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Thought for the Day

Selected by Mary Moore Who some a field, or trains a flower, or

plants a tree, is more than all.

- Whittier.

"Old Man Winter" need not linger longer.

And one reverend political sky pilot in the

When you write to them, tell them to "Stop

The first plank in the socialist platform-a home rule charter—has our endorsement.

The best start to make Omaha beautiful is for everyone living in Omaha to start to beautify his own place.

It must be almost an even bet which is the biggest risk-going down with a subsea or going up in an airship. A few personal injury verdicts like that

ought to make Omaha the favorite jurisdiction in which to bring damage suits.

Carrying salvation to the heathen in the Ottoman empire is as perflous to life as preaching the gospel in Mexico.

By last report America's cash contributions to the relief of Belgium total \$6,200,00, Our reputation for lavish generosity naturally makes passing the hat" one of the great industries of the year.

It is well enough to be reminded occasionally that "the public school is the mainstay of the republic." But don't forget, either, that "the American home is the safeguard of American

In pressing for higher tariffs on household necessities railroad managers throw discretion to the winds. It is difficult to see how an era of good will can be advanced by direct attacks on individual purses, such as advanced coal rates

How do the business men of Omaha like the way certain newspapers that pretend to stand up for Omaha are throwing brickbats at the Greater Omaha movement? Are the folks who put obstacles in the path of Omaha's progress to get away with it?

Immolation of Immortals.

Our state senators have reluctantly agreed to fix April 8 as the date of final adjournment of the legislature. The agreement is a distinct concession to the urgent demands of the larger body. In one respect it is a sacrifice on the part of the senators, and explains why they hesitated to consider the subject at all.

The sacrifice which the senators make in agreeing to go home for good cannot be appreciated in the full without a close inspection of the senate chamber. Art finds in it a fitting abode. The decorative scheme is a succession of inspiring thrills-so impressive, in fact, that a first-time visitor to the chamber runs the risk of speechless wonderment. Here and there the slow of morning colors radiates from a masterful brush. Aucient history peeps through the dim vistas of Egypt's pyramids, and modern enterprise finds expression in an allegorical bridge over an allegorical creek. The spett of romance sends its tendrils from the battlements of a custie half veiled in the tender light of the moon. Beyond an angry sea rocks a boat of design like unto that on which Noah achieved his reputation as the greatest navigator of his day.

A striking note of the artist is sounded in the golden foliage of the trees, and their inclination to the south delicately points the direction of prevailing winds. Lakes and islands abound, verdure blooms perennially, and the luscious green of alfalfa fields beckons the husbandman to painted wealth.

In such inspiring surroundings the senators have lived and labored for almost three months. They have breathed the spirit of art and weaved it into words and deeds. They have imbibed a love for the beautiful through an atmosphere of art which stalts the senate chamber and ranks it is a class by itself. The sundering of these time in indeed an involuntary sacrifice. In conseating to tear themselves from vistas of delight and colorful uplift the senature manifest the

"Unlucky" Submarines.

From Hopolulu comes another thrilling chapter in the story of the submarine, embellished with a statement that this particular vessel was "unlucky." Danger is always present in this type of fighting craft, which marks in itself man's defiance of certain natural limitations to his sphere of activity. How much of this danger is due to man himself will never be determined. Some of it must ever be charged to the determination of those on board to "make a record." Rivalry between crews in the navy, extending to both officers and men, is intense, and always they are willing "to take a chance," even though it may lead to something that will

surpass the limit of safety. Under water navigation is still in the development stage, and the officers and crews of the submarines are picked men, chosen for their skill and resource in face of danger. While they are trained to the utmost in the requirements of their calling, the human factor still controls, and the ambition to achieve still lures man to death, both above and below the water.

Yet these men do not venture their lives in vain. Death has ever been the portion of intrepid adventurers in tropic jungles and in arctic wastes; in the laboratory and in the open field. The lessons that man has learned, the secrets he has wrung from nature, have been paid for by lives of the daring. And these deaths that point the road to progress serve only to encourage others to follow. It is the sublimation of life to die that others may have advantage.

