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Thought for the Day
Selected by Emma Wheatley
"The difference between meddling and investigation is that you always investigate, while it is the other person who meddles."

Home securities still wear the blue ribbon of the investment world.

The press censor seems to be no more popular in Great Britain than he is over here.

Remember, however, that when Mr. Bryan quit the cabinet he said to the president, "Good bye. God bless you."

A city of Omaha's size that can market 4 1/2 per cent school bonds at a premium in these days must be doing tolerably well.

Telling John Bull to his face, as Lord Milner did, that war reports from Berlin are more reliable than British, sounds the depths of humiliation and makes Fleet street gasp for breath.

Plans for working county prisoners are still on the talking stage. More action and fewer words insure needed exercise for unbidden guests, besides diminishing the winter's influx of hoboes.

One of our district judges complains that people "take less care in choosing a life partner than a person would in buying a horse." This judge can speak with authority, for he is in the horse racing business as a side line.

Every time a joy-ride lands on a tree top presses upon motorists the need of supplementing good roads with trees judiciously planted. No measure of safety for present and future use should be overlooked as we speed along.

People are reminded again that Congressman Dan Stephens is holding postmaster's primaries up in the Third district; but it is to be noted that none of Nebraska's other democratic congressmen have caught the contagion.

"The little dinners," at which corporation agents act as host for legislators, bloom with undiminished luxuriance at New England state capitals. Several functions of this kind brighten the court records in the New Haven case, and give assurances of unflinching esteem for the social amenities of twinedleum and tweedledee.

After careful scrutiny of the provisional returns of the election, our amiable democratic contemporary, the World-Herald, which is so staunchly devoted to its owner's ambition to be re-elected United States senator, reaches this conclusion: "Not a great deal of consequence attaches to the results." Sure! While there's life, there's hope.

Seven lieutenants of the army aviation corps lost their lives in the last thirty months. The melancholy record brings into light the tragic results of boosting amateurs into the flying corps for the purpose of securing higher pay. Enough has been revealed in pending court martial cases to warrant thorough overhauling of the low fliers.

Thirty Years Ago
This Day in Omaha

Leavenworth street property owners at a meeting held at Porter Brothers' grocery requested the mayor to veto the ordinance for proposed change of grade. Those signing the resolutions were: Judge Dunlap, W. H. Dams, John T. Bell, Samuel Rees, W. J. Connell, Dora Harney, Martha M. Ish, Joseph Bell, August Doll, J. L. Shivers, Thomas A. Creigh, B. M. Goodrich, Luther Drake, J. L. McCague, M. F. Martin, Graham Park, Thomas Shaw, Hugh McCaffrey, John I. Redick, E. L. Robertson, Harriet Jensen.

William Crombie, formerly manager of the Mercantile club at St. Louis, has been engaged as manager of the Omaha club.

William Turtle, president of the Bicyclers' union, and formerly a member of the legislature, in which he fathered the eight-hour bill, died last night at his home on Caldwell street.

Captain Samuel Herman, who has been for some time sick at Indianapolis, has returned and is about again on the streets.

J. H. Johnson, for some time employed as a clerk by the Missouri Pacific, has started out by himself in the profession of law and real estate.

A syndicate composed of Messrs. Congdon, Clarkson and Hunt, and Fred H. Davis, has purchased the property known as Clark's addition on Fairview and Clark street. The price paid is said to be \$23,000.

F. W. Pickens has been appointed chief clerk of the Omaha postoffice.

No Backward Step.
Noting the absence of a political campaign in Nebraska this year, and contemplating the number of offices to be filled in 1916 as a consequence of doubling through the adoption of the biennial election system, the Lincoln Journal says:

The overwhelmingness of the task set for next year because of this year's ease will ultimately force the state to one of two resources. It will have to cut down radically the number of elective offices, or else return to the annual election. Best results might follow doing both.

The Journal has made two guesses, but has guessed right only once. We may as well definitely accept the fact that the present-day tendency is not to multiplication of elections, and that there will be no backward step to restore the off-year voting in this state, or in any other progressive state. The problem must be met by seizing the other horn of the dilemma and reducing the number of elective offices or lengthening the terms so we will not have to elect them so often. This is the gist of the short ballot movement. Our elections must be simplified and the ballot shortened, but not by returning to the annual election.

The Problem of Foreign Exchange.
The bankers of New York and London are said to have about completed arrangements by which American banks will loan to London bankers \$200,000,000, to be followed by other loans on similar terms, if the present one, in connection with the English-French government loan, does not prove sufficient to steady and strengthen the exchange rate between this country and Europe. The loan is to be made on acceptances of bills secured by the deposit of American securities with the Bank of England.

