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Thought for the Day Selected by Mrs. Julia C. Hoobler Mortal mind is a harp of many strings, Discoursing either discord or harmony According to the hand that succeps it

-8. & H. Is human or divine.

Our Omaha High school is fast coming to look like an infant college.

That \$60 a year jitney license fee does strike a man up a tree as a trifle large.

Mob law does not get very far in Georgia, or elsewhere, when courage holds its ground.

Picturesque accuracy suggests that Kipling revise it to read, "The bear that runs like a man."

Perhaps a jitney owners' mutual insurance company might find a promising field open just about now.

The receding price of wheat, it is understood, does not radiate sufficient heat to expedite the "ripening" of flour.

The great American dollar is quoted at \$1.02 in London, but you can not put it over the home grocer at that rate.

### Greater Omaha Opportunities.

The achievement of Greater Omaha consolidation is chiefly important by reason of the opportunities it will afford our own people if they will only take full advantage of them. Up to this time we have always had to be explaining how what was really one city happened to be divided artificially into two cities and several suburban towns and the explanation seldom penetrated. The thing we want to do first of all, therefore, is to have the status of the Greater Omaha officially fixed so that our rightful rank among the cities of the country will be accorded without a special demand in each instance

Although the morger of the cities does not in itself add a single inhabitant to the number already here, it ought to be a substantial factor for attracting population and capital investments. It ought especially to enable us to put forth more effectively our claims to recognition as the national location for distributing branches, or agencies, of the great manufacturing establishments that find a market for their wares in this section. Kansas City, for example, is just opening a \$1,500,000 warehouse and plant, put up there as a branch of a gigantic mercantile concern, whose main headquarters is in Chicago. True, Omaha, already has the distributing houses for many national manufacturers, but we should have more of themwe should have all of them.

While inviting new concerns, we must not neglect our own home industries, which should, whenever possible, have preference over outside competitors, because their growth means steadily enlarging employment for home people, who in turn spend their earnings in the channels of local trade,

In a word-Greater Omaha, as applying to a unified city government, means mostly a greater and more unimpeded field for development.

### Dealing With Great Britain.

Overshadowed by the more important negotiations with Germany, the dealings between the United States and Great Britain on the subject of overseas commerce almost has been lost sight of by the public. It is again brought to view by the receipt of a communication at the State department, from Great Britain, the text of which is not as yet made public. Publication of its contents rests with Great Britain.

The fact remains, however, that the United States has never ceased in its protest against the British order in council, which was subscribed to by the other powers of the Triple Entente, setting up a constructive blockade of German ports, and undertaking to justify a general interference with traffic' between the United States and European neutrals. Our government has steadily and insistently upheld the right to freely traffic with neutral ports, and assurance is given that this position will not be abandoned.

Many cargoes shipped from or destined to the United States are now being held up by British interference, and for the liberation of these representations are being made to the British government. The right of neutrals to trade in non-contraband articles is the basts of the protest sent from this country, and there is no indication of any intention to recede from the stand taken on the point. The situation is not

### THE BEE: OMAHA, THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 1915.

# Under the Lid in Berlin

By Madeline E. Doty." D ON'T go," said the American embassy at The Hague, "Americans are not wanted. You may get into trouble."

packed my bag with beating heart. Go I wouldfor why live unless adventure? But I spoke no German. How could it be managed? My head was full of tales of hardship and imprisonment. The Lusitania had just been sunk. I had never been to Germany. Berlin was a strange city.

I pinned my little American flag and my Hague Peace congress badge on the lapel of my coat. passport I tucked in my pocket. With a amail handbag and no printed or written word I started forth.

Fortunately a Hungarian newspaper woman whom had met, traveled by the same train. We ware an ill-assorted pair. She, petite and feminine and full of gay light humor: I, serious, clad in business clothes with many capacious pockets. "Mon marl," she called "Ma femme" proved a very useful person. She me. spoke five languages. Born in Russia with French ancestors, living in Paris, and married to a Hungarian. her heart was with the allies. Life in Budapest was difficult. She dreaded return. But her allb German tongue and Hungarian marriage made her persona grata in Germany.

