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April 12 Thought for the Day. Selected by Edith Partridge. There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave.

The base ball fan may as well begin to un-bomber. Cheer up! The country is safe! Wall street is smiling.

Considering its opportunities, that legislature could have done a great deal more damage. Another sign of spring—the reappearance of the base ball score board in its familiar haunt.

The federal court of Indiana strikes a blow for honest elections that will be felt from sea to sea.

Our graft-greedy sheriff will not lose anything on a 32-cent allowance for jail feeding, but it's tough on his lawyer-lobbyist partner.

Terre Haute politicians, smarting under the federal lash, no doubt can out-lament any Ne-braskan on the "encroachments of federal power."

If that many ballots were cast in our recent elimination election, then comparatively few of them were marked for a full list of seven candidates.

Now let our nonpartisan Water board establish a rule barring political activities by salaried employes, and then see to it that the rule is enforced.

It is not generally known that South Omaha has a paid School board, which after merger will give way to an unpaid board, and we hope without deterioration of the service.

Still, if the voters really want to retain the services of those self-sacrificing county officers, they can re-elect them at the proper time without the aid or consent of any legislature on earth.

Maintaining the dignity of public office without a public limousine is painfully difficult. An officeholder without a gas wagon at call is in danger of becoming an object of suspicion or derision.

A current report of the purchase of a sixty-mile railroad in southwestern Kansas for \$1 should clinch the argument that a road properly capitalized can be made to pay dividends on the investment.

Still, there is no good reason for worrying over the troubles of Americans abroad. The scenery at home is not quite as thrilling, but is infinitely more conducive to high thinking and long living.

Recalling the scant courtesy shown by the Water board to suggestions from the city commission in times past, it is hoped the latter body will not reciprocate in kind, but will give proper attention and due consideration to the Water board's proffer of assistance in adjusting electric light rates.

Thirty Years Ago. This Day in Omaha. The official count of the late election gives Boyd for mayor the victory over Murphy by a majority of 177; for treasurer, Truesman Buck polled 1,394 votes out of a total of 4,196, no one running against him.

The officers of the Omaha Gun Club are: President, Georges T. Mills; vice president, J. W. Bedford; secretary and treasurer, C. D. Lane; board of managers, Dr. H. A. Worley, Goodly Brooker, and F. S. Parmale.

Altogether 231 applications for liquor licenses have been filed at the city clerk's office.

E. M. Stenberg, police judge-elect, was serenaded by the Scandinavian club, and the judge made a speech expressing his thanks to the visitors.

The resolutions of respect for the late Robert R. McAusland, adopted at the meeting of the bank clerks of Omaha, are subscribed with the names of John E. Wilton and Alfred Miller.

Max Meyer and P. E. Her have been appointed a committee to represent the Omaha Board of Trade at the opening of the Chicago chamber of commerce.

A. McInness of the firm of McInness & Busby, returned from a pleasure trip east during which he visited his old home in Canada.

Can Gorgas Do It?

The proposal of the Rockefeller Foundation to send General Gorgas to stem the scourge of typhus fever, now devastating Serbia, and clean up the country in a sanitary way, comprehends the mightiest task ever set for man.

On the Isthmus General Gorgas had the active assistance and hearty co-operation of a highly organized military force, and an intelligent civil government. In Serbia he would have neither. However willing the authorities may be to assist him, or anyone else in the undertaking, it is impossible at present.

Conditions in Serbia are most appalling, and are growing worse; adjacent territory is threatened, and will undoubtedly be invaded by the scourge, unless checked. Science can check the spread of typhus or similar fevers, but to do so must have assistance. If this can be had, Gorgas is the man for the undertaking.

Again has cultured Europe turned to America to work for humanity, which can not be done by the civilized nations of that continent, because they are engaged in the most stupendous of human conflicts.

Our hospitable shores "has ever been a prime favorite in figurative utterance for poet and orator, and it may now be expanded slightly by adding "and harbors," for the seaports of the United States are entertaining distinguished company these days.

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Frederic Tribune: While the consolidation of its suburbs with Omaha is to be submitted to a vote of all of them concerned at one time, that city is already assuming that consolidation is an assured fact.

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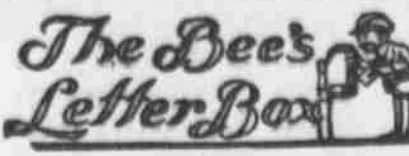
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Brief contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

The Yellow Peril. LYNCH, Neb., April 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Some time ago I read in The Bee an article in which China appealed to the United States for assistance.

Japan has been preparing for years and in its present demands upon China, Japan has laid a very clever trap in which it hopes to ensnare, not only Uncle Sam, but also the nations of Europe.

Europe needs America and if each is refused our aid unless all neither getting it and each sooner coming to the place where peace can and will be discussed.

It would also be a wise move to persuade the South American people to join with us in this move. America can neutralize the warring nations if it moves as a body.

Against the Optimist. SIOUX CITY, Ia., April 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: A correspondent signing himself E. O. McIntosh, perpetrated this gem of philosophical thought: "A pessimist is the greatest evil that ever annoyed the community, but an optimist will laugh even with the hangman's noose around his neck."

So will an idiot. 'Tis said that fools rush in where angels fear to tread. The fool is the greatest little optimist alive.

A wise man—a man who understood the law of cause and effect—would very naturally have peculiar misgivings regarding the distressing effect of a rope around his neck. But the wise man would also have avoided the predicament.

To me, an out-and-out optimist is amusing even if he is dangerous, because of a disinclination to exert energy. He who deliberately closes his eyes to conditions of life falls to his duty and is content to live simply for his own comfort.

