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### ON THE THRESHOLD.

The boys and girls of the class of 1911 stand today on the threshold of a new life. Behind them are the long years of preparation for the battle of life, the mingled joys and sorrows of childhood, often quickly thrust upon them and as quickly forgotten, the delving into the intricacies of the sciences and the stubbornness of mathematics, mingled with the hours of mental repose when the attention was turned to the playground, there to cultivate the pleasant acquaintances of classmates and school friends.

Through twelve long years has this work of preparation been going on, and now they stand looking out over a vast, promising future. During this period these young men and women have worked, hoped and planned for the great day when they should emerge from their school duties, happy and radiant, thoughtful of the past, hopeful of the future, ready to put the knowledge they have gained into practical ues.

Of course they do not dream of such a thing as failurethat is a word that has no place in the vocabulary of young people who withstand successfully the labors incident to their highest qualities divinely placed in the human breast; and it beats high in the graduate. And, indeed, why should it not? of much less ability than themselves, attain heights of success in their respective vocations. They know they are going to succeed; that there is no possible way for them to fail. The world has been waiting for them to enter and take their places on the stage of life. And now, they are here, ready for what the world has to offer, ready to enter into the stern realities of the battle for which they have spent the springtime of life in preparation.

Welcome, Class of 1911! Wherever it may be you east your lot, may you ever be permitted to realize the highest hopes of your ambitions. You are now past the stage of childhood, entering a new era. Your parents have done well by you. Your teachers have climbed with you to the summit of the labor of others will have to spend their old age in misery, your daughter. the hill and pointed to you the way to go. You are now on your own resources, your own responsibilities. Make the most of your opportunities, that at each annual reunion of your beloved alumni, you may report a substantial progress as the years pass over your heads.

### BANK GUARANTEES.

In another column we reproduce an article from the Omaha Bee discussing the bank guaranty laws of Oklahoma, Nebraska and other states.

It seems to be developing that the bank guaranty is not the panacea for financial troubles that it was hoped that it would be. Oklahoma has had the law in operation for three years, and during that time a great many of the state banks with the arrangement, but the depositors also, are showing that they have more confidence in the bonds of the National banks than they have in the state guaranty by the state banks.

That is the experience of Oklahoma, as revealed by the

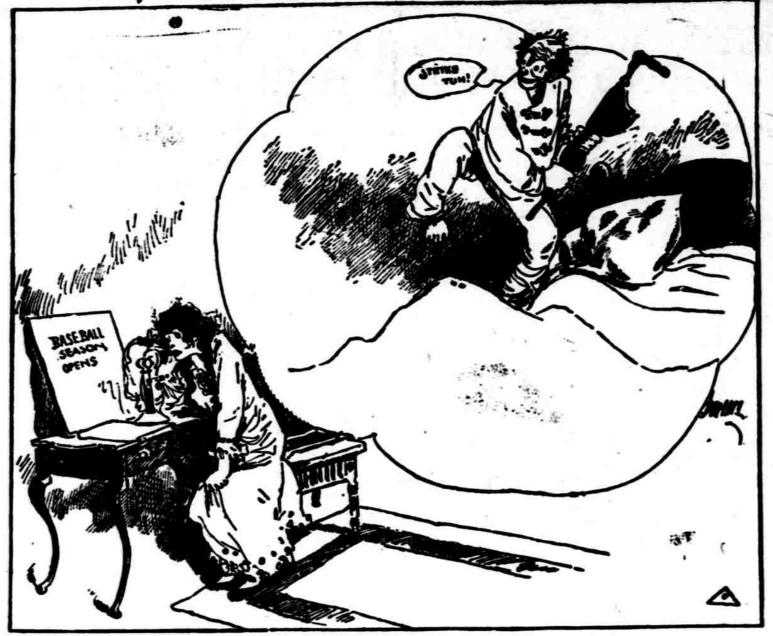
Here in Nebraska, we have not had the new law in force long enough to see what it will do. Here at home our state banks are built on a solid foundation that requires no guaranty by the state.

It seems like an imposition that old and substantial institutions should be compelled to pay an insurance premium for the benefit of promoters of temporary and wild-cat banking

Again, we refer our readers to the article, which is printed on this page.

