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## THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

You will find as you look back upon your life that the moments that stand out, the moments when you have really lived, are the moments when you have done things in a spirit of love.—Henry Drummond.

Democratic banquet Thursday night.

Short skirts are not intended for bow-legged girls.

This would be a fine year in which to bring the war to a close.

We know it is a little early—but how about a Fourth of July celebration?

The reason the fellow who knows it all is happy, is because ignorance is bliss.

The first shall be last and the last shall be first—in getting out of an elevator.

"Nothing is so bad that it could not be worse," says one paper, forgetting bad eggs.

Indications point to an early spring. We hope Mr. Indication is correct. Don't you?

How wonderful is the woman who can make herself look like the pictures in the fashion journals.

Women criticize the women's fashions as much as the men do; and that's all it amounts to in either case.

It is nice to be surprised, and remembered with presents, if the guests candidly meant what they do, and not all for a show.

The price of corn keeps going on up with that of wheat. If a great deal of it had not been soft it would have been a great year for the farmers of Nebraska.

Don't make fun of the boys' first mustaches. Encouragement should be given to a return of masculine-looking faces. Great oaks from little acorns grow.

We know not how true the story is that Bryan went to Speaker Clark and asked him for peace, but we do know that Champ is standing loyally behind President Wilson.

Among other prophets, those who announced that the submarines would speedily revolutionize naval warfare will have to guess again. Still, no regular prophet is barred from guessing two or three times.

Judge McCarty may succeed in keeping out of the congressional race a man who would stand a good show of defeating Reavis, but McCarty don't stand a ghost of a chance. This is plain talk, but it would be better if all democrats were just as outspoken.

If President Wilson could please everybody he would be a wonder. Some want him to do things, while some would like to see him do nothing. The latter are not expected to be satisfied with the president. He is doing things, and doing them right. And we candidly believe that if we are to be kept out of the war it will be solely through the efforts of our noble president, who has demonstrated to the Americans that he is for American, first, last and all the time.

## TREACHERY THAT MUST FAIL.

There is no mistaking the persistence with which C. W. Bryan approaches his personally conducted candidacy for governor. A more unfit man for the proud position to which he aspires as titular leader of the democracy in this state could not be found if the commonwealth were scraped with a fine-tooth comb.

Avowedly an antagonist of the president with regard to the issue and the policy upon which the latter is now most determinedly and patriotically bent, Mr. Bryan is not representative of the democracy of Nebraska or the public.

There can be but one purpose to the candidacy he has so strenuously intruded. It is manifestly to turn the state against the president. It is an effort which cannot prove successful, despite its cunning and its perfidy.

There has been no demand for the candidacy of C. W. Bryan, except such as may have emanated from Miami, Florida, and the Commoner office. It was not an easy matter to secure signers to his petition. Most of the former recognized Bryan lieutenants in Lincoln are with the president, and do not approve of this insidious effort to injure him in Nebraska. The town has been diligently combed for days past, including the saloons and the postoffice, for signers to this petition, and the hostility of some of the pro-Germans to the president has been appealed to.

But aside from his hostility to the administration at Washington, C. W. Bryan discloses other elements of unfitness for this exalted executive position. The very men who got out and elected him mayor are loudest in proclaiming that his service in that position, for which he and they promised so much, has been a distinct failure. However, as was predicted before the recent municipal election, he has sought to use the mayoralty as a stepping stone into the executive chair.

There is no republican in this state who is so desperately bent as is C. W. Bryan on discrediting President Wilson. He is obsessed with that ambition. He cannot converse for five minutes on political topics without giving expression to it, and in order to compass that end he has in his appeals for subscriptions to his paper persistently, and it must seem deliberately, misrepresented the preparedness policy of the administration.

It would be folly to imagine that the democrats of Nebraska will ever express such disapproval of the splendid administration of Woodrow Wilson as the nomination of C. W. Bryan would indicate at this time. It would be an act of treachery on the part of Nebraska democrats of which they are assuredly incapable.—Lincoln Star.

The dictionary is full of words, but ideas are not so plentiful.

Removing the cause could never remedy hereditary bow-legs.

Commercial agencies and their concerns whose business it is to reason from cause and effect on prosperity, are every one agree that things look splendid for 1916.

Isn't Roosevelt, the Pirate of Panama, a fine chap to be forever prating of international morals, politics and diplomacy—and criticizing a man like President Wilson?

It is easy to say something nice about ninety-nine out of every hundred babies. But really no one ever seen a pretty young baby. But the females generally improve until they are about 16 or 17, and then are perfectly beautiful, in their estimation, at least.

A slight slump in the price of wheat.

The coasting has been fine this winter.

Are you ready for the democratic banquet?

This would be a fine little year in which to bring the war to a close.

Still there are some tooth pastes that cannot be made any worse by a war tax.

The problem of the powers is to discover what each one has back of all the fronts.

It must be annoying to submarine captains that survivors never approve of their conduct.

Even the man who scoffs at the gospel hopes to be saved by it or some other power at the last.

