Thought Nugget for the Day.

In Omaha Thirty Years Ago Today.

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H. Seiben and W. F. Jacubzeck, two employes of the Union Pacific shops, have patent letters pending upon a metallic vehicle wheel that promiser to be a very useful article. The paten-

County Clerk Needham has received a promising "purp" of royal pedi-gree as a Christmas present. This dog spends the nights at the home of its owner in West Omaha and the day

cupied General Supervision privâte car. Mr. P. Krous and Miss Jennie Fonta Mr. P. Krous at Germania hall by

were married at Germania hall Rabbi Benson.

This Day in History.

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#### NOVEMBER CIRCULATION. 55,483 Daily-Sunday 50,037.

Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Beo Publishing company, being duly aworn, says that the average circulation for the month of Nevember, 1916, was \$5,431 daily, and \$6,047 Hunday. DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Buberibed in my presence and sworn to before this Ind day of December, 1916, C. W. CARLSON, Notary Public,

Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Ad-dress will be changed as often as required.

If Mr. Weatherman has any other varieties i stock now is the time to display them.

If anybody can appreciate Secretary Lansing's embarrassment, ex-Secretary Bryan can.

The president of Switzerland endorses the move for peace. Every little country helps.

Those "Tommies" may get so used to eating Christmas pudding in the trenches that it won' taste right hereafter in any other place.

There is nothing in that injunction, however, to prevent Mayor "Jim" from using his own car for official business when he so chooses.

With the big bridge in place, nothing of prime importance can be ahead of the over-due Union depot on the railroad program for Omaha.

If the newspaper family, from copy reader to carrier boy, can have a day off once a year in Omaha, the same thing must be feasible in other cities.

Although little has come from Rome, Milan or Venice lately, it is assumed that Italy and Aus-

tria' occassionally exchange shells just for the exercise Pending final action on President Wilson's

quiz, it is already evident that the U-boats will emulate Gene Field's Christmas boy, who was just as good as he could be.

The holiday issue of "The Fatherland" presents a Christmas message from our democratic United States senator from Nebraska, presumably in acknowledgement of the good returns he got from "tickling the Germans" in his campaign for re-

Life insurance men assert that Americans are deteriorating physically and point to the large percentage of applicants for insurance rejected on account of physical defects. The showing is not conclusive. Allowance should be made for the defectives who jolly the agent by taking the medical examination.

The plan of farming out state funds to banks making highest bids for them is again projected by our state treasurer. We have the plan incor porated into our city charter here in Omaha and in practice it works out into a pro rated deposit in all the banks at a uniform interest rate 1 per cent lower than that paid on state money. Is there any reason to believe it would work out differently for the state?

The Lincoln Journal observes on the absence nowadays of the milling and churning that used to take place at the state capital for a week or

Following the example of the German soldiers the German diplomats have kept just one move ahead of their opponents through all the intricate maneuvers of their side of the great war game It is not a surprise, therefore, that the first response to the peace note of President Wilson

Germany's Answer to the Wilson Note.

should come from Berlin. In terms it is but an amendment to the original note from the Central Powers, in which th tentative proposal that terms of peace be considered was made. Its spirit, however, evinces a persistent and well-directed purpose on the part of the kaiser to shift the burden for continuing the war to his adversaries. A conference of delegates to discuss in detail the whole situation and consider all the circumstances of the relations of the European nations for the future is the only way open to the approach of a settlement. It would be a preliminary requisite, even were one side or the other brought to the point of suing for peace, and that the passions of conflict have subsided to a point where one set of belligerents can seriously propose such a meeting is encouraging.

Such a conference as is proposed by the Germanic allies would have a tremendous influence on the prospects for early settlement of existing differences. It is not hard to think that if such a meeting had been held in July, 1914, these years of dreadful strife would have been years of constructive peace instead. No matter how far apart the ambitions and desires of each may be, when first presented, a middle ground can always be found. In this case it will be much casier to approach that common center, for the conference, although between the belligerents, will be attended by neutrals as vitally concerned in the ultimate terms as any of the warring powers. It is not a peace for Europe, but a peace for the world that is to be considered.

