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It never rains but it pours, and fires always come in bunches. Anyone else want his picture in the paper as the father of triplets?

Restricted dietary not only befits the season but is unequaled as an economy stunt. Epitaph on that bill to legalize boxing matches: "Knocked out in the first round."

Service in the fire department is not always the "bed of roses" that it is by some supposed to be. A census may be necessary presently to secure an accurate count of Uncle Sam's poor diplomatic relations.

Until this weighty question is settled, and settled right, every thrifty man in Nebraska will pause with bated breath. Rural school directors once more lament the marrying tendency among women school teachers.

That "leak probe" proves to be a beautiful job of whitewashing. It was only a question, from the start, of finding enough goats on which to wish the sins. The value of Omaha's wide streets is emphasized whenever we suffer a dangerous conflagration.

Gotham's food-price victims, in raiding Wall street, headed in the wrong direction. A sweep of the great white way insures greater contrasts and more effective execution. The withdrawal of women marchers from the inaugural parade militates against an artistic color scheme.

That Copenhagen sign commending the Russian overland route to Americans emphasizes the revised version of the maxim: "The longest way around is the safest route home." Speaker Clark takes on the dignity and the halo of a grandfather. The new honor lends fresh brilliancy to the rainbow arching the heavens from Bowling Green to the White House.

Repentant congressmen now want to spar for time by postponing the operation of their "bone dry" law. Nebraska has its date definitely fixed for May 1 and is fortified to take the whole dose at once. Aside from the vindication of official Washington the chief impression growing out of the "leak" investigation may be found in the records of the house contingent fund and the fees awarded the lawyers, stenographers and witnesses.

Food riots in a period of plenty, instead of under stress of hard times, seem to rejoice the hearts of our democratic friends. But what are they going to do about it? What has become of that Baltimore platform pledge to reduce the cost of living, anyway? Texas solons have invited ex-Senator Bailey and William J. Bryan to address them during their present session. What they have in mind is not clear, but if they are looking for real entertainment they should have made the invitation specify a joint appearance and division of time.

British Food on Bed Rock Basis. Premier Lloyd George gives solemn notice to the people of Great Britain that they are to experience some effects of the hitherto only anticipated in the United Kingdom. Just as the Germans and the French have been compelled to mobilize food supplies, so the English must follow.

The war in Europe has now been transferred in a large measure from the machine shops to the farms, and on what may be harvested from the cultivated fields will depend chances for ultimate success. This was forced on the Germans early in the course of the war, although they are credited with having to some extent anticipated the fact and provided considerable stocks of food in advance.

It is of some local interest to note that the premier proposes to guarantee the minimum price of wheat for the year at approximately that now prevailing in Omaha—\$175 per bushel, roughly figured. In June, 1914, the Liverpool price was around 96 cents a bushel.

How Much of a Hang-Over? The question of supplemental legislation to enforce the prohibition amendment to the Nebraska constitution adopted last fall to be effective next May seems to have resolved itself into a determination of how much intoxicated the individual citizen may stow away in advance of that date for his future use.

Haden Proved His Americanism. Robert Allen Haden, an American missionary on his way to China, lost his life when a French liner sunk in the Mediterranean after being torpedoed by an unseen U-boat. This fact may or may not have weight in determining the issue between the United States and Germany.

Box Car Shortage and Famine. Quite a brisk controversy has sprung up between President Griffin of the Chicago Board of Trade and Commissioner McChord of the Interstate Commerce commission as to who is responsible for the box car shortage and the famine conditions complained of in many interior points.

Beware the Deadly Fumes. Two more penniless travelers have paid with their lives for the privilege of trying to steal a ride in a car warmed for hauling the precious potato. Quite a list of these has been accumulated by the railroads since the charcoal burner was adapted to keep potatoes from freezing enroute.

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There is just one other point of which we may take note. The revolutions of the last seven years have brought about some distribution of property. In the main, however, the great body of people shares only slightly in the wealth it produces; they have nothing, they are tax-proof and debt-proof.

Bishop Arthur L. Williams "My First Sermon" "Faint, Yet Pursuing" was the subject. The congregation was very kind and lenient with me.

My first sermon was preached in the town of Longmont, Colo., where I was confirmed, and where for six years I had been a railroad man. After four years' absence at the seminary, I returned to Denver, and on May 18, 1888, in the cathedral, I was ordained to the diaconate.

The church was crowded that Sunday, everyone in town coming out of curiosity to hear what their fellow townsman could do in that line. I shall never forget the day, or the sermon I intended to preach, but which I fear did not materialize. I took my text from the Book of Judges, wherein we are told that Gideon and his chosen band of men passed over Jordan, "Faint, yet pursuing."

It was all faint, yet pursuing, for me through the whole sermon. I preached about twelve minutes, but I do not know to this day just what I said.

Ways of Marketing Food Literary Digest. A recent investigation of the parcels post as a means of getting food products directly from the farm to the consumer is compared editorially in Table Talk with a test of transportation by parcel, made by a Chicago packing firm.