Activities of Speaker Clark disqualify rumors that he would oppose the president's defensive plans.

Speaker Clark and Minority Leader Mann go hand-in-hand in defending the president's preparedness policy.

A pessimist arises to remark that a lot of people are optimistic because they don't know any better, and are unwilling to learn.

We still believe that if Dr. P. L. Hall would consent to run for the democratic nomination for governor of Nebraska, he would sweep the whole platter and save the democratic party in the state.

It is said that Germany is weakening, but as Lloyd-George says it, we are still unconvinced. The hypenated gentleman, being on the other side, is stewed in prejudice. You can't believe much you read these days, because of prejudice. It is as abundant and invisible as the air.

We believe that every democrat should have a voice in shaping the policies of the party and in the selection of candidates, which they now have. Now one democrat is as good as another, and those who assume to dictate that one democrat should do this or that will find out that that is passed in either of the parties. The people are free and independent and will be found voting just as they please in the election this fall, from president down to constable.

## HOW IT WOULD WORK.

There is Machiavellian cleverness in the attempt to fasten upon the democrats of this state as their candidate for governor a man who is in open opposition to the one policy of the democratic president which is exciting the most acute attention at this time, and will continue to monopolize attention during the coming campaign.

Were the democrats to go into the battle with C. W. Bryan as their chosen candidate for governor, either his election or defeat could and would be interpreted as a rebuke to the national administration. If through the operation of any now undiscernable forces he should happen to be elected, his election would look like a rebuke to the president because of Mr. Bryan's recognized hostility to the program which the president is so zealously bent on carrying into effect. If he should be defeated, as seems most likely, it could be claimed that the people had become disgusted and turned to the republican party for championship.

Doubtless it would serve best the plausible purpose of the pacifists if Mr. Bryan could be elected, but if he were defeated they could lay the defeat upon the democratic party and the administration.

If C. W. Bryan should be the candidate of the Nebraska democracy a republican victory would be more easily interpreted as an endorsement of the attitude of the administration than would the election of a democrat who opposed the president's policy of preparedness.—Lincoln Star.

## IOWA AND BRANDEIS.

If a public man is to make secure his title as the people's friend must he renounce all claim to independence of judgment and lay fairness forever aside?

It seems a silly question. But the press dispatches tell that Clifford Thorne, Iowa state railway commissioner, has gone to Washington to protest the confirmation of Louis Brandeis as supreme judge. Brandeis is not fit to be judge, Mr. Thorne believes, because in the eastern railroad rate cases, he admitted that the railroads needed an increase in their revenues. This admission, in Mr. Thorne's estimation, constituted an act of betrayal. And the dispatches tell further that, since the state of Iowa cannot officially defray the expense of Mr. Thorne's trip to Washington, private citizens are falling over themselves in grabbing for that proud privilege. The Iowa Grain Dealers' association, the Corn Belt Meat Producers' association, and nine commercial clubs are listed among those eager to put their money up to help Thorne knock Brandeis out.

Meanwhile, every reactionary politician in the country who has the nerve, and practical, all the great aggregations of corporate capital, are joining with these Iowa farmers and business men to fight the Brandeis confirmation. Their professed objection is that Brandeis is "too radical" and that he "lacks the judicial temperament." Their real objection, as everyone knows, is that he is the sympathetic friend of the plain people and the resolution champion of the square deal. If he were merely a demagogue they would not fear him so much. But he is an honest and a very capable man, a man of intellectual integrity, a passionate lover of justice. It is this that makes him dangerous to those who are not satisfied with justice, who demand, as their share, a little more than justice—and as much more as they can get. A demagogue can be "handled," as a rule. If he cannot, he soon discredits himself and is no longer formidable. But an honest man imbued with the passion for justice, if he is also an able and fearless man, and if he is as willing to grant the rights of his opponents as to demand recognition of the rights of those he champions—such a man cannot be handled, and is not easily discredited. Such a man is truly dangerous. Hence the opposition to Brandeis by the greatest and most powerful special interests of the country.

But because Brandeis is a just man, because he is disposed to consider both sides of a question, because he is not willing to deal unfairly with the richest man, or corporation, any more than he is willing that the poorest shall suffer injustice—because of this he admitted frankly his belief, founded on much investigation, that the railroads were entitled to more revenue than they were receiving. And because of this he is damned in the house of his Iowa friends.

It has been said that republicans are ungrateful—which is to say that the people are ungrateful. Shall it be said they are unreasonable as well and that, passionately resenting injustice of which they themselves are the victims, they are insistent on injustice of which they are the beneficiaries? Mr. Brandeis' corporation enemies, and his corporation-politician enemies, have been fair enough to concede his honesty and sincerity. But his enemies drawn from the ranks of the plain people, it appears, are impugning his honesty. And why? Because, in the matter of railroad earnings, his judgment differed from their judgment and was adverse to their contentions.

