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ARBOR DAY.

This is Nebraska's one distinct holiday, not exclusive, for it is shared now with all states of our latitude, but the thought was born in Nebraska. Julius Sterling Morton's name is inseparably connected with the day, for it was he who put through the legislature the resolution that, in 1872, brought about the first observation of a general tree planting holiday in Nebraska, if such a purposeful occupation can be called a holiday.

"Plant Trees" is the motto on the Morton crest, but it should be emblazoned over every mantelpiece in Nebraska, and in public places, where all who run may read. When Mr. Morton gave force and life to a thought he held in common with other men, the need for planting trees was not so urgent as it is now. Nebraska did not have trees, and needed them. Shade and ornamentation, windbreaks and possible woodlots were the end sought. Wide treeless stretches of prairie then confronted the traveler; now in all the older portions of the state some of the newer groves and clumps of trees dot the landscape, adding the variety as well as the beauty that is afforded only by the presence of great trees.

Today a stronger reason presents itself. Whether Mr. Morton could have foreseen it or not, the huge forests that seemed inevhaustible in 1872 have disappeared. Nebraska in those days was served by Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan with the finest of pine lumber; Iowa and Missouri provided the oak and hickory that was called for, and all looked well. Millions of acres have been denuded since then; the toresters call it devastation, and some say it was waste. In any event, the trees are gone, and nature's process for replacing them is too slow. Given time, and the used-up timberlands will again be covered by forest growth, but man can not wait on that. He must have timber now to supply his needs.

Tree planting, to properly meet, the situation,

must be systematic and general, far more than it ever has been in Nebraska or any other state until of comparatively recent times. Everywhere men are coming to know and understand the value of living trees, the need for cultivating them, and intense efforts are being made to repair the damage of the wasteful days and to restore a source of supply for future wants. Our own state has a share in this, has an opportunity to go ahead, and will yet take its place in the front rank of those who are striving to rectify one of our greatest national mis-

Arbor day is a Nebraska institution, but its fuller significance is yet to be realized by its more complete application.

MAKING OLD ROME HOWL AGAIN.

A celebration of some interest has just been staged in Rome, the "Eternal City," noting the passing of the 2,676th anniversary of the day Remus promptly slain for his temerity. It was a symbol, and the wolf-suckled brothers, divided in death, have been said to watch over the city ever since.

Premier Mussolini put on the show, much as Rienzi is reputed to have set in motion pageants to appease the yearning of the poor for display. Mussolini may find, as did the "last of the tribunes," that when the day comes that he can no longer amuse his followers, they will turn to a new leader who can. He indulges in some flapdoodle about the "invincible phalanxes" of the fascisti, looking down on streets that have echoed to the tread of soldiers of every land, ancient and modern, conquerors and conquered; where the generals of the republic staged their triumphs, and the decadent patricians fled in terror from the jubilant barbarians. We wonder if Mussolini did not feel much as Napoleon, when he addressed his army in the presence of the pyramids!

The hills of Rome have seen many strange processions, during the centuries that have passed since man first built his habitation among them, and set up walls and strong places to maintain his homes. What a tale of change has been recorded, since that day when

"None were for the party, And all were for the state, And the rich man helped the poor, And the poor man loved the great."

Mussolini and the fascisti are patriots, loving their native land devotedly, but they are not the last word in Rome, the populace of which has howled for so many heroes and jeered at so many victims. City eternal Rome may be, but politics and parties

are passing. FOR THE ONE-MARK VOTER.

The Nebraska legislature has decided to allow the party circle to remain on the ballot. This will adjourn the argument to another, session, when the advocates of the plan will again present their reasons. Giving full weight to all they say in support of their contention, something may be said on the other side.

Our institutions, both federal and state, are formed on the basis of party government, responsible and responsive. We do not believe that the time has come yet for the substitution of the group system for the party system. In any event, the abolition of the party circle would not facilitate the success of the group plan, for the success of the group will require as much of organization as does the success of the party. If the party by its program is able to attract wider support than that of the group, it is no fault of the party or the voter. It simply signifies that the smaller political division has not presented its specific object in sufficiently attractive form to draw the support it needs to go over.

The argument that voters who take their party affiliations seriously and who vote the ticket straight are not discriminating enough is hardly fair. A man may conscientiously vote for all the candidates named by his party, and deserves to have that opportunity. The charge that such a voter lacks intelligence is undeserving of serious consideration. The party circle is of advantage to this man, and it is not in the way of the one who desires to pick and choose among candidates. The right of the fatter is not abridged by the presence of the panty circle, and he should not be permitted to deprive another of a right he holds lightly himself. Let the one-mark voter have his chance.