The particular object of this auto demonstration was to show that the packer has a means of distributing our meats to us, even though the railways might fail. Strikes, fortunately, come few and far between; but when they do come this is a practical demonstration of the packer's ability to keep meats in circulation.

Why, in this connection, can a packer do successfully what Uncle Sam's parcel post—accepting the University of Wisconsin's decision—can not do? It shows just how independent meat consumers can be of strikes and local disturbances which hold up usual means of shipping when the men who have the meat to distribute can man their own autos and send them out from their great packing plants to their smaller plants and from there to the retail shops.

Hic Jacet Pork Minneapolis Journal. The three principal pork bills, it appears, are dead so far as this congress is concerned, and thereby not less than a hundred million dollars is saved to a treasury that is sadly in need of every dollar that can be saved.

The flood control bill, which would obligate the government to spend at least forty-five millions on reclaiming privately owned swamp lands in the lower Mississippi valley, is on the senate calendar. While it may come up for discussion, the democratic leaders have reluctantly decided that it cannot be passed, and so little time will be wasted on it.

The rivers and harbors bill, with its forty millions of present appropriations, and its official sanction to many new projects that would ultimately cost no one knows how many more millions, has been amplified in the senate, and is the most dangerous of the three measures. But the threat of a filibuster led by Senator Kenyon and the rapid approach of March 4, make its passage scarcely possible.

Despite the present failure of the pork hunters to raise the treasury, it should not be forgotten that each of these three bills would be forgotten, both houses, if it could be brought to vote. A small but courageous minority in congress has succeeded in blocking them, thanks to the shortness of the session and the pressure of legislative business.

LAUGHING GAS. Successful Sutor—Sir, your daughter has promised to become my wife. Father—Well, don't come to me for sympathy. You might have known something would happen to you hanging around here five nights a week—New York Times.

Health Hint for the Day! In winter, have a light weight warm blanket and enough warm but light blankets on your bed and leave the heat on in the room, if necessary, but open the windows. One Year Ago Today in the War. German driver crushed the French back within six miles of Verdun forests.

French delivered great bombardments in Champagne and the Argonne. Austro-Bulgarian note asked Rumania for assurances regarding concentration on Bukhar border. In Omaha Thirty Years Ago. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosewater gave a dinner to Mme. Patti at their residence, 1711 Douglas. Those present were Mme. Adelina Patti and her husband, Mr. Nicolini, Miss Neally Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rosewater.



an ink stand. The booty prizes—a pack of cards and tin horse—were given to Mrs. William Lacey and George Bassett. Mr. Brigham has succeeded Mr. Wilkins as tenor at the First Congregational church and is affording much pleasure to all who hear him. Miss Lou Berger of Plattsmouth has come to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. S. R. Johnson, on Dodge street.

Miss Ross is making a great success with her class in water color on Park avenue. Miss Rene Hamilton has been called to Blair by the sudden death of her brother-in-law. This Day in History. 1772—William H. Crawford, famous Georgia statesman, born in Amherst county, Virginia. Died in Elbert county, Georgia, September 15, 1834.

The Day We Celebrate. Harry C. Judson, traveling agent for the Midland Glass and Paint company, was born February 24, 1873, at Farmington, Me., and was educated in the University of Minnesota. Dr. O. S. Hoffman, well known physician, is celebrating for the sixtieth time today. He graduated from Bellevue in New York, in which city he was born.

Timely Jottings and Reminders. Pittsburgh base ball enthusiasts are to have a historic night on tonight, on the occasion of his forty-third birthday. Governor McCall of Massachusetts is to deliver a Washington's birthday address today at Wesleyan university, Middletown, Conn. Trinity college, Durham, N. C., and Washington and Lee university are to engage in a debate today on the subject of compulsory arbitration of labor disputes.

Storyteller of the Day. Secretary of War Baker tells a story of a country youth who was driving to the country fair with his sweetheart when they passed a booth where fresh popcorn was for sale. "Why, Abner, ain't that nice?" said the girl. "Ain't that nice?" asked stupid Abner. "Why, the popcorn, it smells so awfully good," replied the girl.

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VOICE OF THE GUNS. F. L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution. Still the loud war-guns. Where no stream but reddened run. And the walling of the mothers, and the laughter of the sonal. And the torn fields trampled, and the hearts that bleed and beat. And hush in the darkness for unreturning feet.

DEAR MR. KABBIBLE MY HUSBAND BEATS ME SO, THAT THE NEIGHBORS RUN IN—WHAT SHALL I DO?—MRS. MILTZ. CHARGE ADMISSION.

"How did Jones happen to fall downstairs?" "Why, his wife said, 'Now, Henry, be careful, and as he is not the man to be dictated to by any woman, down he went.'—Boston Transcript. Madge—She and her fiance are quarreling all the time. Marjorie—Yes, isn't it dreadful? Why don't they wait until they're married?—Life.

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