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#### Thought for the Day Selected by Helen Longsdorf

Go, take that task of yours which you have been heritating before, and shrinking, and walk-ing around, and on this very day lift it up and do it - Phillips Brooks.

Time for spring housecleaning!

It devolves upon the supreme court to thresh out the Harvester cass.

Wheat is coming down to reachable prices, but what about the bakers' loaf?

Dixie's glad hand to Jess Willard draws its chief inspiration from the shade of the vanquished.

The slate-makers are discovering that it is order to mix wels and drys than it is to mix off and water.

It is probable, however, that King Albert did not receive the usual message of birthday greeting from the kaiser.

Whatever else may be said about it, our Neranka National Guard has put up a valiant fight for an appropriation.

It is proposed now to prohibit prize fighting in Cuba. Nothing like locking the stable door after the horse is stolen.

Calling into service 10,000 mon for railroad work in the west pipes from the whistle of prosperity its merriest scream.

Pittiess publicity could scarcely find worthier objects of illumination than those who shunt their poor relations on the county. Turn on

The state recognizes automobile art by provicing various colors for license plates. Nobracks mud and dust will give the finishing

Still, it's some concession for a lawyer to admit that there are black sheep in the profession who indulge in ambulance-chasing and other

crooked practices. Senator Norris charges President Wilson with being the most partisan executive ever in the White House. Surely, the senator could not have been so guileless as to expect enything dif-

Germany maintains that the sinking of the American steamer Prys was strictly in accordance with the London rules, nevertheless Germany will pay the bill, out of respect for existing treatles.

The end of the civil war came so suddenly fifty years ago that people could scarcely make themselves realize it. That is what is likely to happen again when the present European war reaches its finish.

Municipal ownership in Omaha is not rearded in the slightest degree by Governor Morehead's vete of the water works electric light bill. What it does retard is the development of the Water board political machine-



Miss Mamie Sheary gave a card party at the Mit-lard last night, among those present being the Missis Enlocunts, Dixon Lancer, Lake, Dams, Sichardson, Neitle Smith, Julia Smith, Mys. J. C. Howard, Mrs. Surke, Mrs. Watson and Messrs. Barke, Morris, Cowin, Berlin, Rogery, Raff, Ringwalt, Dickey, Leh-iner, Chase, Hulth Bosse, Ogten and Lientenant Howard. The prises were a hand painted plaque, a work basist, a watch charm and a hand painted portfolio, while Warren Rogers got a whistbroom

Policeman White jost his etar, No. 4, while remning on Sixteenth street. The finder will confer a favor by leaving it at police beedquarters.

The Counts Turnveren filed articles of incorpora-

Major Crier of Southport, England, and Philadel-phia, is in Omaha on a visit. He purchased some property here in 1854, and expresses himself as much pieceed, as well as surprised at the city's remarkable

Mrs. Menry Beach of Hamburg, In., is the quest of Mrs. Mewart, 1811 Chicago street.

Clean Up! Paint Up! Spruce Up! The annual clean-up season is upon us, and every householder must feel the impulse to emulate the forces of nature by making things look fresh and attractive about his premises. Inevitable winter accumulations of refuse and fifth should be promptly cleared away and houses and yards put in spick-and-span condition. The clean-up campaign, however, should not be confined merely to setting the place in order, but should include improvements and embellishments that will enhance the attractiveness of

the city as a whole, It is wonderful what a transformation a coat of fresh paint, a sprinkling of grass seed and the planting of a few flowers will work. The garden contests are on for the young folks, but the clean-up, paint-up and spruce-up job belongs also to the grownups, and all should do their

While we are trying to induce people traveling across the continent to stop off in Omaha and see our city, we must make it good to look at. If every one will exert himself to even a moderate degree, the united effort will be certain to produce results by impressing our visitors favorably, to say nothing of the pleasure and comfort we ourselves will derive.

Germany's Attitude on Contraband.

The language of the German note on /the Frye case indicates that Germany is at one with Great Britain and France in the interpretation to be placed on the Declaration of London, so far as it affects contraband of war. Captain von Thierichsen's action in sinking the Frye and its cargo of wheat is justified on the grounds that the destination of the vessel was a fortified port In an enemy country, and that the consignment "to order" did not indicate that the cargo was not intended for enemy use. On this theory the seisure was legal, and it was laid on the owners of vessel and cargo to prove its innocence. Expediency warranted the captain of the Eitel indestroying the Frye and its cargo.

