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Thought for the Day. Selected by Mary Austin. Let each make the best use of our natural abilities, and, with the blessing of God, we shall arrive at some good end.

It is the wise lawmaker who takes his twilight sleep with at least one eye peeled.

It's a long, long way to a salary of \$4,500 a year, and political submarines infest the route.

Some people do not seem to know a good thing when they have it—for example, our graft-greedy sheriff.

As the weather man has failed miserably, let the spring poets fall the task of tying the can on the departing March lion.

When the legislature adjourns, perhaps our Water board manager may find time to figure out that overdue water rate reduction.

Let history be revised. General Hugh L. Scott proved by his dealings with the Plutes that a good Indian is not necessarily a dead one.

Turkey's promises of protection for missionaries would be more reassuring if Turkey had the means and the disposition to strangle its fanatics.

One Nebraska town is confronted with a reminder of the past by the resurrection of a populist ticket in its municipal campaign. Anyone seen a bull moose ticket anywhere?

It is absurd to suppose that an examination fee of \$5 generates the steam behind the eugenics bill in the legislature. The sole object of the bill is the conservation of the human race.

From the gossip flowing from his visit abroad, it is gathered that Colonel House found the concert of the powers a discordant musical performance. As much was suspected on this side.

It seems a mistake to us to limit the Auditorium bond proposition to \$150,000, with no margin above the purchase price for needed betterments. It is too much like taking two bites at a cherry.

Omaha's latest bank consolidation converts a state bank into a national bank. Evidently a national bank charter is still considered desirable regardless of the deposit guaranty feature of our state bank system.

If those county officers would work for the public half as hard as they are working on the legislature to double their terms without going before the voters for a new commission, the taxpayers would have something to show for it.

Speaker Champ Clark gives out the cheering assurance that there won't be a man out of work in this country by the Fourth of July. He might have added that Champ Clark will hit the chautauqua hard to make up a year's lost time.

Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha. The democratic city convention nominated a straight party ticket as follows: For mayor, James E. Boyd; for auditor, Frederick S. Lewis; for treasurer, Truman Buck; for police judge, August Wales; for councilmen, Thomas Lowry, Louis Schroeder, Julius Meyer, C. S. Goodrich, Thomas Dally, Peter O'Malley; for school board, H. G. Clark, J. P. English and J. P. Lomb.

The water works company is pumping through the city mains 5,000,000 gallons daily, which would make the annual consumption something like 1,800,000,000 gallons. The Omaha Glee club has arranged with Prof. Max Guebert of the Mendota Quintette club of Boston to join them in a concert in May. At the home literary circle party at the residence of Joseph Redman, a farce, entitled "A Quiet Family," was put on with parts taken by Louis Littlefield, Delos Beall, J. H. Conrad, J. W. Garrison, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Frank Bailey, Miss Belle Hambricht and Miss Jennie Schert.

Statecraft Subject to Change.

If Italy, as seems imminent, should enter the present war, the action will simply emphasize the fallibility of statecraft, by bringing to an end the dreibund, which for so long a time dominated the affairs of Europe, and in a large measure those of the world.

For twenty-five years England and France, each with its own purpose to serve, have sought for a combination that would offset the strength of the dreibund. Russia was unapproachable, having been considered favorable in certain phases of the alliance, until after the war with Japan.

In reviewing the steps by which the nations of Europe have approached the struggle that is now being so disastrously waged, the observer can not fail being impressed by the selfishness of the nations as exhibited in their policies.

Strength of Omaha Banks.

Another merger between local banking firms calls attention to the fact that a number of such have taken place in the past, and with the invariable result that the consolidated institution has developed into one of the leaders.

The Police Court Grist.

The current issue of "Municipal Statistics" gives in detail the report of the Omaha police department for the year 1914, which furnishes a lot of food for thought.

The Work of One Pastor.

Palm Sunday was observed in Omaha much as usual, by the confirmation of large numbers of persons in their religious professions, and their formal union with the church of their adoption.

Twice Told Tales

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War Finances.

An English girl was reproved for engaging herself to no less than four of the boys who went to the front. "It's not them all away happy," answered the guilty one.

War and the Fish Supply

National Geographic Magazine.

WITH its war zones and counter war zones, its mined areas, its hostile fleets and its heavily defended shores, the North sea, in a few months, has been transformed from one of the richest food-producing areas in Christendom into a region upon whose mastery may depend the starvation of one or the other of the mightiest nations of the earth.

