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Old Boreas still laughs at the weather man.
Mr. Wilson again lifted his glass at Rome. He may contract the habit.

A peace commission might find something to do at the Omaha city hall.
We can think of a better use for a wash-tub than to contain a "signal fire."

Price of radiators has been cut, but most folks are concerned over their heating capacity just now.
Even yet no excitement has developed over the fact that the legislature is to meet on Tuesday.

The question of control of prices for gas has been put over for a month, but the meters will click right along.
The call of the ice field is quite as loud as that of any of the other justly celebrated and well known fields just now.

Now let the company and the men get together, adjust matters on the basis of the award and give the citizens better service.
Semenoff says he would welcome United States troops to Siberia, a fact easy to understand, for it would enable him to let go.

"Huns last!" is the order on food distribution, and to this the world will say amen. Had it not been for the Hun famine would not exist.
The coal man is not worried just now over what to do with that surplus stock. If this weather keeps on he will be even on his life by April 1.

WHERE IS THE LIMIT?
Congressman Green's criticism of the program looking to indefinite retention of American forces in Europe for police duty brings up the question of the limit to our responsibility in this direction. When we entered the war it was with an understanding that we would see it to an end. After we got in conditions changed somewhat, especially when we encouraged the German people to overthrow their government in favor of a more democratic form.

These questions must have an answer. Mr. Wilson said at Manchester that we have no concern in European politics as such. To this all will agree, and for that reason it would seem that we are not obligated to maintain order indefinitely over there. It would be convenient, and in a sentimental sense desirable, that we police Germany and other places needing oversight until the people are ready to behave themselves and go it alone in managing their own affairs.

Our philanthropic impulse may not carry us that far. The young men who will be held in the army service in Europe are needed at home; the preservation of order over there implies some sort of responsibility for the future as well as the present, and we are not ready to assume over the affairs of any European country such guardianship as we hold over Cuba.

Europe's "Hunger Map."
The statement made by Herbert Hoover at Paris on food conditions in Europe gives the situation a most serious aspect. More than 125,000,000 people face starvation, and must be relieved for at least six months. Most of these have no means wherewith to buy food, so they must be given without charge or sold on credit.

As suggested by The Bee some weeks ago, peace comes first on the program, and then a league of nations. This is caring for the business in proper order.
The president made the journey from the Quirinal to the Vatican with such ease as suggests the hope the way may be cleared yet for such a trip by others.

When the city commissioners finally got the budget adjusted it left a little balance of \$14,000 appropriated, but it did not worry—a place will be found to spend that.
Mr. McAdoo fears the railroads will be brought into politics if his plan for a five-year extension of control is not continued. One is pardoned for wondering where the roads have been for the last forty years.

Mr. Wilson has been made a citizen of Rome, which, added to the honors conferred on him at Paris, Manchester, Dublin and other places, will give him some distinction, but he probably continues to cast his vote in New Jersey.
The blessed bolshevik is spreading light and peace among the peasants of Galicia now, accounts saying the reds are murdering, robbing and burning as they pass. Attila's hordes never surpassed the outfit that does homage to mine.

Forty-four farmers out of a total of 100 members in the lower house of the Nebraska legislature ought to ensure proper care for the needs of agriculture. One banker is listed among the members, and the question is how he get there?
All the boys were finally removed from the Hawaiian Pacific, and the boat can remain on the sandbar indefinitely now. The shipwreck and rescue provided an extra thrill for the soldiers, most of whom had had enough of it before they started for home.

Selling Utility Service
American public utilities with few exceptions have been fairly well organized to produce service, but are amazingly unprepared to sell it. Controlled almost wholly by financiers, lawyers and engineers, the American utility group, representing approximately \$10,000,000,000 of invested capital has tried to do business without advertising. It has left the public it serves ignorant of the value, cost and fair price of what it has to sell.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.
Lloyd George rested the British war aims to be the restoration with reparations for Belgium, France, Serbia and other occupied countries, re-consideration of the Alsace-Lorraine question, and the passing of Arabia, Armenia, Mesopotamia, Syria and Palestine from the hands of the Turks.

IN OMAHA 30 YEARS AGO TODAY.
Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kolteier celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at their residence on North Twenty-third street with friends, music and refreshments.



Among the entries are Frank Dingley, Jack Prince, Senator Morgan, Tom Eck, Charlie Ashinger, and Mlle. Armando.

Charles Fanning, George Canfield and Charles M. Koster are at Hot Springs.

The Third Congressional church has issued a call to Rev. Dr. W. A. Thain of Galesburg, Ill.