NEBRASKA HAS AN ESTHETIC SIDE.

A deep note of optimistic encouragement is found in the regular Monday morning symposium today. The editor of The Omaha Bee asked editors of Nebraska papers for an opinion as to the outlook for art, literature and music in Nebraska. Unanimously they agree; that the outlook is good, that the people generally are appreciative of the higher things of life, as well as the material, and that the present is an earnest for future growth along neer community, there is possibly not

these lines. We believe this to be true, for several reasons.

Nebraskans live close to nature at all times, and this breeds in them an appreciation of the finer things of nature as well as these essential practical taken by the people here in improving the finer things of life should things of nature as well as those essential practical qualities that also are a part of the nature of those qualities that also are a part of the nature of those must come very largely the stimula-who deal with fundamentals. There is little or tion of talent. Nebraska is beautiful nothing of the artificial in the life of the state, the exotic of unduly stimulated. Its inhabitants are cul- women of sufficient vision that there tured, because they not only revere and set high value on learning, but have provided liberally for its writers, composers and artists of the spread throughout the state. While the public schools very highest grade. have laid especial emphasis on the practical phases of training for the mind, the purely esthetic side has in no sense been neglected. It has been supplemented by agencies outside the school room, and in the open the admiring soul has bathed in beauty of landscape, of sunrise and sunset, the glory of the moontide

Among the poets Nebraska produced but one Neihardt, but many an humbler one has felt the ary has been written. stirring in his soul of melodies that must get utterance, and these have contributed to a collection of verse that is proof of inspiration. In the Borglums Nebraska has given the world of art sculptors; none of our painters have won a place alongside this pair, awakening are such as to justify the vet Gilder Wallace and others are known and valued hope that native production in all yet Gilder, Wallace and others are known and valued beyond the confines of the state, while many others are putting on convas work that gets much well deserved favor. Willa Sibert Cather heads the list of fiction writers, but following her is a long list of and in oratory, are in progress. men and women who have gained honor and high standing in their field. Nebraska musicians have made some stir in the world; cartoonists, such as Briggs and Johnson, have come from Nebraska; illus-in those taking advantage of higher trators and designers, as Rose Cecilia O'Neill, and Homer Conant, and in all fields of artistic effort the state is notably represented.

The Omaha Bee has been presenting, day after day, brief notes concerning the men and women The Omaha Bee is to be commended for awakening Nebraska to an apprewho deserve attention because of their achievements ciation of native genius. in art, literature or music, and the end is far ahead. With such evidence as this, and the assurance of the editors, as published today, of the interest in these things in the different communities of the state, are we not justified in concluding that Nebraska has an esthetic side? She may be better known as a producer of cattle, hogs, wheat and corn, as the source of more or less incandescent politics, but all the efforts of our people are not centered on or limited good music is a characteristic thing. by the material.

KILLING OFF AN ANCIENT CULTURE.

If an order of A. H. Burke, commissioner of Indian affairs, goes into effect, the ceremonial dances of the Indians are doomed. The commissioner says the dances take up too much time, interfere with work the Indians ought to do, and therefore must be stopped. Much objection is raised by Pueblo and other southwest tribes against the order. These Indians find it puzzling to be told that they must dance less in order to be able to work more. They From the Has argue that they danced and lived before the white men came, and probably would have danced and lived if the white man never had come.

The order seems a little harsh, especially when applied to tribes that for generations have been bad ones—the good ones should reself-supporting, and which might yet be were it not main, and the bad ones should be refor white encroachment on their lands. Dancing is pealed. Every state in the union has religion to them, their ceremonials are full of meaning to those who take part in them, and a source of awe to those who watch. Just as the Phrygian maids danced for Cybele, so do the Pueblos invoke their god of harvest and plenty by dancing. Ceremonials between her statute covers she certainly is strong on enforcing everything contained therein. The other

Have not prayers been offered in churches for was walking down town with a neighgood seasons, for bountiful harvests, and finally in thanksgiving for the munificence of Divine Providence? The Indian prays when he dances. Commissioner Burke may stop the dances; Indians of a cigar, but it's against the law." the northwest have long ago given over their dances, cigar," replied the neighbor, while he carefully clipped off the end of a big. save on holiday occasion, such as the civilized ca Omahas hold now and then; and the southwest tribes will probably be none the worse off, but Taos, Tesuque, Zuni and other interesting spots will lose much of their attractiveness if the ceremonial dances are abolished. The culture of the Pueblos, which many investigators believe connects with that of the Mayas and the lost civilization of America, will be one with the rites of the day of Tut-ank-Amun if the order goes into effect. The need of more work other? does not seem sufficient excuse to warrant this.