However, under treatles between the United States and Prussia, it is agreed that "contraband belonging to the subject or citizens of either party cannot be confiscated by the other in any case, but only detained or used in consideration of payment of the full value of the same." This will send the case of the Frye to a German prize court, wherein will be determined the value of the ship and cargo, its owners and the damages to be paid, and the case will be settled without in any way involving the general situation-

The general tenor of the note is such as gives Germany a slight lead over Great Britain in the little game of diplomatic finesse being played, while the ocean-wide blockade is not relaxed by either belligerent. Another chapter of this serial will be due soon.

## The Light Bill Veto.

Governor Morehead's veto of the Water board electric lighting bill, we take it, coming at this stage of the procedure, puts the finishing touch on the present measure.

The Bee has already made plain its position with reference to this bill by pointing out the weak spots, and advising amendment to cure palpable defects. We told just what in our judgment the essential amendments should be, namely, a complete divorcement of every municipally owned public utility from politics, and to construct. Instead of making these necessary amendments, the aponsors undertook to save the bill by a purchase provise by the discredited three-appraiser plan which had proved so sostly to the taxpayers in the segulattion of the water works.

As the governor emphasizes, municipal ownership is not involved so long as the city has the right to go into the lighting business, and to buy, condemn or build as it sees fit, but, unlike him, we are not solicitious about the electric lighting company, which is doubtless able to look after its own interests. The real justification of the vato lies in the protection it gives the people of Omaha against being put at the mercy of the electric lighting company by the dangerous three-appraiser scheme.

### After the War.

Industrial experts are already looking ahead to what will happen after the war. The concensus of opinion among the technical leaders is that the cossation of hostilities will be immediately followed in the United States by the resumbtion of activity on many enterprises that have been suspended or postponed, and that this will bring an unprecedented demand for men and money. The restoration of Europe will provide occupation for the men of its disbanded armies, but where the capital to finance that stupendous task is coming from is the question. America will offer far, the more attractive field for investment, because of the stability of its government and the perpetuity of the security offered. Points involved in this problem are being carefully considered, so that, while the United States may be unprepared for war, it will not be found unready for the greatest campaign of industrial activity the world has ever

## Restoring Confidence.

Reports from national bank examiners, made to the Treasury department, are taken as basis for assertions that business is on the upgrade again in the United States. This news ought to be most welcome, and would be of great help were it not accompanied by the statement that the demand for money is still light, showing that little extension of enterprise is under way. Nobranks is one of the most prosperous states in the most prosperous section of the country, according to the reports, and on this fact its people are to be congratulated-

The inquiry and its report are apparently part of efforts now being made by the administration to offset the effects of its "reform" measures, which disturbed business more than did the war. The people of the country earnestly wish for the restoration of business conditions that prevailed under republican policles. The true revival of commercial and industrial activity in the United States will come only when the administration at Washington is put back on a sound basis.

Germany acknowledges its obligation to pay indemnity for destroyed American merchantmen. We will have a few claims also to settle with Great Britain before the war is over.

## A Contemporary Account

Written by a War Correspondent.

ERE is a contemporary account of Appomatex being the dispatch sent to the New York Herald by its special war correspondent, S. Cadwallider, under date of "Appenatox Court House, April 10, and appearing in that paper in its issue of

"My dispatch of yesterday was hurriedly closed by the departure of the Herald messanger for City Point. My dispatch of today shall be confined to some additional details of the great-culminating event of the rebellion as they represented themselves to me. without much regard to importance or order.

"The appointment of officers to carry out the

terms of surrender were made by both parties during the night, and a conference between Generals Grant and Lee was on the brow of the hill, one-fourth of a north of the court house, at 10 p. m. General Grant and staff had hardly arrived when General Lec. accompanied by an orderly, galloped up the hill and rode to the side of the Beutenant general. General Grant's staff, General Ord and staff, General Griffin and staff, General Gibbon and staff, were all on the ground, grouped in a semi-circular position. country to the southward was open, cultivated land. The court house stands on a ridge, or a continuation of small hills, extending east and west.

"Lee's army tay on a parallel ridge with a ravine and rivulet between, nearly north of our forces. The head of his column was mainly composed of trains and artillery. The infantry and cavalry brought up the rean. Consequently but a small portion of the rebel army was visible from the court house.