"The Omaha Watchman" died with the old year and in the future "The Omaha Mercury" will take its place.

Harry Morford has decided to join the regular army.

This Day in History.
The Day We Celebrate.
Maj. Gen. Frank McIntyre, U. S. A., chief assistant to General March, chief of staff, born at Montgomery, Ala. 54 years ago.

Maj. Gen. Adelbert Cronkite, U. S. A., who commanded the Eightieth division of the national army in France, born in New York, 58 years ago.

Rudolf Eucken, writer and philosopher winner of the Nobel prize for literature in 1908, born in Ostfriesland, 73 years ago.

Ashley F. Leaver, representative in congress of the seventh South Carolina district, born at Springfield, S. C., 44 years ago.

Rev. Olympia Brown, pioneer reformer and equal suffrage advocate, born at Prairie Ronde, Mich., 84 years ago.

William Bennett Munro, professor of municipal government in Harvard university, born in Ontario, 44 years ago.

This Day in History.
1757—Damien's attempt on the life of Louis XV of France.

1806—Lord Nelson's body lay in state at Greenwich hospital.

1858—Johann Joseph Radetzky, a famous field marshal in the Austrian service, died at Milan. Born in Bohemia in 1766.

1872—Overland mail first traveled through the Mont Cenit tunnel.

1881—International sanitary conference met in Washington, D. C.

Views and Reviews
Something About the Diet by Which Mr. Taft "Reduces"
The visit to Omaha disclosed ex-President Taft in particularly good humor. He said he always liked to come to Omaha, and said it in a way convincing that he means it. At the dinner in his honor at the Omaha club he repeated the sentiment with assurance that he is specially glad to be the guest of the club, as he had been on various previous occasions, and particularly this time that it was made an event warranting the presence of the ladies in a men's club.

"Such an achievement alone," he added, with that characteristic chuckle, "is worth traveling two nights and a ride on the Rock Island."

By way of emphasis of appreciation a post-script added by Mr. Taft's secretary to the letter to me arranging the details of his entertainment last night at the club was:

"P. S.—I remember the Omaha club dinners very well and wish I were coming out with Mr. Taft."

In physical appearance Mr. Taft is apparently in what would be called "the pink of condition." He is down to 176 pounds, which for a man of his height and large frame is down some.

"I'm looking forward to that dinner tonight, and I'll do justice to it," he joked on his departure from the train, "for in anticipation I am a lurch."

Afterwards at the dinner table, however, he disclosed the fact that going without lunch is not the diet.

"I eat a fairly hearty breakfast," he explained, "and my next real meal is the evening dinner. I eat no sugar or sweets at all, and meat never more than once a day. I do not restrict myself on meats or fish at all—except that pork and salmon have too fat-producing qualities. I do not eat potatoes or starchy foods. Oh, yes, there are a lot of good vegetables I can have all the time. No, it's just an inherited disposition to take on weight that I have to guard against. My boy, Robert, while at Yale weighed 185 pounds, and I said to him, 'That's just about what I weighed when I was at Yale—so you can see exactly what is ahead of you.'"

So Mr. Taft ate the oysters, the soup, the meat, the asparagus salad, as they were served, and without any left over on the plate, but passed up the potatoes, the cream, the cake, the sugar in the coffee. After he was all over he walked back to his hotel notwithstanding the below-zero temperature, replying to an invitation to ride in a limousine, "No, thank you, I want the exercise."

Here's one that produced a Taft chuckle! When "Bill" Gurley was presented to "Bill" Taft as the man who would present him for his after-dinner address, he said:

"Well, Judge, I hope you won't feel like repeating what another distinguished orator exclaimed under similar circumstances—'From our producers and producers, Good Lord deliver us!'"

I note the death of a long-ago friend of my college days, "Nick" Murray, who presided over the library at Johns Hopkins university when I was a student there. Probably no many hereabouts know or have heard of him, but there are a few. At first he was assistant to William Hand Browne, who combined in himself the duties of library director and professor of English, teaching the English literature part of the first year course listed as "P. H. E." the other legs of the triangle being the study of physical geography and history.

A corresponding follow-up course was labeled "L. E. P." which translated meant logic, ethics and psychology. I remember President Gilman once likening these combinations to the familiar railway abbreviations such as the B. & O. or C. & D., and calling them "our short cuts to knowledge." But to get back to "Nick" Murray, he was a veritable human cyclopedia and compendium of book knowledge, or, rather, knowledge about books, and was a great help to all of us who had to "look up" things in the vast accumulation of volumes in his care. He was an uncle of President Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia university, as is indicated by the name. It is some years since I last saw him, but he was always cordial in harking back to the Johns Hopkins days.

