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THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

Love, hope, fear, faith—these make humanity, these are its sign and note and character.—Browning.
 Don't delay, but do it today.

If you have anything to say, out with it. Don't stand around and grumble.

You don't fully realize what a speed demon you are until you get pinched.

Some people are always talking about what they are going to do, but never take action.

Governor-elect Neville will have about all his appointments made before he is inducted into office. That's the proper caper anyway.

If one brags on the place he came from, people will ask why he didn't stay there. If he kneels on it, they ask what he did that he had to leave. And there you are.

Nebraska, one of the greatest states in the Union, needs a new capitol, so what's the use of hemming and hawing about it. Let us get to work and commence the erection next season.

Some people advocate the raising of Belgian hare as a means of reducing the high price of meat. Belgian hare are pretty good eating and might have some effect in that direction.

A New Jersey man paid his wife \$10 a piece for kisses. That's just how far a man will allow himself to be victimized, when he believes things are high on account of the war.

There has of late been much reference to things that afford "food for thought," and to be perfectly frank that is about the only cheap food to be obtained at this writing. Wish the members of our household could get along with this kind.

The boycott in the east brought turkeys down off their high roost, and from present indications the Christmas turkey won't roost so high. There are many ways of skinning a cat, and the boycott is one of them. People don't have to have turkey.

It is said that playing cards are now being made in a triangular or heart shape, because they are more easily handled. But a card shark can handle them in any old way. It makes no difference to them.

Sometimes independence is a great thing, and other times it is not. Some men are so independent that they do not pay any attention to a statement when mailed them and let the matter drag along until they get good and ready to look after it. This is exactly what ruins a man's credit. The man who is punctual in meeting his obligations is the man who enjoys the confidence of his fellowmen.

Every city in Nebraska is proud of its school buildings, the most of them possessing modern and up-to-date buildings. Plattsmouth is behind every city of our dimensions in the state, and we regret to see the Board of Education opposed by those who ought to be as much, if not more interested in the building up of those enterprises that will do the city much good than we are. The Board of Education has labored hard to build up our schools, and we sincerely regret that there is to be stoppage to this great and grand movement for better schools.

None too early to do Christmas shopping.

Hard coal at \$15 a ton is like burning money.

Some men would remain unknown if it were not for their wives.

He who makes light of a promise makes light of his own promise.

The man who operates on the theory that a sucker is born every minute seldom goes broke.

The Omaha Bee is talking for a pipe line to the oil fields of Wyoming. Pretty good suggestion.

Champ Clark favors a reduction of the membership of the house from 435 to 300. Not a bad idea.

Some people who cry for justice, if they got what's coming to them, they would land in the penitentiary!

One small head finds it hard to take in all the news of the day, it coming in such quantities and variety.

Remember, if you are going to mail your Christmas packages early, you will have to get a move on and do your shopping early.

The father of six marriageable daughters rarely knows what it is to wear a collar that is frayed on the edges.

The merry jingle of sleigh bells will be the proper caper. Everybody enjoys Christmas much better when Mother Earth is covered with snow.

People who pay but little attention as to where they place their valuables on retiring for the night, are very careful to place the eggs and potatoes in the safest place about the house.

It is indeed strange that some people should enjoy getting the community "all riled up" over some question in which the people are directly interested, simply because the disturber wants vengeance. Such people are of no benefit to any community.

When the women (God bless them!) take the high cost of living in hand and will boycott those who insist on ruinous prices for the necessities of life, you can bet your bottom dollar there's going to be something doing in the way of reducing the high cost of living.

Some of those New Yorkers who have had much to say in former presidential elections, can now take Horace Greeley's advice and "Go west and grow up with the country!" Those democrats in New York City are very treacherous, when they cannot control. But their influence has "gone glimmering among the things that were."

