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A HYMN OF HATE.

And this I hate—not hate, nor flag, nor race,

But only war with its wild, grinning face.

God strike it till its eyes be blind as night,

And all its members tremble with affright!

Oh, let it hear in its death agony

The wail of mothers for their best loved ones,

And on its head

Descend the venomous curses of its sons

Who followed her, deluded, where its guns

Had dyed the daisies red.

All these I hate—war and its panoply,

The lie that hides its ghastly mockery,

That makes its glories out of women's tears,

The toil of peasants through the burdened years,

The legacy of long disease that preys

On bone and body in the afterdays.

God's curses pour,

Until it shrivels with its votaries

And die away in its own fiery seas.

That nevermore

Its dreadful call of murder may be heard

A thing accursed in every deed and word

From blood-drenched shore to shore!

—Joseph Dana Miller in the New York Globe.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

Every craft and every power soon becomes old and is passed over in silence, if it be without wisdom; for no man can accomplish any craft without wisdom.—Alfred the Great.

By treating them with certain gases a Frenchman has succeeded in keeping eggs fresh for ten months.

In the Four Counties inn, in England, it is possible to eat in Leicestershire, sleep in Staffordshire, drink in Warwickshire and smoke in Derbyshire without leaving the building.

A Pittsburgh woman assailed a dentist because he would not pull the aching tooth of a pet bulldog, and raised the roof of his shop by a vocal delirium on dental inhumanity. The purp wisely kept his jaws closed.

In the opinion of the world's work, it is negligence akin to manslaughter for the government to have an army or navy and not to have ready for it a sufficient and continuous supply of food, clothing, equipment, munitions, and everything else which goes to make the man at the front efficient.

Miss Clara Dow of Cincinnati, who, at her death, left an endowment of between \$700,000 and \$1,000,000, was the owner of eleven drug stores. She is said to have come from the humblest of surroundings, and to have had her own energy to thank for whatever she acquired.

A revised and enlarged edition of safety first warnings are tacked up on the bill boards of the Huntington division of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad. They are intended for members of various train crews, forbidden them "flirting with the wives of certain residents of Ashland, Kenova and Huntington while running through those cities, as the husbands of these women have filed numerous complaints with the main office of the company and have threatened suits for damage." Limiting the train to a poor grade of inanimate scenery is mighty tough on live railroad men.

SICK SKINS MADE WELL BY RESINOL

No matter how long you have been tortured and disfigured by itching, burning, raw or scaly skin humors, just put a little of that soothing, anesthetic Resinol Ointment on the sores. The suffering usually stops right there!

Healing begins that very minute, and in almost every case your skin gets well so quickly you feel ashamed of the money you threw away on tedious, useless treatments.

Resinol Ointment is not an experiment. It is a doctor's prescription which proved so wonderfully successful for skin troubles that it has been used by other doctors all over the country for twenty years. No other treatment for the skin now before the public can show such a record of professional approval. Every druggist sells Resinol Ointment (50c. and \$1.00), and Resinol Soap (25c.). They do wonders for pimples, blackheads, dandruff and chafing, and are a comfort to skin-tortured babies.

If the prejudicial Cummins organs in the state continue their method of "compelling" the Cummins campaign they will do the senator's prospects more harm than good. This is the year for concession—not division. This is the year for party unity—not dissension.

"The thrift habit is a sister to a good many other beautiful habits," says the New York American. "Thrift implies industry, and of course, thrift implies economy, and economy means the care of things and their proper use. You do not waste anything that can be used. You save it, care for it, preserve it. Children should early be taught the savings bank habit. Such children will grow up—at least most of them will—able, courageous, helpful and willing."

Figures just given out show there are 100,611 natives of California living in other states, while 863,236 natives of other states are living in California. Of natives of other states now residing in California, it is stated that Illinois leads with 87,291, while New York is second, Missouri third, and Iowa fourth. The number of former Iowans in California is set down as 54,960. Either the figures are wrong or else the Iowans make more noise than the natives of other states, says the Santa Ana Blade.

