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Thought for the Day

Selected by Lee G. Kratz.

Friends are like melons. Shall I tell you

why? To find one good, you must a hundred

shift some weight from leather to rubber.

At any rate, the senator's newspaper does

All plans having been perfected for the

Belgians are reported "crazy about Amer-

For another two years at least Nevada will

not propose to let the president get by unchal-

langed in his dealings with the recalcitrant dem-

evangelisation of Omaha, both saints and sinners

may join in the preliminary refrain: "Every

ican pork and beans." The deft touch of sub-

stantial sympathy thus links the oppressed of

not restore the sign, "Divorces while you wait."

The defeat in the legislature of the bill reviving the six months' residence law is a triumph of

the old world with the culture of the new.

morals over mercenary business.

day will be Sunday, by and by."

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A Notable Anniversary.

Under normal conditions of life the present month would have featured various public exercises commemorating the close of a century of peace between the United States and Great Britain. The trenty of Ghent, drawn up in the Belgian city now ravaged by war, and signed by the plenipotentiaries on Christmas eve, 1814, officially terminated the war of 1812, though hostilities continued for months afterward, owing to the primitive means of conveying news at that time. Fifty-one days elapsed before a copy of the treaty reached the American government, and official ratifications were exchanged on the fifty-second day, or February 15, 1815. The peace-time program of exercises for the centennial falling on tomorrow purposed the stoppage of all activities in the United States and Great Britain for five minutes, during which the people of both nations would engage "in silent prayer and contemplation." But the stress of iwar renders this novel memorial impracticable and vetoes the companion plan of church exercises on February 24.

The occasion and the time equally appeal to Americans for an outpouring of thankfulness, Not only has the country maintained peaceful relations for one hundred years with all nations involved in the world war, but it has preached the gospel which it practiced. It counselled peace whenever possible, seeking on all proper occasions the justice of impartial courts in preference to the arbitrament of arms. Now, more than over before, is the nation's sincerity undergoing the test. Conflicting interests hedge with perils the highway of neutrality. National welfare disrupted by foreign strife begets ill-feeling and antagonisms, and the hardships of restricted epployment increase the difficulties of the situation.

So far, however, the government has maintained a course clear of all entanglements and upheld the nation's rights with commendable vigor. What the immediate future holds in store for the nation no man can foresee. But knowing the spirit which animated a century of peace, we can face the future with confidence.

Where Our Government Needs Strengthening. Our present system gives us a government of law yers to an extent known in no other civilized land. and very largely a government of second and third Senator Wesley Jones-Jones of Washington rate lawyers. Lawyers can best take up and lay down public office, but even lawyers of the first -looms large as the "Big Bertha" of the filirank take office at a personal loss. Inferior lawyers are larger incomes in office than in practice, and fre-quently win new clients.—Prof. Richard T. Ely, in Reviews of Reviews. Jitneys are very far from being the "last word" in urban transportation, but they help to

This observation by Dr. Ely will strike most of us as, alas, too true, although the condition is not to be specially blamed upon the lawyers, because it is inherited rather than created by them. The fact that the lawyers take the lead in public life is due in part to their intimate connection with the construction and enforcement of the laws, and then to the making of the laws and the curing of their defects, to say nothing of their administration. When the principal function of the government was restricted to lawmaking and law-enforcing, the training of the lawyer was the training needed for the public service, and much of the work of the government is even today by its very nature absolutely monopolized by lawyers.

Expansion of government activities, however, has brought in all sorts of new fields of work for which the training demanded is a technical training along other lines. There is no good reason why lawyers should have the preference for places on trade commissions, public utilities boards, rallway commissions, boards of control, and similar bodies. Dr. Ely is of the opinion that better results are secured in foreign countries which require long and careful study and special training as qualifications for entering the public service, and that we will never match this efficiency until we make these places permanent positions and award honors for distinguished service. Accepting his premise that we are ruled by lawyers, and usually poorly ruled by lawyers of mediocre ability, however, does not force the conclusion he reaches or prove that there is only one remedy. It should be possible by publicity and education to bring the people to exact higher standards in their public servants without handing the government over to a self-perpetuating class.