When we had secured rooms at a hotel we started. forth to see the city. A passing throng filled the Friedrichstrasse, but half were soldiers. Every fifth person was in mourning or wore a black band upon the eleeve. The faces in the electric light looked pale and tense. There was much talk, but no laughter.

Every now and then one caught the word "Lus't-ania." Only the day before the steamship had been sunk.

I clung to my companion. We talked in whispers Once or twice an English word between us caught the ear of a passerby, who turned, flushed and angry, to glare upon me. I soon ceased speaking. In remaurant I made wild guesses and pointed at dishes on the menu and uttered no sound. I felt as I had during my voluntary week in prison, when under the hasile and unfriendly eyes of the matrons. The hotel had given us "bread cards." With these

we secured some black and sour-tasting bread, done up in sealed paper packages. Under her breath my companion confided that Hungary was worse off than Germany. Hungary was nearly breadless. 'Germany had bought Hungary's flour supply.

That night we went to the Winter Garden. The place was filled with soldiers. One feature of the performance was a series of living tableaux depicting They were intended to inspire wild patriotism. wa!

But the soldiers were silent; only a mild applause greeted the effort. One scene, aymbolic of stupendous perolam-the last soldier firing the last shot-was received in grim silence.

All Berlin is grim and tense. People pass and repass on the street. The shops are open, life goes on. But there is no genial friendliness, no lingering over a glass of beer, no bit of gay song. Everywhere there are gray, dusty and worn uniforms. When a troop of soldiers pass, their faces are pale, their feet drag. The goose-step has vanished.

With departure of my companion, I settled down in a German home, a modest menage, but every detail perfect. All Germany runs without friction.

My host is a university professor, his wife an American. They are all hospitality, but their sealousness torments me. I am the heathen whose soul must be saved.

From the day of my arrival to the moment of my departure, we have but one topic of conversation-Germany's virtues and America's sins. A great pity seizes me for this tragic couple. Their thin, pallid faces bespeak wracked nerves and tortured souls. Under the domination of a government they adore, they dars not criticise. To question would be to shatter their world. German culture, German art, the government, Bismarck, the kaiser, the invasion of Belgium, the sinking of the Lusitania-in all things Germany is wisdom and righteousness. Surrounded by enemies, wicked monsters, Germany, the perfect, is fighting for its life. Better a thousand times that the Lusitania be sunk and Americans killed than let American bullets reach the allies to inflict death on German soldiers.

"American bullets"-hourly the phrase is flung in ny face



# Warns Against Mediums.

OMAHA, June 21 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Under the caption of "Convinced by a Medium," a writer in your Letter Box column refers to his experfence with a medium and the manifestations from shadow land. One of the shortest courses to insanity and suicide is to take part in the mediumistic seances. At first the person indulges in these manifestations through a sense of curiosity and later from interest and finally from a sense of demand-for it grows on them till they are unable to shake off the practice

To get right to the point in the matter, excluding practices that are fake presentations, these manifestations are the operations of intelligences and not by any means intelligences of good spirits, fer God does not use good spirits for a band end. There is only one final result from the continued practice of spiritualistic seances and that is loss of all true faith and obseasion, or possession by the bad intelligences-in other words, the evil spirits of the damned. This is better demonstrated in pagan countries, where this practice is more in vogue and where the evil effects are more common If you will have a talk with old medical practitioners and with Catholic priests you will soon pecome assured of the great evils to body and soul by the continuation of this practice. After a while these spirits or intelligences begin to suggest actions to their clients which in themsolves are narmless and the poor subject finds himself or herself unable to refuse ) performing the acts suggested. Then further actions are suggested and these likewise cannot be refused and from that it goes on from bad to worse and despite the cognizance of the pool mortal and the final attempt at willpower to refuse these acquiescences, they are unable to do so. Then some further action is suggested-perhaps the action of self destruction or the destruction of another and-unless the grace of God intervenes at this point-this likewise is accompliabed.

