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Thought for the Day
Selected by Gertrude M. Webster.
The soul of music slumbers in the shell, till waked and kindled by the master's spell—and feeling hearts—touch them but rightly—pour a thousand melodies unheard before.—Samuel Rogers.

"Bryan Talks," says a headline. That's his specialty.

Notice that the first letters of the words "Greater Omaha" spell "Go."

President Wilson is not talking back. His actions speak for him when he is silent.

Submarine reports indicate that fishing in the North Sea has become a dead game sport.

Those T. P. A's. can stay with us as long as they like without wearing their welcome out.

These outdoor movie managers must have neglected to put the weather man on the free list.

Not the least significant feature of the cabinet crisis is the passing of grapejuice as an administration tonic.

Judged by the applause given administration music, the second fiddle is not missed by the approving public.

One fact rises above the speculative level of the so-called crisis. National war taxes will continue beyond this year.

The summer season is the time when the measures to prevent recurrence of the smoke nuisance should be enforced.

Signs of peace multiply. Senator William Alden Smith of Michigan and Congressman James R. Mann have formally launched booms for the republican presidential nomination. Next!

When it comes to measuring the influences contributing to preserve the United States at peace through the Lusitania crisis, do not overlook the sane and patriotic press of the country.

The steadily growing volume of Omaha bank clearings emphasizes the expansion of business in the corn belt. An increase of 13 per cent in a week measures the push of progressive optimism.

Considering what the United States expends in providing college education for army and navy officers the nation alone is to blame when it consents to their retirement without rendering service.

Portering in Pullman cars is regarded by the company as "one of the most uplifting opportunities the race ever had." The minimum of \$27.50 a month is a measure of safety against premature high flying.

See, but our democratic United States senator is trying hard now to square himself with President Wilson. Evidently believes 'this to be his psychological moment to connect with the pie counter distribution for Nebraska.

Senator Manderson received a telegram from Senator Callum notifying him that the senate committee on interstate commerce would be in Omaha next week to hold a hearing and examine witnesses on railroad complaints and abuses. The witnesses who have been asked to appear are Thomas L. Kimball, P. P. Shelby of the Union Pacific; F. S. Eastis and Thomas L. Miller of the Burlington; F. B. Whitney and James McCabe of the Minneapolis & Omaha; Robert L. Mason of Pacific & Gulf; Mr. McCord of Nave, McCord & Brady; Henry T. Clark, N. B. Falkenstein, George W. Deane, Edward Rosewater, editor of The Bee, and C. H. Gere of the State Railway commission.

A pleasant surprise was tendered to Misses Bros., Thirteenth and Pacific streets, thirty couples indulging in dancing until midnight.

Miss Nellie M. Burns left for Cincinnati for a second year at the Mount Auburn Institute.

Judge J. H. McCulloch left for Moonmouth, Ill., to spend a short vacation there, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dillon, who will visit friends in the same city.

Among the graduates of the St. Louis training school are K. C. Kerton of Omaha, T. C. Howard of Grand Island, the latter taking the gold medal for the best scholarship record.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Carter have returned from the east.

German Discussion of Our Cabinet Crisis.

As a tribute to the importance of the event, the censors have let the Germans have the news concerning our cabinet crisis and its attendant circumstances. German editors express quite as much amazement as is felt in America over Mr. Bryan's resignation and account for it on much the same grounds as are ascribed here in explanation of his conduct. The episode is not looked upon as likely to seriously affect the progress of negotiations between the two countries.

The president's note which was given in full to the German press, is generally discussed, and, aside from the few pronounced "Jingo" papers, is taken as showing a way to the peaceful adjustment of the existing differences. Surprise is expressed at the temperate language employed, for, prepared by the advance announcement of Mr. Bryan's leaving the cabinet because of his unwillingness to sign the note, the Germans were looking for something in the way of an ultimatum.

Judging from the sincere tone of the comment of influential papers of the empire, it is easy to believe that the Germans earnestly desire to continue uninterrupted the friendship between the two nations. If this is the case, the language of the president's note probably will have an effect just the opposite to the predictions of Mr. Bryan, and, instead of bringing war, will increase the mutual respect and understanding between Germany and the United States.

Physical Fitness of Candidates for Office.

Speaking of the serious illness and long enforced absence of one of the judges of our supreme court, the Wahoo Democrat ventures the opinion that only men of vigorous mind and body should be elected to this position. It reminds us that in the last judicial campaign one of the two contestants was over 60 years old, and the other, while younger, was physically incompetent and died within a few weeks after entering on his office. The Democrat concedes the desirability of the superior wisdom popularly associated with bald heads and gray hair, but only where mental vision is still clear and physical powers are strong.