The solution of the exchange problem is a vital one to all the nations concerned, and fully as much so to this country as to the others. In the first place, the great influx of gold, if continued, would threaten an inflation of circulating medium, always an incentive to excessive speculation and undue expansion of business. Derangement of exchange also tends to drive the trade in articles which can be purchased elsewhere, such as foodstuffs, to countries where exchange is more nearly at par, the discount being a material addition to the cost of the purchaser. The accessibility of the American market gives this country an advantage in this trade, and it can be held if the handicap of a depreciated exchange can be obviated, which it is confidently believed can be through the medium of these bank accommodations.

Fire's Toll of Life.
Recently there appears to have been an unusual number of fires in different parts of the country which have taken a large toll of human life, challenging attention again to the flimsy construction of buildings and inadequate protection provided for the lives of those who toil or are forced by circumstances to assemble in large buildings. Such occurrences always produce an awakening which remedies some of the evils, but never even approximately eradicates them. The laxity in the United States in this respect is a source of wonderment to observing foreigners and furnishes the basis for the charge that American greed considers neither life nor health to stand in the way of money-making industry. While cupidity in many cases is the moving cause for much of the negligence, in most cases it will be found, so far as factories are concerned, it arises from our peculiar industrial conditions, and that in most instances the buildings were not constructed for the purpose for which they are being used, their original use not requiring the protective measures, but this does not excuse either the owners or the authorities from providing them where the need is manifest. A series of such disasters generally causes an awakening to the duty of all concerned, but it is a fearful price to pay and the shame of it is that only a short time is required for all concerned to lapse again into slumber.

How Old is an Egg?
New York law has decreed that consumers are entitled to an answer to this question. Eggs, unlike the individuals who eat them, are best appreciated when fresh, and also unlike them give no indication by outward appearance of even the approximate date for their advent into the world. The New York authorities, therefore, have decreed that eggs should be stamped with the date when placed in cold storage, but beyond that the customer has his own guess as to their pre-storage career.

Seriously speaking, eggs constitute such an important part of the food supply, and from their nature are so susceptible to deterioration that safeguards which promise the consumer more knowledge of what he is buying are quite defensible in domestic economy. While materially improving conditions, the diversity of regulations in different states indicates that no one completely satisfactory system has yet been evolved and the eggs-permenting must still go on.

Abolishing Night.
A western man once wrote "It's day all day in the day time, and there is no night at Creede," but spurred on by the honors of the award of the Nobel prize, Nikola Tesla makes the public the illuminating information that the wireless telegraph is only a hint of the wonders of those electrical waves and that as light is simply a quicker vibration of the same character as sound, he will ultimately be able to abolish night. As a starter he will not try to light up the entire universe, but confine his initial efforts to preventing collisions and other disasters at sea caused by darkness. Abolition of night, however, has disadvantages as well as advantages, for it would necessitate a complete remodeling of the habits of mankind. For instance, how could the farm hand work from daylight to dark, with no way of knowing when to quit. By what means would the young man time his visits to his best girl, or father know when to commence calling little Willie to get up for breakfast? On second thought, we believe Nikola had better wait a while before turning on his big light until we have time to think it over and decide whether it is really a good thing or not.

It is surely a close call for democrats if their candidate for governor in the good old bourbon state of Kentucky wins out by a majority of less than 400.

None but "the prairie state" could furnish the spectacle of a prairie fire twenty miles long.

The Rotary Code of Ethics

Adopted at San Francisco Meeting.

MY BUSINESS standards shall have in them a note of sympathy for our common humanity. My business dealings, ambitions and relations shall always cause me to take into consideration my highest duties as a member of society. In every position in business life, in every responsibility that comes before me, my chief thought shall be to fill that responsibility and discharge that duty so when I have ended each of them, I shall have lifted the level of human ideals and achievements a little higher than I have found them. Fundamental in a code of trade ethics for International Rotary are the following principles:

First: To consider my vocation worthy, and as affording me distinct opportunity to serve society.

Second: To improve myself, increase my efficiency and enlarge my service, and by so doing attest my faith in the fundamental principle of Rotary, that he profits most who serves best.

Third: To realize that I am a business man and ambitious to succeed; but that I am first an ethical man, and wish no success that is not founded on the highest justice and morality.

Fourth: To hold that the exchange of my goods, my service and my ideals for profit is legitimate and ethical, provided that all parties in the exchange are benefited thereby.

Fifth: To use my best endeavors to elevate the standards of the vocation in which I am engaged, and so to conduct my affairs that others in my vocation may find it wise, profitable and conducive to happiness to emulate my example.

Sixth: To conduct my business in such a manner that I may give a perfect service equal to or even better than my competitor, and when in doubt to give added service beyond the strict measure of debt or obligation.

Seventh: To understand that one of the greatest assets of a professional or of a business man is his friends, and that any advantage gained by reason of friendship is eminently ethical and proper.