Victor Rosewater
Any Tongue Will Serve Now
Away back in the dark days of last February there was printed an Associated Press dispatch from Berlin that would make strange reading if it were to come across the water now. It was to the effect that the members of the Deutscher Sprachverein, or German Language Society, had adopted a resolution earnestly advising the chancellor to decree that when the time came to establish terms of peace all the negotiations should be conducted in the German language. Only in that tongue were the representatives of the vanquished nations to be allowed to say what little they would have to say when their fate was decided.

That proposal was highly characteristic, and there is no reason for supposing that if the Germans had actually carried it out there would have been any unreasonable in adopting it, though to have done so might have had its practical inconveniences, even for the victors.

But February is long ago. Much more than 11 months have passed since then—it is a whole era that has elapsed, and now the Germans are thinking not of how to emphasize a triumph but of how to escape from a few of the consequences of utter defeat. They would accept mercy, no matter in what language it might be extended. They are asking for it, too, in all the languages they know—and, to give them credit, they know, and know well, not a few. Yet their linguistic abilities did not save them from misunderstanding all their neighbors, near and remote. Their learning was a snare, as learning often is when its possessors make wrong use of it.—New York Times.

People and Events
Washington could furnish enough swivel chairs for the peace conference without missing the number.

Around the Cities
Sioux City's packeries last year paid \$12,500,000 for live stock. The aggregate business of the stock yards increased \$62,500,000 over 1917.

Chicago plans to make the Washburn school, where young men and women have been trained to become skilled machinists for war production, a permanent industrial preparatory institution.

Boston is considering plans for a memorial to its heroes of the world war. The plan most favored provides for a white marble arch with a span of 80 feet, to be erected at the intersection of two streets near the Common.

St. Louis and Kansas City street railway companies last spring were visited every state capital and every army cantonment in states that have cantonments and met Evansville soldiers in almost every one.

Chicago patrons of the postoffice last year made a new record. The volume of money turned in for stamps and things, the total rising to \$22,677,000, exclusive of money orders which amounted for \$379,040,000, netting \$1,513 million.

Kansas City lost its fight in the state supreme court against 6-cent fares. The most interesting point in the adverse decision is that a city may grant the use of its streets for free to a motor bus, but may not regulate the charge for such use.

Philadelphia lets go a roar against the plan of the police authorities to impose a tax on automobile owners for the trouble of recovering stolen cars. Some outraged Quakers want to know what police are for, anyhow, if not to chase thieves and recover stolen property.

The Commercial club of Toledo traces with painful exactitude the course of the most recent government in that city. In a circular from the club's publicity bureau a 10-column table shows that revenues of the city in 1906 averaged \$137.4 million, and in 1917 they will amount to \$260.63. The club intimates the speed exceeds the bounds of safety.

A colony of wealthy cottagers near Oyster Bay, L. I., propose to succeed to the tax of the city and themselves municipally. The burg mapped by the colonel is all right as towns go, but the Oyster Bay tax gatherers exercise a reach and a touch that is painful in recollection. As a consequence the plots will try out the Wilsonian policy of self-determination.

Glasgow was the first city to introduce women drivers and guards on its street railway system.

Wrecks of building trade workers in Germany have doubled since the war. A surgical tourniquet has been patented that is made of rubber tubing that can be inflated by an air pump to tighten it.

Iceland counts farming as one of her leading industries. She excels in sheep raising and dairymaking. Iceland exports about \$270,000 worth of butter in a year.

A Bath, Me. man had a cow to sell, but could get no better offer than \$75. So he chopped the cow up and sold it for \$150, she then amounted to \$150.

Nearly 30,000 women registered with the Bridgeport (Conn.) office of the employment service recently, as the result of a lively advertising campaign directed toward women for industrial employment.

The countries of the world in which earthquakes are most frequent are Italy, Japan, Greece, South America (the Pacific Coast), Java, Sicily and Asia Minor. The lands most free from the convulsions are Africa, Australia, Russia, Siberia.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.
"Why is an old beau like a man giving the finishing touch to his costume?" "Why, indeed?" "Because he is always buttonholing the buds."—Baltimore American.

"Miss Prittich—But, father, he is a man you can trust." "Her Pa—Gracious, girl! What I want is one I can borrow from—Indianapolis Star."