The common sense of this view will quickly strike most people, yet its application is not confined to the bench. In selecting men to perform responsible and exacting public duties, the people should do just what the enlightened private employer would do, consider the physical condition and prospects as one of the chief factors of ability to make good. The only difference between judicial and administrative places in this respect is the greater need of maturity and experience for a judge. And this qualification must be made, too, for the man who has grown old in the public service and whose decrepitude is the result of long years devoted to such work; for here, with no provision for pension, it is as hard for the people to turn out a faithful servant in his old age as it is for a humane private employer. Plainly this is a spot in our machinery of popular government that needs attention.

Rival Claimants Speak Out.

Carranza and Villa have each made reply to President Wilson's note of warning, each setting up his claim to recognition and backing it up with claims of accomplishments and outlines of purpose. This was anticipated, for it would have been remarkable had either of the factional leaders relinquished his position in favor of the other. Villa, by his intimation that if Carranza will withdraw, he will follow, has placed himself in a slightly advantageous position, perhaps, but gives no guaranty as to his sincerity.

The notes indicate that the Mexicans realize the earnestness with which they have been addressed, but with true "manana" spirit are averse to coming directly to the point. They will doubtless spend some time in circumlocution, exchanging in a roundabout way high-sounding but empty phrases, but indications are that they are willing the way to adjustment should be pointed out to them. Back of their pomposity lurks the hope that they may yet emerge with their faces saved.

The president has made it very plain that it is not the intention of the United States to favor either faction. He seeks only the establishment of responsible government for Mexico. This may not be speedily obtained, as measured by American standards, but the wheels are under motion, and with what must seem amazing celerity to Mexico, where nothing is done in a hurry, and the end is in sight, although it may be weeks in coming.

Spice of Life for California.

The legislature that has just ended its session at Sacramento by its work certainly added variety to existence in the Golden State, and the bear undoubtedly shouted "Eureka!" when the solons left the capitol. In addition to the management of two big expositions, the entertainment of the visitors and a few other ordinary occupations, the inhabitants of California are now confronted with the job of making themselves familiar with the provisions and requirements of 171 new laws, just enacted for their guidance, control and benefit by the legislature. This is about three times the output of a common or normal legislature, but it shows the effect and advantage of the glorious climate of the Pacific coast, where everything is more fecund and prolific than elsewhere. Governor Hiram Johnson also makes a record, coming down the stretch with a total of 228 vetoes, applied to that many bills passed by the lawmakers, but which did not measure up to his progressive standard of utility or service.

California must have been in a bad way, indeed, if all this mass of new laws was needed to set things right out there.

War is mighty expensive to John Bull, but it has some compensations. He is waking up and getting out of business ruts hitherto as sacred as his mutton. An idea of the widespread shakeup and shakedown may be had from the news that banks are abandoning customs and rules as firmly rooted as Guy Fawkes day, and reaching out for customers whose resources are in the shilling class. In reality any change smacks of revolution in a country where banks refuse to change pound notes into shillings unless the applicant is a customer.

Professional base ball is having hard sledding in the smaller towns. Too many box score fans and too few box office fans.

The Impermanence Of the Abnormal

Theo. E. Price in Commerce and Finance.

THE DISPOSITION to assume that whatever is permanent, is a weakness of humanity. At the height of a storm, men despair of fine weather and at the end of a drouth they cease to look for rain.

When prices are high most people expect them to remain so and when they are low there are not many who can discern the indications of an advance.

Few are gifted with the ability to foresee radical change and fewer still have the courage to act on the vision of that unusual foresight. This is one reason why so many sell at the bottom and buy at the top.

That each extreme breeds its own corrective and that the abnormal cannot be permanent, are truths which every one admits and nearly every one fails to apply.

They forget that the power of centrifugal attraction, which holds the universe together, has never yet failed to show itself supreme and that through the ages the rhythmic succession of night and day, winter and summer, and seedtime and harvest has always been unbroken.

They forget too that man himself is subject to this same law of alternation and reaction; that activity is followed by fatigue, enthusiasm by apathy, and eagerness to fight by willingness to make peace.

Just now the tendency to overlook these fundamental rules of nature and of life, and assume that the war in Europe will last indefinitely, is the more remarkable because it is evident that the very intensity of the struggle is rapidly exhausting the combatants.

Millions of men have been killed and billions of treasure have been spent in the war already; it is, therefore, argued that it will be prolonged.

The German casualty lists show that \$10,000 out of a possible total of 6,000,000 trained soldiers have been killed or disabled thus far. An equal, if not a larger number, have been lost by the allies. The world is now leagued in moral or not military opposition to Germany.