Now it is stated that the railroads have put their entire case for strike prevention into the hands of President Wilson, and will give him free rein in working out a solution. Which suggests that the railroads acquired some new information about the 8th of November when the returns came in.—Lincoln Star.

If Nebraska had enacted a satisfactory warehouse law the shortage of cars would not have affected us so seriously as now. A proper warehouse law would have provided for storage of all the grain that farmers now have on their hands and corn that can't now get to market. You can't blame the elevators nor do we blame the railroads for not having cars. But a proper warehouse law would have provided for the storage of all the grain that farmers might want to sell. Let us hope that the next legislature will make prompt provision.—Hastings Democrat.

WHAT IS THE NEED?

At the adjourned session of the Nebraska Press association in Lincoln a new constitution was adopted which embraced the employment of a field secretary whose duty it shall be to go among the brethren and tell them how to conduct their business, among other things, says the Havelock Post. It is a plan that has been tried in Iowa with more or less success, it is claimed, but its feasibility in Nebraska is doubted by many of the craft. We believe the annual gatherings of the press association are for the purpose of renewing friendships, talking over trade conditions and exchanging views as to the best means for bettering our condition. These things can be accomplished at either a business or social session. We believe there should be two meetings a year—one of purely social and one of purely business nature, but you cannot keep sociability out of a business affair any more than you can keep business out of one of the social affairs. The views that are aired by our brother editors are absorbed by us just so much as we want to absorb them, just so much as they are of benefit to us.

The plan to force the small newspaper man in a town of five hundred with a business of two thousand dollars a year to pay for the privilege of receiving instructions on how to run his business when the instructions are entirely inappropriate to the business, is unjust, because he pays \$5 a year for a privilege that is a burden. It may be all right to charge the newspaper man who is in a town of two thousand people \$10 for instructions, because he probably does a business of \$10,000 to \$15,000 a year and can afford to risk the ten.

But what we want to know is, what man will the press association be able to employ who is so brainy that he can go around indiscriminately and find the leaks in the country press? Will he be some man who has made a failure of his own venture, or will he be one who has made a success and is patriot enough to his profession to be willing to give time and money to the innovation? Fellows who are making a success of their newspapers are kept busy at their desks following up their task, for when they let loose the paper goes to smash. Personality counts in the newspaper game more than in any other. And no one will pay any attention to the failure, whether it costs \$5 or not.

Let us forget this field secretary business and return again to the social affair once a year, when business can be talked if need be; and have a business session once a year, when social matters can be enjoyed after work if they present themselves. That's the way we feel about it just now, but we are open to conviction.—Kearney Times.

IN THE HOUR OF VICTORY.

It should be the most serious hour in the life of a man or of a political party. In the hour when a man wins the consent of a woman to become his wife he must, if he be a true man, seriously consider the weight of the responsibility assumed in his pledge to be all and do all that he has promised to do for the one who has accepted him as her first choice among all men. And so, when the people have accepted one political party as the administrator of the affairs of a great state, the successful political party should very seriously consider the weight of responsibility imposed by the people. On this subject Editor Bates, of the Plattsmouth Journal, says:

"This is the supreme moment for the democrats of Nebraska. They are in control of every department of the state and should remember that this authority carries with it all of the responsibility. Let every man elected to office in Nebraska do his full share toward carrying that responsibility with honor and for the good of all. The people have approved the democratic record of the past four years. Let nothing be done that will shake that confidence."