Not so long ago a woman in France was given to this practice, and she called for her youngest daughter's spirit, who had died some months before. The intelligence appeared and, feigning the appearance and voice of her daughter, assured her that she was poorly off in the other world and sad for the lack of her sisters' association and begged the mother to send them to her. The woman brooded over the affair and suggestion and finally going to the River Seine she tied her two children together, hands and feet, and threw them in, and both were drowned. There are many instances on record of murder under different forms, suicides, etc., that owe their cause to the interest taken in the spiritualistic seances. Many men who have gone into this matter through a purely scientific motive learned they were gradually losing their health, will power, and that they were becoming a prey to the suggestions of these intellgences. It is with good reason for their present health, faith and future condition that the Catholic church forbids, under pain of sin, for any of its subjects to enter into or take part in, these seances

Some time ago a missionary from England who had spent years in Africa came back to England to find the people indulging in the use of "planchettes,"

"crystal gazing," spirits' seances, etc.

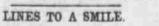
gave a long lecture, in which he stated

liquor traffic more than a quarter of a person, "was invented before the art of century age, Bryan opposed it then: is censorship reached perfection."-Wash-ington Star. in favor of it now, but says "The time is not ripe," and that it should not be an issue in the campaign of 1916. Mr. Bryan is an advocate of Christianity and says further. "the prohibition side of the ques-

further, "the prohibition side of the ques- Houston tion is the moral side." In view of this fact, how can a conscientious Christian

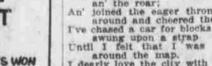
conscientiously advocate the putting off the beginning of a fight against a known evil? Ersan obviously sees failurs for the cause of national prohibition in 1916 and would wait fearful lest some more popular bles should appear upon the political horizon which he could adopt and upon which he could ride into the and upon which he could ride into the

presidential chnir. W. H. H. RICHARDSON.



"Pa, what is scientific salesmanship?" "Selling a dress suft to a man who went into the store to buy a celluloid collar."-Detroit Free Press.





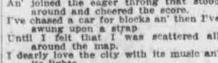


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An' aprained an eyelid winkin' at a motion picture play.
I've heard the trolley bussin' down below or up above
An' got into the crowds where nervous people chout and shove;
I am full of strange impressions that I gained by night an' day—
Oh take me to some quiet spot where they kin fade away.
Jes' let me sit upon the fence an' contemplate the accurry;
Some place where everything is not conducted by machinery. "I've listened to the whistle an' the rattle

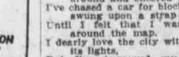
an' the roar; An' joined the eager throng that stood around and cheered the score. I've chased a car for blocks an' then I've awung upon a strap Until I felt that I was scattered all

I dearly love the clip with its music an' its lights.
But I've improved my mind enough a-lookin' at the sights.
The dearest place I know of, an' its there I long to roam.
Is where you buy a ticket that'll carry you back home.
So start me for the country, with its annight and its greenery.
Where you kin live an' die without as-sistance from machinery."



HOMESICKNESS.

Washington Star.



Those hang-tight South Omaha office holders might recall to advantage a once popular comic opera refrain. " 'Tis the time for disappearing."

The state's share of the cost of contesting rate advances already totals \$14,000. Fighting the over-reach of corporations also helps keep up the high cost of living.

The outcome of the suggestion that members of the House of Commons relinquish their salaries during the war is worth watching as a test of pocketbook patriotism.

"He seemed to be thoroughly frightened." so the police say of a poor devil arrested as a murder suspect. Well, what would he be expected to do-sing or dance?

With so many other soul-saving evangelists invading the field ahead of him, "Billy" Sunday may find nothing jeft for him to do when he reports for his Omaha engagement.

