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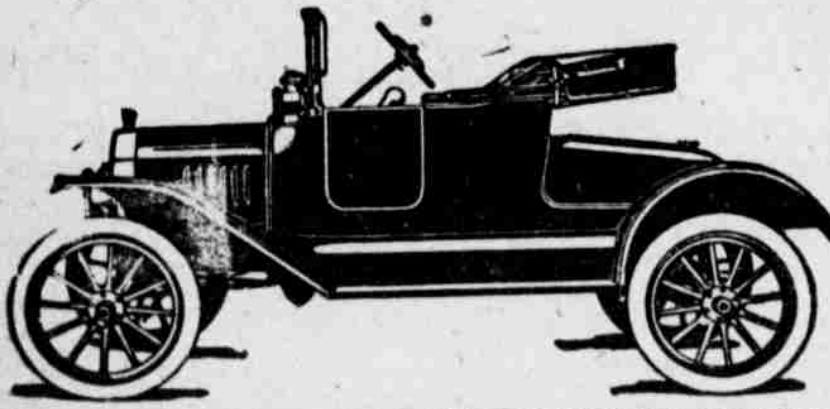
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Lloyd's Column

Some Job from the Force
The Herald force has handed "ye editor" of this column some job during the coming session of the state legislature. Christmas morning we were confronted by the entire force in a body and handed a fine Waterman fountain pen, around which was wrapped the following inscription: "To our boss and friend, Lloyd. Compliments of The Herald force. May your eloquence flow from your lips at the coming session of the legislature as readily as we hope it to flow from this pen, which you will use to pen your name to the scroll of fame within the next three months." It is needless to say that we appreciate the fine present but as to eloquence from pen and lips—that is doubtful.

The Fruitless Quest
Yes, the village was there, but, oh, how changed!
In the two-score years and more Since he'd pressed the turf of the vil-
lage green
In those boyish sports of yore.

Yes, the village was there, but mem-
ory's eye
Looked in vain for objects sought,
Though ne'er forgot thru the long,
long years,
These many changes had wrought.

Yes, the village was there, but not
the old forge,
Down at the foot of the hill;
For gone was the hill, and the forge
was gone.
Gone its old neighbor—the mill.

One spot he sought—hope lightened
the quest,
But left him sad and forlorn;
For alas, and alas, no trace remain-
ed.

Of the house where he was born.
To the churchyard he wended his
way—
Just then he awoke—'twould seem
At his home afar, toward the setting
sun,
So his quest was only a dream.
—JOSEPH CARR THOMAS.

Not Much the Matter
Bank Stewart, of Deadwood, S. D., well known in this vicinity, felt that something was wrong with his interior department; just what he knew not neither did physicians whom he consulted put him wise, so he went to the famous Doctors Mayo, at Rochester, Minn., and concerning his condition wrote a letter to Dr. Barr, under date of Dec. 11, as follows:

"Dear Doctor: I arrived here Thursday night and got busy the following morning. So far I have been through the hands of four doctors and they have decided—

"That my exhaust is entirely too far from my intake.
"That my valve stem is badly worn.
"That I need new piston rings as my compression is poor.

"That my manifold is too small for the size of my cylinder, which causes lack of power.
"That my muffler is all clogged with soot, but that can be easily remedied by readjusting my carburetor and giving me a good dose of castor oil. This was caused by using too rich a mixture.
"That my radiator leaks.
"That my valves need grinding, which they will proceed to do tomorrow morning.

"Now, if you want to know what is the matter with me ask Ray Sigafos. He drives a Ford and ought to be able to tell you."—Hyanis Tribune.

Time to Sell
A farmer once asked the editor of a country paper for some advice. He wrote:
"I have a horse that at times appears normal, but at other times is lame to an alarming degree. What shall I do?"
The reply came: "The next time that your horse appears normal, sell him."

Not Exclusively
"Poor June! She's run down another workman with a wife and six children!"
"Well, she can't steer, eat chocolates, keep her feet on six pedals, and run down rich and unattached bachelors exclusively, can she?" —Puck.

Staggered Him
There is a stammering physician out in one of our suburbs. A short time ago, while on a case involving a new arrival, his infirmity led to a rather funny misapprehension.
The husband and prospective father, who by the way, had set his heart on a son and heir, was nervously pacing the library when the physician entered.
"Well, doctor," said the husband, forcing a smile, "is it twins?"
"Tr-tr-tr—" began the doctor.
"Triplets! Great Caesar."
"Qu-qu-qu—" stammered the doctor.
"Quadruplets!" Holy smoke."
N-n-no," cried the doctor. "Qu-qu- quite the contrary. Tr-tr-try to take it ph-philosophically, my friend. It's ju-just a girl."—Boston Transcript.

One of the most inspiring spectacles to be witnessed here is that of a young, ambitious, self-made couple, strong on team work, happily planning and practically striving for the building of a home of their own. It may be but a small lot which they buy, on payments, at a modest price. It may be a tiny bungalow that they dream about as their nest, one that careful management brings within the range of their possession. But there is song on their lips and there is joy in their hearts as they toil and sacrifice to acquire this blessed heaven.