What reply the Entente Allies will make to the note of the president must be affected in som measure by the action of Germany. Utterances of kaiser or premier as to what sort of terms each will offer or accept is of little moment now. A conference is more to the point.

#### Exterminating the Shysters.

The coming meeting of the Nebraska State Bar association is promised a report from its legislative committee outlining a campaign of exermination to be waged against "shysters." For such a campaign bench, bar and laymen ought to "unanimous, leaving only the "shysters" themselves in opposition, for the shady operations of crooked lawyers in this neck-o'-woods have too long been a stench and a scandal which we know none has so much deplored as the hon est and responsible lawyer. But the real trouble comes in making the practical application, be-cause whenever holdup or blackmail cases have heretofore been traced to some one's door experience has usually shown that his professional colleagues either coming boldly to his rescue or at least attempting to shield him, and the demand that the reputable lawyers do their own housecleaning has had little response. So far as our recollection goes, we cannot now recall any "shyster" ever disbarred from practice in this jurisdiction, although machinery for disbarment has been and is at hand without further legislation.

If, however, the report and recommendation of the committees jars the Bar association into real

motion it will serve a good purpose.

#### Railroad and Other Earnings.

Railroads of the United States report enormously increased net earnings for the current year; the total amounting to above a billion dollars, and half as much again as for the preceding year, which ranged as a fairly active and prosperous season for the transportation companies. This increase, of course, is due to the phenom enal traffic of the country, stimulated by the trade in war material, which has exceeded all experience. Profits shown by the railroads, large as they are, are small in comparison with those of some of the other lines, many of which have paid dividends as high as 100 per cent for the year. This great industrial activity, which has saved the country from the terrible depression that pre-vailed two years ago, is ascribable solely to our unique position as purveyor in chief to the na-tions of Europe who are consuming manufactured products at a rate never dreamed of before

this war. Any schedule of profits taken, however, must be set alongside the increased cost of living for comparison. Such a contrast suggests an economic inequality that emphasizes the abnormal aspect of the whole situation. Readjustment will follow in the natural course of events, for only the improvident look ahead to a long continu-ance of existing conditions. Wisdom and prudence must be enlisted to the end that the future does not develop disaster for the business of the United States.

### **Points About Peace Treaties**

Peace treaties are most important docu-tents, written by hand throughout, sealed ith many seals and bound about with green lk ribbon.

At least as many original copies of peace treaties as there are signatory powers are signed and scaled, while several certified copies are signed, but not scaled, for the sake of con-

The original copies of peace treaties are securely locked up in the archives of the differ-ent countries concerned, while the certified copies are kept to be used for printing from and for reference. The monarchs of the signatory powers do not affir their signatures or seals to peace

not affix their signatures or seals to peace treaties entered into by them. This important formality is carried out by specially accredited

formality is carried out by specially accredited peace commissioners. Each copy of a peace treaty begins with the words. "In the Name of the Moat Holy and Undivided Trinity." Where Turkey is one of the signatory powers, however, this formula is altered to "In the Name of Allah, the Almighty God," in the copy allotted to it. Peace treaties are not written straight across the page, or pages, like' ordinary documents. They are written in parallel col-umns, one in English, the next in French, the next in German, and so on, according to the number of languages spoken by the peoples of the signatory powers.

#### That Wornout War Alibi Detroit News-Tribs

From the days when guilty Cain innocently inquired: "Am I my brother's keeper?" the alibi fashion has been growing in favor. The Greeks used to blame their misfortunes on the Oracle. When their plans failed they ascribed the failures to misinterpretation of the Oracle. Samson blamed his feebleness to the loss of his hair. The Giants said that Fred Machiel incom feedment them to loss the new loss of his hair. The Giants said that Fred Merkle's ivory top caused them to lose the pen-nant. "Had to work at the office," is the uni-form explanation of tardy husbands. But now the greatest little alibi of them all has superseded noteworthy excuses of the past. It's the war in Europe. Whatever happened: It was the war in Europe