The lesson of the present war to the inhabitants of Neptune's world is that it is an ill wind that blows nobody good. But yesterday thousands of steam trawlers pursued their way up and down the fishing grounds of the North sea, gathering in, with their vast nets untold millions of fish.

We in America, where fish forms such a minor part of our daily diet, and where so many fish that we eat are grown in our rivers and bays, under a great American-originated system of fish culture, find it hard to realize how serious in their proportions and how far-reaching in their consequences are the results of the practical closing down of the fisheries of the North sea.

Europe has depended very much on these fisheries for its daily diet. More than half of all the fish produced on all the fishing grounds operated by Europeans are caught within the limited territory that constitutes the North sea fishing grounds.

The vast proportion of the fish consumed in Europe is salt fish. The fresh fish go to the tables of the rich, while the herring and other salted varieties are consumed principally by the masses.

Many regions around the North sea live almost entirely by their fishing industry. The Orkneys and the Shetland islands have almost no other activities. Lerwick, the principal town of the islands, in winter has a population of 4,000. In summer this grows to 10,000 and everybody is busy with the fisheries.

In Great Britain the fishing industry is centralized in a few large ports; in France it is scattered among a great many small ports. Grimsby is the fishing capital of the world, with an annual output of perhaps 200,000 tons of fish. The territory which constitutes the North sea fishing grounds is strikingly limited in area compared to its importance.

Great Stuff.

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Mr. Rounder lay in the hospital with a broken leg and a bruised head. But these weren't worrying him most.

New Yorker.

There in the morning paper was the whole story of one too many joy rides, chorus girls and all, starting from page one.

The Bee's Letter Box

Curing the Dope Habit.

SHELDON, Wyo., March 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: As a homeopathic physician who has practiced medicine since St. Patrick's day, 1861 I cannot refrain from replying to the communication entitled "Hope for Drug Victims," by "Cured in Five Days."

I agree wholly with all he says in the first half of his communication. In over thirty-three years' practice of medicine I have not used over a dram of morphine, or any other form of opium, and only then in cases where the patients had become used to it at the hands of old school physicians and I gave way to their pleadings.

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The Appalling Waste of Time.

TILDEN, Neb., March 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: When the door is opened and the way to the school is pointed out to the child, the heart of the fond parent sinks into a state of despair to think of the labyrinth of orthographical complexities that this mind must traverse in order to arrive at a few facts.

Editorial Siftings

Pittsburgh Dispatch: It is one of the heretofore unpublished secrets of the capital that President Wilson's determination to stick to Washington this spring is due to his desire not to interfere with Secretary Bryan's lecture engagements.

Ground Floor Room.

Especially adapted for printing office. This has been occupied by a printer for many years and on account of its location in an office building and in the heart of the office building district, the location itself is an asset in this business or any similar business.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

Mrs. Crawford—How do you like your new apartment? Mrs. Crabshaw—It isn't as nice as the one we left, but the neighbors will never know that our car is merely the old one repainted.—Judge.

"I suppose Turkey will be annihilated." "Well," replied the industrious humorist, "I don't know that it makes much difference to me. The Thanksgiving joke was about played out, anyhow."—Washington Star.

"Now, Dorothy," said the teacher to a small pupil, "can you tell me what a panther is?" "Yeth, ma'am," lisped Dorothy. "A panther is a man that makth panth."—Chicago News.

"I like acting with spirit to it," said the great star, "but that girl has too much spirit to suit me."

"You are the logical candidate," they said, thinking to please him.

"I am not," he growled back at them. "I am in this fight to win."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"I should like to make a suggestion as to the portrait." "Madam," said the tatty artist, "so you think you can tell me anything about painting your face?" "Well, I've had considerable experience with this face," responded she, "for she had a sense of humor."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

KABIBBLE KABARET. I DON'T RAISE MY UMBRELLA TO PROTECT A FAT MAN. THERE'S ONLY ROOM FOR ONE—THE ONE IS ME. I LIKE TO BE POLITE, BUT YOU MUST UNDERSTAND AN UMBRELLA AINT A WANNING. DON'T YOU SEE?

Of Special Interest to Housekeepers. This is the first of a series of practical talks that will appear in this space every week. It will pay you to read them carefully. They will contain nothing that is not absolutely true, and will prove helpful to the housekeeper in the selection or use of a common, everyday food necessity.

They always come back for MOORE. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO. New York.

Only three offices but very choice ones. There are still but three offices on the rental list of the building. We had some sixth floor space, which we offered a few days ago, and this is now taken. The space offered is very desirable, if it meets your requirements.