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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

For strength to bear is found in duty done, and he is blest who learns to make the joy of others cure his own heartache.—Drake.

More Teeth in Monopoly Law Sought

Representative Introduces Measure Suggested by Attorney General; Carries Heavy Penalties.

Brought on by Oil Suits

By Associated Press. Lincoln, Jan. 22.—Legislation to remedy alleged defects in the law which prevented success of the state in litigation against Omaha oil concerns was suggested to the house of representatives today by Representative A. H. Byrum of Franklin county.

Byrum offered a bill to strengthen the law against monopolies and unlawful combinations which makes it an offense for any corporation or dealer handling a staple commodity to make discriminatory prices in different parts of the state.

These provisions were suggested by Attorney General Spillman, whose injunction suit against several gasolin firms in Nebraska failed because of proof of the aforementioned intent was not available.

There is a reservation in Byrum's bill allowing dealers to make prices necessary to meet local competition for a reasonable period of time.

The Franklin county member also introduced a bill increasing the rate of tax on intangible property from 25 per cent of the regular levy in each taxing district to 75 per cent.

In a set-to between farmer members and lawyer members of the house today the farmers won decisively. They succeeded in killing a bill by Representative Couler, lawyer from Morrill county, intended to speed up foreclosure proceedings in suits where the debtors fail to make any payments on either the principal or interest of mortgages on real estate.

According to the provisions of the bill, the burden of proof would be on the debtor in any controversy where the creditor produced in court the unencumbered note or notes secured by the mortgage.

Adjourns Until Monday.

The court bill had just been reported by the judiciary committee, of which all but two members are lawyers. In committee of the whole, Representative Gilmore of Adams moved to kill the measure, asking only a proposition to speed up the machinery of foreclosure had been brought in at a time when the farmers of Nebraska are down on their knees.

MAN GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Falls City, Neb., Jan. 22.—After more than 29 hours of almost continuous deliberation a jury in the district court late this afternoon returned a verdict of manslaughter against Oscar Hauspelt, negro, charged with the slaying of Lawrence Nelson, another negro, here on December 25, last.

The jury began deliberations at 11 Wednesday morning and did not reach a verdict until 4:30 today, deliberating throughout the night. The verdict carried a recommendation of leniency.

Judge J. B. Raper will not pass sentence until next week. Hauspelt claimed that he shot Nelson, who was known as a "bad" man, in self-defense.

News Stand Manager Held on Embellishment Charge

Columbus, Jan. 22.—John H. Pratt, 19, recently in charge of the news stand in the Union Pacific depot here, was bound over to the district court in county court under charge of embellishment filed against him by Barkalow Bros., owners of the stand. It is alleged Pratt was \$122.50 short in his accounts. His bond was fixed at \$500. He entered a plea of not guilty.

We Have With Us Today

C. V. Topping, Kansas City, Mo., Secretary of the Southwestern Millers' League.

Mr. Topping is in Omaha to address the Nebraska Millers' association annual convention at the Hotel Fontenelle Thursday.

Wife of Slain Man Mother of Baby

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 22.—Mrs. Nellie Brown, wife of the slain man, who was murdered a few weeks ago on the highway near his farm in Washington county, Kan., when his car was burned, became the mother of a baby at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Colgrove at Odell, Neb. It lived but a short time after birth. Gravelle Ireland, who is being held in jail at Washington, Kan., charged with slaying Brown, will be given his preliminary as soon as Mrs. Brown is able to testify in the case.

Price of Wheat on Market Takes Unusual Climb

181,000,000 Bushels of Grain Exported From United States in Six Months, Doubling Past Record.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Sensational fresh upturns in the value of breadstuffs took place today. Wheat was enhanced more than 5 cents a bushel, and it was officially announced that almost twice as much wheat, including flour, had been shipped out of the United States during the last six months as was the case a year ago.

Most of the excitement in the wheat market today was crowded into the last half hour of business, when traders generally had become aroused to the significance of export dealings. Wheat exports from this country from July 1 to January 1 were shown to be about 181,000,000 bushels, as against about 99,000,000 bushels in the corresponding time the previous year.

AGED LEGISLATOR BATTLES BANDIT

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 22.—Emerging from a scuffle in the corridors of the state house with a robber, whom he had disarmed and taken before the vote was taken, several members had the best chance for oratory the session has yet seen.

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Coolidge Gives Praise to Marine Engineers

Washington, Jan. 22.—Congratulations on the 50th anniversary of the founding of the National Marine Engineers' Beneficial association, were extended by President Coolidge to representatives of the organization who called today at the White House.

