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Thought for the Day

Selected by W. T. Graham

It is better to inspire the heart with a noble sentiment than to teach the mind a truth of science. - Edward Brooks.

That electric light bill is being illuminated;

For once the dope business in Omaha is being doped out right.

In getting German sympathy for the Belgiane, "the Madame" is surely an artful artist.

What we would like to know, however, is, if court reporter's transcripts are made free, will the money thus saved go to the lawyer or to the

Not the least of the joys of legislative life is the task of boosting salaries in city jobs. The lawmakers are not called upon to dig up the

If that cattle quarantine can only be made to stay over on the east side of the Missouri river, it will not interfere so seriously with the Omaha market.

What about another peace prayer proclamation from the president? We had more than one specially appointed peace prayer days during our civil war.

The truth is, however, that up to date it has not been lack of legislation, but lack of moneyed men willing to invest, that has kept back the development of interurbans in Nebraska.

So long as Mr. Carnegie neglects to provide the army of peace with attractive uniforms, steady pay and a pension system, he cannot expect a land office rush at his recruiting stations.

Our police commissioner is needlessly severe on the man who walks the best. If a patrolman manot lift a peanut or roll a chestnut how can he keep the muscles of his arms in fit condition?

Making up the jury lists for a whole year for Douglas county will not take a competent man at most over three or four weeks. Let him he paid liberally for the time he puts in, but not for the time he has nothing to do.

As official statement shows sixty-six merchant steamers flying foreign flags interned in American ports by the war. Of this number fifty-five fly the German and eleven the Austrian flags. Their tonnage totals 518,766. The enforced idleness of this huge floet may explain why ocean freight rates are following wheat into the clouds.

egislative printing by the straight and curving lines of the dollar mark. Printing is more than an art. It is "the art preservative of all arts." Viewed in the right light the printer man is both promoter and custodian of the arts which give expression to the soul. As such his output makes for the higher life wherein man looms large above the dollar. "Do you get it?"



McNab's restaurant at 1015 Harney Street was de to look like a wreck by the explosion of a water reservoir attached to the kitchen range. A moderation of the weather is noted as an end of the cold soap, the mercury having gone down to

O. L. Stephens of the firm of Stephens Bros., suf-fered a singular accident when a ponderous ledger he was helding fell upon his hand, breaking a number

Mr. Philip Born, sither teacher, has goose from orth, Kan, to locate in Omaha.

Mr. T. W. Blackburn of the Union Parific is showed in at Rierman on the St. Paul road. He went there on a three days' leave for rabbit hunting, and is likely to be forced to have a more extended vacaflore are the officers of the Douglas Agricultural

arcisty: President, G. P. Paulson; vice president, Ell-tah Aller; secretary John Baumer. Henry Elene was elerard delegate to the international convention to be H. C. Clark, general agent in Nebraska for DuPont

powder, has removed his office to Mi, Douglas street, with Colline, Gordon & May. The Thirteenth street car line is a macross. The ire, three in number, are now making trips at in-reals of twenty minutes. Quarantine Against Cattle Plague.

The prompt action of the authorities, in cooperation with the management of the stock yards, in closing the Omaha market to cattle from east of the Missouri river, is well taken. It is the only means to prevent the foot and mouth disease from crossing the Missouri river and infecting the great herds of the west, on which the country must depend for its meat sup-

Serious loss has already been sustained by the eastern breeders of catile, some especially valuable herds having been wiped out as a result of the plague, but the damage so far wrought is nothing as compared to what might follow, were the dread disease to gain a foothold in the western cattle country. The rangemand feed lots of the west have always been sealously guarded against infection of every kind, and millions have been spent to keep them free from disease. Vigilance in enforcing the present quarantine will prevent a tremendous disaster.

Censoring the Censor.

John Bull is a phlegmatic old gentleman, but like everybody else, he gets a bit impatient under long continued stress of waiting for something to develop. Members of the House of Commons gave an exhibition of this unexainess when, in expressing a willingness to give the government a "blank check" for war expenses, it was plainly suggested that the country would like to know a little more about how the war is progressing. Secrecy concerning the operations of the government, and especially in war times, is as irksome in England as it is in America, and is but little better borne.