N CONNECTION with the consolidation movement, one of our early ploneers has raised the question of vested rights claimed by Florence, which is a reminder that Florence is the only one of our numerus suburbs that is older than Omaha, unless we call Bellavus a suburb, which is, of course, still older. But Dundee, South Omaha, Benson and East Omaha were all laid out and promoted by Omaha geople and Omaha capital, and with no intention to detract from Omaha

Florence in its inception was the halting point for the Mormona in their cross-continent journey. Tt overs the spot where the Mormon column driven out of lilinois in the fail of 1846 hibernated in "Winter Quarters," which, by the way, is the same the town bears in all the early accounts. It was from this "Winter Quarters" that Brigham Young set out with his company of chosen followers in the early spring of 1947 on the expedition culminating in the founding of the new "Zion" in the valley of the Great Salt lake It remained a Mormon outfitting station for some years, and the name was only afterwards cha from "Winter Quarters" to Florence. When the ter-ritory of Nebraska was organized, Florence had capttal ambitions, and was Omaha's most formidable competitor in the lists. According to the gossip of the day as veraciously handed down, the outcome of the capital location fight was determined by the superior potency of Omaha's real money as against Florence's town lots. By the time the railroads were to be surveyed. Omaha had the center of the map, but why, at the beginning, Omaha forged about and grew, while Florence stood still, will always be an inscrut able mystery. There was a day, however, when odds would have been given that if any annexation were wer to take place, it would be Florence annexing Omaha, instead of Omaha annexing Florence.

During a pleasant call from Dean West of Prince ton the other day, he inquired about "Billy" Annin's annection with The Bee, manifesting special interest him, and his work out here which he had taken up almost immediately after graduating from Prince-ton. "He was a brilliant fellow in college," said Dean West, "and we all expected great things of him, and were not wholly disappointed. 1 maw him oc-casionally-the last time in New York before he went west to die. It was a real pity that such a career should be out short by physicial infirmities."

by the National Press club of Washington, which mstend of the oustomary binding is enclosed in a cover made of newspaper matrices that have seen actual service. The title on the front is a reverse photograph of the type, tied with the compositors' string and set in the chase ready for locking-up. A printer can read it As easily as he would type, but any one else will get the correct impression quickest by using a looking glass and reading the mirrored reflection. This National Press club is the organization which has put on numerous entertainment stunts such as its "Lame night, its "Hobby-Riders" exhibits, and famous debates on "Whiskers against Baidheads" and "Bowlegs against Knock-knees," with the distinguished statesmen of the capital cast in the titleroles membership includes, besides the corps of Washnaton correspondents, guite a number of newspaper men throughout the country, or men who have been closely associated with newspaper work. The only

Twice Told Tales

The late Admiral Mahan, at the beginning of the var, was arguing with a lady at a luncheon about

me-so ignorant."

"You remind me of the young wife who said to her brother about her voluntser husband: "'Isn't Jack just wonderful? Think-he's sirendy been promoted to field marshal."

People and Events

General Miles' latest fear is that polygamy may follow the war. The general should look up the address of the nearest "Don't Worry club."

Carnegie and Bockefeller, together Kansas City Star: A German archhave blown in a fraction over \$500,000,000. bishop has just renewed assurances to Still some people cling to the notion that his people that the Lord is on the Gerthe shore-leave sallor is the prince of man side. French, English and Russian prelates talk just as confidently of the apenders.

Sir Ernest Shackleton with his South Pole expedition left South Georgia for the polar ice the last of November, and does not expect to get back to civilian-tion until March, 1916. It seems a long, long way to go to escape war bulleting. The margule of Londonberry is dead at the age of 63 years. He was distinguished as an Irish-Englishman of U. ster antecedents, who inherited 50,000 acres, and fought with all the vigor of his income to maintain his menop the soil.

Among the jitney don'ts promulgated by the chief of police of Sentile, two are worth quoting: "Don't permit women to sit on men's laps in your machines or men to sit on women's laps. Don't argue with a policeman-you are wasting your time and his."

The famous Morgan collection of Chinese porcelains, which has been on exhibition for more than twenty years in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. New York City, has been sold to art dealers for \$3,0000,000. The purchasers intend to sell the collection in single pieces.

A bureau of the government remarks that the good old days of cheap meat are gone forever in the United States, because the economic law refuses to be-come a dead letter. Although right on the spot, the bureau makes no effort to have congress repeal the odious law. Over in Berlin, hotel and restaurant keepers are making a separate charge for bread served at meals, "as a war measure." Dining car managers and some hotsi keepers started a similar "war measure" in this country more than a year go, and best the Berliners to the extra forty pleanig.

