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Thought for the Day

"Don't be a clam, if you've got to be anything be a mud turtle, then you may have some snap

In that Eastland tragedy it is plain that someone blundered.

For that preaching-in-the-parks campaign, don't neglect to enlist the co-operation of the weather man.

Summer at the seaside resorts is losing its standby thrill. Sea serpents fail to come across. from the war zone.

With a different outcome of the battle of Armageddon in 1912, every copper cable to Europe would have been melted by this time.

Up to the hour of going to press the senator had not divulged his intention as to acquiescing in or opposing those persona-non-grata-Bryanite appointments.

England imitating the American plan of mobilising inventive brains is the most flattering bouquet tossed at Josephus Daniels since he manned the pi-box at Raleigh.

The executive committee of the democratic party of Cook county, Illinois, tosses President Wilson's hat in the ring for 1916. For the first time the one-term plank gets the axe.

Looking back on the Saengerfest illumines And the tintinabulation in the box office does not interfere in the least with the harmony of

Some day city councils and school boards and other taxing bodies will do their best to hold the tax rate down instead of to inflate it to the highest legal limit-but that day is in the dim and distant future.

The most gratifying news from the seat of war is that Colonel Maher's typewriter battery has not been permanently disabled, as witness its being again brought into action on the political firing line.

Senator Reed of Missouri is quoted as saying that the farmers of his state sold second grade horses and mules to the Allies at double prices. Yet there are critics who insist that American neutrality is lopsided.

Railroad traveling will presently become an irresistible joyride. The Gideon plan of removing the anvil emphasis from conversation by means of cards of merit is bound to restore the standing room sign in the smoke rooms.

It is now said that owing to defective bookkeeping the exact size of the hole in the Dundee treasury may never be known. Were it not for the consolidation, which the Dundee-ites fought so hard, no one would yet know that there was a hole in the treasury.

The motorcycle relay comonstration, carrying a message from President Wilson from ocean to ocean, finished eight hours behind schedule tims. Not a bad showing at that, but for fast communication most people will continue to use the telegraph, the telephone and the wireless for a little while yet.



Various claimants of the L. Is mith stock of oils are still wrangling as between jurisdiction of deral and state-courts.

Judge Dundy and Elmer A. Frank are making ar-rangements for an extensive hunting expedition next th, and have ordered the hullding of a new bear

Senator Menderson was notified by wire of his intinent by Vice President Hendricks to attend

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Lininger are about to start for a European trip, planned to take them from England to Holland and Belgium, and themes to Nor-way, Sweden and Russia, through Poland, Bohemia and Greece to Constantinople, returning about Jan-cary 1 by the southern route.

Mina Lollie Rees of St. Joseph is visiting the family of her uncle, Samuel Rees, 730 South avenue. Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hitchcock left for Denver sub thely little daughter, who is quite ith

Dr. R. W. Connell is back from a two weeks' visit W. Brook of the B. & M. headquarters spent Sun-gravity friends in Gloswood.

Check Up Once More on "Safety First."

The Eastland tragedy reminds us that it is time to check up once more on safety first in every direction where people may be exposed to undue risk. Perhaps it takes a periodic catastrophe, like a big fire or wreck or boat-sinking, to bring us back from carelessness and recklessness to common-sense precaution, for that is the only possible lesson it can teach.

Fortunately, we have no mammoth excursion steamers in Omaha, but we have a lot of extrahazard places that should be checked up from time to time.

First-The theaters and moving picture houses, which have multiplied so fast and whose patrons are so largely women and children.

Second-The bathing beaches, the boats and boat landings in our parks and nearby lakes that have already furnished more than their share of accidents.

Third-The grandstands at ball parks, speedways, race tracks and athletic fields, which, though used but seldom, must hold large crowds.

Fourth-The schools, churches, tabernacles, pavilions and dance halls where people congregate and require safe exits.

Fifth-Factories, hospitals, hotels and other institutions that house large numbers entitled

to a minimum of fire risk. Sixth-Bridges and viaducts that undergo

uneven strain and are liable to deterioration. What we say here does not mean that any of these places in or about Omaha are unsafe, but that eternal vigilance is the only preventive of mishap, and that the present is the auspicious moment to make sure there is nothing amiss that can be remedied.

Red Cross and the European War. From beadquarters at Washington comes

word that the American Red Cross hospital units, operating on European battlefields, are to be withdrawn because of lack of supporting funds. This brings again to the fore the immense amount of humanitarian service this country has performed during the progress of the European war, and presents a much more serious question for the belligerents to face-that of themselves taking care of their own sick and wounded.