The submarine may be "unlucky," but those hardy sailors who venture in it below the surface are serving humanity by finding out rules for the guidance of subsea navigators.

Freedom-Academic and Otherwise.

That there are two sides to the question of academic freedom, defined more in detail as "liberty of thought, freedom of speech and security of tenure for teachers," is plainly to be seen from the preliminary report of the joint committee to look into this subject appointed by the American Economic association, the American Sociological society and the American Political Science association, the report being made some time ago, but only now available in printed

The right of the college professor to disclose the results of his study and research, no matter how at variance with previously accepted doctrine, no one denies any more than his right to attend his own church or to affiliate with his own political party. Where academic freedom has been invoked by college professors who have gotten into trouble by too loose talking has usually been where they have expressed opinions regarded as subversive of true morals, sound politics or the real basic interests of the institutions furnishing their bread and butter. The committee report intimates that in most instances the difficulty has arisen less from the opinions expressed than from the questionable propriety of the method of expressing them.

One suggestion, however, invites decided exception—that a distinction should be made between opinions disseminated in the class room or lecture hall and those blazoned on the outside. "Discussions in the class room," says the report, "are not supposed to be formal utterances for the public at large. They are often designed to provoke opposition or to arouse debate. There should be no room for sensational newspaper quotations from such remarks. in foreign countries it is a misdemeanor to publish or otherwise to quote a university lecturer without his consent. Ought not such a practice to be observed in this country?"

This query proposes the amazing contradiction that to safeguard academic freedom we should infringe on the freedom of the press. It goes without saying that what is told students in the class room cannot be kept from circulating outside of the class room, and if a professor makes sensational or idiotic remarks to his students, how can be be assured of protection, whether they find their way into the newspapers or not? If instruction in the class room is to be invested with an impenetrable veil of secrecy, incalculable harm may be done without any opportunity to offeet it.

With due respect to the distinguished members of the committee on academic freedom, from whose report we have quoted. The Bee ventures to champion the view that the safety valve of publicity is as important for the class room as for the rostrum, and that the freedom of the press in its broadest scope is as vital to individual liberty as is academic freedom.

The Massacre at Gulpashan.

The deplorable affair reported from northern Persia, where a massacre of Christians by savage Kurds took place, is an incident of the war made doubly interesting in the United States by reason of the fact that several naturalized American citizens were slain or maltreated. The exposed situation of the mission at Gulpashan puts it almost out of the reach of protection from any civilized power except Turkey, and that country is at war with most of the great powers of the world. The Kurds, nominally under Turkish control, are the Apaches of western Asia, and

held to little discipline. The French and Russian subjects involved in the massacre are enemy aliens, and as such will be considered by the Turkish government. It is quite likely that the attacking tribes did not undertake to discriminate between the citizenship of the Christians being slain, nor is it probable any distinguishing mark would have afforded safety. The niceties of civilized warfare have been frequently ignored by the polished nations of late, and it is too much to expect that savages such as the Kurds will be over particular in the

practice of slaughter and rapine. The perplexity of our government in dealing with the war will be increased by this new complication. In time the United States will probably receive from Turkey an apolosy, similar to and about as comforting as those we have recently had from Mexican marauders.

Regardless of the graft, to make the sheriff's office worth from \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year means to inject the most corrupting influence into the court house, and to set that office up an the capital prize in a political lattery. Restoring the graft means inflating the corruption fund at every election of a sheriff. Why do not the lofty patrioties; which are inetills and immola- other Omaha newspapers join with The See to stop this outrageous steal?

and Interviews By VICTOR ROSEWATER.