Every word uttered by Colonel Bates is appropriate. But it is not enough to say that the democratic party in Nebraska will sit still and

hold fast to past achievements. The democrats of Nebraska must go forward. They must prove to the people their ability and their desire to successfully solve new problems of state as they shall appear. For instance, men of all political views unite in the declaration that the vast natural resources represented by the waters in the Nebraska creeks and rivers must be harnessed and set to work for the people—not harnessed by private capital for the purpose of exploitation, but harnessed by the public, and for the good of all the people. Men of all political views agree that Nebraska is in urgent need of a public warehouse system, modeled upon the principle of our state law which guarantees deposits in the banks of Nebraska. It will be up to the new democratic state administration—and all departments are now in democratic hands—to show the people that the democratic party is a leader, and not a follower. The victorious democracy of Nebraska must prove to the people that it has the courage and the ability to enact legislation which will give the people these two great boons. And so the Telegram joins Colonel Bates in admonishing the democrats of Nebraska that this hour of wonderful victory all along the line, glad as it is, should also be a serious hour—serious in contemplation of the duties devolving upon democrats, and serious in stern determination to perform every duty.—Columbus Telegram.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION.

Both in this country and in England the best results have been attained by local control of local affairs and a control by the general government only over things of a national character.

This has worked well in the case of railroad control, but now the railroad lawyers, backed up by prominent members of the national chamber of commerce, are engaged in a prolonged and unanimous demand that the forty-eight state railroad commissions shall be put out of business and that railroad regulation be placed under the single federal interstate commerce commission.

"We are tired of having forty-eight masters, with conflicting authority. We want to be regulated by the federal government," chime these gentlemen in beautiful unison.

Unified control under a central authority seems reasonable—but let's look at it carefully first. The railroad gentlemen want first federal incorporation of railroads, instead of state incorporation. This would remove from state jurisdiction any corporations so incorporated, and throw into the federal instead of state courts legal questions affecting their acts. State judges are elected by the folks at home; federal judges have no local responsibility.

The railroad gentlemen propose the creation of two federal commissions instead of one interstate commerce commission. One of these commissions, to be called the federal railroad commission, would be a court of last appeal from the interstate commerce commission in certain cases.

This is merely the old commerce court over again! Congress swatted the commerce court created under President Taft and put it out of business because it decided everything the railroad way. Do we want it back again under another name?

Then the railroads propose that the interstate commerce commission proper shall work through a series of "regional boards," located in all parts of the country, and these boards shall be empowered to deal with local rate questions.

What is this but duplicating the work of the state railroad commissions? If the roads want to concentrate and centralize power, why do they propose a series of regional boards to handle local rates? It is simply to destroy the power of the state commissions for any effective regulation, and at the same time more easily control?—Albany Times-Union.

The girl who expects to take advantage of leap year will have to hurry up.

Acroplanes are going up too, Strange.

TO SPEND MONEY FOR THE WEST

Washington, Dec. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Congress resumed business at the old stand today with little out of the ordinary to warrant extended description. The congratulations and condolences between the members who had been re-elected or had been relegated to private life, were spoken in the lobbies or in private, the evening scenes of former days, where men of opposite parties threw themselves into one another's arms, being entirely missing from the picture. It was business from the beginning, and outside of the warm receptions accorded Vice President Marshall and Speaker Champ Clark as they appeared in their respective places as the presiding officers over the two houses, the wheels of legislation began to grind early, betokening a desire to accomplish everything possible within the time limit set by the constitution for this session, namely March 4.

The roll call in the senate and house disclosed that the entire Nebraska delegation was present, a number of the members coming in on early morning trains, to be on hand when the gavel fell, calling the house to order.

Messrs. Lobeck, Sloan and Shallenberger came in together from Chicago, as did Green of Council Bluffs, Ia. Representative Kinkaid arrived this morning, coming by the southern route from Nebraska. Representative Reavis has been in Washington since shortly after election, while Representative Stephens arrived in the capital last week. Senator Norris has been in the city for a fortnight, Senator Hitchcock arriving on Saturday.

To Stop Self-Poisoning.

For furred and coated tongue, biliousness, sour stomach, indigestion, constipation and other results of a fermenting and poisoning mass of undigested food in the stomach and bowels, there is nothing better than that old-fashioned physic—Foley Cathartic Tablets. Do not gripe nor sicken; act promptly. Sold everywhere.