John H. McCormick Dies in Odd Fellows' Home

York, Jan. 22.—John H. McCormick died at the State Odd Fellows' home Tuesday. He was born in 1851, and came to the home from Silver Creek, Neb., in October, 1923. He is survived by a son and a daughter whose whereabouts are unknown. Funeral services were held at the Odd Fellows' home and burial was in Greenwood.

Larry Semon Gets Permit to Marry Dorothy Dwan

New York, Jan. 22.—Larry Semon, screen comedian, today obtained a license to marry Dorothy Dwan, a film actress. Semon said the marriage would take place Saturday and that he expected the ceremony would be performed by a judge. Miss Dwan arrived from Hollywood today.

Borah Says French Will Repudiate

Chairman of Foreign Relations Committee Charges That No Part of Obligation Will Be Paid.

Quotes Marin's Address

Washington, Jan. 22.—The real problem with respect to the French debt is that of repudiation. Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee declared today in the senate. Reply to the speech in the French chamber of deputies yesterday by Deputy Marin, Senator Borah said no one could read the debate or the French press without coming to the conclusion that the debt is now the issue, "that no part of it is to be paid; that no part of it is to be paid."

"Of course, that great people can take that position and repudiate their obligation in that way," he added, "but if the yokehouse to do so, the truth of history ought to carry the actual facts in regard to the debt and the conditions and circumstances surrounding the settlement."

Quotes Marin's Address. "I do not know whether it is exactly just to say that we are now discussing the question of absolute repudiation, but in view of the fact that for five years there has been no offer of settlement; no payment of principal and no payment of interest, in view of the further fact that no specific proposition for settlement has ever been made, that it is not appropriate now intended, as the press of France and as the speakers upon behalf of those people now indicate, I assume that that is the real problem before us."

Quoting at length from M. Marin's address in the course of which the French deputy said it would be injurious for the United States to collect its \$4,000,000,000 debt from France, Senator Borah asserted that there was no justification for the efforts made to place the United States in the position of an "exacting creditor."

General Settlement. "It has displayed none of the qualities of an exacting creditor," he declared. "On the other hand, I understand to say that the settlement with Great Britain is the most cooperative proposition for the settlement of international debts that can be found anywhere in history."

Declaring that in the settlement of the British debt the United States had written off from the terms of the original contract the sum of \$2,500,000,000, the Idaho senator said the facts were that the American government had been more generous with its associates in the war than it had been with its own taxpayers.

Canceled Nearly Half

"If we should settle with France upon the basis upon which we settled with England," he went on, "we would cancel by that settlement nearly 50 cents on the dollar of all France owes us. I cannot understand, unless it is a question of absolute rejection of the debt entirely unless it is proposed to create such a condition as public mind and such an opinion in regard to the matter that it can be—I hesitate to use the harsh word 'repudiation'—unless it can be acquitted I will say, upon the part of the United States, I cannot understand how any other terms than those which have been offered could be expected."

FISHING BOAT CREW RESCUED

San Pedro, Cal., Jan. 22.—The two-man crew of the fishing boat Jupiter arrived here late today aboard the A-449, another fishing boat, after having been rescued when their vessel caught fire, burned to the water line and sank a few minutes off shore early today.

WOMAN'S APPEAL IN-RUM CASE FAILS

Sopraine Pierce, 2424 Parker street, was found guilty of illegal possession of liquor Thursday noon by a jury which heard her appeal case in district court. In the course of the trial she testified that the sheriff's squad headed by Dan Phillips, which raided her place at 2424 Parker street, had taken a "large sum of money" from her. This testimony was discounted when officers testified that the amount was only slightly over \$2.

Kansas and Missouri Oil Men See Prosperity

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 22.—Advances in the oil prices in the south-west, announced today, will enrich the slightly over 22,000 oil men annually and indicate that oil will follow agriculture out of dependency, leading oil men said here today.

Intense Cold Closes Postoffice in Alaska

Fairbanks, Alaska, Jan. 22.—Intense cold, which started Saturday, caused the United States postoffice here to close yesterday. Heating facilities were inadequate to keep the fingers of clerks warm enough to distribute mail. The thermometer registered 65 below zero, breaking all records in this district. The cold wave has covered the district with a dense fog.