CHANGE of ownership within a fortnight of the two corners of the block between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, facing Farnam, for a comed consideration aggregating well above a million causing more talk about the wonderful growth of Omaha than any other single recent happening. These sales are taken as forerunners of improvements that will make old-timers sit up and take notice, and would ilicit gasps of astonishment from the early settlers who used to make their homes in that vicinity if they are still alive. This particular square was diagonal from the dwelling where our family was established, long since become part of the site of the Bee building. On the Seventeenth street corner comprised in the Joslyn purchase stood a square house occupied by the Burleys, and immediately east of that was the Sweezy home. I think there were one or two small rented cottages on the lot adjoining, while the Beard of Trade corner was occupied by a fire engine bouse-I believe it was called Engine House No. 3-though it housed, in addition to the No. 3 Engine and Hose company, the No. 1 hook and ladder. Come to think of it, that was the only hook and ladder apparatus in the city at the time. The building was well back from Farnam street toward the alley, and was surmounted with a cupola in which the fire bell was placed, and this bell sounded out all the alarms, to say nothing of ringing at stated hours to serve householders as a dinner bell. The first tap of the gong meant that all the boys within hearing raced as fast as they could go to Sixteenth and Farnam to watch the fire horses make a flying start on the way to the confingration. The Harney street side of the square was also occupied by dwellings-the Sixteenth street corner by the Wilburs, west of them the Nashes, and still further west the Rustins.

The removal of the Board of Trade building taken away the oldest structure that has remained on the block, all the residences having been either torn down or transplanted to outlying locations.

Talking to Harry Lawrie the other day, he told me that the Board of Trade building was one of the first on whose plans he worked when he made his advent to Omaha as an assistant to Mendelsohn, who was the architect. He added the information that the original specifications left the top two stories alternative because of a shortage of funds in sight, and that only by scraping up more money did it become possible for the builders to go on to the full

All the friends of Gerrit Fort here are sorry to have him go away from Omana, even though the going may be but another step in his upward climb of the rallway ladder. I told him as much while congratulating him on being called to a wider field with larger opportunities for his special talents. The last time. Mr. Fort took his departure from us he went to New York to become assistant to the president of the New York Central. When he returned he carae back to the headship of the passenger traffic of the Union Pacific, and now he is spreading out to take over the supervision and control of the passenger business of the whole system. Mark my word that Mr. Fort will be climbing again before very long. It is notworthy how many of the railroad men who have had their training here in Omaha occupy conspicuous positions in the railway world.

An article in the current issue of the American Magazine entitled "A College Professor With Punch," has a personal interest for me, being, as it is, an culogistic sketch of Prof.-Richard T. Ely, director of the department of political economy at the Univer-Wisconsin, under whom I studied while he was a professor at Johns Hopkins university. The author calls attention to the fact that Prof. Ely was at one time instructor to Woodrow Wilson in economics, and cites a numerous list of former pupils prominent in the public eye. Prof. Ely was asoctated at Johns Hopkins with Prof. Herbert B. dams, and when the latter died a memorial volume was lasted, compiling the bibliography of the literary and research efforts of all the men who had been enrolled under him, and it constituted a most imposing display. That list could be duplicated for Prof. Ely, for practically all of Prof. Adams' students likewise took courses in economica, and if brought forward by adding the work of those who were pupils of Prof. Ely since his transfer to the University of Wisconsin, it would be doubled and trebled, and present an amazing chart of the widespread influence that can radiate from one enthustastic and inspiring teacher.

Twice Told Tales

Ways to Break It. His teacher was having a hard time explaining the

"Tommy, you can learn this if you make up your mind. It's not one bit smart to appear duil. I know that you're just as bright as any boy in the class. temember, Tommy, where there's a will there's"-"Aw," broke in Tommy, "I knew all dat, I do. Me fadder's a lawyer, an' I heard him say it lots o'

"You should not have interrupted me, but I am glad that your father has taught you the old adage. Can you repeat it to me?" "Sure. Me fadder says dat where der's a will der's always a bunch o' poor relatives."-Pittaburgh Chrou-

Told Easily.

icle-Telegraph.

A witty political candidate, running in an agricultural district, after making a speech, announced that he would be glad to answer any questions that might be put to him. A voice came from the audience.

You seem to know a lot, air, about a farmer's difficulties. May I ask a question about a momentous "Certainly," replied the candidate, nervously

"How can you tell a bad egg?" went on the merci-

The candidate waited until the laughter died away, "If I had anything to tell a bad egs, I think J

should break it gently. He won the place,-National Monthly,

Thirty Yeurs ago This Day in Omilhi

The democratic primaries resulted in the capture of the delegates to the city convention in the interest of James E. Boyd for mayor

The county commissioners directed the county attorney to draw the necessary papers to carry out ties transaction by which the county relinquishes for \$15,000 the old court house grounds on Farnam street to the city, to be in turn awapped to W. A. Paxton for similar lots at Etzhteenth and Furnam streets and a \$10.000

One hundred and tree applications to sell liquie in Omaha have been filed with the city clerk, and advance payment filed with about seventy-five or eighty.