The autocracy of the military censorship is nowhere especially relished, but is submitted to with more patience on the continent, because the people there have been trained to observance of the military rule that no questions may be asked of the army. The public everywhere has been kept in the dark as to exact conditions on the firing line, as well as to details of life in the regions over which the wave of war has swept. Military necessity is responsible for this, and it is not at all likely that the protests voiced in the House of Commons will be potent to lift the veil of official obscurity that now hangs over the movements of the armies.

In days to come, historians and statisticiana may be permitted to dig up some of the details concerning the titanic struggles that now concern so many millions, but for the most part the things the people would like to know will be safely buried in the archives of the nations in-

Extra Session of Congress Possible.

The deadlock in the senate, with a continuation of the fillbuster against the administration's shipping bill, makes it possible that an extra session of congress, will be called, if only to pass the big appropriation bills, which are now being held back. This situation is not especially encouraging to a country, which was beginning to cherish the hope that the continuous performance at Washington might end with the constitutional expiration of the present

The president's program does not run so smoothly through the law-making machinery as it did. Two years of steady work under the schoolmaster's" direction has apparently disturbed the docility of congress, and the response to White House "suggestion" is no longer so eady nor so spontaneous as it was in the neyday of democratic ascendancy. The democrats at present are not living up to their opportunity in their insistence on the administration's ship ping bill. They have had some chance to be of real service to the commerce of the country, in a great emergency, and as usual have failed to realize it. Refusal to permit amendment to the president's plan for the restoration of the Amercan merchant marine bids fair to be fatal to the

This outcome is not especially encouraging to the nation, which had hoped that some measure of relief might be given by the present congress. The administration may take home the lesson, and the next congress, with its lessened democratic/majority, may be given an opportunity to enact a law that will be useful and effective in the matter of encouraging American shipping.

Advance-Advice vs. Post-Mortem Complaint.

Members of the Douglas delegation at Lincoin are asking for advice from their constituents as to proposed charter amendments, which contemplate increased taxation and other burdens upon property owners.

Our solicitous law-makers are bound to be disappointed, because their constituents either no not know what they want, or will not come It is hardly fair to measure the value of forward with their advice at the right time. This fact was plainly developed when the charter convention was in session considering these very same proposals and repeatedly inviting and urging citizens, taxpayers and civic bodies to communicate their ideas. If we recall correctly, the wheel tax was the only measure which evoked a manifestation of active interest from the business men, representatives of the retailers' association appearing to enter a vigorous protest against it. The labor unions were in evidence, the office-holders were in evidence, the paving contractors were in evidence, the franchised corporations were in evidence, but the great body of home owners, taxpayers, shopkeepers and unorganized wage-earners were altogether indifferent until the constructive work was ended, and a false issue was raised.

True, that is all history now, but the same conditions of lethargy confront the chartermakers today, only more so, because they are remotely secluded at Lincoln instead of being on the ground and accessible in Omaha.

Friendly letters from President Wilson and Secretary Bryan are among the personal exhibits filed by Mr. Vick, the former San Domingo attache, whom Minister Sullivan's friends classifies as "the head grunt of the investigation." Minor federal officials are not the only victims of the hair-trigger letter habit.

One of the achievements of the war worth noting as it proceeds is the destruction of the British wall which restricted army commissions to the sons of the aristocracy. In that respect at least German gunnery has opened roads for the advancement of the fighting sons of

The Political Caldron

MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN CALENDAR. March 26.-Late day for candidates to file. March 26.-Last day to register or correct registration

before primary. April 6.-Primary electon day. April 24.-Last day to register or correct registration before election.

May 24.- Day for installing newly elected officers. For the information of voters at the forthcoming city commission primary and election the foregoing calendar has been prepared. The election commissioner's office, even at this early date, is frequently being asked for these dates, which may be "pasted in your hat," or on the wall.