There is so much of this kind of home planning and home building here that it carries this land nearer to heaven. IT radiates bliss. Even the crustiest cynic is softened at the

with their own hands the bowers that to them are to be Eden restored to earth.

Everyone of our girls likes to be as beautiful as she can. That is right and proper, but she must remember that it is not alone the smile of the pretty face, the tint of the delicate complexion, the luring glance of the eye, the beauty and symmetry of the person, nor the costly dress or decorations that compose a girl's loveliness. It is far more to be found in her pleasing department, her chaste conversation, the sensibility and purity of her thoughts, her affable and open disposition, her sympathy with those in adversity, her comfort and relief to the distressed, and above all, her real companionship, that constitute true loveliness.

Look and Feel
Clean, Sweet and
Fresh Every Day

Drink a glass of real hot water before breakfast to wash out poisons.

Life is not merely to live, but to live well, eat well, digest well, work well, sleep well, look well. What a glorious condition to attain, and yet how very easy it is if one will only adopt the morning inside bath.
Folks who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when they arise, splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, can, instead, feel as fresh as a daisy by opening the sluices of the system each morning and flushing out the whole of the internal poisonous stagnant matter.

Everyone, whether ailing, sick or well, should, each morning, before breakfast, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach. The action of hot water and limestone phosphate on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast. While on are enjoying your breakfast the water and phosphate is quietly extracting a large volume of water from the blood and getting ready for a thorough flushing of all the inside organs.

The millions of people who are bothered with constipation, bilious spells, stomach trouble, rheumatism; others who have sallow skins, blood disorders and sickly complexions are urged to get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from the drug store which will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone a pronounced crank on the subject of internal sanitation.

WILL MEET IN "TUNNEL"

Supports of the New State House
Impress Representatives with
the Many Beams and
Cross Bars

Lincoln, Nebr., Jan. 3.—Preparations were completed for the reception of the legislative members. The impromptu engineering effect of the representative hall has the appearance of a subterranean tunnel, with its network of beams and cross bars extending from the floor to the ceiling. But it is safe and sane as the democratic administration, and that is saying a lot.

According to a report filed by the state auditor to be a part of the biennial report for 1915-16, the bonded indebtedness of the state, comprising county, precinct, city and village, school district, and drainage and irrigation bonds, amount to \$42,154,198.07. Of this sum Douglas county has more than half of the total, or \$22,596,831.24. Some of these bonds draw 4 per cent, a good share 5 per cent, while not a few draw as much as 6 per cent annual interest. At an average of 5 per cent, which is conservative, the annual interest on this bonded indebtedness amounts to \$2,107,709.90. This sum is equal to practically two-thirds of the amount of revenue derived from the annual taxation for state purposes. The state government itself has no bonded indebtedness, and as stated above, these bond obligations are for county and district purposes.

Supt. A. O. Thomas is busy getting his office affairs in shape to turn them over to his successor, Dr. W. H. Clemmons, who came romping in under the wire 1302 laps ahead of all entries in the late political catclysm. During the two years that Dr. Thomas has filled the office of state superintendent he has inaugurated a number of valuable reforms and has laid the foundation for others that will ultimately be of great value to the educational interests of the state. He has been a careful, painstaking official, putting all the energy of his splendid natural and educational talents into the work. Dr. Clemmons is a worthy successor, having spent his life as an educator in nearly every department of learning, and his labors extend from the lower grade schools to that of the head of a large college.

In a report filed with the governor to be presented to the legislature, Attorney General Willis E. Reed will ask for an appropriation of \$249,000 to be used by his department for the incoming biennium. Mr. Reed wants \$100,000 to be used if necessary in enforcing the prohibitory amendment. The last legislature appropriated \$49,180 for salaries and other purposes for the attorney general's department. In addition to the above sum, Mr. Reed wants \$50,000 for expenses connected with railroad cases. For the prosecution of recalc-

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That there will be some changes in departmental affairs when the legislature meets next month is quite certain. There is evidence of an almost unanimous sentiment in favor of the consolidation of the hotel commission with the food, fruit and oil department, and as there seems to be no one clamoring for the position which has been filled by Commissioner Ackerman for the past four years it is surmised that Governor-elect Neville also favors the consolidation. Another consolidation which would meet with the approval of a good many is the printing commission with some other department. This is being strongly advocated not only as a matter of economy, but efficiency as well. However, from present indications considerable opposition to this plan will develop if the consolidation is attempted. E. A. Walrath, who has been the very efficient commissioner for the past two years, has given notice that he does not want the job any longer, and Governor-elect Neville has appointed Dan Webster of the St. Paul Phonograph to the place. Even if the consolidation was effected some practical man would have to be secured to take charge of the work, and it is not at all likely that Mr. Webster's appointment would be jeopardized if such action were taken. On the other hand if the new governor should oppose the consolidation it is probable that the legislature would respect his wishes in the matter.

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