The cost of living has taken a record flight. Dealers shake their heads with mock sadness as the housewife inquires as to the price of fish. "Yee, perch has gone up a little, not much," the dealer complains. "The war in Europe, you know, has increased the cost of living." Poor little perch swimming along the great

Poor little perch, swimming along the great lake shores, never dreaming that the war in Europe was making it more valuable. Chairs—common, unornamented chairs—have

Chairs-common, unornamented chairs-have gone up in price, too. "It's the war in Europe," intones the furni-ture dealer. "High cost of labor and so forth, caused by the war makes the price higher." And Convict No. 9999, dipping the prison-made chairs into the varnish, works away in blissful ignorance that the cruel war across the ocean has made his labor an aristocratic priced

American eggs—some of them American from American eggs—some of them American from the days of Pocahontas—are reluctantly hauled the days of Pocahontas—are reluctantly hauled American eggs-some of them American from the days of Pocahontas-are reluctantly hauled from cold storage and sold for 5 cents apiece. "The war in Europe," alibis the seller. "The war in Europe," explained Mr. Hughes, explaining the prosperity. "The war in Europe," said Mr. Wilson, ex-plaining the high cost of living. "The war in Europe," said the fiance, explain-ing why the wedding must be postponed. "The war in Europe," argued the man who wanted the United States to prepare, "we'll have to fight 'em all after it's over." "The war in Europe, they can't fight anybody after they get through with this war," urged the pacifist.

Whatever it is, the war will furnish an alibi.

### Shafts Aimed at Omaha

York News-Times: Omaha is going to have a \$100,000 ornamental lighting system in the busi-ness district. No place needs such an improvement more.

Kearney Hub: Omaha wants at least one of the Cornhusker foot ball games each year. Omaha has been so nice about the proposed new state house that it ought to have this much coming. the

York Democrat: We wish for Omaha's Christmas stocking the assurances of a \$2,000,-000-passenger station. And for York, the assur-ance that work will be begun on the new North-western depot as soon as the frost is out of the ground, or sooner.

ground, or sooner. Wymore Wymorean: Omaha has always aspired to clear \$1,000,000,000 through its clear-ing house banks. That has been the peg the high mark has been hung upon. But this year it has been knocked so far away that the bil-lion-dollar mark looks small. Omaha's clearings this year will total a billion and one-quarter, nearly one-third more than its previous banner vear.



#### Scrap of Paper Security.

Scrap of Paper Security. Benson, Neb., Dec. 25.—To the Edi-tor of The Bee: The violation of Belgium's neutrality sealed the fate of all peace movements. The vital in-terests of Great Britain and Franc-make it necessary for the quadruple enfente to fight to the finish. The menace to the British empire will be menace to the British empire will be ment of this task" it is necessary to invoke the military aid of Japan. The forming of the British-Japanese ai-lance was a master move on the dip-omatic chess board, "a scrap of paper" security is simply a fool's para-dise. THOMAS HENRY WATKINS. One Year Ago Today in the War. Bulgar army withdrew four miles om Greek border. Intense battle with heavy cannon in eigium, near Rheims, and in the Vosges. Indian army reported to have left France for another field of operations, presumably Egypt or Mesopotamia. Lloyd George threatened to resign unless England established compulsory military service.

What Would You Do?

What Would You Do? The Bee: Some few days ago I no-tive of the Bee is some few days ago I no-tive of the Bee is some few days ago I no-tive of the Bee is some few days ago I no-tive of the Bee is some few days ago I no-tive of the some few days ago I no-tive of the some few days ago I no-tive of the some is the some of the some ordinary business man or merchants or be sure unionism is no path of Toses, neither for business nor for members of the unions. But for the of economics, it is a case of necessity. What else can you do to keep step with the ever-increasing cost of liv-ing. Mould you do if you were a working for while do as others have done-you'll join a union and I can say from these that you will be a very rad-busines that you will be a very rad-busines that you will be a very rad-busines that you will be a very rad-busing man or nather what are you go in the the sourial Merchant, for you'll loin a union man, for independ-busing Merchant, for you'll loss the souri large to mote of the sour-busing the souri large of the souries ago the souri large of independ-busing the souries of the souries of the souries ago the souries that you will be a very rad-busing the souries of the sources of the s time in the county clerk's office. Its whereabouts on the first of April next is an important question, as the asses-sor of the Fourth ward and the asses-sor of the Fourth ward and the asses-sor of West Omaha precinct are both anxious to tax the clerk's canine. Postmaster Coutant is of the opin-ion that an entirely new postoffice building for Omaha cannot be agi-tated too early by our citizens. Mrs. Guy C. Barton and family have left on the Union Pacific Over-land train for Monterey, Cal., where they will spend the winter. They oc-cupied General Superintendent Smith's private car.