The adewalk contract, was let by the Board of Public Works to Charles H. Watson. At a recent resetting of the Omalia club it was

decided to surks the initiation \$50 beginning June L. The club new numbers 140 members. Mr. and Mrs. W. JJ, Whitehouse reichrated the first anniversary of their coarriage at their residence.

1302 Sharman avenue with a company of invited Dr. Edward Wirth, just graduated from the madcal college, was presented with a goldleaded came by William Altatadt, representing a group of admirers, including William Workland, John Brandt, H. Rosena-

weig. William Mack, John Sportl and others.

SECULAR SHOTS AT PULPIT.

Louisville Courier-Journal: "Divorce is ndermining our best society," says an alarmed New York preacher, who doesn't realize that if best society should cave in and disappear vigorous Americans would hardly miss it.

Philadelphia Ledger: Rev. Dr. Lichliter says advertising increased the attendance of his St. Louis church from 190 to 850 and the annual collections from \$6,000 to \$13,000. Very good. The call of the day is to put religion into business. Why not carry business into religion? The church should use every means that is good, and advertising is the live force of the times.

Brooklyn Eagle: The message of Billy funday is the message of all evangelism. In homely, often grotesque language, but always carnestly, he demands the merging of self in the Divine Will. Thomas a Kem. pis formulated that idea; suggested by the words of the Master Himself. It does not belong to Sunday. It does not belong to Protestantism. Strictly and scientifically speaking it does not belong to Christianity exclusively, comes closer than any other idea to be ing the keynote of all religion.

Pittsburgh Dispatch: Too large a proportion of too many congregations fall to give proper thought to how the pastor is to live. There is too general a tendency to trust to Providence to provide for His servant, too much thoughtless faith in the ravens feeding Elijah, too ready harking back to the hand-to-mouth existence of the Apostles. The question comes to just this: If the church is worth anything to you, if you care anything about worship and ministrations, you ought to be as ready and willing to pay for those privileges and the support of those institutions as for any other. If the cost of living has hit you hard, think how it must have hit the pastor and his family. The laborer is worthy of his hire, and surely this should be specially true of those who labor in the Lord's vineyard.

ALOUND THE CITIES.

Philadelphia has 131 families on the mothers' pension roll.

The jitney bus made its first appearance in Minneapolis last week.

Atlanta is showing the trail out of town to beggars, bootleggers and con men. Kansas City's stock yards company rlang to spend \$2,500,000 in improvements this year.

Niagara Falls has a new city hall fever, induced by the scattered condition of city departments. Methodist pastors assembled at Topeka,

Kan., decided to put the ban on automobile joy riding on Sunday. Out in Denver some unknown knockers pald a stone cutter \$55 to chisel the names

of commissioners off the court house tablets. Politics. As a time-saving and speeding-up de vice the street railway company of Milwaukee wants permission to stop cars

only at alternate street corners. The Rotarians of Lincoln are putting steam into the good roads movement in that section and tagging every pound of

pressure with the "Buy Now" label. A society woman in Wichita, Kan., calmly proceeded to entertain guests with luncheon and bridge while the fire department squeiched a fire in the roof of the home. The function set the house afire.

New York City figures an annual saving of \$3,000,000 from the new schedule of telephone rates put in force by the Public Service commission. Uniform 5-cent call rate obtains throughout the greater city.

ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN

Observing hygienic rules, at which doctors stand aghast, Mrs. Mary Brand, oldest resident of Belmont county, celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday anniversary and laughinly predicted that she would at least live to be a hundred. She eats ple before going to bed. Mrs. Frank Scott of Highland, Kan.,

surpised the conductor by presenting one railroad ticket for berself and her thirteen children, who are all under 5 years of age. She has had nineteen children, although married but 19 years, having given birth to triplets five times and to twins twice.