From the beginning America has assumed a large part of the responsibilities that rightly devolve on the nations engaged in the war. From this country has been sent out relief in every form to every country in Europe. In the wake of battle, where the armies were engaged solely in spreading death and terror, Americans have come to bind up the hurts and salve humanity from the wreckage. Belgium, Poland, Serbia, destroyed by the wide-sweeping ravages of war, have received from us the relief otherwise unobtainable. Part of this work is to be continued, for special funds have been set apart for it, but the general work of the Red Cross is set to cease on October 1.

The hearts and the purses of our people are alike open to the suffering millions of Europe, and it need not be looked on with surprise if means are yet found to continue the Red Cross activities in Europe. Whatever happens, the contrast between the American expenditures for relief and the European extravagance for destruction will never be less than it is now.

"Let the Battle Proceed."

With the reputation of never looking for a fight and never dodging one, Colonel John G. Maher has wheeled his typewriter battery into line and fired a salvo, announcing the opening of the expected battle over the Bryan-Hitchcock selections. With the echoes of this salute reverberating across the hills and downs of Nebraska, we may expect at once a general engagement, and such freedom of firing as will make the local councils of democracy a combination of Donnybrook and Kilkenny. The long delay in the distribution of the plums allowed hope to spring in many a breast, and in some it took such root as to become almost permanent. It is not easy to uproot such aspirations, secret though they may have been, and the faithful will surely make the welkin ring with their protest. We may expect much frank discussion not only of Mr. Bryan's family affairs, but also of the inner circle of the senator's editorial room. But it will take a powerful lot of objection from the rank and file to secure a revision of the appointments made.

Experiment Worth Watching. The department of animal husbandry of the University of Nebraska is about to embark on an experiment, the outcome of which will be of much service to the farmers of Nebraska. It has to do with the feeding of lambs in summer and fall, and will be looked to to settle several very essential points of which the experts at present are not agreed. In other experiments in feeding this department has added much to the useful knowledge of the stock raiser, and this latest research work should be of as much service as any. To determine the best ration, the most successful care, and the speediest way of bringing stock of any kind to marketable condition, and the surest way to profit for the feeder, has been but a part of the work of the state's great agricultural school, but in this it has served the public far beyond its cost. As a food animal-producing state, Nebraska is fortunate in having such an institution, so well equipped and directed.

Under Arrest at Bayonne.

The law of New Jersey is to be given a trial at the handling of the disorders in connection with the strike at the Standard Oil works at Bayonne. The sheriff has placed under arrest one of the company's managers and thirty-two of the armed guards employed at the works, charging them with inciting riot. This action appears to be for the purpose of upholding the law of the state, and to show that it is not necessary for private concerns to arm their employes in order to secure proper protection for property. The strike of a number of unorganized workmen at the refineries has been the occasion of a great deal of disorder, and several of the men have been killed by the armed guards. The sheriff has from the first insisted that he is capable of handling the situation, and has refused to cali for militia. He disarmed the strikers, and his arresting the guards indicates that New Jersey is not Colorado, and that the law is able to deal with disorder on both sides.

"Safety first" is a good slogan for folks on land as well as in the water.

#### Culls from Collier's

The Distinction of Service.

NEBRASKA is an agricultural state, as all know who have traveled past its teeming acres or lodged in its hotels. But men do not usually admire that which is near to their own lives: the unusual thing has the better chance for applause. It is cheering, then, to find that Governor Morehead's committee, in search of Nebraska's most distinguished citizen, has honored the state entomologist, Dr. Lawrence Bruner, of the University of Nebraska. When the chinch bug was ravaging wheat fields by the mile he found a parasite which destroyed the pest and devised means to apply the sorely needed remedy. Perhaps this was Prof. Bruner's most important and dramatic victory, but one must note also the steady helpfulness of his years of work in the small campaigns which man is always waging and must forever wage against the blind greed of that swarming insect world which is all about us. It is not so much that millions of dollars were saved, but rather that the victory over nature was won for the men of intelligence and care; that earth was made more of a home and less of a gambling place. This is not the least of mighty services of science, and Nebraska does well to be proud of its first citizen.

The Speaking Truth.

The refined Boston Transcript rises up to remark: 'Here's to the mouth! It is the grocer's friend, the orator's pride, and the dentist's hope.