Some democrats who made an awful fuss about the payment of \$5,000 a year to the code secretaries tobacco or a 'bit o' the makin's,' or are now making an equal disturbance because the legislature has cut that figure to \$3,500. How are you going to please them?

Canada had the benefit of deep snows all winter and now is sustaining the effect in freshets incident to the breaking up of a hard winter. Those things follow in order.

Speaker Gillett is for the world court, but the project is still a few votes of having unanimous con-

Looks like Harry Daugherty will have to go through with that sugar injunction suit.

Not many "dirt farmers" are landing big jobs

at Lincoln.

This is cleanup week. Go to it!

Homespun Verse By Robert Worthington Davie

GODLINESS.

What is godliness, you ask? Ah, to answer is a task: But it lies within your reach-Deeds you do and creeds you teach, Nourished by a spirit true: This is godliness to you.

Lifting others from the mire, Brightening a heart's desire: Kindliness and sympathy Ever given gratefully-Often when you're lonely, too: This is godliness to you

And the pleasant aftermath-Friendship's virtues in your path. Garlanded your golden years, Tears bring smiles and smiles bring tears Of contentment which express Gratitude for godliness.

Nebraska Bound to Shine

Editors Feel That Music, Literature, Painting and Other Arts Will Thrive in Days to Come

way beyond those of many larger

Hartington Herald.

We believe the outlook for art, lit

indicate a growing sentiment along these lines. In Cedar county interest

progress of our people and this interest is fostered by active clubs in a

Nebraska City Press.

J. H. Sweet: Never before in the history of our community has there

been such sympathetic interest in the

better music being sung and played. Our community is not "high-brow" in

the ordinary sense, but it no longer scoffs at and ignores the classics. We

feel that a new era has opened, and that people who think well and read

intelligently will eventually have as

Falls City Journal.

Aaron Davidson: Falls City is evi-

dencing its appreciation for better

music by staging its second annual symphony concert next month. In

art we boast our own Alice Cleaver.

The new appreciation for Neihardt

may also influence greater native

Gearin Midwest.

Will M. Maupin: There is an awak-

ening interest in music, art and litera-

ture in Nebraska. As the common-

wealth emerges further from pioneer

stage people will realize more fully

that material gain is by no means the best part of life, and will give more attention to those things that

make for mind and soul development.

Locally the Woman's club is encour-

aging taste for better music and lit-

erature and its own programs show

and action. Nebraska's artistic and literary genius is just beginning to

a rapid development.

Jack Dempsey and Babe Ruth

literary activity.

large number of communities.

George Grimes: Because Scotts Bluff county is still, in a measure, a pioyet in this region that widespread ap- of public encouragement of the taken by the people here in improving and must be the portion of our good their schools, for from the schools state with promotion of the cause of enough, her leaders are men and is no question about the future pro ducing in greater numbers each year,

Hastings Tribune. Adam Breede: Nebraska is filled with art, poetry and music, the di-vine trinity, and the appreciation of each plants itself more deeply in the native hearts every day. the appreciation in this community to encourage genius, but here like aland the unspeakable majesty of the midnight heavens. most everywhere, that appreciation is not turned on genius until the obitu-

Grand Island Independent.

A. F. Buechler: Locally a revival of interest in the best in music, literature and art is distinctly noticeable. Indeed, the evidences of the intellectual rethree lines will be established. These vidences are more clear, however, as to music and literature. In Grand Island's schools and colleges, contests in memorizing the musical classics,

Central City Republican.

Robert Rice: Native literature and With a healthful increase for growing interest in the arts. Appreciation of local genius should be a matter of civic pride. The tendence to minimize rather then magnify

Marie Weekes: The Omaha Bee is doing the cultural life of the state a praiseworthy service in its encourageof the native literature, its musical men and women who have made culprosaic wealth of climate, soil, crops and fields. In Norfolk the love of Our people are gifted in a musical win recognition long deserved.

"From State and

Nation"

Editorials from other

newspapers.

Know the Law.

smoke?

was the prompt reply of the lawyer. "What statute?"

-it makes it a misdemeanor for one person to even offer to give another person a cigar, cigaret, a pipeful of

friend, "when did all this happen?"