Despite Lord Kitchener, these are facts which make for the ending and not the prolongation of the war.

Just how the will come it is impossible to foresee but that which shall shortly give the peace-maker his opportunity is a generalization that is justified by the precedents of history and the laws of physiology, and we have faith to believe that they are the safest guides upon which human judgment can rely.

It may be that the correspondence now in progress between the United States and Germany will open the way for a cessation of hostilities.

It may be that the Kaiser's threatened invasion of Russia will prove his undoing as in case of his great predecessor Napoleon.

It may be that the fall of Constantinople will mark the climax of the struggle.

Even pathologists do not understand why or how it is that a fever breaks when the crisis of the disease is past, but experience has taught them that after a given time death is sure to follow if the fever does not subside.

That the death of civilization and a reversion to autocracy are impending we refuse to believe.

Such a theory would be a denial of history and an abandonment of faith in the progress of mankind.

The virulence of the war fever has reached, if it has not passed, the climacteric.

An early abatement of the struggle is indicated by all the experience of humanity.

That we are unable to understand the processes of nature does not shake our confidence in their recurrence.

We know not how or why the summer's crop will ripen or be gathered, but everything we do and every step we make assures that any variation from the normal will be but temporary.

By the same analogy, we must believe that peace cannot much longer be delayed unless we admit that nature has itself become an anarchist.

Twice Told Tales

Where Jimmy Walked. Little Jimmy had reached the conclusion that everybody in the world had kissed him or wanted to very badly. He could not help being a boy that all the women wanted to pet and bestow their kisses upon. In fact, Jimmy longed for the day when he would have a say so in the matter of being kissed.

One day a famous woman came to call upon his mother. Jimmy chanced to enter the parlor and was directed by his mother to come up and see the noted Mrs. So and So. Jimmy knew what was coming, but he could not prevent the occurrence. The visitor took him by the hand and gently gathered him up into her lap, and as she let him down to the floor again she graciously bestowed a kiss upon his pouting lips. Jimmy jumped away from her and began to rub his lips in a vicious manner.

"What are you rubbing my kiss off, my little man?" questioned the woman. Jimmy was puzzled for a few moments, then replied:

"No, ma'am, I'm just rubbing it in," and then vanished through the door.—Louisville Times.

A Marvel of Training. Rose had called on her afternoon out to see her friend, Arabella. Arabella's mistress had just purchased a parrot, and Rose was much interested in the bird.

"Birds is shore sensible," she observed. "You kin learn them anything. I utter work for a woman that had a bird in a clock, an' when it was time to tell de time ob day it utter come out an' say 'cuckoo' jest as many times as de time was."

"Go along, Yo' don't say so," said Arabella, indignantly.

"Shore thing," replied Rose, "and de mo' wonderful part was dat it was only a wooden bird, too."—Harper's Magazine.

People and Events

A California centenarian solemnly asserts that he never swore in his life, except in court. An ideal place for tall swearing.

As a farewell tribute to a devoted husband a Washington woman wealthy in her own right, willed the grief-stricken man a life annuity of \$15,000. Perpetual care of the green award is thus assured.

The romance of an elopement in Pittsburgh was shamefully wrecked by a rickety ladder. The bride-to-be slipped off the first round from a second story window and landed in a hospital instead of at the altar.

The latest wrinkle in pocket picking developed in New York is to blow a stiff garlic breath in the victim's face and while he shifts his nose for fresh air abstract the goods. The trick is risky because garlic leaves a stiff trail.

Back in Indiana federal and state authorities are investigating the business activities of the coroner of Owen county, who died recently from poison self-administered. He combined the business of coroner and undertaker. A series of mysterious deaths attending over nine years are suspected to be the work of the coroner and that suicide was hastened by fear of arrest.

Some means of standardizing the value of polluted affections should be provided for juries in alienation cases. Back in Morrisstown, N. J., Dr. George Stuart Willis, affectionately known as "the bald headed lamb of love," was taxed \$2,000 by a jury for inducing another man's wife to change partners. The bereft husband sued for \$50,000, but the jury decided that \$2,000 was all the bald headed lamb could shear off his limited fleece.

Don Mothes has gone into the fitness regulation business on a moderate scale. An indemnity bond of \$100 is required for each vehicle, and the license fee ranges from \$10 to \$25 a year, based on carrying capacity. Operators over fixed routes and between fixed terminals is required, and the number of cars on a given route may be limited. Strap-hanging or running-board riding are forbidden. Violation carries a penalty up to \$20 and revocation of license.