Yes indeed, say we, and also the politician's base of supplies as well as his first and third line of trenches. For confirmation apply to or listen at Lin-

A Few of Him Would Make a Muckle. A reader dug the following letter out of Brother

Victor Rosewter's Omaha Bee, and sent it in to us in a recent morning's mail:

a recent morning's mall:

To the Editor of The Bee:

It is a sad thing to see poor, silly people of the twentieth century complaining of the high cost of living and saying that they can't live on salaries of \$900 all the way up to \$6,000. For fifteen years my salary has ranged from \$30 to \$50, and I-have a good sum of money in the bank, a wife and six children. I manage things on a common sense hazis. No foolishness. Nickels spent on moving pictures and candy and ice cream are wasted. Money spent on fibery is wasted.

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In my family we have nothing in the way of luxuries—just the piain everyday food. I do the buying myself. Cereais, oatmeal, and similar foods form the bulk of our diet. We buy one pound of steak a week, I have a piece of it every day because I need meat to sustain my strength for my work. The rest of the family do not need meat—in fact, are better off without it. The only luxury we buy is tobacco, and the cost of that comes to only 40 cents a week. We save much on buying bread that is a day old, thus increasing the buying power of our money 100 per cent. Cheese I find a good substitute for butter and more nutritious, as well as costing only half as much. It is a very simple thing to raise a family on a small salary if a man just has common sense and doesn't leave the buying to his wife, and sees to it that tradenmen give him a dollar's worth for every dollar he apends. I have only been in Omaha a year, but I guarantee I have made my money go further than any other workingman in the city, and I can prove it if necessary.

A. B. MICKLE.

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People read this sort of thing and then wonder y some of us prefer to remain old maids! Well, there's a great deal to be said on that. In the first place, if our stenographer were Mrs. Mickle, we think that something audden and surprising would happen in the Mickle family. In the second place, a home and six children, even with Mr. Mickle thrown in, are better than being an old maid. Finally, we want to know more about Mickle. Maybe he wrote the letter in frony. Maybe he doeen't exist. Maybe of The Bee's bright young men invented him to add to the gayety of nations, Won't Brother Rose, water be kind enough, at our request, to send one of his reporters out to see Mr. Mickle and tell the world about him? If he is a real human being, there are a lot of things we should like to say about him, and -not all of them to his discredit. His ideas are not all bad. When he cate all the meat in the family he is doing the rest of the family a real service. The main point in which he is all wrong is his distrust of his wife in the matter of buying. His case may be an exception, but in nine cases out of ten the wife is a better buyer than the husband. After all is said and the outstanding fact about Mickle is that he went and did it. He did marry and he did raise a family. For that achievement, compared to him, all the whining young men who complain they can't atford it are merely objects of varying degrees of contempt.

Important Subject. We will take more interest in that fine old silly season question, "Is marriage a failure?" when we meet a few bachelors past 30 who are not afraid of being by themselves over a holiday. For those who know something about life as it is the above question has but one answer, and that obvious.

#### Twice Told Tales

His Honey.

A San Francisco man tells of a flower, growing abundantly near Santa Barbara, which is peculiarly attractive to been.

"Now, says he, "there was a young Californian, particularly fond of honey, who used to visit a certain because such a superior sort Banta Barbara hostelry of this nectar was to be had there.

This young man married in due course, and the wedding trip included Santa Barbara, so that the bride might taste this supreme honey. But to his dismay no honey appeared on the breakfast table the first morning of their stay. The groom frowned. He called the old familiar waiter over to him.

"Where's my honey?" he demanded.
"The waiter hesitated, looked awkwardly at the bride, and then bent toward the young man's ear and in a hoarse whisper stammered, 'Why, Marie don't work here any more, sir.' ... - Harper's Weekly.

Way Out of Sight. Private Doherty was six feet four in his socks; the sergeant was much shorter. The sergeant looked along the line. "Head up, there, Doherty!" he cried. Doherty raised his head. "Up higher," said the little "There, that's better. Don't let me see

your head down again." "Am I to be always like this?" asked Doherty, staring away above the little sergeant's head.

"Then I'll say goodbye to ye, sergeant, for I'll never see yez again."-Pittaburgh Chronicle,

Mixed Voices.