worker is like a single dollar-he starts no Ford factories. Today only the talented and very fortunate rise fortunate rise above the line of mere subsistence, so don't stone the fellow who wants a few cents more in pay WILLIAM WRAGE.

Richmond for a State House.

Richmond for a State House. Omaha, Dec. 26.—To the Editor of The Bee: Mighty well I know the futility of protracting an argument with the Hon. C. E. Wooster through the daily press. It were as fighting a windmill. I apologize for the refer-ence to his opposition to the new state capitol building which elicited his unfair and untruthful screed in The Bee of December 1. And this I shall not let go unanswered. Nebraska is going to have a new state capitol building. All the moss-backs and tightwads and professional obstructionists in the commonwealth will not avail to head it off. Nebraska is big, rich, progressive and rapidly

Rabbi Benson. A change is announced to take place in the leadership of the Musical union after the first of the year. F. M. Steinhauser, who has led the orchestra for the last year, will be succeeded by Harry F. Irrine, who is a very popular musician.

1811-Memorial presented to con-gress setting forth the defenseless con-dition of Michigan and praying for aid against the Indians. 1814-U.S. schooner Carolina blown up in the Mississippi river by a redwill not awail to head it off. Nebraska is big, rich, progressive and rapidly growing. It is just a question of how much to spend and how to spend it that the legislature will have to settle. The demand is apparent, and no pro-gressive citizen of the state will be-grudge a measily dollar or two for a modern state house to replace the ramshackle old relic which is a posi-tive eventer and constant measure to

Ist4-U. S. schooner Carolina blown up in the Mississippi river by a red-hot ball from the British batteries. 1836-Attempted assessmination of Louis Philippe of France by Meunier 1851-Reception in Baltimore in honor of Louis Kossuth. 1854-Thomas D. Dorr, leader of the so-called "Dorr's rebellion," died at Providence, R. I. Born there No-vember 3, 1905. 1860-The confederates occupied Fort Moultrie, in Charleston harbor. 1864-The Mexican republicans de-feated the imperialists at San Pedro. 1870-The Germans began the bom-bardment of Paris. live eyesore and constant menace to the people within its confines. Every syllable of this is plain truth. there is a

Mr. Wooster asserts there is a conspiracy" on foot to erect a new state house against the people's will; that the people of Lincoln are really behind it and "outside" people like 1870—The Germans began the bom-bardment of Paris. 1882—Austris celebrated the 600th anniversary of the establishment of the house of Hapsburg. 1891—Traffic throughout England was suspended by one of of the dens-est fogs ever known in that country. 1902—Queen Alexandra gave a Christmas dinner to the widows and orphans of soldiers killed in the South African war.

The Day we Celebrate. Walter T. Page, manager of the American Smelling and Refining com-pany, is 55 years old today. He is a graduate of the Virginia Polytechnic institute and by profession a metal-lurgist. He has been in charge of the smelter here since 1588. Henry C. Murphy, the South Side lawyer, is just 43 years old. He was the recent republican nominee for county attorney and was born in Jer-sey City.