The pessimist sees, sings and works; the optimist sees, sings and shirks—in only one thing are they different.

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the action is rapid; the situations are tense. "Then what's the trouble?" we asked, just to make dialogue. "I am afraid it will distract attention from the advertisements," he sighed. Philadelphia Ledger.

LINES FROM THE POETS. The Original Bird Men. The aeroplane is nothing new; The birds have had the wonder And soared among the heavens' blue Since Zeus conquered thunder.

This alrship, though, declines to fly For millions of the masses; Just those who have a license high Can ride upon Pegasus.

(Note—This license of poets is one of the oldest forms of special privilege, which, judging from the way many skylit pilots abuse it, ought to be submitted to a referendum vote of the people. In some instances the advantage has become so unrestricted as to permit marked changes in the language and thought of the lines without warning. As an illustration of this, the accent of that last word in the foregoing poem has been removed from the first to the second syllable for the purpose of making a rhyme for the word "masses.")

Here and There. When you are far away, my dear, When you are far away, my dear, I know 'tis true that absence makes This heart of mine grow fonder; And when you're at my side, my dear, I realize how true The wise old saw, that distance lends Enchantment to the view.

When you are far away, my dear, When you are far away, my dear, I wish you could be where I am Forever and for aye. But when you are beside me, oh! The sadly strange, but true, I could wish you were in Halifax, Or, at least, in Kalamazoo. Omaha. BAYOLL NE TRELE.

False Economy. Perhaps you use an alum baking powder because you think it is cheaper and therefore more economical. But is it? Leading food experts and medical authorities have for years declared that alum baking powders are not safe to be used. The chief European nations prohibit them altogether. Can it be truthfully said that an article of food so generally condemned is economical at any price? Royal Baking Powder, which is made from cream of tartar, adds only healthful qualities to the food. The difference in cost of a pan of biscuits or of a cake made with Royal Baking Powder as compared with cheap alum or phosphate of lime powders is about one cent, which is surely too small an amount to warrant the risk. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO. New York

They always come back for MOORE

ED WALSH, WHITE SOX PITCHER, NARROWLY ESCAPES PNEUMONIA

King of "Spitball" Hurlers Says Prompt Use of Akox Saved Him From Long Illness.



ED WALSH

But few people know that "Big" Ed Walsh, king of spitball" hurlers, for ten years mainstay of the Chicago White Sox, came near having his career as a star twirler ended by pneumonia upon his arrival in California for the 1915 training trip. Walsh, one of the greatest pitchers in the game, who perfected the "spitball" to such a degree that he won the world's championship in 1906 with the Chicago team, known then as the "hitless wonders," says he arrived in Paso Robles on February 21st in a precarious condition. He had a bad cough, sore throat, and his lungs were so congested that the cough caused him intense suffering. "Pneumonia," a doctor said. Walsh declares that his escape from a siege of sickness was due to his prompt use of Akox, the wonderful California medicinal mineral, a supply of which is carried by William Buckner, trainer of the White Sox, for use on members of the team.

He says of his case: "The day our team arrived at Paso Robles I had a bad cold, sore throat and congested lungs. I was alarmed and consulted a doctor. He said I was in for a siege of pneumonia. I could see my finish. However, Buckner, our trainer, said he had some Akox Compound and suggested putting it on my chest and throat. As I have seen its effectiveness demonstrated on members of the team, I readily consented. That night I went to bed pretty well plastered with Akox. Imagine my joy next morning when I arose and found my cough, sore throat,

congestion and all other symptoms of pneumonia gone, and feeling in midseason form. Though the weather has been bad since we came to the Coast, I have not even had a cold since using Akox. "I am now taking the Akox internal treatment for a tonic and using the plaster on my sore shoulder. I am also going to start my wife using Akox, and you can believe me, I am never going to be without your mineral remedy. You can go just as strong as you like in giving my endorsement of Akox." Akox has proven effective in thousands of cases of rheumatism, stomach, liver, kidney and bladder trouble, catarrh, ulcers, piles, skin diseases and other ailments. Akox is now being demonstrated and sold at Sherman & McConnell's 5th and Dodge St. store. Visit, phone or write the Akox man in charge for further information regarding this advertisement.

People and Events

William Hale Thompson, republican mayor-elect of Chicago, beat his democratic opponent by 14,877 votes. It might have been considerably higher, but republicans didn't care to rub it in.

Despite the fact that Omaha's mayor is on the spot, Governor Majors of Missouri monopolizes social attentions at Excelsior Springs and has had dance music dedicated in his honor.

Speaking about crops, the Federal Prison New Era of Leavenworth remarks: "If a crop of wild oats possessed a market value this place would be a bank instead of a penitentiary."

The ruthless march of progress is demolishing the house in Dilbury, Pa., in which Senator Matthew Stanley Quay was born in 1832. The house was 98 years old and was long used as a Presbyterian church. In the adjacent orchard the budding boss of Pennsylvania learned how to shake the plum trees, a habit that served his arms in later years.

In a moment of subconscious gaiety, Steve Korwalki of Pottsville, Pa., insulted Mary Kerthuck, a 12-year-old. Mary's mother got after Steve and bent him into insensibility and finished the operation by tying him to a telegraph pole, where the police found him. It is believed in the neighborhood that Mary's mother has the makings of a "white hope."

A Chicago paper publishes a note from Buchanan Michigan, stating that Jess Willard was born there and that his true name is Percy Gish, according to his reputed father, Joe Gish. For the benefit of the future "Who's Who" of pugodum it is further asserted that Jess or Percy worked in a military store when