Auto and Telephone Number Sam

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Omaha, Neb., Jan. 22.—Hans J. Campbell, 22, an employment dealer, unique combination of the county from the county for two trucks and cars, the license numbers of the telephone numbers of their home and place of business. The phone number of the implement house is 294 and one license number for a touring car is 294 and for a truck T-394, while the telephone number of the residence is 321 and the license number of the other touring car is 321 and of the other truck T-321.

Sponsor of Motor Liability Program Defends Measure

Senator Denies Bill, If Passed, Would Drive Poor Man From Road; Cost Not Exorbitant.

A. B. Wood, author of senate file No. 24, the proposed automobile liability law, came to the front in defense of his measure yesterday on the grounds that it is a humanitarian measure as well as a just and equitable law.

He spoke in answer to the charges that the entire deal was a move to benefit the insurance companies and would be the means of driving the poor man from the roads of Nebraska. "There is nothing to either of these charges," Wood declared. "The poor man who drives a car today carries liability insurance if he is a careful driver, and if he is not a careful driver he should not be driving an automobile on a public highway."

Would Cut Recklessness.

"As for the cost of the thing, that cannot be considered as a matter of dollars and cents. Is the life of any child worth a certain amount? "There are men driving cars today who cannot purchase liability insurance because of their habits of drinking and careless driving," he continued. "These men will be ruled from the roads of Nebraska under this measure. Some of them are the so-called poor men, but others are persons of wealth."

Make Roads Safe.

"These reckless drivers should be ruled from the roads, because by that move, and by that move only, will the roads be made safe for the careful driver and the pedestrian. "The cost of the bill in dollars and cents," he said, "is almost undreamable now. I was quoted as saying that the bond would be about \$4. That is wrong. An insurance man did tell me that he thought that bonds would be offered as soon as the bill became a law, which would sell for about \$5. My own opinion is that the cost will be made than this, but will not be as great as it is now."

DEALERS DENY GAS TO JUMP

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Effective tomorrow, the price of gasoline will be increased 1 cent a gallon by the Standard Oil company of Indiana through out the states in its territory. This will make the retail price in Chicago 17 cents a gallon.

Omaha Gasoline Dealers Said Thursday That the Advance in Chicago Will Have No Bearing on the Omaha Market.

FISH CULTURE ON HUGE SCALE, PLAN

Denver, Colo., Jan. 22.—Development of fish culture and stocking of state streams will be undertaken on a huge scale by the Rocky Mountain chapter of the Inak Walton League of America, it was announced today.

Hartington Displays Fire Truck to Other Towns

Hartington, Neb., Jan. 22.—Since the purchase of a new modern fire truck here committees from other towns have visited Hartington to look over the equipment in view of purchasing new fire trucks.

Prizes at Nebraska City

Humboldt, Jan. 22.—Oliver E. Little, planter, has visited Hartington to look over the equipment in view of purchasing new fire trucks.

Thieves Rob Invalid.

New York, Jan. 22.—Four robbers forced their way into the apartment of Mrs. Sadie Geller, and after threatening Mrs. Geller, who was ill in bed, escaped with \$19,900 in jewels and a fur coat.

Flour Price to Increase With Wheat

Nebraska Millers' Association, in Convention, Warned of Dangers of Speculative Grain Markets.

Drop May Follow Rise

Flour is about to raise in price. This was the cheering information given members of the Nebraska Millers' association assembled in Omaha Thursday for their annual meeting. J. N. Campbell, secretary of the organization, in speaking of the meeting, declared that the membership was warned of the unsettled condition of the wheat market today. Its upward trend and the apparent efforts of speculators to corner the market. "Wheat continues to advance in price under the skillful handling of these speculators," Campbell said. "Flour is like any other commodity. When the raw material rises in price the finished product must follow."

"With wheat selling at \$1.90 or \$2 a bushel, flour must sell at a figure which is comparatively as high." The millers were warned that they should not contract for wheat for more than 30 days in advance. That is, they should not have more than enough wheat to run their mills for more than one month.

Market speculating, one speaker declared, is a business in itself. If the miller wants to speculate, then let him close his mill and speculate, but as long as he wishes to remain a miller and show an annual profit, let him stay with his milling, the speaker added.

"While the advancing price of wheat indicates an era of prosperity for the farmer and the merchant, it indicates a period of rising prices and similar prosperity for the miller," Campbell declared.

"All the miller has to do is watch his step, sell his product at as fair a price as possible, retain the confidence of the consumer and wait for the end of the speculative market." The millers were also addressed by Roy Cochran, state engineer on the "Construction and Maintenance of Roads," and C. V. Topping, Kansas City, secretary of the Southwestern Millers' league, spoke on "General Milling Conditions." Chauncey Abbott, Jr., of Omaha, and C. L. Aller, Beatrice, also spoke.