"Much bothered with tramps out your way?" "I was until I tacked up a sign on my gate." "Beware the dog, I suppose." "Oh, no. Simply 'Farm help wanted.'"—Boston Transcript.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "have you a minute to spare?" "Yes." "I wish you would let me exactly what is meant by a league of nations and freedom of the seas."—Washington Star.

Out of the Ordinary
The only democrat elected in Fulton county, Illinois, this year was Corp. Roy Tanner of Canton, a soldier who lost a leg in battle.

W. Naismith of the Esparto district, near Woodland, Cal., has hauled to town with a tractor a load of 225 sacks of almonds, for which he will get \$4,500.

An elderly man at Freeport, Me., is expert at patchwork and has made an all-silk quilt, in the sun-rise pattern, for which he has been offered \$300, but he is holding it for a rise.

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Brenner of Evansville, Ind., who have just spent two years making a 35,000-mile automobile tour of the United States, visited every state capital and every army cantonment in states that have cantonments and met Evansville soldiers in almost every one.

Frank Teeter, a farmer of Enfield Center, N. Y., is displaying a cabbage stalk of the Danish variety on which have grown 19 heads of cabbage. The central and larger head is surrounded and as firm as the central head. The whole thing weighs two ounces less than 12 pounds.

According to Prof. W. C. Kendall of the United States Fish commission, who has compiled a list of the fishes of Maine, both salt and fresh water varieties, fishermen who appeared to know what they were talking about and seemed worthy of credence have reported 49 different kinds of fish in the waters of the state.

Washington Post: The trouble with the balance of power is that it is so constantly getting out of balance.

Washington Post: When the kings come to Washington and say "I raise my glass," what will be in them—the glasses?

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: This world is a rich one. It has furnished \$200,000,000,000 worth of wealth to blow up and dissipate in a four years' war.

Washington Post: Herb Hoover told the German food robbers in Belgium to go to h— with his compliments, and they promptly returned to Germany.

Minneapolis Tribune: Colonel Howe is now reported to have originated the phrase, "freedom of the seas." Oh, is that so? Then maybe he can tell what it means.

Minneapolis Tribune: Max Harden wants to come to America to plead the cause of Germany. That's it; somehow we have come to be regarded in Germany as a friend. How could that have happened?

Kansas City Times: Gertrude Atherton says diplomacy is still secret. Mrs. Atherton has evidently called the roll of delegates to the impending peace conference and, like the rest of us, found no women in it.

Baltimore American: Now Bernhardt pleads innocence of guilt in act or intent for the war. The proud slogan of Deutschland über alles has changed to the general whine from the Kaiser down of I didn't do it!

Philadelphia Ledger: General Pershing's rules for the government of that part of the Rhineland occupied by the American army are strict, but not too severe. It would be highly disastrous from every point of view to allow the people to get the impression that they were not really conquered.

Signposts of Progress
Membership in Sweden's trade unions last year totaled 1,316,146. Three bridges have been built across the Suez canal at Kantara, thus linking Egypt and Palestine by railroad and road.

An English city is experimenting with electric street cars as traveling kitchens, on which meals are cooked enroute and sold to the public.

Boot soles made from compressed scraps of leather are said to be waterproof and elastic. They can also be made at little cost and are more comfortable than rubber.

A Swiss company has spent a large amount for road improvement and equipment and plans to carry passengers over some routes in the Alps in electric automobiles.

No industry in the United States has shown a more wonderful growth during the war than that of chemicals. The exportation of chemicals from the United States in the year which ends with this month will show a total of approximately \$175,000,000, against \$27,000,000 in the year immediately preceding the war.

China's first pencil factory was officially opened on June 26, 1918, when the China Pencil company threw open its new plant for inspection. This company is an Anglo-Chinese enterprise, organized and promoted by a few English and Chinese business men, and hopes to obtain a large share of the pencil trade in the Far East hitherto controlled by the Germans and Austrians.

WELL KNOWN LADY TELLS HOW SHE DARKENED HER GRAY HAIR BY A SIMPLE HOME-MADE REMEDY.

Mrs. E. H. Boots, a well known resident of Buchanan County, Ia., who darkened her gray hair by a simple home-made remedy, made the following statement: "Any lady or gentleman can darken their gray or faded hair, and make it soft and glossy with this simple remedy, which they can mix at home. To half a pint of water add 1 ounce of bay rum, one small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ ounce of glycerine. These ingredients can be purchased at any drug store at very little cost. Apply to the hair every other day until the gray hair is darkened sufficiently. This is not a dye, it does not color the most delicate scalp; is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off. It will make a gray haired person look 10 to 20 years younger."—Adv.



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