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Omaha Where the West is at its Best CHALLENGE TO THE TRAINED MIND. Stoughton Bell of Boston, a lawyer and a politician, writes in the September number of the Harvard Graduate Magazine very earnestly on the topic of Americanization.

Sober thought is focalizing on this point, and the bedrock is being driven home with force. One of the agencies is the Professional Men's club, which has come into existence within the last year, and of which more will likely be heard.

While the professional men are thus reacting on their class, the greater need is set out by the further argument of Mr. Bell: "But unless and until all such persons come to a realization that it is their personal influence and example which really count, the movement as a movement will amount to little."

Plainly the duty of the trained mind is here shown, just as it is challenged to the service. Society has a claim on every professional man. On the great majority of them because they have benefited through the public schools maintained at the public charge.

WHEAT FROM OLD RAMESES' TOMB. Farmers who have learned about Bohemian oats, Siberian wheat, and a host of similar seed swindles, will smile when they read a story that comes down from Spokane.

MARS A CHILLY PROPOSITION. Have you any notion of migrating to Mars? Might as well look into what the astronomers are finding out about the climate, if you do.

TAKE A LOOK AT THIS. Bankers attending the session of the American Bankers' association at Chicago are told that the cost of crime in the United States has reached the respectable sum of \$3,500,000,000.

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of the Martian secrets. A few of these are now being disclosed. From the observatory at Mount Wilson we get a weather bulletin that will interest Mr. Robins. Tests disclose the fact that the tropical heat of Mars runs as high as 42 degrees Fahrenheit, or just above what is considered frost line in Nebraska.

Looking over last winter's coal bills, and facing the prospect for another similar season, the American householder will prefer to keep the ills he has rather than fly to Mars. As a matter of fact, when one gets accustomed to the climate and the ways of the people, this isn't such a bad old world, after all.

ADVENTURE NOT A BUSINESS.

Raold Amundsen has just been admitted to the bankruptcy court at Copenhagen. His affairs are so hopelessly involved that it is likely when he emerges from the court he will not only be penniless, but many creditors will have sustained substantial losses.

The incident will serve to show how different exploring adventures are nowadays from those of old. Marco Polo ventured into China because his uncle had found a profit in the eastern trade. Columbus drew a very careful bargain as to what reward he was to have if his quest returned a profit.

Exploration, whether it be to climb Mount Everest, retrieve eggs left by careless dinosaurs, chart the great Greenland ice cap, circumnavigate the globe, or find out what lies between Point Barrow and the pole, is not a business. Great capital is required, and skill and experience in management, but dividends are not expected.

ETERNAL, HAPPY YOUTH.

Bishop Hughes of the Methodist Episcopal church has sound judgment on certain matters. At least the sober thinkers will endorse what he has to say about the boys and girls of today:

"We criticize their hair, their skin, their stockings, their shoes, skirts, cosmetics and manners. I suppose when you middle aged people were young, you heard some of your talk, you thought you were gentle little angels sitting around on sofas with your hands folded on your laps."

Excavations in Egypt and Assyria have disclosed playthings that are much like those in vogue today, at least having similar purposes. Games have come down from antiquity so remote that their origin is lost. And so it is. Youth, happy youth, is eternal.

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Liberty Preserved by Law

By T. W. BLACKBURN Our government is a system of checks and balances with three distinct and independent departments.

The president represents the executive branch, the legislative nor the judicial department can deprive him of certain powers granted him by the constitution. He negotiates for treaties. He may veto any measure passed by congress. He is commander-in-chief of the army and the navy. He may pardon any federal convict. The senate may refuse to confirm a treaty and congress may override any veto and amend special provisions of the constitution, but the senate cannot negotiate a treaty or select a cabinet officer, or compel executive action upon any matter within his constitutional powers.

The two houses of congress constitute the legislative department of our government. They are independent. No power is attributable to the executive, nor the revision or repeal of any law. The president may suggest and recommend, but congress may and often does ignore his recommendations.

Toward the close of the civil war and thereafter, congress passed many acts penalizing those who followed the confederate flag. One provided that no person should practice before a federal court unless he should first take oath that he had not aided the confederate cause.

For Navy Day More than a million Americans located in all parts of the United States will take part in the third annual celebration of Navy day, which will be observed all over the country Monday, October 27.

The observation of Navy day originated in 1912, when it was decided that it should be set apart for the commemoration of the deeds of American sailors in the World War and in our country's other struggles, and also for bringing before the people the public value of the navy to the nation in peace and in war.

In addition to parades and memorial ceremonies, every effort is made among the navy, the merchant marine and other naval vessels are distributed as widely as possible so that every seaport is visited by one or more ships. During the day "open house" is held at which the navy familiarizes the public with the ships and explain in detail the working of machinery and guns with which they are equipped.

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SUNNY SIDE UP

Take Comfort, nor forget, That Sunrise never failed us yet. Celia Thaxter

On the Wing in Wisconsin, Oct. 2.—Wisconsin politics is a funny thing. Everybody up here admits that La Follette will carry the state, but so far as we have been able to ascertain nobody is going to vote for him. At least we haven't found a single man or woman who will admit it, and we have talked to scores of them.

Nebraska overlooked a bet by not having an agricultural exhibit here. Only three or four states have exhibits, and Idaho easily takes the lead. This exhibit was collected and displayed by Louis Volmer of the Union Pacific agricultural department, Omaha. Louis has been doing this kind of work for years and he is an artist. He is responsible for the collection and arrangement of the great exhibit in the headquarters building at Omaha.

Without dairying Wisconsin would be out of the running. With dairying they have replenished a worn-out soil, and it is that work of maintaining and replenishing soil fertility that Nebraska needs, and dairy development will do it.

Old Nebraska is going to look mighty good to all of us. And every one of the 108 Nebraskans on the trip are now enthusiastic for dairy development. Without exception they say that the trip was worth more than it cost, many times over.

Super-Literary Malady From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. To a person of average culture, one of the advantages of living in a city such as St. Louis is the absence of what may be described as a super-literary set.

Know nothings! swept certain communities in the 90s. A. P. Ains was strong in Nebraska and other states in the 90s. Ku Klux Klanism has demonstrated strength in a dozen states this year. War bitterness is responsible for a lot of unseemly conduct and the enactment of a number of laws which succeeding generations will denounce.

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