The Bee's Letter Box

Importance of Vice Presidency.

BOSTON, June 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: It seems to me that this is a time when editors holding a position of influence should emphasize and reiterate the vital importance of a change of attitude among our political leaders with regard to the nomination of a vice president.

Already the lines are taking form for the work of the nominating conventions of 1916, and probably there has not been a time in the history of our country when the peril of our having but a single life between us and political chaos could be more clearly appreciated by the people than right now.

To my mind to have Thomas R. Marshall as our president in the grave crisis through which we are passing would be of more lasting harm than it was to have to endure President Johnson. G. E.

Too Big to Be Tied Down.

PLATTSBURGH, N. Y., June 14.—To the Editor of The Bee: There are many others who could truthfully say, as did Ernest Haman of Florence: "I cannot help but feel that William J. Bryan has been grievously wronged by such criticism as some of us have heaped upon him."

We regard Mr. Bryan as one of the greatest men our civilization has produced—radical as a rule, but radically right. Any man who can stand up for cleanliness and purity and sobriety and peace and Christianity as has Mr. Bryan in the face of the bitter campaign of vilification directed against him is too big and too valuable a person to have sacrificed his liberties and silenced his tongue by submitting to the hampering restrictions attending public office, even under his most intimate and political colleague.

Colonel Bryan is too big a man to be tied down. He can accomplish far more as a free lance than when hobbled by the restrictions imposed by policy or diplomacy. He is one of the greatest factors in our late day life. As such he should be free in the expression of opinion. A. W. ATWOOD.

Music in the Parks.

OMAHA, June 14.—To the Editor of The Bee: I believe the city commissioners ought to employ union men to furnish the music for the parks, but I am not in favor of being a party to the violation of the eight-hour day principle.

For instance: I vent that two-thirds of the members of the musicians' organization follow other occupations and are musicians only after their regular hours at other employment, thereby working anywhere from eight to fourteen hours a day, practically holding down two situations, and asking the friends of unions to uphold them in it.

The same objection will apply to the postoffice band.

What the commissioners should do is to employ musicians who depend entirely upon their profession for a livelihood. CON. ASSISTENT.

Claims of the North Side.

OMAHA, June 14.—To the Editor of The Bee: Now that annexation has taken place, the south high school probably will be able to take care of the pupils in the southern part of the city and the pupils from Dundee will be taken into the Central High.

During the last five years the northern part of the city has grown rapidly and is still growing very fast. The opening of the new telephone station will have an influence in the same direction.

There are many pupils living north of Lake street and north and west from Ames avenue who attend the high school. To some the matter of care here is an important factor, especially so when there are two pupils from the same family. Whatever changes are made, a high school on the north side should have due consideration. A READER.

Tips on Home Topics

Cleveland Plain Dealer: It was pretty close to fifty years ago that the guileless Ah Sin cleaned out the boys at poker, and now a Chinese-American bank has been formed with \$2,000,000 capital.

Indianapolis News: At the Ohio spelling contest, in desperation for a word that would stump a little girl champion they discharged "Gnadenhuetten" at her. But that's contrary to Marquis of Queensberry rules.

New York World: If American shipbuilders who are working at capacity and arranging for extensive additions to their plants do not look out, they will upset all the arguments of fifty years, financial and otherwise, in favor of subsidies.

Pittsburgh Dispatch: With government pensions, Carnegie pensions, state pensions, police pension teachers' pensions and a few other kinds of pensions, anybody left in the country unpenionated should not hesitate to speak up, so that equal and exact justice may be done to all.

Philadelphia Ledger: So numerous are the elements of uncertainty that predictions are hazardous; but those who think that the close of the war is going to be followed by a wholesale migration to America to escape the burdens of taxation leave out of account the certainty that the nations of the old world will exert no effort to prevent a further loss of population.

Editorial Siftings

Boston Transcript: The Russians, having taken a tip from the late Confederate General Forrest, never retreat now, but always "advance backwards."

War is leveling many social projections and obstructions. Perhaps it will teach new lessons in the essentially equal humanity of men and women.

St. Louis Republic: If we rightly understand Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, he charges that Italy regarded the treaty that constituted the triple alliance as a mere scrap of paper.

Chicago Post: San Marto will doubtless furnish the allies with all the officers they need. It is a sort of Seventh regiment elite organization with the same readiness for the field, under conditions chosen by itself.

Brooklyn Eagle: Venice has sent to a safe place the four bronze horses of St. Mark's which once adorned the triumphal arch of Nero. Every artistic elegance in the civilized world will approve the precaution. Ancient bronzes cannot be made good with modern brass, it hit by air bombs.