A lanky youth entered the crossroads general store to order some groceries. He was 17 years old and was passing through that stage of adolence during which a boy seems all hands and feet, and his vocal organs, rapidly developing, are went to go sudden and involuntary changes from high treble

In an authoritative, rumbling base voice he demanded of the busy clerk, "Give me a can of corn" (then his voice suddenly changing to a shrill falsette, continued) "and a sack of flour."

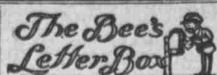
"Well, don't be in a hurry. I can't wait on both of you at once," snapped the clerk.-Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

#### People and Events

is predicted by a tobacco promoter. The cabbage crop is equal to all demands, so why worry? Rather than marry as her parents insisted Miss Camille Cushaw, 18, ran away from her home at Germantown, Pa., and sought refuge among friends

Martin O'Grady or Chicago ran \$110 behind in his alimony contract and Mrs. O'Grady phoned him to come across or go to jail. "No he won't" answered an affinity voice, coupled with an offer of \$600 for Did Mrs. O'Grady sign up? "Just as quick as No. 2 could push over the money.

The Nonamoker's League of America met in convention in San Francisco. Accounts differ as to the proceedings, but agree that two persons were town delegate, a woman. The latter offered a reac lution, which was unanimously adopted, that wives should not allow their husbands to smoke in the rupe. The chairman did note vote.



That P. O. Efficiency Board.

OMAHA, July 21.-To the Editor of The Bee: I am one of the many in the Omaha postoffice whose opinion can only be safely given in a nameless contribu-tion to the public press, otherwise the inner circle would soon find some excuse for exchanging him for a new "serf."

The expected has happened. The noefficiency committee has returned. It was expected after their hibernation in these quarters a few months past that the Omaha postoffice was to undergo another inspection within a short time to see if the office had reached that beatific state of perfection so sought after by the committee. And now, to show the long-eared engacity of the present administration, the same men have been ordered to return and check their own work. The complaints of the Omaha business men are set at naught and the committee whose recommendations brought down vigorous protest, not only from common citizens, but from the postmaster and the senator and the congressman from this district, is supposed to go over their own work and advise the department of their own errors, and if will be mafe to carry through their original scheme, hatched last winter in certain well known lodge rooms behind closed doors,

No Time for Race Prejudice. OGALABLA, Neb., July 24.-To the Edior of The Bee: I was much interested in report of the speech of Hexamer, head of the German-American alliance, which he delivered at the banquet given in his honor at the Fontenelle Friday

He started with a strong denunciation of the American press, I presume for the reason they are backing our president in his efforts to protect the lives and property of American citizens. However, the American press needs no defense at my hands.

He next attacked the public school system, of which every true American is so

It is a wrong principle to try to array one class of Americans against another and whoever attempts it is in my judgment making a great mistake. He lays stress upon the fact that large numbers of Germans enlisted in the civil war, and helped put down the rebellion. I grant you that is true. Probably not one regiment went to the front without its German contingent. There were several German boys in my company; they were true blue and brave, always ready when duty called. We must give them honor and credit.

But let us not forget we are all citizens of a common country, either by birth or adoption, and it was just as incumbent upon one as the other to rally to the defense of the flag whenever and wherever it might be assailed. He further said, "The time is ripe for German-Americans to stand up and assert their rights." May I ask of what rights they have been deprived? They have been honored in the highest places in the halls of congress, they have helped to make our laws; in the executive branch, as governors and judges, they have helped execute the laws, in fact, they are today. holding places of trust and authority in all the states. This kind of talk at this critical time to try to place one class above another, may cause trouble. At any other time it would be simply lu-EDWIN M, SEARLE.

"And All for a Song." OMAHA, July 25.-To the Editor of The Bee: The splendid team work of 1,000 male voices (Maennerchor) of the cities making up the Northwestern Saengerfeet, in the stage of the Auditorium last week, speaks for itself of the history of song to this the first part of the twentieth century. Few realise what a struggle the art of song had in past ages to build to its present position-first through melody and then harmony and then symphony.

The first scale of record in history is one of three notes, made by the natural inflections of the tones of the voice in repaired speech downward like the Greeks sang their epic poetry. Thus: say hello naturally to the telephone girl and your voice will fall in tone on the low to the musical interval of a fourth. If she does not answer, you say it again, but this time your voice does not fall so far quite, but to the interval of a major third and thus we have the scale, say down from middle C to C. A flat, G. Next we have the scale of Sappho (619 B. C.), not a myth or a muse, but a real little woman, with black hair and a sweet voice.