It is the manifestation of just this disposition that does so much to discredit reform and reformers. No man, in this view, can be an honest friend of the people unless he takes, invariably, the popular side. No man can be a sincere enemy of corporate greed and cunning unless he declares in whatever contention that may arise, and whatever its merits, that the corporation is and must be wrong. If he be a just judge he must be, of necessity, always on "my" side. If he be not on "my" side then, as an in-

capable conclusion, he is crooked.

Despite the Iowa ebullition, however, it is not true that this is the popular view. The people, in the long run, are just. In the long run they renounce the leadership of the demagogue and cleave to that of the man of honest and impartial judgment. There can be very little doubt that, if the nomination of Louis Brandeis were submitted to a popular vote, it would be accorded the overwhelming approval of the electors of Iowa the same as those of Nebraska. And among those voting to approve it would be thousands upon thousands who, with less knowledge of the case than Brandeis possesses, nevertheless are firm in the belief that he was mistaken in his opinion in this particular case.—World-Herald.

The idea has been advanced that munitions plants of this country ought to be removed to the center somewhere, instead of being all along the eastern seashore where a foreign foe might do them a whole lot of harm. Some people, however, are always borrowing trouble before they get to it.

John Wunderlich is entitled to the democratic nomination for sheriff, if he wants it. It has been the rule for years in both old parties, that where a candidate has made a creditable race two years previous, he is entitled to the second attempt, and democrats are in duty bound to give him the opportunity.

Two millions of British laboring men have passed resolutions for reductions of armaments as a move in the direction of permanent peace. If the men of all nations did likewise war would be at an end pretty quick, as from their ranks come the soldiers, and it is they who stand the brunt of the battles.

The idea of Swell-Head Harman coming out for governor, is all moonshine. But there is a movement to that effect, reports from Lincoln say. Harman has had about all he is entitled, and more, too. We have been in Nebraska about fourteen years, and every election Harman has been up for something.

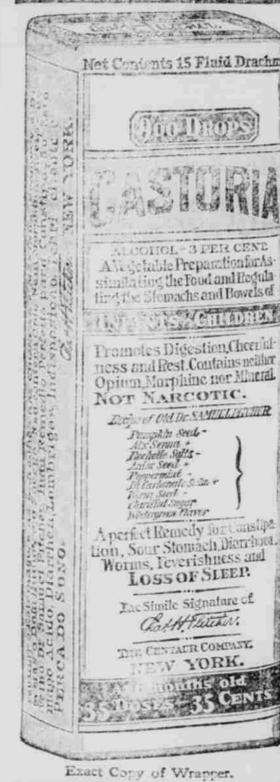
A good band-wagon candidate for governor on the democratic ticket would make all democrats scramble for seats, as is always the case when we have a safe and competent driver of the band-wagon. A competent leader means everything to the democratic party. An incompetent leader means disaster.

For years George W. Berge has assisted in democratic campaigns. He has made the race for governor when there was no show for a democrat to be elected. He has assisted in electing democrats, and gone over the state speaking for them. What has Charley Bryan done? Virtually nothing, except for himself. George Berge is a peoples' man, Charley Bryan a selfish man.

Remember that the democratic banquet is next Thursday night, and that Governor Morehead and Attorney General Reed will be there to entertain those who attend. It will only cost you the small sum of \$1.00, and the enthusiasm will repay any democrat for coming many miles, besides the fine talks of the governor and attorney general. Come, and help start the ball to rolling, and go home happy.

Editor Perkins of the Fremont Herald, democrat, volunteers the following: "For fear the editor of the Herald may be unjustly accused after the primaries of being a quitter, he wants it distinctly understood here and now that if one C. W. Bryan is nominated for governor on the democratic ticket, the republican candidate has gained at least one unlooked-for vote in Fremont. Put that in your pipe and smoke it, and also 'stop the paper' if you want to."

The rank and file of the democrats of the state are O. K. But it is the professed leaders that always raise h—l.



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Procrastination is the national sport of a lot of patriotic citizens.

The democratic state committee will meet at the Paxton hotel in Omaha Saturday.

The trouble with democrats of Nebraska is, too many want to be bosses or they won't play.

It may be said of the republican leaders that if they nominate Roosevelt, it won't be their fault.

If we wanted to go down in history as a false prophet, the one big thing we'd pull off would be to predict an early peace in Mexico.

We predict that Louis D. Brandeis, for judge of the United States supreme court, will be confirmed without any trouble whatever.

Everything looks favorable for a busy summer season in Plattsmouth. And our building contractors are preparing for it in good shape.

When a girl tells her suitor that she will be a sister to him, she thinks she is letting him off easy, but the thump near bursts him wide open just the same.

The man who is always claiming that the future will justify him evidently thinks posterity will have an unusual amount of leisure time on its hands.

There is not so much talk about the high cost of living as there was a year ago. For the simple reason that people have become reconciled to live at any price.

## WHAT CHILDREN NEED NOW.

In spite of the best care mothers can give them this weather brings sickness to many children. Mrs. T. Neurener, Eau Claire, Wis., writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar cured my boy of a severe attack of croup after other remedies had failed. It is a wonderful remedy for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough." It stops lagrippe coughs. Sold everywhere.

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