In view of the approaching city primary, it may be of interest to hark back three years ago, when Omaha was in the throes of its first commission form of government election. There were then eighty-six candidates in the primary race. It was a merry fight, with every candidate sure of landing in the list of the high fourteen to make the final race. Many were were sorely disappointed and vowed they would never again submit themselves to a popular vote, but are finding it hard to live up to good resolutions. primary list of three years ago is given below as a matter of historical interest:

Thomas E. Allen. C. J. Anderson. F. A. Barnett, Jeff W. Bedford, W B. Benson, Louis Berks. Nathan Bernstein, Lee Bridges, Arthur H. Briggs. G. F. Brucker. Louis Burmester, Dan. B. Butler. Michael H. Byrnes, M. E. Callanan. Albert Cahn. Joseph Carr. E. A. Clark, Frederick H. Cosgrove, P. J. Creedon Art. L. Creighton. John P. Crick, James C Dahlman James Daughton, Clete E. Dunn George B. Dyball. Harry Fischer, W. G. Flood, M. F. Funkhouser Frank A. Furny, * Geo. W. Gaines, John Grant. Anton Gross. Charles M. Hauslein Beecher Higby. A. L. Hildinger, Mike Hogan, Robert Houghton, Joe B. Hummel,

L. B. Johnson Thor Jorgensen Chas. J. Karback Alfred C. Kennedy, Homer Kirk, A. C. Kugel, Albert Leamons Ed. Leeder. Thomas McGovern M. O. McLaughlin, D. W. McVea, W. H. Mallery. Peter Mehrens Henry F. Meyers. E. I. Morrow. L. W. Morsman John L. Neble: Geo. E. Norman. John D. Park, Jas. O. Phillipp Henry I. Plumb William A. Redick John A. Rine. John J. Ryder, Fred Schamel Geo. M. Schoffeld, Henry Schroeder. Chas, A. Shabata, W. S. Sheldon W. G. Shriver, Alfred Sorenson. Eugene Steere. John A. Swanson. George H. Thummel, Charence C. Vaughn G. G. Wallace, John D. Weaver, John N. Westberg, Charles H. Withnell Frank M. Woolley,

Keep one eye on the doings of the Douglas delegation at Lincoln as a hatchery of political ducklings. It is currently assumed that several candidacies for ionership jobs will be sprouted down there tomary stunt. For example, when Senator Ed Howell served his first term in the legislature he manufactured a new charter for Omaha which he thought answered his own needs, and came back and ran for mayor on it-and was beat. He tried a second time later, and was beat again; so it is but natural to expect a third trial. Senator Bedford also ran budly in the last city handlosp race, and is not known to take a rebuff easily without trying again. Senator Saunders, too, has had a mayoralty been in his bonnet two or three times, which might easily be revived. The other two senators, Quinby and Dodge, it may be remarked, both live in Dundee and could get in the same only by the annexation route. Then there are several on the house side who might listen to the afren call, and, in a pinch, do a little calling on their own account. Let it be remembered that the legislature ordinarily closes up shop just about the first of April, making a time schedule that devetalls this year with the city primary in Omaha in a fashion that could not be built better for statesmen

Frank S. Howell and W. O. Shriver are being "mentioned" as possible candidates for the city com-mission. In the case of Mr. Howell, his friends are doing the talking just now. Mr. Shriver is not quite so shy. He admits considering filing, but has not fully made up his mind,

"What value attaches to written expressions of "friends" as to the availability or chances of a prospective candidate?" The question was prompted by J. W. Metcalfe's plan of sending out letters in inquiry to hundreds of voters to help him decide on his course.

Of a group discussing at the city hall, one man said the idea was fine in theory, but doubtful in actual practice. His contention was that most of those favorable to Mr. Metcalfe's candidacy would so press themselves, but that few not inclined to the Metcalfe candidacy would say so.

"I think it is a waste of postage and energy," re-

marked one of the group.
"You mean misdirected energy," chimed in another.

"Just buy a few chips in the political game and sit in and take a change." was the expression of another who used to play paker years ago."

"Are you going to file?" is the chronic question, Bashful Colonel Charley Fanning says he has been 'urged" to get into the marathon, but the colonel is not so easily led astray by the political enchantress. The colonel has been a hewer of wood and a drawer of water for years in the democratic ranks and is wondering whether he has reached the age where a crown would ornament his head.