One hundred and sixty-seven more autos this year than last in the one Nebraska county of York. The man who wants to sell goods will find the purchasing power in Nebraska,

Colonel Bryan will seek rest and recreation in the heights of North Carolina, where the ozone of the pines promotes the resiliency of voral chords. Meanwhile the ship of state must bump along as beat it can.

San Diego, with its neighboring earthquake, draws the limelight from San Francisco's spouting mountain. The publicity bureaus of rival expositions now possess a stock of "local color" to outlast the circus season.



The Masonic grand lodge convened at Masonic hall last ovening J. J. Wemple of Hastings, grand master, presiding. The conclave was addressed by General Alfred E. Pike of South Carolina, grand master of the supreme lodge. At the morning sesion the secretary's report showed 6,000 in this juris-The election of grand lodge officers for the diotion. ensuing year resulted as follows: Grand master, Judge M. B. Reese, deputy grand master, C. K. Coutant; senior warden, Gerge B. Hull; junior warden, James B. France: secretary, W. R. Bowen; treasurer, Chris

M. G. McLeod, who was seriously injured in a unaway, is but on the street after three weeks' con-Grement to his home.

McKendrie college, Lebanon, Ill., has conferred the honorary degree of master of arts upon Judge Neville.

George Gould, S. H. H. Clark and H. M. Hoxie went out on the Missouri Pacific for a tour of apection.

Mrs. Bartlett Russell has returned from a visit to her old home in Monmouth, 10.

Mayor Boyd is back from the east.

J. C. Stubbs, traffic manager, and C. F. Goodtian, general passenger agent of the Central Pacific,

The Board of Public Works let the contract for paving Parnam strest with Beres stops to Contractor Buthley for 10 cenis per lineal foot.

acute, nor is it likely it will become so, but the uttitude of the British government presently will have to be finally declared.

### Just Looking Around.

Of course, the fact may have no especial significance, but Chris Gruenther visited the jederal building in Omaha and made a survey of the office of the collector of internal revenue. He took note of the location of the doors and windows, and the arrangement of the desks and chairs in the office, and walked away. On the same day, "Tommy" Allen dropped in casually at Washington, and walked the full length of the ple-counter, without saying a word about being named for the office of district attorney for Nebraska. Neither of these patriots is looking for anything to happen: they are just looking around, and wondering what might be the result if the long-deferred distribution of re-

faithful are also wondering if the senator will yet prevail, and, if he does, will he dare to give out the jobs before the primary is held next spring?

Nearer to the Rule.

expedient to very nearly, at least, observe the

ule laid down for dealing with merchantmen in-

tercepted at sea, when he required the captain

This practice may not be generally adopted

of the Norwegian vessel to jettison that part of

is the course of submarine warfare on commerce.

but it is a decided improvement on the methods

heretofore employed. It would seem to be well

in keeping with the affective use of the sub-

mersible in blockading commerce in enemy

waters, too. If the submarine may be thus em-

ployed, and commerce be so interfered with,

much of the objection to the use of the under-

sea boat will be removed. It has been the in-

human practice of sinking the ship on a moment's

notice, and, at times, without notice, that has

proused the indignation of the nations.

his cargo held to be contraband.

One German submarine captain has found it

wards for service were commenced. And the

# The grain supplies are running low. Not only

he was dumfounded at this state of afbread, but fodder for the animals, is lacking. The cattle are being killed and put in cold storage to save the expense of feeding. The few cab horses in Berlin fall in the street from hunger. In all trains are printed the following "Ten Commandments":

Don't eat more than necessary. Don't eat be-tween meals.
 Consider bread sacred. Use every little piece.
 Dry bread makes good soup.
 (2. Be economical with butter and fat. Use jam instead of butter. Most of the fat we get from abroad.
 (4.) Use milk and cheese.