state house against the people's will; that the people of Lincoln are really behind it and "outside" people like yours truly are putting it over. He esays that if such a thing is attempted the "farmers of the state" will de-mand a referendum and kill the bill. "Now, I simply ask those who read these lines to consider the source when they read such rot as that. I have never been solicited by a citi-zen of Lincoln in this matter. The demand comes from over the state naturally, because the people of this great state are intelligent, progres-sive and alive to the fact that we need a new capitol building. That is the truth. I mean no personal offense to Mr. Woorster when I say that only a few Nebrakans share his views. Well do I remember twenty years ago hearing him in the legislature bellowing against an appropriation to the Trans-Mississipi expodition—an exposition which marked an epoch in the devel-opment of the entire state. And well do I remember this gentleman whose occupation is protest and whose occupation is protest and whose pustime is lamentation, stating his ob-jections to every progressive move-ment of great import. We are used No serious effort to meet them he made, But he worried. pastime is lamentation, stating his ob-jections to every progressive move-ment of great import. We are used to it, and we should expect his philip-ples against a new capitol, against good roads, against public improve-ments of all kinds. Mr. Wooster takes pains to say that he came to Nebraska in 1872. Well, I came in 1871. But what of that? I know an old codger who came here in 1860 and he would be willing to live in a hen house and have the barn

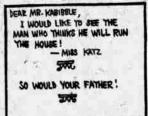
bit and take our place along with sister states who are far ahead of us sister states who are far ahead of us in public buildings and far behind us in every other way. Yours for a new state house. HENRY C. RICHMOND.

GRINS AND GROANS.

"Beauty is only skin deep, you know." "It used to be. I think the girls are lay-ing it on a little thicker this year."-Detroit Press Press.

"I had to put my foot down when my wife wanted to learn to drive the car," said Meeting to a friend. ""The second the friend, "I thought you always gauge in to ber." "I dol but I had to sit beside her and put my foot on the brake every time we came to a tight pack."-New York Times.

"That artist was making fun of us." "How so?" "When we went into his workshop hen went to look at it it was nothing but hody, without any head, legs, or arma-latimore American.



"Turned you down, did you say? Well, old chap, it's better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all." "Yes, better, indeed," replied the rejected one. "Better for the postoffice authorities, the florist, the messenger boy, the con-fectioner, a dozen waiters, twice as many taxi drivers, the jeweier, and half the the-aters in town!"-New York Times.

"No, I don't speak German, but I got long pretty well in Berlin without knowing

"No, I don't seen without knowing the innguese." "That so ?" "Yes: for instance, one day I wanted a drink and I went into a beer grades and said to the walter, 'Look here, old man. I'm dry! Do you understand-dry!" and Le next minute he came back with three beers."-Boston Transcript.

At the age of 16 Alice Jones wrought poetic changes in here name. She signed her-self E. Alyses Jones. This designated she askid her her name. "Alyses Jones." she replied. "A-1-y-s-s-e." "Thank you," shid the teacher. "And haw are you apolling Jones now?"-New York Times.

And I'm worried."

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THE HUSTLER AND WORRIER.

Edgar A. Guest, in Detroit Free Press. Whenever Jim Green owed a neighbor a

Edgar a lim Green seven bill. He worried. On top of a fance rall all day he sat still And worried. What's the matter?" folks asked as they "What's the matter?" folks asked as they traveled that way. and downcast

Whenever a merchant refused further trust. He worried.

dust And worried. He'd pause by the roadside to think of his dobia, And spend all the morning rehearsing re-gread and the morning rehearsing re-gread wall: "Little sympathy anyone gots When he's worried."

Whenever Jack White owed a neighbor a bill

He hustled: He dug in his toes and he worked with a will. He hustled: He clumg to his smile and he kept up his oblight. He doubled he efforts to bring in the tim. Went out for the coin for the debt he was in And he rustled.

He didn't take time to alt down in despai

And worry: He didn't complain of his burdens of care Or his worry; No debt ever frightened the soul of Jack

Or caused him to think it was used to fight. He held to the thought that he'd come out all right And he hustled.

ack White doesn't owe anybody today.