The purist of pure statesmanship blooms in sunflower luxuriance in the Kansas capitol. No lobbyist is permitted within the sacred precincts of the upper house, when that body is in session Even the women, who are boosting uplift measures cannot throw a goo-goo eye through the door, and must waste their sweetness in the baked air of the corridors. It is understood the honorable body does not fear temptation. Simply a case of safety first.

TABLOIDS OF SCIENCE.

A trap baited with sunflower seeds is one of the most efficacious means of catching rats.

Scientists have estimated that more than 15 per cent of the earth's crust is composed of alumin

Steel barrels are now made quickly and economically by means of the oxyacetylene torch, which welds the joints.

Wires carrying high currents should be kept away from neighboring objects by a distance of eight feet at least.

A daily paper of twenty pages with a circulation of 100.000 uses each day the product of about six and one-half acres of forest

If there were but one potate in the world a careful cultivator, it is estimated, could produce 10,000,000 from it in ter Sears.

An extensive maker of phonograph rec ords, after more than 2,000 tests, has

SECULAR SHOTS AT PULPIT.

foot ball games." Following out this

distinction, the clergyman, we suppose,

s paid, while the gridiron star is in re-

Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Spooning par-

lors" have been opened in a Baltimore

church for the use of the girls of the city

who board or whose home life is so re-

stricted that they have no place to en

tertain their friends. The intention may

be excellent, but that the plan will be

a success is very much to be doubted.

"Pitfless publicity," touted as the solu-

tion of so many of our problems, is likely

to prevent this scheme solving this par-ticular problem. Did any of the well-

meaning promoters of the idea hark back

WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES.

Orchard, Me., has acquired the name of

By repeating 1,066 Bible verses from memory Helen Lynn, 10 years old, won

first prize in the annual church contest

in Galesburg, Ill. Laura Moorehead was

second with 738 verses. The previous

By a new law that will go into effect

kinds of work against the man "over 40."

Governor George A. Clarkson of Colo-

rado says that his wife is assistant gov-

cially as it may affect women and chil-

dren. She mays that a woman who is capable of being a mother to four chil-

AROUND THE CITIES.

Kansas City runs a municipal sewing

she has not been able to imitate.

need work and immediate relief.

soord was 635 verses.

welcomed, so there you are.

ceipt of an honorarium.

with the fair sex.

tion wrong.

"Hiram, them actors and op'ry singers must be awful sickly." "What makes ye think that, Cynthy?" "Ain't the papers full of patent medi-cine testimonials signed with their names?"--Philadelphia Ledger. St. Louis Republic. That St. Louis evangelist who says the dresses women wear would shock the evil one does not seem to have considered the fact that there is no evidence that he was shocked on the occasion of his first encounter

"Here you, you'll get the road into trouble. You blamed this wreck on the trouble

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Well, isn't that the usual thing?" "Of course. Only this time the en-gineer wasn't killed."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

Divine favor. It has to be suggested once

"Is that a genuine antique?" "Yes," replied the dealer. "Why, here's a mark that indicates it was made only twenty years ago." "We are living in a very rapid ago. It doesn't take nearly as long to make an antique as it used to."-Washington Star. more that somebody has got his informa-New York Post: An ordnined clergy-

man, we read, is "employed" to write "I wondar if digging all those trenches has anything to do with the earthprominent Chicago newspaper, while "a quakes? noted gridiron star is retained to report

"How could it?" "Well, isn't it natural for the earth to yawn when it is being so much bored?" -Baltimore American.

Wife-Henry, I wish you would tell me why a barber's pole is red, white and blue. Is it patriotiem? Hub-Oh, not at all? You see, the red represents the blood he draws, the white the lather he uses, and the blue how he fees when he doesn't get a tip.-Boston Transcript.

"A gossic is never willing to repeat unkind remarks to your face." "No," replied Miss Cayenne, "Gossip is a social strack conducted on the approved prin.iplus of modern warfare. You are not supposed to see the person at whem you are shooting."-Washington Star.