'As Lee rode up the hillside on a gallop, General Grant stepped his horse forward two or three rods to meet him. Lee rode squarely up, satuted in military form, and wheeled his horse side by side to the left of General Grant. The two chieftains then entered into onversation which lasted nearly two hours, until the officers appointed on both sides to carry out the terms of surrender had reported for duty. The tableau at this time was the finest ever witnessed. The two distinguished leaders of the mightlest hosts of the world sat quietly in their saddles, discussing the past, present and future, in free and easy off-hand con-

During the convergation General Lee stated that if General Grant had acceded to his proposal for a personal interview some weeks ago peace undoubtedly ould have resulted therefrom. Much of their conversation, of course, was private and unheard. But enough was gleaned to know that Lee acknowledged himself completely beaten, the power of the Southern Confederacy utterly destroyed and any Purther promulgation of the war a uscless effusion of blood. The opinion was universal among rebel officers that Johnston would surrender to Sherman without a battle on hearing that the Army of Northern Virginia had done so to General Grant.

Shortly before il o'clook the interview between the generals ended by Lee saluting and riding slowly down the slope, across the hollow and into the camp on the hill beyond. General Grant turned the head of his thoroughbred Cincinnatus toward the court house, followed by his staff and a long retinue of

"Within half an hour thereafter the officers designated by General Grant to carry out the stipulations of surrender arrived and were accompanied by a large number of noted rebel officers. The large ver anda and yard in front was soon filled with groups of union and rebel officers in earnest conversation. Half the "regulars" on either side found some old acquaintance or West Point classmate among the others, and the greetings in many instances were warm and unaffected. The men who but the day were seeking each other's destruction now chatted quietly together, recalled the incidents of the past and gave in their open countenances evidences of honest respect. Almost the first question from rebel officers were, "Well, what are you going to do

officers that the United States government had pledged itself to grant no amnesties for the offense of treason and that they must all hank together or ademnation powers in addition to authority hang separately. On learning that General Grant perate situation, but had voluntarily extended to them the same magnanimous terms offered two days before and refused by General Lee, they expressed themselves exceedingly gratified. Discussion of the matter among themselves seemed to greatly strengthen this feeling. All admitted that their army had no further power of resistance and that it was compelled to surrender on our own terms. They appeared surprised to find no exhibition of vindictiveness on our part, Judging of their hearty concessions of generals and liberal treatment by us, one would conclude they expected to have been chained together as felons to grace the triumphal march of our victorious general.

> "At first some may be inclined to think General Grant not sufficiently exacting. But no one who witnessed the behavior of the rebel officers and listened to their conversation on the subject, could long doubt the window of his policy.

> "Lee's whole army goes hope delighted that they are out of the service and grateful to General Grant for sparing them all unnecessary humiliation. The moral effect of this on the masses of the southern people cannot be overestimated."

### Twice Told Tales

His Undoing. Henry P. Davison of the Morgan banking firm was

talking about international marriages: "Well," he said, "I know of one international marriage that failed, thank goodness, to come off. The girl was the daughter of a Paint Rock millionaire e man was a count, a Spanish count.
"The count was absent-minded. That was his un-

The girl's father save a dinner for him in the Paint Rock castle overlooking Paint Rock, and at the dinner's end the count got up to light a cigaret,

and then, by Jove, he started to remove the plates. "The guests watched him in an open-mouthed st-His napkin along over his arm, he had got nearly all the plates removed when his millionaire host said to him, sently:

"Wake up, George; you're not waiting in the beanery now, you know. You're pretending you're a count in Paint Rock. Walte up, man, for gracious sake!" "-Washington Star.

The Lap of Luxury. One afternoon the teacher of a public school in the country spoke to the young children relative to common phrases and questioned them as to the meaning

of certain terms. For instance," remarked the teacher, addressing the whole class, "what is meant by the lap of luxury?" "Please, Miss Mary," exclaimed a little girl, with brightening countenance, "I can tell your" "Very well, Sadie," encouragingly responded the

"What is it?" "It means." was the triumphant rejoinder of the small pupil. "when the cat sneaks into the pantry and licks the cream off the milk."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

The Final Question.

"Em. for goodness' sake, get those kids to bed," grumbled Jenkins, who had valuey tried to settle down for a quiet five minutes. The young Jenkinses went aloft, and there seen

ome prospect of peace until Harold, the eldest, who had been allowed half an hours grace, began butting in with his ridiculous queries.

"What on earth do you want now?" damanded the haransed parent, as he desperately flung down the

"Well, dad, did Adam only have one name?"
"Of course he did. Now, look here, any more slily
quostions and you go to bed, too, my son." "Yes, pa, but can't I ask a little bit raore about that question?" Go on with it," said the patient pa. "And, mind,

this is the very last."
"Well, was Asiam his first name or his last name?" -Buffalo Enquirer.