Ris debts, big and little, he managed to pay. For he hustled. Jim Green inn't welcome in places of trade. His debts still remain on their books as

Prescription

Perfection

White used him to think it was useless to

wandered he kicked up the

two before the convening of the legislature and offers several explanations. The real explanation is that the work of the legislature has come to be of relatively small significance compared with the other activities of the state-in a word, because Nebraska has outgrown its swaddling clothes.

# Another Prosperity Year

From every angle there is seen abundant evi-dence that the year 1917 is to be a record-break-ing one in the volume and value of business transacted in the United States. If we take under inspection conditions that affect the agriculturists and their interests, we at once perceive demands for the products of the lands that have never been equaled either at home or abroad. These demands are at prices that are the maximum for more than half a century if the general average is taken as the basis of computation. COL

It has been for centuries a maxim among economists that given prosperity among the cultiva-tors of the soil general business never fails to be

good. That prosperity spreads it benefits now throughout the farming districts of the United States is not open to doubt, and famine-stricken Europe, with so many millions of its former producers digging trenches and dealing death to their fellow men, is absolutely dependent this year, and will be for the succeeding two years, upon the foodstuffs raised and to be raised in the fertile helds of this republic.

tertile fields of this republic. To this huge foreign demand we have added the immense demands of our own populations in the cities and industrial districts. Since November 1 it is said that advances made in the wages of employes in the United States will increase the pay rolls by fully \$300,-000,000 per annum. To put this in another form, let it be said that the saring power of the workers is increased by

To put this in another form, let it be said that the earning power of the workers is increased by that amount. This increased earning power rep-resents an increased purchasing power of that same amount, \$300,000,000, and American work-ers are quick to use that additional purchasing and paying power, once it is in their hands. The anything be found that will give stronger proof of the prosperity of our transportation com-mercial and construction companies and other employers of labor than these recent advances, mostly voluntary upon the part of the employers? Turers, bankers, railways, real estate dealers and indeed, every business man in the United States, will find 1917 a year of record-breaking pros-perity.

No good reason can be shown why the railroads should not share to the fullest in the prosperity of the whole people. Let the masters of transportation take their huge earnings, and give the country better service than it has had

during the last few months.

#### Higher Up for Huse.

Nebraska newspaper men generally will rejoice in the good fortune and enlarged opportunity which has come to one of their number in the call of Norris Huse of the Norfolk News to take charge of an executive department of the American Press association, with headquarters at New York, and the whole United States as its field. Mr. Huse is a typical Nebraskan, born of the soil, almost raised on printers' ink, still in the prime of youth and full of the push, pluck and energy that have made the paper which he and his brother took over on the death of their father a record-breaking example of small town journalism and will enable him to make good anywhere. For his fine promotion Nebraska newspaperdom is entitled to congratulation as much as is Mr. Huse.

The December report of the Department of Agriculture ranks Nebraska second in winter acreage and indicated yield. Except for comparison with this time last year, calculations on the yield are of little value. The main feature of the report is the increase in area sown, amounting to 887,000 acres for the whole country. The stimu lus of high prices is not as impressive as predicted.

Canada's contribution to the war now totals 377,205 men. Already the casualties number 65,-000, or about 17 per cent. Should the war continue far into the new year, the Dominion hopes to make the total 500,000 men. Considered as a test of British solidarity the result is one of the big surprises of the war.

Hastings Tribune: Mayor Dahlman is going to have a flivver dropped into his Christmas stocking. There was such a fuss kicked up beto have a There was such a fuss kicked up oc-stocking. There was such a fuss kicked up oc-sonal trips that many of his friends decided to "chip in" and buy a machine for the cowboy mayor. There is nothing that beats being born Hurray for Jim! mayor. There is nothing that beats | under a lucky star. Hurray for Jim!

Lincoln Star: A national organization of farmers met in Omaha the other day, and among its resolutions was one favoring Omaha as the location of a farm loan bank. It is not stated that it picked any other city anywhere in the whole United States. It looks as if the metro-polis were a little exacting in its hospitality. The way to a man's heart is through his stomach and no visitor from any farmers' union in a disvisitor from any farmers' un ion in a dis tant stat state could demur to an appeal to vote for

### Peace Conferences of the Past

One of the most remarkable of peace con-ference was the meeting of Napoleon I and Emperor Alexander of Russia on June 25, 1807, in a pavilion erected on a raft in the middle of a stream at Tilsit, a town in East Prussia, sit-uated on the banks of the Memel. It was this conference which ended the war between France on the one hand and Prussia and Rus-sia on the other. sia on the other.