Public sentiment endorses the law prohibiting base ball and other sports on Memorial Day and it is enforced. Public sentiment does not endorse the Sunday laws in some places, and tion because they had a high school diploma, valuable as such little attention is paid to them.





-Donahey in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### TAFT, MORSE AND WALSH.

President Taft last week did one thing that should earn position. Hope is a human attribute-yes, one of the three for him the everlasting gratitude of all true Americans, in refusing to grant a pardon to Bankers Walsh and Morse, who are serving penitentiary sentences for crooked banking. These They have seen their friends, their neighbors, often possessed men have served but a very short time in prison, comparatively, and there is no reason why the president should issue the pardon. In his letter refusing to grant clemency the president says that there has been too much of a tendency to allow the big criminals to go with a punishment that is not at all commensurate with their crimes, while the poor man who goes astray is often made to pay a much more severe penalty for a small crime. Mr. Taft goes further and says that the crime of a rich man is really worse than that of a poor man, because there is often less reason or excuse for it; that while the poor man may steal in order to live, there is no such extenuating circumstance in the case of the rich man. As far as President Taft is concerned, these two old men who have grown rich on pondering over the misery they have brought to others.

> The Fremont Tribune pays the wheat fields of Platte county a compliment by remarking that the circus elephant which recently got loose near this city and romped through the many fields in this community did not cause much excitement among the farmers as it looked more like a blue squirrel than an elephant "in those tall, billowy wheat fields" of Platte county. Of course they may think in Fremont to mention tall wheat fields at this time of the year is a joke, but it would be the easiest thing in the world to give them a real surprise in regard to the matter if we could take them out over Platte county on a tour of inspection.

There is no doubt that many of the methods used by the have surrendered their charters and taken out National bank great corporations are wrong and should not be allowed in a charters. Not only are the bankers themselves dissatisfied land which boasts of being the home of the free, never-the-less men with the ability and energy to build up such organizations as are generally the most abused, are deserving of more than a passing reward. Human life is a conspicuous example of the survival of the fittest and the strongest are worthy of a greater compensation than the weaker ones who fall by the way. Now listen someone will soon have something to say about corpora-

> Elbert Humbert, the Sage of East Aurora, is antagonistic enough toward modern civilization to say that the world would be better off without doctors, lawyers and preachers. He asserts that there is too much advice and medicine in the world for anyone to be really healthy. Fra Elbertus evidently forgot that he earns three square meals each day by the same methods, giving advice from the lecture platform, vaudeville stage and editorial sanctum.

It might be well for the graduates to remember that the men who are at the top today did not get to the coveted posian acquisition may be. The fellow who hangs on like grim death is the one who will get there every time.

councilman, a member of the school board and a real estate of the Y. M. C. A. for the purpose of man from that town are figuring on moving to Columbus so as to get in to a live town. Come on, folks, there's room here for bus. all of you-and the more the merrier.

Some people have spent their whole life puttering with one & Stone and Albert Mix, Platte Centhing, and yet their experience hardly justifies them in giving advice to others in the same line.

'One way to stop a leak: To hold your job, hold your tongue.

Interesting Happenings of Many Years Ago, Taken From the Files of This Paper.

Forty Years Ago This Week. through the city in wagons, with the the fall campaign. sides decorated with the sign, "Montana or Bust." The Journal was re-Bust", and many of the people re-fillness of Mrs. McKinley.

Thirty Years Ago. build its line to Columbus.

roads between Columbus and Norfolk and Columbus and Albion were run. Twenty Years Ago.

John Curry and Miss Nellie Fleming were married at St. Bonaventure's Oklahoma Bank Law Fails

John Beckwith committed suicide by hanging, at the farm home of Aug- law, Okla ust Wahl, near Neboville.

Ten Years Ago.

## Heart to Heart Talks.

TO A MOTHER. Dear Madam:

I am a "mere man" and incapable of some things advisory, but I wonder if you realize how grave a mistake it may be to overindulge your daughter. Naturally you try to shield your child, to save her from hardships; you efface yourself and sacrifice yourself

Nevertheless your self inflicted mar-

I have in mind a good mother who slaved and pinched, hardened her hands and bowed her back-shortened her life, in fact-that her daughter might attend a fashionable "finishing

The daughter graduated and-Returning home discovered that she was out of touch with the old farm ways. Her education should have broadened and sweetened the child, but it did not. It simply unfitted her. The sequel?