"Are all pawnbrokers on the water-

wagon?" "What do you mean by such a ques-tion?" "Well, they're always taking the pledge, aren't they?"-Baltimore American. to their own courtship days and ask themselves how they would have liked

soing to "spooning parlors?" Imagine a Nell-Papa says that it's "Come casy, go easy" with money. Do you find it so self-respecting girl receiving an invitation to a public "speening parlor." And, of course, any other class would not be

Nell-Papa mays that it is that it so, go easy" with money. Do you find it so, Jack? Jack-Not on your life! I always found that it came hard-and it certainly seems hard to see it gol-Judge.

Little Phillis May Huff, aged 7, of Old

"Yes, some of us fellows keep house at the fraternity home." "Don't you hate to wash dishes?" "We don't have to. We have plenty of candidates for the fraternity, and dish washing is great as an initiation stunt."-Louisville Courier-Journal. the child whistler of New England. It is anid that there is no musical sound that

"How out of style she books." "Why not? Her whole allowance for clothes is only three-quarters of her husband's salary."-Life.

STILL RUNNIN' THINGS.

The Bantstown Bard. Lots of complainin' wherever you go Of people not gettin' the kind of a show They think life owes 'em, while others The women of Cincinnati are interested n a suffrage plan to help the working girls of that city by organizing a series

The beat things always keep passin' 'em of clubs in that city, designated to house And this isn't right, and that's all wrong, But down in my heart there's an old, sweet song, That brings me the lesson, mid all it twenty or thirty young women. The first has already been established, with the

furnishings all donated. This is one of the many measures to help the poor, who

sings. That the Lord in His heaven's still run-nin' things.

after February 23, neither women nor I wouldn't go crany with grief and care Even if things went a little quare-As all things will in their time and men will be obliged to state their wages when qualifying to vote in the state of

filinoia. It is generally thought that the Fer always I've found there's the same principal objection to giving the age

old grace And beauty and comfort in loss and pain, As there is in moments of triumph and came from women, but it is believed that it works a distinct hardships against some

men because of the prejudice in certain in the feelin' and trust and bellevin' that rings Through the thought that the Lord is still runnin' things.

I pity the sorrowful.' God knows that And to those who suffer I doff my hat And I try to be tender to those whose ernor. She spends several hours daily at the capitol to meet the women interested in sociological questions and legslation of the humanitarian kind, espe-

Cross Is heavy to bear in this world of loss; But I can't believe, as I list to the song Of the sweet old faith, that a thing goes

Without some blessin' that ere long

dren ought to be capable of having a The thought that the Lord is still runnin' things.



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Illinois Central R. R.

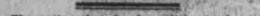
The Likelier One.

British navy. "But, my dear madam." said the admiral, "it is

hard to argue with you because you are so-er, pardon

I have recently received a unique handbook issued

other Omaha name I see in it, however, is that of General George H. Harries, recently come here as head of the electric lighting company.



The notion that Omaha politics is the only brand of politics in the state in noed of reform finds support among country members at the state capitol. The faisity of the notion has been repeatedly demonstrated, but it serves as "a good enough Morgan" for estekpenny politicians of Omaha to put over a scheme to get in on, which could not be worked successfully at home.

One may well believe Editor Young of Des Moines when he says he did not see the American flag flying from the steamer's mast on the Irish Sea, but he heard about it. That tumultuous body of water has a reputation for rendering passengers indifferent to all flags but the fingstones on solid dry land. Such occasions call more for sympathy than quinzical doubt.

In the death of Mrs. Margaret C. Cuming another the that binds the present to the birth of Omaha is broken. For almost the entire term of the city's life span Mrs. Cuming had made her home here, living quietly, but always with a keen interest in the welfare of the community. She will be sadly missed by an intimate circle of friends, and more especially by that little band of pioneers who shared with her the privations of beginnings on the frontier.

Build for the Future.

The Nebraska Historical society is carrying on a vigorous campaign before the legislature in behalf of an appropriation it desires for the erection of a building which is to house the supreme court, the state library and the historical society's collection. Such a building is an admitted necessity, its desirability being apparent to anyone who is at all familiar with the situation, nor is it wise to much longer postpone the making of provisions for properly housing those portions of the state government which are included in the pending measure.