J. H. Meisinger and son, Allie, motored in yesterday from their home and spent a few hours looking after some matters of business and visiting with friends.

Bank Official Recommends Them.

T. J. Norrell, vice president of the Bank of Cottonwood, Tex., writes: "I have received relief and recommend Foley's Kidney Pills to any one who has kidney trouble." Kidney trouble manifests itself in many ways—in worry, in aches, pains, soreness, stiffness and rheumatism. Sold everywhere.

\$5.00 Phonographs at Dawson's.

MR. FARMER!

A half million dollars worth of perfectly good farm machinery is thrown in the scrap pile every year in Nebraska.

Farm work is the hardest work there is on machinery. Castings break, bearings wear out, shafts bend and break. Things get dull and pull hard, gears rattle, smash, bang and crash, paint gets dull.

Many farmers throw away machinery and buy new, because they are not aware that we can in nearly every case re-make such machinery equal and in many respects better than new.

We do not care how bad your machinery is smashed or worn, they all look alike to us; we re-make them as good as new and save you money.

A dollar saved is a dollar earned, keep your money at home and you may get it back again besides it helps us to employ home labor.

Put your machinery troubles up to us, we have the best equipped machine shop in the country; if you don't believe it call and see us. Visitors are always welcome.

We make everything in metal. Now is a good time to overhaul things for the spring rush.

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THE RED CROSS IDEA AND HOW IT GOT STARTED

Originating in Norway, Method Was Taken Up Here Nine Years Ago.

Over \$3,250,000 has been raised by Red Cross Christmas Seals in the last eight years, and yet many people who buy these holiday stickers at this year's annual sale do not know how his idea originated. While Red Cross Seals really date back to the civil war when "Charity Stamps" were first used, the first campaign to sell holiday stickers for the tuberculosis fight was only nine years ago in Delaware. Miss Emily P. Bissell of Wilmington read an article by Jacob Riis describing stamps used for tuberculosis work in Norway, and she conceived the idea of a similar plan here. Single-handed, she launched a sale which resulted in \$3,000 clear money. When Miss Bissell tried to convince the American Red Cross that this idea should be made national as a peace activity of that society, she met with opposition, but finally persuaded the authorities, with the result that on an investment of a few hundred dollars \$125,000 worth of Seals was sold in 1908 and the great national campaign was launched. Since then the sale has gone forward by leaps and bounds, until now the Red Cross Seal is an institution in the United States, and offers to everyone a chance to help in the people's fight against the people's disease. Last year over 75,000,000 Seals were sold, and this year the American Red Cross and the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, who conduct the sale, are out for a 100,000,000 sale or \$1,000,000 for the tuberculosis war. The Red Cross Seals for Christmas will be placed on sale today in the usual places of the city and each one purchased is money devoted to a good cause and to aid in helping the sufferers from the dread disease of tuberculosis, which has been the cause of the death of so many thousands. It is a worthy cause and should be supported by the public.

DANCE ON DECEMBER 9.

The Cosmopolitan club will give another of their social dances on Saturday evening, December 9, at Coates hall, to which the public is cordially invited to be present and a good time is assured to all. The music will be furnished by the Holly orchestra. 1td

Our Jitney Offer—This and 5c. Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, enclose with five cents to Foley & Co., 2835 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds and croup; Foley Kidney Pills, and Foley Cathartic Tablets. Sold everywhere.

CARD OF THANKS.

We feel the need to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the many good friends during the recent affliction and bereavement in the loss of our loving husband and father. Especially do we feel indebted to the members of the Swedish church and the immediate neighbors. We appreciate all the many good deeds rendered and also the beautiful flowers. The love of our friends will remain dear to our hearts to the end of the way. God bless you and be with you, one and all.

Mrs. E. P. Holmberg, Daniel Holmberg and family, Conrad Holmberg and family, P. E. Holmberg and family, Ernest Holmberg and family, Carl Holmberg.

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