Continuing, the lawyer quoted Black-

One should know the law-but how

The latest step in the direction of o-operative marketing of farm prod-

ucts is seen in the announced success

of a plan to pool the potato crop of

Maine, and ultimately to take in the

potato growers of the other states, in-

cluding Virginia, so as to control the

350,009,000 bushel potato crop of the nation. There is comfort for the con-sumer in the statement of Aaron Sa-

piro, leader in the undertaking and the organizer of the California Fruit

Exchange, that the effort to stabilize prices for the benefit of the potato

growers is not necessarily to be at the expense of the consumer. It is aimed at elimination or restriction of specu-

lators and middle men.
Sixty per cent of the farmers in
Maine who grow potatoes have agreed
to send all their crop to the warehouses of the association for sale by

. Headquarters, it is explained, will cek the most desirable markets and

where the best prices can be obtained

When all the potato growing states

are linked up in the co-operative plan a central body will "direct the sales

policy, the details of marketing, regu-

late the flow of potatoes to market

and designate the markets to which they are to go and generally control

"Has it been enforced?"

know the law."
And there you have it.

The Potato Pool.

"The Nebraska statute."

prices and conditions everywhere as as the producer, for bother classes suf-

fer when a food product falls into control of the price manipulator. Co-operative marketing is endorsed by some of the most noted economists of the country. Now that the lowly but necessary potato bids fair to under economical distribution another test will be given co-operative mar who think they can get rid of him

Purity in Expression.

layman knows about them. Circumstances create laws—good ones and plore the lackadaisical and slovenly shall be also reen. God who reall that whatsoever a man soweth that out our authorities and do better. The right when he exclaimed that if I language, but it is more easily given earth, "even there shall Thy hand than accepted. The average country lead me." So Francis Thompson in than accepted. The average country newspaper man has little time in which to polish off his rounded periods—if he has any rounded periods to begin with. His day is crowded with sordid, worrisome and, frequently, inconsequential details, but they must be heeded. It isn't possible for the common, ordinary or garden variety of newspaper writer to be a purist or a stylist. He realizes his errors and hopes the discerning and erudite reader will forgive him. One can hardly day a prominent Hastings lawyer er will forgive him. One can hardly their little day and will pass off the ravings of the linotypers and stop to ange a word here and a word there. black eigar and soon began to twist it in his mouth. "But." he continued, Every newspaper man prays for the day when he may devote all his time to that sort of thing, but, somehow "where do you get that idea about it being against the law for you to give or other, that day never comes. In 'Why, from the statute, of course,' charity will be flopped gracefully or otherwise over his defenseless head, and that the critics, who have so much time on their hands, will devise Do you mean to tell me that there some scheme whereby he may com-press within a 24-hour day the things a law in this state that prohibits ne person from giving a cigar to anmust do, not the things he ought Yes, and it goes further than that

Daily Prayer .

" exclaimed the astonished Our Father, we know not what a "Can't say just what year it went into effect, but it has been on the statute books for lo, these many day may bring forth, but our help is in Thee. We thank Thee for Thy promised watchfulness. And so we pray for a faith that will send us forth trusting ourselves to Him Who neither slumbers nor sleeps.

'Nope. Nobody respected it—and you can't enforce a law that the people laugh at and decline to take seri-Keep us, we pray Thee, true to our responsibilities as followers of Thy Son, Jesus Christ. As we, day by day, succeed in making a living, may stone, saying: "Aristotle himself has said, speaking of the laws of his own we not fail in making a life. We would learn of Him Who intermincountry, that jurisprudence, or the knowledge of those laws, is the prin-cipal and fhost perfect branch of ethics. But, of course, one should gled heaven's glory with earth's com-mon teil. Our tassks are too often made heavy through our forgetful-

ness of Thee. May we so hunger and thirst after righteousness as to enter into the full assurance of Thy protection and help. and thus when other voices entice us, saying, "All these things will I give Thee if Thou wilt fall down and worship me," may we find our refuge in Thee, and hear Thee say, "The Lord shall preserve Thee from all evil; He shall preserve Thy soul." May our hearts be freed from fret and care this day, and may the peace

of God which passeth all understand-ing be ours from this time forth, and n forevermore. Amen REV. P. A. ROBINSON, B. A., Toronto, Ont., Canada.

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B. BREWER, Gen. Mgr. V. A. BRIDGE, Cir. Mgr. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3d day of April, 1923. W. H. QUIVEY, (Seal) Notary Public

We Nominate---For Nebraska's Hall of

Fame.