Aimed at Omaha

PAWNEE REPUBLICAN: "Billy" Sunday will begin revival services in Omaha about next June and try to reclaim Mayor Jim Dahlman, If the mayor ien't giready beyond redemption we believe "Biliy" will get him to "hit the sawdust trail.".

Biair Pilot: Judge Sutton resigned to again take up the practice of law and evidently has some very desirable clients in view to resign before his term ex-plied. He probably wouldn't refuse the job of being congressman from this district, and we herewith place in nomination therefor,

Cedar Bluff Standard: We can't understand why the Lincoln papers are continually jabbing Omaha. Their male how now is that Omaha and its subures should not be united into a Greater Omana. Let them unite. The people of the capital city may rest as-sured that Omaha doesn't care to include Lincoln in the suburbs it wishes annexed.

Hildreth Telegraph: Billy Sunday is scheduled to hold revival meetings in Omaha next May and they are already talking of running special trains from the interior points in the state to Omaha the same as they would to any other big show. Sunday may be worth the price as an advertising medium.

Blue Springs Sentinel: One wonders why it is that the suburbanites of Omaha always object to a munjelpel alliance with the mother city. Do you supacquainted with the acts of the old girl?

Lincoln Star: Sanator Quinby's determined enforcement of the rule against smoking while the sen-ate is in session was unkind in view of the fact that this Omaha senator has been making a good deal of smoke which some of his colleagues did not enjoy

The Bee's Confined to

No More Tickets for Him. OMAHA, Feb. 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: Your reporter in describing the lecture of the Belgian actress, Mile. Artois. mentions a list of subscriptions which she has received, saying that list includes the entry "Mr. Meyer of Her & Co., \$5." For your information, I hever signed any subscription list, but purchased from the lady when she called at my office a day or two before the jecture \$5 worth of tickets on the strength of the large space devoted to her coming in your paper, as well as in the other Omaha dailies, illustrated with her picture, and stating the object of her lecture as being the colonization of Belgian refugees. I told her she was a good advertiser, and being an actress I concluded that she would deliver an interesting lecture, worth listening to, but had no idea what her lecture would be. Had I known what it was I should not have attended myself, and should not have invited some of my friends, to whom was obliged to apologize afterwards.

was very much disappointed, and am satisfied in my own mind that it has done neither the Belgian cause, nor, for that matter, the German cause any good. I feet that I have been "taken in," and my only consolation is that I had plenty of distinguished company in my misfor-I believe that newspapers before giving so much conspicuous space as they gave Mile. Artois should investigate so as not to mislead the public. I feel no ill will towards the lady, who is not the only one of her countrymen who blames England for not coming to their rescue in time; but her lecture was entirely unin-

teresting and altogether too much of a joke to stir up so much of a tempest in a teapot. Her taking up a collection was an imposition, and I urgently requested the guests I had with me not to respond. I think I will join the retailers' associa tion, which will bind me not to buy any tickets hereafter, A. L. MEYER.

"Jitney"-What is lt? OAKLAND, Is., Feb. 9 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Will you please explain fully the word "jitney?"-Yours truly,

READER. Note-The word has not appeared in the dictionary, but will probably in coming editions. In the commonly accepted sense "jitney" means a small coin. is said to be a Russian word with the same meaning. Some attribute it to the Japanese. The word was frequently heard on the midway of the Omaha exposition in 1998, meaning a small coin or what might be purchased for a small coin, as, for example, a "litney sandwich," for 5 cents. As a distinctive name for bus service in cities, in opposition to street cars, it signifies not the vehicle but the fare-"a small coin"-6 cents.

Question of Vested Rights. FLORENCE, Neb., Feb. 9.-To the Editor of The Bee: Every member of the legislature is required before performing any official duties to take an oath and elemnly swear to support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state and faithfully and impartially perform the duties of the office. It seems that this is his part of the contract with the people and the limited authority of what he is permitted to do and what prohibited from doing are plainly set forth in said constitution. The state has provided the attorney general for the legislature to advise rew if he chooses to follow it, instead of

garding any matter contained in said constitution and authority thereunder. Therefore each has a definite line to foiforbidden, crooked path that leads to onditions as now existing in Mexico, the like of which is the bill secking to clothe Omaha with power to take the city of Florence without the consent of the peo-Would it not be more in keeping with the contract with the people and oath of office to unscramble senate file No. 17 of the thirty-third session and other enactments of the Nebraska legislature and restore to the city of Florence and school district No. 5 thereof their vested rights which acts have greatly damaged said school district and city, and to the extent of depriving each of 58% per cent of their J. P. BROWN