BREEZY TRIFLES.

Newlywed—Don't you ever think seriously about marriage? Singleton—My dear fellow, no man ever thinks seriously about marriage until he has been married awhile.—Boston Transcript.

"There's one o' them dern new styles," said Billa.

"What is it?" asked Mandy, lowering her eyes.

"Why, that there sign says, 'Shoes shined inside.'"

"You are saved!" cried the rescuers as they dragged the gasping man from the water.

"No," I'm weakly replied, "I'm not saved; I'm spent."

"Is he making good?"

"He sure is, if he keeps on the way he's going he'll soon be the best pick-pocket in the business," replied the trainer of criminals proudly.—Indianapolis Star.

KABIBBLE KASARET A MUSKIAN HE WENT TO OLD BOHEMIA TO STUDY BOHEMIAN AND NOW HE PLAYS IN MOVIES FOR THIRTY FILMS A WEEK!

"Poor Maud, she thought she'd captured a rich stock dealer."

"What gave her the idea?"

"Why, she heard that he helped to send wheat up last week."

"And did he?"

"Yes; he works in a grain elevator."—New York Times.

"Where do we find the most miserable of men?" exclaimed the exhorter fervently.

"You don't have to find him," responded the man in the fourth row, center, "he hunts you up and tells you all about it."—Boston Transcript.

"I believe," said the impatient man as he put aside the telephone, "that I'll go fishing."

"Didn't know you cared for fishing."

"I don't ordinarily. But it's the only chance I have of finding myself at the end of a line that isn't busy."—Washington Star.

Agent—Would you like to look at this lovely set of Dickens? Umson—No; I never have a bit of luck with books.

Agent—Whaddya mean, luck? Umson—I bought a set of doctor books last year, and I haven't been sick a day since.—Judge.

A small boy was taken to see the pigs.

He looked at them thoughtfully and asked "Did they make pigs?" "Yes," his mother replied. "Well," remarked the boy, "I should have thought they'd have made something a little pleasanter."—New York Times.

The Boy—Can I get off this afternoon to go to a funeral? The Boss—Whose funeral is it? The Boy—I guess it'll be the home team's.—Yonkers Statesman.

HIGHLAND MARY.

Robert Burns. To banks and breezes, and streams around The castle o' Montgomerie.

Green be your woods, and fair your flowers. Your waters never drumble.

These summer first unfuld her robes. And there the longest tarry!

For there I took the last farveel O' my sweet Highland Mary.

How sweetly bloom'd the gay green birk. How rich the hawthorn's blossom.

Aw, underneath their fragrant shade, I clasp'd her to my bosom!

The sudden hour o' angel wings. Flew o'er me and my dearie!

For dear to me as light and life Was my sweet Highland Mary!

Oh, pale, pale now those roan lips I aft ha' kiss'd as fondly!

And clos'd for aye the sparkling glance That dwelt on me so kindly!

And mousing now in silent duns, That heart that lod me dearie!

But still within my bosom's core Shall live my Highland Mary!

MY HEART'S DESIRE.

San Francisco Argonaut. My heart's desire is nothing great; Say just fell little eight-by-eight.

Log cabin in the Northern woods Where I can wallow in my moods And wade around in solitude.

And rubber boots; Free from excitement, noise and dudes Yes, that just suits!

My heart's desire is nothing much: A little venison, and such Sweet trout as markets ne'er afford: A little of the sod and cauld's the Lord, My own peculiar way, for these Simplicities that ever please And never fail.

The mind, as in the birchen trees The thrushes call.

My heart's desire is nothing large: The open sky, the river marge; The soundless woods, the empty shore; Pine needles on the parlor floor. And hazy lazy hours of life— Just breathing, and Just breathing!

One couldn't ask much less—no strife, Peace everywhere.

Will You Read This Twice?

A very important question to-day which every housekeeper must decide for herself is whether she prefers pure, cream of tartar baking powder like Royal or whether she is willing to use alum baking powder in food.

One kind is easily distinguished from the other, since the laws of various States require the ingredients to be printed upon the label. If anyone is in doubt which to use, it is worth while to ask the family doctor. Then decide.

And when once a decision is reached let no advertisement, or dealer's argument, or canvasser's solicitation, change the decision. It is not a question of a few cents or of pleasing a salesman. It is a question of health.

If this appeals to you as reasonable and sensible advice, it is worth reading twice. And it is worth remembering.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO. New York

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After the game is over you will find that a cold bottle of Krug LUXUS is most refreshing. Save the Coupons and get premiums. Phone Douglas 1889. LUXUS MERCANTILE CO., Dist'rs. And have a case sent home.