At present, however, the legislature can do no better service to the state than to take the necessary steps to carry out the suggestion made by The Bee for the consolidation of the University of Nebrasks with its necessary buildings. and the buildings needed for state governmental purposes, on a single campus. It would be negligible almost to a point of criminality to continus the piecemeal, haphauard methods of construction that have prevailed in the past. The present collection of buildings on the university campus is such a medley of architectural design and constructive effort as must needs bring a blush to any patriolic citizen of Nebraska who looks over the scene. It will not do to repeat mistakes already made in future construction.

Let the present legislature provide for a comprehensive plan for future development of the state buildings at the Capital City slong lines that will make them a source of pride and inspiration to the people. Immediate necessity should be given proper consideration, but greater stress should be laid on the future, and thought should be taken of the Nebraska, not " today, but for all coming generations.

Immigration and Naturalization.

Discussion of the president's literacy test veto evinces a widespread confusion and miscon ception on the subject. The most common mistake is that which confounds immigration and naturalization, which are completely separate and distinct. Our immigration laws govern merely the admission of foreign born persons seeking to come to this country for temporary or permanent residence. Our naturalization laws lay down rules and requirements to be met inter by foreign born residents in order to become invested with the full rights of citizenship.

The policy of this country ever since the foundation of the republic has been to hold out a welcoming hand to the discontented, oppressed or persecuted of other lands, domanding only that they be mentally and physically fit, and barring contract laborers, paupers and criminals. For naturalization, on the other hand, a mimimum term of residence, and some evidence of appreciation of our institutions has always been exacted. Our present naturalization law as it now stands-this part of it having been inserted by former Congressman John L. Kennedy of this district-requires a satisfactory literacy test before the judge as prerequisite to the issue of citizenship papers. In a word, at present the only possibility of increase in illiterate vote is by the addition, not of illiterate foreigners, but of illiterate natives.

If the public can be made to perceive this difference between the conditions of immigration and of naturalization clearly, they will see the logic of the president's veto better.

Omaha will feel a deep sense of loss in the death of Rev. M. P. Dowling, who for so many years took a large part in the intellectual and apiritual life of the community. It was through his influence, as much as that of any one man, that the great Creighton university was brought to its completion as a well-founded and highlyendowed modern school. Father Dowling's work in this life is imperishable, for so long as Creighton University continues in its useful and beneficial work will its patrons and graduates recall with gratitude the patient care and devotion of Father Dowling to the development of this great institution.

"From private to field marshal in two months?" Impossible,' said the brother.

"Did I say field marshal? murmured the young wife. 'Well, perhaps, it's court-martial. I know it's one or the other.' "-New York Tribune.

What Cyril Said.

Grace was specially charming and attentive to her father on his arrival home from business. No more devoted, obsiliant daughter than she on this particular evening. "Daddy," she said, softly, when, dinner over, her

arent lounged in comfort in his favorite chair. "did Cyril come to your office today?"

"He did," said papa, quietly, knocking the ash off his cigar.

What-what did he want, daddy?"

"Well, my dear, I've been waiting till I came home to see if you can tell me. As far as I could mathen, he wanted to marry me; said that we had always loved each other, and that you could afford to him in the style to which he had been acoustomed, has bas much more that I can't remember. So I told him to go home, get caim, and type it out and post it to mel"-Pitteburgh Chronicie.

Faith that Moves Mountaine.

A prominent German farmer, who believes nothing that is printed in the English papers concerning the war, was accosted with the remark: "Jacob, I see the Russians have taken Peruna

"I won't believe it until I read it so in my German paper," said Jacob.-National Monthly.

Poor Marksmanship.

Sergeant (disgustedly to Private Jones)-Ughi Don't waste your last bullet. Nincteen are quite enough to blass away without hiting the target once. Go behind that wall and blow your brains out.

nes walked quietly away and a few seconds later Jo shot rang out.

"Great anusages, the fool's done what I told him!" howied the sergeant, running behind the wall. Great was his relief when he saw Private Jones coming toward him.

"Sorry, sergeant." he said, apologetically, "another miss."-Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.



The Sans Ceremonie held its valentine party last ning at Masonic hall with about thirty, couples participating. Each person received a comic valenting slosed in an envelope and numbered, there being two of each number, by which the gentlemen were anabled to find their partners for the valentime dance Out-of-town guests were Miss McCord of Milwaukee, Miss McCord of St. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson Jennings of Milwaukee.