PROSSER HALL FRYE, professor of English in the University of Nebraska, is one of the most eminent critics of literature in the inited States, and was for years a leading contributor to the foremost critical reviews. His recently published "Romance and Tragedy," (Marshall-Jones Co., Boston, 1922), is a dume of essays on such themes German Romanticism, "Nietzsche, speare." brilliantly witty as well as shrewd and penetrating in style. Prof. Frye, although he has been with the University of Nebraska many years, is little known personally outside a narrow circle; he is a man of books. Nevertheless, his influence is farreaching. He edited a critical maga-zine, the Mid-Western Quarterly," published by the university, for some five years, and during that period attained an international recognition and he may fairly be regarded. through his writings and his fine-tempered judgment, as the dean of the who avail themselves of this outdoor group of critical and belies-lettrist sport in this state show how importuthors which the University of Nebraska has produced, a group dis-tinctive enough to be fairly styled a vation. In 1912 this state sold only "Nebraska school" of criticism, even 6,000 resident licenses to hunt and if recognition of its merits has mainly fish, but in 1922 over 135,000 hunting rapidly approaching when accumula-tion of wealth will not be the mea-sure of success, but service that lifts state. come from beyond the borders of the

God.

From the Kansas City Star. In the disordered condition of Rusprotection to the farmer.

Elimination of the speculator is undertaken an international atheistic propaganda intended to destroy religion. It is more of a job than they imagine. As Lowell wrote in the

"Biglow Papers:"

An you've gut to git up airly
If you want to take in God.
In spite of all the League of Young Communists may do or say, God stands across the pathway of those God manifest to the moral law. God revealed in the character of Jesus, God who requires that we do justly Grammatical and rhetorical perfection of whose tender mercies are above

advice is offered, of course, in sincer- took the wings of the morning and ity and in the interest of a better dwelt in the uttermost parts of the

grind out" a dozen columns of news- stage. But they will always find God paper copy every day to satisfy the to reckon with-to endless years the



Identifying It

You wish to buy a car, sir?

"What make would you like, sir?" "I don't know the name, but it's one my wife saw yesterday. It had a

"The People's Voice'

of the state through a misunder-Idea of Greek Tragedy," standing of its nature and purposes ne," "Sophocles and Shake is the object of considerable misdirectstanding of its nature and purposes this purpose only and is not taken is the object of considerable misdirect. from the general state tax fund, it ed concern to many well meaning people. In the first place this fund business and logical that when a man is not collected by state taxation and is held as a specific fund for certain definite purposes. This fund is raised by a special hunting and fishing license of \$1 and is therefor collected only from sportsmen and the object of this is to restock and con-

Everybody is awake to the importance of conservation of our wild game. The statistics of the number game. and this department is to the general licenses were issued. This means that the people who are directly interested in fish and game number over one-half the total number of state

voters cast for the governor candidates in our last election, and if we assume that half of the men who took out hunting licenses in that took out hunting licenses in that carried on by impertment foreign meddlers, the loyalty and patriotism 206,000 voters who are vitally con-cerned in the welfare of this great teachers are above rep work of propagation and conserva-

The youth of today are all trained in the outdoors. We have athletics in all our schools, we have the Boy

today. Shall we be heedless and wasteful or shall we try to save wild life? Our forests are nearly gone, our waters are polluted, our wild game is nearly exterminated, and it is time to do something to conserve and save the little that is left. The present legislature has been farsighted passing the two appropriations, the one for \$15,000 to stock pheasants and quall, the other for \$50,000 to buy lake frontage so that the common Omaha—To the Editor of The hunter and angler will always have free access to our public waters.

and game fund and as this fund is fo will have no effect on raising or low-ering our taxes. It is only good mays \$1 to hunt and fish, and in the season kills 50 ducks and 25 bass that said dollar should be spent in is raised replacing those birds and fish. What fishing kind of a business would survive if everything was taken out and nothing nut back in? This money has to be used solely for the purposes of is the law, and it is up to the sportsman who pays in this money to see that this fund is used in no other

HUGH A. M'CAFFREY. School Teachers Loyal.

Omaha-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I wish to commend you for that pertinent editorial in today's sue headed, "Who Is to Be the

The charge made by Mrs. George voters.

To be exact there were just 395,240 the D. A. R., that there are 8,000 disloyal teachers in America deserves serious consideration.

Nothwithstanding the propaganda of the rank and file of the school JERRY HOWARD.

The Cantious Traveler

Scouts, and the Camp Fire girls, and their heritage of the great outdoors rests in the hands of the fathers of siderable money.—Dallas News.

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