Brief contributions on timels topics invited. The Hee assume no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters only lect to condensation by editor.

No Fads for President Ernst. OMAHA, April 2.-To the Editor of The Bee: I have read with interest the cor munications in the daily press signed "Knott Abitt Faddie." I wish to state emphatically that ever since I was first elected a member of the school board at Lincoln, many years ago, I have personally been opposed to fads-nor am I the only member of the present Omaha school board who is "not a bit faddy." I fully agree with those who hold that the necessity of a High School of Commerce, as at present operated, is at least. debatable. I fear that much time is being wasted by being devoted to the mere study of stenography, typewriting, bookkeeping and telegraphy, which ought to be devoted to studies of broader cultural scope, I confess that I have not had time to look into facts in detail, but that is my present impression. I have not heattated to indicate my opinions to my colleagues of the Board of Education and to Superintendent Graff, I had a long interview with M. Graff about two weeks ago

and I have a lotter wherein he put him-

self on record in part as follows:

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An ideal plan for the solution of the present difficulties would be to erect a building adjacent to the Central High school for the purpose of accommodating the commercial department. Such a building should be large enough to take care of the manual training department of the Central High school or else two buildings should be erected—one for each department. The manual training at present is unsatisfactorily housed and cannot be provided for in a building of a type of the Central High school.

The advantages of this plan are obvious: First, it would centralise the management and reduce overhead expenses to a minimum. Second, it would avoid fuplication of courses and duplication of equipment. Third, it would enable any high school pupil to take any of the various lines of work offered without confining him rigidity to a single department.

Prior to Saptember, 1913, commercial instruction was given at the Central High. struction was given at the Centra High school in the same way as there existed and "English" course and a "classical" one branch of regular high school work may be necesary and perfectly justifiable is possibly true, or, to put it in another way, there are probably many children in a city like Omaha whose parents might insist on some fundamental training along "commercial" lines at public expense. But they should not be permitted to "bulge" in that direction to the neglect of studies promoting general culture. That the money required for a building to "house" the pupils now growded into the Leavenworth street school and a lot of wholly unfit storerooms in that vicinity should be separately

ated from enrollment as pupils of our public school system. I do not think that the question of an additional building, absolutely and unavoidably needed, and which it is proposed to erect upon or immediately adacent to the Central High school campus, has anything to do with the question of the status which commercial or recational education shall hereafter ofcupy in our educational system. Mr. Graff's letter, concurring with my own general idea, that the couple, "divorced" three years ago when the Commercial independent entity, shall be "reunited" in some form upon or adjacent to the Central High school campus, and the impossibility of crowding any part of the present 800 students enrolled in the ercial High into the present Central High school building, ought to be sufficient reason for the expenditure of the necessary money to erect the addi-ditional building needed, upon or adjacent to the Central High campus.

voted on I do not concur in, unless the

young men and women now thus im-

properly housed must be wholly elimin-

The people of this city owe it to the children now in the public schools of "Greater Omaha" to vote that million dollars of bonds, not a dollar of which, I think I can saure them, will be wasted

The Socialism Phoenix.

OMAHA, April 9.-To the Editor of The Bee: The result of the primary election no doubt brought joy to every debauch ing, expiciting element of our municipal life. As a socialist, I must confess considerable dissappointment. But the socialist spirit is supremely optimistic. It surspor to Sirther activity. Sustained by that spirit, the socialists of Omaha continue the fight and will never cease fighting till they have captured not only Omaha but, with their comrades elsewhere, have taken the world. The fight goes on. It is a stubborn one, but it will end in victory for the socialists, a victory as complete as their defeat today. " "Tomorrow belongs to socialism."

EDMUND R/ BRUMBAUGH. and North Twenty-eighth Street.

Too Near the Duors. OMAHA, April 2-To the Editor of The Bee: Another election day has past into history, bringing joy for some of the candidates and disappointment for others. There is a polling law, if I am not mis-taken, which forbids men distributing cards and slate tickets from approaching within a certain distance of the polls. visited practically every precinct in the city on Tuesday and, with bot a few exceptions, found men and boys congregated so thickly about the doors that it was impossible for a voter to pass through without being burlened with a basket full of campaign literature. The distribution of such cards is proper enough if done in accordance with the T. T. TRENTON.

