor, but I will be a brother to you.—Baltimore American.

LAUGHING GAS.

Mrs. A.—I met Mrs. Swellton, the president of the Home for the Aged, today and gave her \$10 for it, which I couldn't well afford. Mrs. B.—Heaven will reward you. Mrs. A.—It has already. She invited me to luncheon.—Boston Transcript.

KABIBBLE KABARET

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE, MY FIANCE MEYER WANTS TO BUY ME A BULL DOG—SHOULD I ACCEPT IT? YES—IT'S A GOOD THING TO HAVE AROUND IN CASE YOU JILY MEYER.

THE JESTERS.

Don Marquis in New York Sun. We cannot help it, we are cursed with an incorrigible mirth.—Although we too have saddened with the clouds that shadow the disconsolate earth.

All Women Need a corrective, occasionally, to right a disordered stomach, which is the cause of so much sick headache, nervousness and sleepless nights.

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