Use milk and cheese. Use much sugar. Sugar is nourishing. Boll potatoes with the skins on; then nothing

(6.) Boil potatoes with the skins on; then nothing is lost in peeling.
(7.) Drink less beer and alcohol; then the supply of rye from which these are made will be greater.
(8.) Eat vegetables and fruit. Plant vegetables in every little place of earth. Be economical with preserved vegetables.
(9.) Eather all you don't eat for the animals.
(10.) Cook with gas and coke. The ashee from coke make good fertilizer. Moral-Obey these ten commandments and economize for the Fatheriand. The rich must also follow these commandments. of rye

With the fresh crops has come renewed strength. But when the fall comes, what is to be dono? There

is no longer a canning industry, for there 's no tin. In such an atmosphere of depression And suppres-sion my free American spirit suffocates. I plan an escape. Somewhere in Berlin are free fearless souls. These I must find. My hosts fear to have me venture out alone. One of the American peace delegates was driven by an angry mob from a tram car for speaking English.

I take my map and study it. I have the addresses me social democrats. How to get to them? My hosts do not tolerate such people.

Then alone, map in hand, I start out, I walk many weary blocks, slinking along side streets and avoid the combination of tram-car conversations. I seem to be living in the days of conspiracies and dim novels. And truly I am, for day by day the plot thickens.

I am received with open arms by the rebel women. and at once nicknamed the "criminal." In them I find the Germans I sought. Free, freeless people, whose love for the Fatherland is so great that they dare protent

But these women are momentarily in danger. Their gatherings are secret. We meet in out-of-the-way places. I find that my telephone messages are intercopied; that a perfectly harmless letter is never de-livered. I am watched. It is hard to believe. Surely I have dropped back into the middle ages. I have to pinch myself to realize that I am an American, living in the twentieth century.

Even in the mida; of war Germany is superbly

hodied men left are performed by women, children and

old men. Nothing is neglected. I went through Ber-

every apparatus that mind can conceive, or science.

with jonguilis and tulips. Little portable houses bad

the staff's doctors have gone to the front, but seven-

teen women physicians have taken their places. Every-

thing is as before. Germany's discipline is perfect

The German people do not reason and wonder why,

for them is only to do and die. Everywhere you feel

the relentleasness of force and the power of organiza-

toward a gigantic effort to blow up the world. Ger-

many no longer cares whom it hurts-like an unloved

kindly people. Germany, the land of the Christmas

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Germany will never give in. It will fight to its

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invent

The lawns are weedless, the flower beds won

The streets are clean. The tasks the able-

The building was heautiful, the lawns say

#### Indiana Election Methods.

Following the lead of the federal courts. the state courts of Indiana are actively pursuing the men who have manipulated elections in the Hoosier state of recent years. Disclosures at the trial of the Terre Haute gang have prepared the public to believe almost anything in connection with the practice of politics in Indiana, but the indictment of 128 men at Indianapolis, for corrupting the vote of that city, comes as something of a surprise. "Tom" Taggart, former chairman of the democratic national committee. a prominent figure in that party's national council, and a champion of Bryan, is caught in the net, which shows the grand jury went into the matter without any regard for the outside standing of the suspected culprits. Indiana is epparently bent on a general house cleaning. and is determined not to let one of the election manipulators get away.

Mr. Jupiter Pluvius has stopped off in Omaha quite often enough for the present if he wants to avoid wearing his welcome out.

spent his years as a missionary. I will give this warning: A good way to lose your health, peace and future betterment is to take part in any practice that has for its pleasure or interest the invocation of these evil intelligences. That they appear-talk, walk and do many strange things-no one well acquainted with the subject will deny, but their only motive in furnishing this amusement and interest to mortais is to gradually trap them into the loss of their health, faith in God and in the final loss of their soul. If they did not accomplish this successfully in many cases they would desist in the practice, because they don't work, run about, act and trouble themselves about others without the hope of a reward any