In sheer desperation the fretting, dis contented girl ran away with a smooth dventurer and was finally ruined. An extreme case? Maybe.

But the girl's undoing was the outcome of a wrong maternal policy that taught the child she ought to have what she wanted and that all things must be sacrificed to her "career." She is a rare child who may be thus

petted and without harm. The tender solicitude of the doting mother is noble in its self abnegation, but it is likely to be carried to the ex-

Let the girl face the realities. It is not harsh to put burdens upon her. She must get a sane view of life by meeting hardships, conquering difficulties, bearing burdens, facing responsibilities. Else you deceive your child; else your sacrifices will make her selfish, ungrateful and miserable. There is but one way to make char acter. Ease and luxury will not do it

The fiber of womanliness is developed only by bearing burdens, meeting cares, overcoming obstacles. Do you want your daughter to be come a strong and noble woman?

Of course you do. Then put the full share of life's load on her young shoulders and teach her to carry that load cheerfully and grace-

Five Years Ago.

A committee of nine was appointed The Crete Democrat reports that a banker, a preacher, a to get in touch with the state officers arranging for organizing an association and erecting a building in Colum-

> Mrs. Anna Blessen recovered damages in the sum of \$2,900 for Hansen ter saloon keepers, and their bondsmen, for selling liquor to her husband, who was killed while intoxicated. The case against Joesph Frevert, another liquor dealer, was dismissed.

Charlie Baker, a ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Baker, died as a result of eating green gooseberries.

cerned with its operation. A few The new populist party was arrang- weeks ago the United States supreme A procession of emigrants passed ing its slate for the county offices for court decided that the state had the right to adopt such a statute, and, in effect, authorized the commonwealth President and Mrs. McKinley if it saw fit, to force state banks to pay hands of those most interested in it. For sale by all druggists. minded of a few years previous, when passed through Columbus on their assessments to make good the losses In the legislatures of several states similar processions were headed west- way east from California. The tour in failed institutions. This Oklahoma of the northwest and middlewest the ward with the slogan "Pike's Peak or had been interrupted by the serious has been doing. An investigation by past winter there have been proposed F. S. Rexford, 615 New York Life the State Bankers' association is re- deposit guaranty laws, but none has Building, Kansas City, Missouri, says: turned a short time afterward with W. E. Wells and Miss Verna M. See ported to show that \$878,352 has been been enacted into statute. Nebraska, "I had a severe attack of a cold which the inscription "Busted, By Thunder." ley were married at Madison. Mr. needed in the three years for use in Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma are settled in my back and kidneys and I Wells was foreman in the Argus of the guaranty fund, and that now, with alone in trying the experiment. Kan- was in great pain from my trouble. A Platte county voted bonds to offer fice, and his bride was the daughter of another large bank in the receiver's sas's law is voluntary, and less than friend recommended Foley Kidney as a bonus to the A. & N. railway to the editor of the Madison Chronicle. hands, there must be further assess- half the state banks have assumed its Pills and I used two bottles of them W. M. Kern accepted the position of ment to supply the need of an empty provisions. Texas has two optional and they have done me a world of The first trains on the branch superintendent of the Columbus city treasury. So strenuously do the bank- forms, and their opinions of its work- good." For sale by all druggists.

## Public Control Will Prevent Selfishness .

By Cardinal GIBBONS

N important condition in the industrial development of this country is the fact that the right of the pecple to FAIR AND HONEST TREATMENT by the big business interests is daily becoming more widely recognized by broad

minded and progressive men. Laws are being passed and enforced for the proper regulation and control of great corporations, particularly public service companies, and the rights of the people are each year being better guarded and protected.

The public has a right to EXERCISE intelligent control over corporations which serve it with necessities. No friend of his race can contemplate without painful emotions HEARTLESS monopolists exhibiting a grasping avarice which has dried up every sentiment of sympathy in the public and created a sordid selfishness which is deaf to cries of JUSTICE AND FAIR TREATMENT.