Eighth: To hold that true friends demand nothing of one another and that any abuse of the confidences of friendship for profit is foreign to the spirit of Rotary, and in violation of its code of ethics.

Ninth: To consider no personal success legitimate or ethical which is secured by taking unfair advantage of certain opportunities in the social order that are absolutely denied others, nor will I take advantage of opportunities to achieve material success that others will not take because of the questionable morality involved.

Tenth: To be not more obligated to a Brother Rotarian than I am to every other man in human society; because the genius of Rotary is not in its competition, but in its co-operation; for provincialism can never have a place in an institution like Rotary, and Rotarians assert that human rights are not confined to Rotary clubs, but are as deep and as broad as the race itself; and for these high purposes does Rotary exist to educate all men and all institutions.

Eleventh: Finally, believing in the universality of the Golden Rule, "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them," we contend that society best holds together when equal opportunity is accorded all men in the natural resources of this planet.

Twice Told Tales

When the Millennium Arrives.

"Your honor," said the eminent attorney, "I could have objected to the introduction of the testimony of this witness, and on account of a technicality with which you are familiar I am sure you would have sustained my objection. But I and my client do not ask the honorable men comprising this jury for a favorable verdict if they must be influenced in reaching said verdict through the technical suppression of vitally important evidence. We ask for justice, only, and if the honorable jurors, after mature deliberation, decide that my client's cause is not just, we both hope they will render a verdict in favor of our opponents. And I want to add that the scales of justice will never show a true balance as long as they are clogged with the debris of technicality."

"Neither shall I cross-examine the witness. He has resided in this community from boyhood, and his veracity is beyond the question of a doubt; so it is my intention to harness him by attempting to ensnare him in a tangle of verbal leger-demain. You may call the next witness," Judge.

Going Him One Better.
A Tennessee mountaineer, not in the "moonshine" belt, went to town, and among other things he bought a jug of whisky. Not wanting to carry it about with him, he decided to leave it at a grocery store for a while.

In order that the jug might be properly identified he took a deck of cards from his pocket, extracted the five of hearts, wrote his name upon it and attached it to the handle of the jug.

Two hours later the mountaineer returned. The jug was gone.

"Look here, Jim," he cried to the proprietor of the store, "do you know what became of that jug o' mine?"

"Sure!" rejoined the proprietor. "Jake Harwell came along with the six of hearts and took it."—Everybody's Magazine.

People and Events

Stories of riches gathered up in Wall street are coming out. The latest is a bellhop, who chased a tip with \$500 and cleaned up \$11,000 on "war brides." Those who lose stick to the shadows.

Another Solomon on the bench of New Jersey holds guiltless of desertion a husband who ran away from his wife when she brandished a dagger. Safety first is a law of life.

A 150 pound keg of methylene blue, worth about \$60 before the war, was sold at auction in London last week for \$1,600. This leaves quinine taking the dust well down the pike.

"Hit 'er out, Charley," cried Dan Bedell to his son, who was at the bat in a kid ball game in New York. Charley did his best, but the ball flew sideways from the bat and collided with dad's jaw. Dad got a rain check and was taken to a hospital.

Thirty years ago Frank P. MacLennan bid in the junk of the Topeka State Journal at public auction and started in pumping vigor and vim into the pile. The job was a large one, calling for patient endeavor and cheerful persistence, coupled with ability to lead. The combination reached the goal of financial success long ago and is still going forward in the van of Topeka's progress. October 30, the thirtieth anniversary of the auction block, was observed by a feast given by Mr. MacLennan to his business staff. The banquet was given in the "gray room" of the Journal's new home.

County officers in Ohio, fully alive to the public interest and the economic tendency of the times, initiated a referendum measure extending their terms of office from two to four years. It was one of several measures submitted to the voters at the last election. United and energetic action by the beneficiaries gave assurances of success. Experience, efficiency and good health, they argued, were guaranteed by present incumbents, and nothing less than a four-year term would be a just reward for their patriotism. But the heartless voters failed to see it in that light and smothered the measure by 230,000 majority. Nothing like it has happened in the Buckeye state since the flood.

The Bee's Letter Box

Back to Nature.

AVOCA, Ia., Nov. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: Now that "Billy" Sunday has moved his base of operations 1,700 miles away, correspondents can go back to nature with squirrels, birds, cats, rats, etc., to interest us farmers. Even "Bringing Up Father" has its place in both the instructive and amusement column and "poor" Wooster will get a much needed rest while this class is reciting. The writer is in favor of the well-behaved cat. T. J. H.

Farmer Burns Takes a Throw.