At the annual election of officers Earl H. Blackburn of the Blackburn Milling company of Omaha and Elk horn, was elected president to succeed C. L. Aller. C. E. Dismore of Hastings, was elected vice president and Mr. Campbell, re-elected secretary and treasurer.

Directors elected for two-year terms were J. W. McKee, Schuyler; Guy L. Cooper, Humboldt, and F. J. Zwonechek, Wilbur.

M. A. Hostrup of Scribner was elected for a one-year term as director.

Georgia Brokers Freed by Court

Federal Judges Decide That Deals in Cotton Futures Not Violation of Law.

Atlanta, Jan. 22.—Brokerage concerns operating in Atlanta handling legitimate future transactions in cotton and not engaged in "gambling transactions" are not in violation of the Georgia law prohibiting bucket shops, said an opinion handed down late today by a tribunal of three federal judges.

The petition of the brokers for an injunction to prevent the Georgia authorities from bringing action against them in the state courts was denied, the decision said, because the bucket shops are not violating the law and their innocence constitutes a reason for their acquittal in the state courts if prosecution is brought.

AMERICANS SEEK MINES IN MEXICO

Universal Service Staff Correspondent. Mexico City, Jan. 22.—The famous gold and silver mines of Guanajuato, which once furnished great quantities of gold and silver to the Spanish crown every year, may soon be acquired by a big American syndicate.

DRIVER FOR CALLES PAYS SPEED FINE

Mexico City, Jan. 22.—President Calles has set a new kind of example for automobile speeders. An automobile owned by the president was captured by the traffic police while it was exceeding the speed limit.

Former Congressman Is Divorced by His Wife

Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Sarah E. Mays, wife of former Congressman James H. Mays of Utah, late yesterday was granted a divorce in district court here on grounds of desertion. News of the divorce became known today and Mrs. Mays was awarded property said to be valued at \$100,000. Mays is a wealthy coal mine operator of Utah and Wyoming.

Oklahoma House Defeats Child Labor Amendment

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 22.—Ratification of the child labor amendment to the United States constitution was defeated in the Oklahoma house of representatives late today. The vote was 30 to 24.

Dance Hall Queen Changes Clothes at Victim's Home Before Shooting



Irene Chappo, 18, 722 Bancroft street, self-styled "queen" of a downtown dance hall, where she met the man who introduced her to Guy Parker, 17, alleged bandit, who lies in Lord Lister hospital, shot by an intended victim, Ralph Coppock, 2202 Douglas street, Thursday told of her visit to the former's home Wednesday night.

"Guy came to the Omaha Athletic club where I work after 9 last night," she said. "We had planned on going to the masquerade at Danceland and I went to his house, where I put on George Gillespie's suit, George put on one of Guy's suits. Then Guy took me to the dance. He did not come in."

"When the dance was over about midnight, I had a girl, whom I only know as Virginia, and who was with a party, take me to Guy's home to change clothes. They waited and about 1 they took me to my own home."

"While I was at Guy's when changing for the dance I heard him and George talking about a fight they were having with some woman over a sewing machine. I didn't get her name. It seemed she had threatened to beat up one of Guy's friends."

"Then the telephone rang and George answered it. "He turned to Guy and said it was Earl. Guy said Earl wanted Guy to bring him his gun. We had been to Earl's house earlier in the evening to see if Earl had a suit I could wear at the dance. He did not have so we started to leave. Guy picked up a gun off the dresser and said I'll take my gun home, I guess. I don't know whether Earl heard him or not."

"Then after the phone call, Guy took me to the dance and I thought he went out to Earl's with the gun. He did not say where he was going but said he would meet me after the dance. He didn't, so I asked Virginia to take me to his house to change to my own clothes."

"The Chappo girl declares she met Parker when a friend with whom she danced frequently and knew as 'Harry' took her to his home last Sunday, to attend a party."

"There were several boys there and I took a fancy to Guy. He asked me to go with him steady and I said I would. I met George at the same time."

"She declares she knew nothing of the alleged robbery to which police say Gillespie confessed. "I do not think Guy would do anything like that, he was too tender-hearted."

"The decision said the federal courts have jurisdiction in the matter which is contrary to the intention of Section 1 of the act of August 1, 1914, against whom the injunction was asked. Counsel for the brokers said an appeal would be taken to the United States supreme court."