France on the one hand and Prussia and Rus-sia on the other. It was at Frankfort, in 1871, that the treaty which ended the Franco-Prussian war was signed, giving Germany Alasce and Lorraine and \$1,000,000,000. Seven years later the Russo-Turkish war ended with the treaty of San Stefano, which gave Russia an immense amount of territory. The subsequent treaty of Berlin, in which other powers had a deciding voice, gave Russia money instead of land. Three years ago St. James palace, in Lon-don, was the scene of negotiations that ended in the signing of a peace treaty between the Turkish empire and the Balkan league, which included Bulgaria, Greece, Serbia and Mon-tenegro. This treaty closed the thirty-two weeks' war between Turkey and the allied states and resulted in the sultan's dominions in Europe.

siderable portion of the sultan's dominions in Europe. The last time the great powers met to settle amicably a devision of territory was at the conference of Algeciras, a little town in Spain, on the Bay of Gibraltar, in February, 1906. Germany had resented France's proposals in regard to its scheme for the "peaceful pene-tration" of Morocco, but at the conference in guestion the matters were amicably arranged, France being left a fairly free hand to go ahead with its plans.

county attorney and was born in Jer-sey City. Luther H. Tate, accountant, is cele-brating his forty-fourth birthday. He is now assistant cashier of the Corn Exchange bank. Duke of Norfolk, the premier duke of Engiană and one of the great lead-ers of the Catholic laity, born at Carl-ton Terrace, London, sixty-nine years ago today. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, former Cana-dian premier, born in Suffolk, Eng-land, ninety-three years ago today. President John M, Thomas of Mid-lichuw college, who accompanied the diebury college, who accompanied the Vermont troops to the Mexican border as regimental chaplain, born at Cov-ington, N. Y., forty-seven years ago

ington, N. Y., forty-seven years ago today. Dr. John A. Marquis, president of Coe college and moderator of the Northern Presbyterian general assem-bly, born in Washington county, Pennbly, born in Washington county, Penn-sylvania, fifty-five years ago today. Charles C. Carr, formerly well known in the American Base Ball league and later a minor league man-ager, born at Coatesville, Fa., forty years ago today.

Timely Jottings and Reminders. Lem Johnson and A. J. Holder, rival claimants to the world's goat-roping championship, are to engage in a con-test today at San Angelo, Tex., for the championship title and a purse of \$1,000. \$1.000.

\$1,000. Miss Lolita Armour, who was widely known in her childhood as the sub-ject of the first "bloodless" surgical operation performed in America, is to make her social debut tonight at a ball to be given at the Chicago home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Orden Armour.

orgen Armour. Educators from all parts of the country interested in instruction in practical business methods are to gather in Chicago today for the twentieth annual convention of the tional Commercial Teachers' fe federa

tion. The Episcopal synod of the Spring-field (11L) diocese will meet in spe-cial convention today to choose a bishop to succeed the Rt Rev. Ed-ward Osborne, who has resigned ow-ing to advanced years and ill-health. Rev. William Harman Van Alles, rec-tor of the Church of the Advent in Boşton, is prominently mentioned for the bishopric.

Storyette of the Day.

The very sentimental young lady inquired gushingly: "Oh, Colonel, don't you love Long-

fellow's poems?" "Can't say I do," replied the old campaigner. "Never read them, in fact. Consider all poetry absolute

drivel." "But," she persisted, "surely you cannot help admiring this verse of his of The Day is Done, you know:

"And the night shall be filled with

music, And the cares that infest the day Shall fold their tents like the Arabs, And as slicatly steal away." "By Jovel" he exclaimed. "There is something in that. I know those Arab beggurs—they would simply steal anything."—Everybody's Maga-sine.

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