PUBLIC CONTROL AND REGULATION WILL PREVENT SUCH CONDITIONS. THE HEALTHY COMBINATION OF HUMAN FORCES IN THE ECONOMIC WORLD CAN ACCOMPLISH RESULTS WHICH COULD NOT BE-EFFECTED BY ANY INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS.

## Show Women Criminals No Mercy; They're as Bad as Men

By Judge NORMAN S. DIKE of Brooklyn.

HERE is no sex in crime. A woman who commits a felony should receive no leniency merely because she is a woman. If women desire EQUAL RIGHTS they must be prepared to meet EQUAL OBLIGATIONS.

I am quite willing to believe—in fact, I am very well convinced there should be no sex in POLITICS. But I must say, as a judge, I am entirely convinced there should be no sex in CRIME.

A CRIME IS A CRIME. A MAN AND A WOMAN COMMITTING THE SAME FELONY MUST SUFFER EQUAL PUNISHMENT. FROM THE JUDGE'S POINT OF VIEW THAT IS QUITE CLEAR.

It is ridiculous to plead for a lighter sentence because the crimimakes the wrong more difficult to understand.

# Our Jail System Is Bad

By Str EVELYN JOHN RUGGLES-BRISE, Chairman of the English Prison Commission

HE city and county jails of the United States are so bad that it is one large drawback upon the progress of such a great

PROMISCUITY, INSANITARY CONDITIONS, THE AS-SENCE OF SUPERVISION, IDLENESS AND CORRUPTION-THESE RE-MAIN FEATURES OF MANY PLACES.

Until the ABUSES of the jail system are REMOVED it is impossible for the United States to have assigned to her by general consent a place in the VANGUARD OF PROGRESS.

# A Recipe For Long Life

By C. W. ELIOT. President Emeritus of Harvard University

TY health and capacity for work at seventy-seven years of age are unusually good. I attribute this result to a good CONSTITUTION, MODERATION in eating and drinking, a habit of taking some EXERCISE and some FRESH AIR every day and of avoiding all sorts of luxury and the constant use of any DRUG, such as alcohol, coffee, tea and tobacco.

WHEN I AM ASKED ABOUT THE HABITS WHICH ARE MOST CONDUCIVE TO A LONG. ACTIVE LIFE I GENERALLY ANSWER. "MODERATION IN EATING, A FULL ALLOWANCE OF SLEEP AND NO REGULAR USE OF ANY STIMULANT WHATEVER."

the deposits of the nationals. Indeed They point out that with an assessment, wiping out a year's earnings.

aged reckless banking seems to be justified in some instances. One failure of \$600,000 revealed bad management and the manipulation of the of the fund was invested, thus throw-After three years of experience with a compulsory bank guaranty deposit ing a double burden upon the sound banks. Ten banks have been recipients of the fund, which now has a Is particularly recommended for

balance of \$36,292.

ers object to this that, though at the ing. Nebraska's law was not put in beginning seventy national banks took operation until after the recent sustate charters, now fifty have applica- preme court decision, so that it is too tions pending for new charters as na- jearly to see its effect in that common

The principle of the bank guaranty tion of the new law has not affected has never appealed to the financial judgment of those who believe in inat the latest statement they showed dividuality in business affairs. With larger gains than did the state banks. the human factor eager to take advantage of opportunity, efforts to trade ment of 1 per cent on the deposits, as upon its provisions are inevitable. is now proposed, a bank with \$10,000 This has in more than one instance alcapital and \$100,000 deposits would ready meen manifest. Only compay 10 per cent of its entire invest- bined with such stringent examinaally unknown, and with powers to assist the weak bank when circumstances justify, could it hope to maintain permanency. Neither of these conditions has yet been attained fully by states that have adopted the plan. gered the entire surplus. Other fail- Oklahoma seems to be least successuers have been of banks in which part ful in establishing confidence.—Omaha

chronic cases of kidney and bladder Altogether the Oklahoma law ap- trouble. It tends to regulate and conpears to have many weaknesses and is trol the kidney and bladder action receiving severe criticisms at the and is healing, strong and bracing.