The Guanajuato is known as the richest mining camp in the Mexican republic. The mines were worked by the Indians long before the Spanish conquest.

The president's action has caused favorable comment because for many years the general practice of leading politicians was to break the speed laws whenever they pleased without interference of the police, who were afraid to act.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Snelling and heading resignation to friends, Herbert Copeland, negro, went to his death on the gallows here today after confessing to numerous murders other than the killing of two capital policemen and a deputy sheriff.

The senate began consideration of the postal increase bill. The senate commerce commission endorsed the bill for government purchase of Cape Cod. Secretary Hughes announced that formal relations would be resumed with Honduras February 1.

Boy Bandit, Shot Down, Recovering

Once Thought Dying, Lad Wounded by Intended Holdup Victim, Now Expected to Live.

Does Not Speak of Crime

The end of the jazz trail which led Guy Parker, 17, to a bed in Lord Lister hospital Thursday stretched a little longer last night. All day his mother and his sweetheart, Irene Chappo, self-styled queen of Danceland, had watched the youth, sobbing, waiting for the end of the trail which they believed was in sight.

Guy fell, wounded just above the heart, when an intended holdup victim, Ralph Coppock, refused to hand his bands at the command of the boy bandit. Coppock had drawn a pistol from his pocket and had fired as Parker leaped toward him.

From 1 Thursday morning until 4:30 Thursday afternoon the youth was unconscious. Then he awoke, looked about the room and demanded a drink of water.

Dr. Floyd H. Kinyoun, who has attended the youth ever since he was picked up, was called to the bedside at one time, but Guy had no special desire to see him. He wanted something to quench his thirst, that was all.

"Doc, can't I drink some orange-ade?" he asked. "I know I must have swallowed all of five gallons of water this afternoon and yet I am still thirsty. Will orangeade hurt me?"

Dr. Kinyoun assured the boy that he might have the orangeade and then talked to him about his condition, asking him how he felt and whether or not the pain from the wound was great.

"No Reference to Shooting." "No, I'm all right," the boy replied to the questions. "I'm not going to die; I want to live. I feel fine now."

"I'm a creed of grin and bear it, which the boy cited as he talked. There was reference to how he came to be lying wounded in a hospital. He apparently remembered what had happened early in the morning at the doorway of Coppock's rooming house. He offered no denial that he had been in the act of robbing a man at the point of a gun; neither did he offer any affirmation that he had been engaged in such an act."

"I guess I'll get along all right, Doc," he said as the surgeon left the room. "I won't swawk muck and I'll do what you tell me to do so that I can get out of here pretty soon."

Slowly the story of Guy Parker is being told. His friends have been placed under suspicion by police and two boys with whom he was in the habit of associating, have been arrested.

Father Calls to See Him. George Gillespie, with whom Parker has paled for more than four years, was notified of the shooting. A short time later, in company with W. S. Parker, the boy's father, Gillespie went to the hospital. Gillespie arrested him. At the police station Gillespie confessed complicity in three recent holdups and named Parker as his companion on these occasions.

Later Earl Hamilton, at whose home Parker was said to have visited. (Turn to Page Two, Column One.)

HEIRS OF GAMBLE FIGHT STATE TAX

Los Angeles, Jan. 22.—Dr. John Willis Baez, banker of Pasadena and former president of Occidental college, today told the court here of the small bank account maintained in California by the late David G. Gamble, soap maker, in the suit wherein the state of California is attempting to collect inheritance taxes on the estate. The heirs contend that Gamble, although he kept a residence in Pasadena, had his home in Cincinnati.

Dr. Baez said the soap manufacturer never had more than \$1,000 on deposit in his Pasadena bank, although his estate at his death was valued at \$2,685,485.

Exchange Seats Sell High. New York, Jan. 22.—Two seats on the New York stock exchange were sold for \$110,000 each, within \$5,000 of the record figure established in 1920.

The Weather. For 24 hours ending 7 p. m., January 22, 1925. Total precipitation, inches, and hundredths of an inch, since January 1, 1925.

Summary of the Day in Washington

The French debt was debated in the senate. The senate began consideration of the postal increase bill. The senate commerce commission endorsed the bill for government purchase of Cape Cod. Secretary Hughes announced that formal relations would be resumed with Honduras February 1. Song writers and playwrights appeared before a house committee in favor of a bill to revise the copyright laws. The War department appropriation bill, carrying \$22,000,000 was reported by the senate appropriations committee. Justice department officials decided Gerald Chapman, robber, should be sent to Hartford, Conn., to answer a murder charge.