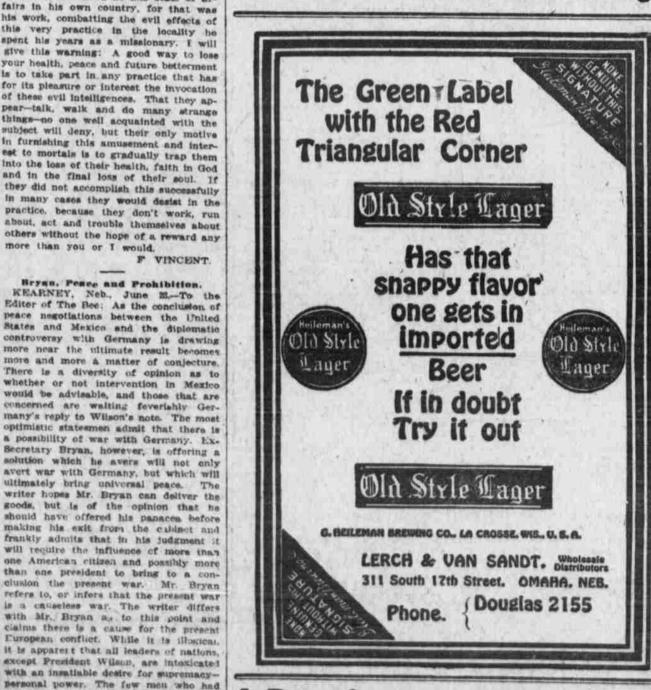
more than you or I would.

Bryan, Pence and Prohibition. KEARNEY, Neb., June 23.-To the

Editor of The Bee: As the conclusion of peace negotiations between the United States and Mexico and the diplomatic controversy with Germany is drawing more near the ultimate result becomes more and more a matter of conjecture. There is a diversity of opinion as to whether or not intervention in Mexico would be advisable, and those that are concerned are walting feverishly Germany's reply to Wilson's note. The most optimistic statesmen admit that there is a possibility of war with Germany. Ex-Secretary Bryan, however, is offering a solution which he avers will not only avert war with Germany, but which will ultimately bring universal peace. The writer hopes Mr. Bryan can deliver the goods, but is of the opinion that he should have offered his panacea before making his exit from the cubinet and frankly admits that in his judgment it will require the influence of more than one American citizen and possibly more than one president to bring to a conclusion the present war. Mr. Bryan refers to, or infers that the present war is a causeless war. The writer differs with Mr. Bryan as to this point and cialms there is a cause for the present European conflict. While it is illosical, it is apparent that all leaders of nations except President Wilson, are intoxicated with an insatiable desire for supremacypersonal power. The few man who had the power to bring on this conflict are. lin's biggest hospital. It was marvellous. There was with a few exceptions; pitileasly cruel, inordinately egotistical, dehauched and dissipated to a degree nearly, if not quite, approaching imbecility

been crected to care for the wounded. Seventeen of W. J. Bryan is a shrewd, scheming politician. His interests centers around W. J. Bryan. He is a great advertiser (of Bryan). He wants to be president of the United Statos. And the writer doesn't censure him because of his presidential aspirations. Who wouldn't be president of the United States if it were possible? But there are men not so changeable as last man. If pushed to the wall, all the bitterness and is Mr. Bryan. That which he is in favor fear that have crept into the nation will be directed of today he may oppose tomorrow. He sanctioned the killing, with justifications. of nineteen American boys and more child at bay, if means to smash and kill. The pity of Never was there a more generous, soft-hearted. than 300 Mexicans at Vers Cruz, and yet he continually talks peace.

At present there is a popular sentiment trae, and folk songe, and fireside, and gay childish in favor of national prohibition; in fact, laughter, turned into a relentless fighting machine! But each individual is merely a cog firmly fixed in the progressive party has inserted in its platform: and adopted a plank endorsing national prohibition. The writer advo-cated this to be the only solution of the the national machine, and will so obediently as long as the ruler power turns the crank .- Extracts from



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