Cut Off the "South." SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: In times past when the consolidation of South Omaha with Omaha has been sgitated the antis have said, Wait until a bill is passed that will enble us to see just what we are getting." They said we would get nothing by annexing to Omaha unless some provision was made in advance. Now, when the Howell bill provides for even more than we are entitled to, they make a great noise about forcible annexation. All who make so much noise about it are opposed to the consolidation by any means, either foreible or by vote of the people.

It is my opinion that if every person in South Omaha over 10 years of age was asked to point out the line on Twentyfourth street between Omaha and South Omaha that not 26 per cent of them could do it unless shown where it is. When the two cities are so closely interwoven and are practically one in everything but name there is no reason why they should be separate any longer.

Some who fear their relatives may be pried loose from city offices are squealing loudly and protest against the emergency clause in the bill. If we are going to be sunexed to Omaha the sooner the better. Even those most opposed to it say it will come some time and it might as well be done first as last and be over with. The people who went to Lincoln have the noise, but those who favor the passage of the Howell bill are very much

Let us cut "South" out and make it Omaha forever from now on. F. A. AGNEW.

Editorial Viewpoint

Louisville Courier-Journal: A poet says champague contains the imprisoned aughter of the peasant girls who make Umph! Meaning that the makers' laugh's on you when it gives you a head which feels like a barrel of hot brinks. St. Louis Republic: John Bassett Moore in a little skaptical about any plan to end war in cases involving the honor of a nation, because he thinks "honor" as applied to nations is semething that can't be defined, and then, besides that, some nations haven't got any.

Brooklyn Eagle: That German troops on the Meuse heights insolently sang the "Marsoillaise" on the kniser's birthday and were promptly silenced by a hot French fire, is a story that comes from Paris, not from Berlin. It is a good story. The Paris factories turn out as good anecdotes as any in the world.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

He-They say, after marriage, the husband and wife grow to look like each other.

She-Then consider my refusal final.—Yale Record.

"And then the captain telephoned his men to charge."
"Telephoned, eh? Well, being an offi-ter under those circumstances isn't so bad."—Lauisville Courier-Journal.

It dwelt with me just as it was,

Just as it was

When first its prospects gave me pause.
In wayward wanderings,
Before the years had torn old troths
As they tear all sweet things,
Before gaunt griefs had tern eld troths
And dulled old rapturings. Nora-Why did you accept him the third time he proposed? Dora-Because he said it would be the last time-Judge.

Skids—Does your wife take an intelligent interest in the war?
Skittles—Well, not especially so. When I told her of the loss of the U-5 she seemed to be under the impression it was a theater seat.—Puck. Mrs. Homespun—What'll we contribute to the minister's donation party?
Farmer Homespun—Wai, I dunno, Hannar. Tatars is 'way up, pork is 'way up, fowl is 'way up—we'll save money by giving him money.—St. Paul Dispatch.

She-Women are more resourceful than men.

Hs—I guess that's right. A man has to get his clothes made to fit his shape, but a woman can get her shape made to fit her clothes.—Philadelphia Record.

At eves upon my ear.
Than when the autumn's look embrowned.
The lonely chambers here.
The sutumn's settling shades embrowned.
Nooks that it baunted near. And so with time my vision less,
Yos, less and less,
Makes of that Past my housemistress;
It dwindles in my eye;
It looms a far-off skeleton
And not a comrade nigh,
A fitful far-off skeleton
Dimming as days draw by.

And then its form began to fade, Began to fade; Its gentle echoes faintlier played At eves upon my ear

THE GHOST OF THE PAST.

Thomas Hardy

Thomas Hardy.

We two kept bouse; the Past and I,

The Past and I;

I tended while it howeved nigh,

Leaving me never alone.

It was a spectral housekeeping,

Where fell no jarring tone,

As strange, as still a housekeeping

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