Mrs. May French-Sheldon, F. R. G. S., which means Fellow of the Royal Geographic society, says that the war will have a great influence over marriages of the future. The 70,000 girl babies, born in France and Belgium since the war be gan, will have to be brought up to care for themselves. As so many men have been killed there will not be enough to go around, and there will be more unmarried women in the future than ever before.

Miss Mary Sheppehanks, headquarters' secretary of the International Woman's Suffrage Alliance, has written to correct the idea that any foreign women are "interned" in England. She says that it is rumored that women in the Rhine provinces are shut up in barracks and not allowed to get away, but this is not true of Great Britain. They may not go more than five miles away from the place of residence and all foreign women are registered by the police. They can move if they wish to, but must give notice to the police. They may leave the country if they wish to, but must, of course, have a permit and a passport.

SIGNPOSTS OF PROGRESS.

Wisconsin reports three cases of tripets this year.

An automobile repair course has been added to the curriculum of an Iowa agricultural college. By a new invention the light on the

railroad crossing gate changes automatically as the gate is raised and lowered. The tonnage of the Sault Ste. Marie canal last year was 03.718.384, more than three times greater than that of Sucz.

A San Francisco undertaker has built a funeral automobile that carries thirtyseven persons, in addition to a coffin and ample space for flowers.

George Drumbeller, whose ranch covers housends of acres near Walla Walla. Wash, received a check for \$36,362 for his Wheat crop of 196,362 bushels. move this crop required lift cars, or four solid trains.

Again take heart and cheer up? "Anything," says the fashion case, "that looks quaint and old-fashioned will be in style." So, you see, you will not have ony trouble at all about getting by with your A campaign for the promotion of the

fast spring's suit. fire prevention movement is to be started in the public schools of New York. A look is to be prepared, touching the children how to prevent fires, and giving useful instruction on the various causes and means of preventior

People and Events

By inducing his tentl-hitters to pay up their household bills, Rev. Billy Sunday managed to send a welcome slice of salvation to Philadelphia grocers and meat shops.

"Not all weddings are quiet." remarks the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, "though that's chiefly the kind that the society reporter finds. At a wedding in Indiana the roof fell in."

"Beer Soars in Munich" is a recent headline scream on war news. usually goes up before it goes down, but soaring squints at aviators taking on fresh ammunition.

A preacher who is a candidate for mayor of Greenwich, Conn., promises if elected to make the place like heaven. As he cannot furnish plans and specifications of the other place, Greenwichers regard his promises as seasonable caloric.

The wets in the lowa legislature managed to induce the drys to include flying machines and submarines in the list of prohibited vehicles of booze. It took a diagram of the subsea impossibilities of the Des Moines river to convince the drys that they were kidded.

Because the Denver Post presumed to speak about the members in a red ink voice the Colorado legislature expelled the paper's reporters from the legislative the paper's reporters from the legislative with golden har, blue eyes, pretty figure and resingles. makers in red and black, and demands doctor with some authority. "What you want is a front seat at a musical commakers in red and black, and demands

A former belihop of Chicago, who has been promoted via the tip route to the proprietorship of a hostelry, tips off the route to success for the tipaters at the oottom. "Don't waste time on hig bugs." "Shower attentions on the women. If they tip at all, they tip liberally. Play the heneymooners hard, the men like to make a splurge before their brides. Don't persecute tightwads-shame them by faultless service. Above allsave."

In seeing America first the most fastidious of globe trotters can be shown scenic wonders equal to the best abroad. even though they lack the ancient atmosphere. For example: Buffalo with its falls, Cleveland and its famous anclent depot, Lago di Michigano and the Swiss chalets of Chicago, Omaha with its Castle, the unrivaled spoutings of Old Faithful in the Yellowstone, the smoke puffs of Mount Lassen in the Slerras and the periodic bot blasts of Bumnas Hill. An unrivaled layout, warranted to make the fattest purse perspire with joy.

QUAINT BITS OF LIFE.

Mrs. William Caritale of Ellendale, Del. until a few days ago in all her fifty years never had seen a trolley car, a telephone or an auto.