OMAHA, Nov. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: I desire to protest against misrepresentation of my statement before the city council which have been published for the purpose of causing the people to believe that I am unfriendly to Joe Stecher. In reality there is no man in the world, except my old friend, Gotch, whom I would rather see champion of the world than Stecher. I believe he is of championship caliber and there is no wrestler for whom I have greater admiration.

I made no statement before the city council inconsistent with the above statement, but what I did say there has been widely misquoted. What I did say was a protest against Stecher being matched with men who are so much out of condition that they cannot provide even a workout for him. I criticized the system which misled the public into believing Stecher was wrestling to defend his title when he was wrestling a fat man who had no more chance than a child to win. I said that America had no chance at all to throw Stecher. It was conceded by everybody, including himself, that he could not win unless he did so in the first ten minutes. I know and everybody knows that no man in the world can throw Stecher in ten minutes. What is the conclusion? Did America have a chance?

Joe Stecher is a Nebraska boy and deserves all the honor we can give him, and more. He is capable of throwing the best of them. Let him beat good men and gain the reputation he deserves. Let us bring good men right here to Omaha and hold wrestling matches on the square. That is the only way to treat the public fairly and the public deserves fair treatment because it pays the bills. The Stecher management has no right to furnish both sides of its matches.

What Farmer Burns says about Stecher is this: He is a great young wrestler and is entitled to earn a great reputation. Do not humiliate him by matching him against fat men and weaklings. MARTIN (FARMER) BURNS.

Don't Blame the Squirrel.

PITTSBURGH, Kan., Nov. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: Having noted an article in the Kansas City Star from The Bee, in which it is stated that the Audubon society is about to declare war on the red squirrel for driving out the birds, I beg to state that they are badly mistaken. As to the case of the bird scarcity, the squirrels are not to blame at all. It is a bird mite—a little brown insect—that is killing the feathered friends. The same mite is also causing the death of millions of sparrows. Please do not blame the squirrel for the mites, as they never have them.

Let the leaders of the society investigate and they will find I am correct. DR. H. H. GRAY.

A Sanitary Home

In selecting a site for a home we should insist on high ground, getting under a hill as a protection from the wind has doubtless caused sickness that at the time baffled explanation. Low places are poorly drained, and stagnant water or damp ground beneath the house is apt to cause sickness.

As regards trees, the tendency is to have too many. When a house is hidden in a forest of trees the circulation of air is bound to be poor.

In wet weather shade keep the walks and paths muddy a long time after sunny spots are dry, and masses of snow fall upon one from the branches days after the storm is over, but a few trees are desirable. In the summer, shade is a necessity, making it comfortable for people to be in the open air.

In constructing the house, the cellar or basement must receive first attention, a good deal depends on this. The furnace should have a separate room of the basement; it would be better not to have furnace heat, but people will not hear to such a suggestion. The ideal heat for a house is that of the fire place, including as it does a ventilator in proportion to its draft.

The old time custom was to keep blazing logs in the grate and have the doors open, revival of this system would be a first class remedy. The part of the air we breathe comes through the basement cold air has a preference for the low entrance just as warm air goes to the ceiling in a room and seeks exit at the window top.

The most important room, when we come to the first floor, is the kitchen. There is at least one member of the family who will spend a large portion of her time in this room. The kitchen must be light and airy. Have windows opposite so there will be circulation of air, and use linoleum for the floor.

In the living room a fire place if possible, for health, and home-like appearance. Contentment is conducive to health. Curtains between rooms are not advisable, and are not nearly so popular as they were a few years back, wood doors can be made to look better than curtains.

If the room is used more as an old-fashioned parlor than a living room, subject it to daily airing so that it may not be so much a like a damp, dark cellar "when company comes," to save the color of carpets by excluding the sunlight. Bedrooms, since we spend a third of our lives here to recuperate the body's energies upon which efficiency depends, this room should be a spacious sleeping apartment. The bedrooms should be fairly large, especially if more than one person occupies it—Health Culture.

EDITORIAL SIFTINGS.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: One gets a new idea of the horrors of war by observing the spirit with which a public service company goes at the task of digging a trench in a downtown street.

Boston Transcript: The announcement that the duke of Manchester is bankrupt for \$1,000,000 is coupled with the statement that he is about to undergo an operation. As he is too poor for appendicitis he is probably going to have a tooth pulled.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

"Let's see, now," said Bingle, "does the president of Haiti have a cabinet like our American presidents?"
"I think not," said Jingle. "My impression is that all he has is palibearers."
—Boston Transcript.

"Do you go in for aviation?" he asked the Boston beauty.
"No, not for aviation. One goes in for sea bathing, but for aviation one goes up."
—Judge.

"In some communities the automobile regulations get you no matter what you do."
"What got you?"
"A Plunkville cop arrested me on a recent run. Charged me with having dazzling lights in front and dim lights in the rear. How are you going to please em?"
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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