At the time of the Greek philosopher, Pythagoras, (532 B. C.) all of the seven primary notes were in and a few of the chromatic notes also. This was the seven-note or diatonic scale in which the voice struggled for some eighteen centuries to make song in melody and all through the dark and middle ages to the time of the Italian renaissance. Then instrumental music came to the rescue of cantata music, by the madrigals or songs of the troubadours and mennesingers accompanied by their stringed instruments.

Like them, too, Martin Luther broke away from the droning, sing-song chants and liturgies of the church, still singing like the Greeks in fourths and thus started music in the melody of thirds with some snap to it and a tuned instrument to check the voice up to, and thus was modern harmony born.

The five-note scales of the Asiatics, where the voice went up to the fifth instead of down to the fourth, has for some reason never developed harmony and is very walling to us, like Chinese and Japanese music, or the hoot-che koot-che of the streets of Cairo. The trouble during all those centuries was the "terrible" tri-tone in the scale, called in the middle ages "the devil in music." They did not realize that the octave was the natural division of the scale, but they tried to divide in the middle of the octave, but there was the tri-tone of three full notes (from F to B). To avoid this they made two scales in the octave and the true Greek pentuchords start on E to F. G. A. below, and the one above, B, C. D, E, These were simple scales of fourths and major and minor thirds and no tri-tone, out very tame music.

They knew that to pluck half of the string made the octave above the whole string, to pluck three-fourths of the string and you get the interval of the fourth, two-thirds makes a fifth, fourfifths a major third, five-sigths a minor third, etc., but they did not know that two consecutive thirds make a fifth and three-thirds a seventh and by inversion thirds become sixths and sevenths become conds because they did not know how to use the octave note, nor did they use fifths and to them the fourths sounded better than the thirds on which modern music is founded. It was the great choral master of Italy, Palestrina (1820) who brought on octave or dispason music and bridged around the devil in music at last It was Mozart, a German (1766) who first made use of the baritone voice, that

made this saengerfest possible, for it is the voice of the average man. Before his time the Italians made some of the male voices take the soprane part along with tenors and basecs. Remember the tone of the whole string, as on it is founded not only fundamental bass, but the keys of music which John Sebastian Bach (1685) also a German, found out by his ear alone and afterwards proved by Helmholtz (also a German who died in 1904, whose mother was English) by the

#### TOLD IN FUN.

physics of sound as mathematically cor-

GEORGE P. WILKINSON.

Ella-Miss Antique says she wishes she could step to the phone and call up her happy college days.

Bella-M she did she'd have to employ the long distance phone.—Florida Times-Union.



She—When we were married a year ago I nover expected to see you coming home at 2 in the morning.

He-Well, you wouldn't new, if you'd only go to bed and to sleep.—Boston Transcript.

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NO WEATHER HIS FOLKS ALWEYS CRIED!

Widow—But I have nine children. He-Westched deceiver! Widow—They are all working. He-Dearest one!—Michigan .Gargoyle.

#### A DREAM.

Come from the wizard's cabinet-Their living thoughts are with me yet-And heard distinctly what they said.

The actions of all moving things Upon both hemispheres were a In reproduction on the screen Around invention's fairy wings.

Below the surface of the sea Sped ships, defying hurricane And pirates' guns upon the main, In comfort an security.

I heard men talking 'round the world, And saw them flying in the ekies, As the material paradise Kalidoscopicly unfurled.

air, And men and women ev'rywhere Read one another's daily mind.

Bewitching beauty, high and low— In woods, on mountain, plain and lea. By stream and green-hued lake—was To ev'ry heart that had a woe. It seemed a real enchanted land— So many wondrous things to see— Such marvelous machinery To save the labor of the hand.

A startling rag-time melody, Called "Evrybody's Doin' It." Came dancing from the cabinet And brought to end my reverle.

The fireplace logs had burned away: I heard the cricket's dismal peep, And, turning, saw—was I asleep? No, 'twas a true dream of today. WILLIS HUDSPETH. Omaha.

## Now Are the Days Children Need Care

Summer Heat Dangerous to Little Ones if Bowels Are Neglected

A mother cannot do better for her child than to train it from early infancy to regular habits, not only as a preventive against much of the illness to which children are more or less subject, but also to insure their health in later life. Normal activity of the bowels is the

basis of sound health. This is especially true with children in hot weather. Do not neglect any tendency they may show to constipation, but promptly administer a gentle laxative, that will carry off the congested waste without shocking the ayatem

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