Daniel Desh. 70 years old, a farmer. residing one and one-half miles south of Macungie, Pa., enjoyed his first ride on a trolley car recently. Riley Bradford of Friendship, Me.,

has the oldest continuous subscription to

a Portland paper. This subscription has been in the Bradford family ever since the paper was first issued in 1800. Sometimes at the birth of a Japanese baby a tree is planted, which must remain untouched until the marriage of the child. When the nuptial hour arrives

the tree is cut down and a skilled cabinet

maker transforms the wood into furniture for the house of the young people. While hundreds of travelers were surging through the concourse of the Union station in Memphis, Tenn., and train bells were ringing, the Rev. Frank B. Shepherd of Charleston, Miss., and Miss Annie

the women's waiting room of the station. While surveying near the boundary, between Wisconsin and Illinois, Bob Caldwell was unable to find fifteen of the miniature monuments, each of which weigh several hundred pounds, which designate the boundary line. After a diligent search he found all of them neatly piled in a garden nearby. The residents had found the stones a nulsance while digging their gardens.

Georgia has gone dry, and Congressman Adamson tells this story apropos of the fact. One of the colored hands asked the boss to lend him \$2 to buy a pair of "What do you want with shoes?" inquired his employer. "Never saw you wear shoes yet. I've seen you around here barefooted from May to December. and you never seemed to miss shoes."
"Yes, sir, dat's right," was the reply. Nevah felt de need of shoes before. But since Georgia went prohibition dere's so many broken bottles lyin' 'round dat I can't walk ten steps without cutting my feet."

TABLOIDS OF SCIENCE.

The world's greatest lodine works are in Chile, having an annual output of 400,000 pounds. That growing plants will turn toward

light has been proved by a Vienna actentist. Wireless telegraph waves are propagated along the surface of the earth with a velocity slightly less than 186,000 miles

radium emanations as they do toward

an hour. In cooking a perfectly fresh egg it should be allowed to boil at least half a minute longer than one which is several days old.

Raw cabbage, eaten without any dreasing or with salt, olive oil and lemon juice, is recommended by many physicians as an aid to digestion.

It is possible for the human ear to distinguish sounds over a range of about eleven octaves, but only seven and a third octaves are used in music.

As a standard apparatus for measuring dust and soot in the air a committee of English scientists has recommended a rain gauge with a wide collecting area. the water finding its way into a bottle for analysis.

BROKEN THREADS.

A flercy cloud swapt overhead
On friendship's sky,
Scarce larger than a woven thread,
A breath a sigh,
Its shadow was transparent dew,
That cast itself twist me and you,
So silently we never knew
That it was nigh.

A single breath might have dispelled The cloud o'er head. A single weed might have withheld The shadow's spread. But though each heart with pain was Each eye was turned, each tengue was Though each longed for a word to come. No word was said.

Est notwithstanding that each seni.
With angulah cried.
The hearts of us that should be warm,
Were filled with pride.
The clouds sprond swift, until at last
All friendship's sky was overcast.
The shadown darkened as they passed;
And friendship died.
Omate.
—DAVID.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Young Turk—The harem women throughout the nation are making a threatening suff demonstration.

Grand Vizier—More of those veiled threats, ch?—Judge.

"What makes you think America has a great musical future?"
"The noise we can make at an electior or a ball game shows that we have great voices. All they need is a little cultivation."—Washington Star.

"Another embezziement, I see. Isn't it sidd that these are always committed by trusted clerks?"

"Not at all. The ones that are not the money."

"Not at all. The ones that are not rusted never get a chance at the money." Boston Transcript. "Do the people of your church dance?"
"I'm sorry to say they do."

Don't the people of your church "No. They only think they do."-Cleve-

When the milkman goes on the stand a witness, he will meet with a fitting

"How so?"
"They'll pump him."-Baltimore Amer-

"Wombat used to be a great outdoor man and all around sport. Is he recon-ciled to married life?"

"I think so. I called on him recently and found him sifting ashes with an old tennis racquet."—Kansas City Journal.

and melodious voice."
"You don't want a nurse," retorted the want is a front seat at a musiciedy."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

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