Makes a Correction. SOUTH OMAHA, April 8 .- To the Editor of The Bee: In my letter in regard to additional city commissioners for the territory to be consolidated with Omaha. some one made a "misque" by leaving out a part of what I intended to say. You have it that I said, "Have the charter so amended that the two addithe 4th day of May." What I did say was, "Have the charter so amended that the two additional commissioners would be elected for a term that would expire at the same time as the terms of the commissioners who will be elected on the 4th day of May."

By giving the newly added district to Omaha two city commissioners we could have about the same proportion as now exists in Gmaha proper. All with whom I have talked approve of my suggestions and it will make the cause for annexation all the stronger by giving us two additional commissioners to be elected after we are annexed to Omaha. By letting the outside district elect two additional commissioners it will the more strongly coment the union F. A. AGNEW.

#### SAID IN FUN.

What is that noise Maude is making out there?"
"I don't know whether she is trying
her Wagnerian solo or practicing her new
class yell."—Baltimore American.

"What's the matter with your wife, "She's got a case of flat tire."
"Whaddye mean, a flat tire?"
"She's wearying of living in a flat."
Tousion Post.

"I struck the boss for a raise this morn-ng: told him I'd grown gray in his

service."
"Whet did he say?"
"He said if I had worked anywhere else
I would have probably grown bald."Boston Transcript.

"She intended to refuse him, but she is such a lover of bargains that she could not." "How was that?"
"He looked so cheap when she turned him down that she knapped him up."—Houston Post.

KABIBBLE KABARET ELPHABET ICHERS STENDS FOR ELPHABET
YOU KNOW, THE "A B C"
I WENT TO SCHOOL, BUT I FORGET WHAT'S EFTER LETTER"Z"

"I understand you are the press agent for the college girls' play."

"Yes, I'm getting out some of the stuff."

"What you working on—the cast of characters?"

"Cast of characters? No, no! Nobody cares for that. This is the list of patron-esses."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

d'Mon are too easy with their wives. They should assert themselves more, and make the women understand they are to obey, and not command. That's my creed."

'Tm with you. Have a cigar?"

'Don't care if I do if you don't mind coming outside. My wife won't allow me to smoke in the house."—Baitlmore American.

"No money, no trunks," said the lrate landlerd. "If you don't pay your board bill, we hold your trunks till you do. "Spiendid!" said Dedbroks. "That'll

save me the expense of storage on these things of mine until next season. By-bal old man!"—Judge.

According Company

"I don't think a man who hires a law-yer displays much judgment in insisting on picking his own jury."
"Don't eh?"
"No: it looks almost as footish as a

doctor's patient insisting on designating his own medicine."—Louisville Courier-Journal. "The duke is fearfully jealous," re-marked the helvess.
"Worries him to see you look at an-other man, eh?"
"No; but it gives him the shudders every time I spend any of my money."— Pittaburgh Post.

"Why did that girl marry Mr. Addie-well?"
"Some idea of precedence. I suppose. She wanted to be among those who lead the list in the city directory."—Washington Star.

Madge—I don't think there'd be any fun in voting, anyhow.

Marjorie—Sure there would. If a woman you didn't like were running, you could get all the fudge and soda you wanted out of her, and then vote against her.—Judge.

#### SCOTTISH FRIENDSHIP.

Cincinnati Times-Star. Two canny Scots, the story goes, were Two canny Scota, the story goes, were drinking at an mn.
And stowed away beneath their kilts a good supply of sin.
Like Tam O'Shanter and his chum, they noticed not the hour.
Nor thought they or their scoiding wives, disconsolate and sour.
McDougall swore to Sandy that their friendship should endure,
And Sandy bought a round to make the obligation sure.
They laughed and wept together, and chuckled and caroused.
And left the inn at midnight, in a state that's known as "bound."

Now Sandy was a rugged man, who had an iron will.

And though he had within him what would stock the average "still."

He resolutely plugged along, swaying from left to right.

Until Modbougall slipped and fell, it was a sorry sight.

"McDougall, are you doon?" he cried, "Ay, Sandy," said his friend.

And flat upon his face he key, his journey at an end.

Then Sandy said, "MoDougall, I have not the strength to guide ye.

Nor carry ye clear hame, and so I'll just lay doon beside ye."



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# World Motor Bike Free



A picture of the bicycle will be in The Bee every day.

Cut them all out and ask your friends to save the pictures in their paper for you, too. See how many pictures you can get and bring them to The Bee office, Saturday, April 10.

The bicycle will be given Free to the boy or girl that sends us the most pictures before 4 p. m., Saturday, April 10.

Subscribers can help the children in the contest by asking for picture certificates when they pay their subscription. We give a certificate good for 100 pictures for every dollar paid.