A Hoppe announces that he will move his art and plane store March 2 to 1518 Douglas street, Young's old stand.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Trale finally decided on a place of location for the projected Chamber of Commerce building at Stateenth and Farnam, which is to be acquired from the city at a and price of \$13,000. To raise the money the membership fee will be increased from \$155 to \$350.

The Kate Castleton company was showing at Boyd's opera house.

Dr. Smyths, alias Smith, has brought suit against The Bes for \$55,000 for alleged defaunation of his character, "How modest some of these quacks are."

The Bricklayers' union gave its third annual ball at Crounse's hall with fifty couples in the grand march. The floor managers were W. J. Callaghan, Fred Hoye, William Stevenson, R. J. Holmes and Charles Stevenson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Schell left for New Orleans to take in the Mardi Gras fastival

reproduction purposes than European. The debris left from coral after it has

been made into articles of jewelry, etc., is crushed, scented and sold as tooth powder at a high price by Indian per-

The adjutant, or marabout, a bird of India of the stork species, will swallow a have or a cat whole. It stands five feet high and the expanse of its wings is nearly fifteen feet.

Topographical engineers of the United geological survey have been making profile surveys in the Snake river basin, Idaho, and the result of their work shows that the Snake river basin contains many good storage sites, but only a few have been utilized. About 600,000 acrefeet of water can be stored in Jackson lake by a dam which has been constructed by the reclamation service.

MUFFLED KNOCKS.

A stitch in time is worth two needles in

It takes a guick-witted man to know when to say nothing. Life is never monotonous to the woman

who can afford a cook. The counterfeiter makes money dis-

Cheer up. The fool who rocks the boat

may live to ride in an aeropi The world's greatest misrit is illustrated by the big opinions of a small man.

Many a man who knows his own mind is not overburdened with knowledge.

The man who borrows trouble is always anzious to pay you back in your own

Tell two women they resemble each other. if you can afford to make enemies

of both. . The inc nstrated by the society girl, who starts in when she comes out.-New York

MUSINGS OF A CYNIC.

The one man in the world who theroughly believes in hero worship is the hero.

artist, can make his model stand Any around, unless he happens to be married to her.

Even the people who stand up for their own rights might prefer to sit in the lay of luxury.

The income tax dogsn't bother the man whose principal holdings consist of castles in the air.

Hver notice that the people who are willing to share their last dollar with you never have a dollar?

Many a woman boasts that she can marry any man she pleases who doem't seem to please any of them.

The peasimist may believe in heaven, but he is apt to have his suspicions that it is payed with gold bricks.

The man who says he has never forgotten to mail one of his wife's letters is either an awful liar or has never had a

"Never give up" is a good motto, but the minister would hesitate to preach it. just before the collection plate is passed. -New York Times

Denver has sent to the Pacific coast towns a special trainload of business boosters.

Pittsburgh reports 108,941 children in the public schools, an increase of 5,046 over last year.

In the Buffalo public baths last year 22,834 persons went into the swim, men being in the majority.

Rapid City is slowing down. The authorities have ordered the police to put on the lid and sit on it.

St. Louis night schools have a woman of 70 among the pupils. She is diligently striving to make up for past neglect. Pittsburgh has reached such a degree of sanctity under the commission form of government that skating in the public

parks on Sunday is banned. Two soup kitchens in Kansas City fed 2,160 guests last Tuesday evening. Demand for meals is crowding the resources of institutions supported by charitable

A huge haul of fish from Utah lake, amounting to 23,000 pounds, was distrib-uted among the poor of Sait Lake City,

2.000 persons receiving about eleven pounds each. A tract of 160 acres of land taken over by the city of Cheyenne six years ago has been adjudged worth \$8,500 by a court jury. Interest and court cost runs the total cost to the city up to \$18,980.

A variation of the tag-day idea, a "keepthe-change" racket, worked on the street cars of Cleveland for one day, put \$12,870 n a public charity fund. The scheme looks so good that St Louis wants to try it.

Mobile, Ala., good roads boosters are putting up coin to double-track the famous shell road to New Orleans and thus mitigate the ravages of the impending drouth. Even without a Crescent City stimulus, the Mobile shell road is an invitation to joy riding.

At the recent "family dinner" of the Sloux City Commercial club the presidents of the Great Northern and the Burlington railroads were special guests, and gave their hosts a fine line of optimistic talk. But no extensions or improvements were promised, because financial conditions were unfavorable.



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