The tendency of the politician to popularize himself by attacking corporations is becoming altogether too frequent for the commercial health of the country. Corporations are essential—that the consolidation of wealth has permitted the development of industries that could not have otherwise been put in motion. There seems to be a purpose on the part of some politicians to permit the development and then stop the motion. Activity is life. Stop give the American industries a chance to further develop, rather than to curtail their activities.

AUTO LESS DEADLY. Is the deadliness of the automobile increasing or decreasing?

This question seems to be answered in a very conclusive manner by the bureau of census, in making public some preliminary mortality statistics for the year 1914, which indicate that during the five years from 1909 to 1914 the number of automobiles in use in the United States increased more than twice as rapidly as the number of fatalities caused by them.

At the close of 1909, according to figures compiled by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce of New York City, from state registration reports, due allowance being made for duplicate registrations, the number of automobiles in use in the United States was approximately 200,000; by the close of 1913 it had risen to 1,270,000, and a year later, at the end of 1914, it was 1,750,000.

In the meantime the number of deaths due to automobile accidents and injuries increased from 632 in the death-registration area in 1909, containing 56 per cent of the population of the United States, to 2,623 in the same area in 1914; and the increase from 1913 to 1914, for the registration area as constituted in 1913, then containing 65 per cent of the population of the country, was from 2,488 to 2,795. Thus, in one year increase of 775 per cent—according to reliable figures compiled by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce—in number of machines has been accompanied by an increase of 315 per cent in automobile fatalities; and a one year increase of 38 per cent in number of machines has been accompanied by an increase of 12 per cent in fatalities.

Perhaps a more reliable comparison, from the statistician's point of view, can be made between the increase in number of automobiles in use and the increase in the rate per 100,000 population for deaths caused by them. This is because, with a given area, the fatalities due to them will tend to be proportional to the population of that area. When the comparison is made on this basis, it appears that a five-year increase of 775 per cent in number of machines has been accompanied by an increase of 258 per cent—from 1.2 to 4.3 per 100,000 population—in the death rate resulting from automobile fatalities. Similarly, a one year increase of 38 per cent in number of automobiles has taken place along with an increase of only 10 per cent—from 3.9 to 4.3 per 100,000—in the death rate charged to them.

One cause of this proportional decrease in the destructiveness of the automobile is undoubtedly to be found in a reduction in average annual mileage per machine; but, after due weight is given this factor, and a suitable margin is allowed for possible error resulting from inaccuracy in the estimated portion of the automobile statistics, the figures still appear to furnish ample justification for the conclusion that the automobile today is being driven with more care and more regard for public safety than it was a few years ago.

ALASKA'S BEST YEAR.

The Alaska mining industry as a whole was more prosperous in 1915 than in any previous year. This is indicated by the value of the total mineral output, which is estimated to have been \$22,000,000, compared with \$19,064,963 for 1914. The highest value for any previous year was in 1906, when Alaska produced \$23,378,428 worth of minerals, but this was at a time when the bonanza placers of Fairbanks and Nome were yielding their greatest returns.

The high value of the mineral output in 1915 was due in large measure to the extraordinary amount of copper that was mined. Preliminary estimates indicate this to be \$2,850,000, valued at \$4,400,000. In 1914 21,450,628 pounds of copper were mined, valued at \$2,852,934. The gold production also increased in 1915, when the value was about \$16,900,000, against \$15,626,813, for the output of 1914. This is the largest gold production since 1912, when the output was valued at \$17,145,951. As the production of silver is incidental to gold and copper mining, this also increased. It is estimated that \$400,000 worth of

silver was mined in 1915, as compared with \$218,327 worth in 1914. The output of other minerals, including tin, antimony, marble, gypsum, coal, and petroleum, in 1915 had a value of about \$300,000, compared with \$222,802 in 1914.

The developments made during the year give assurance of continued large operations in both copper and gold lode mining. Placer mining has been less prosperous, for this industry has not yet reacted to the stimulus of the government railway, which will make available for profitable exploitation, large bodies of low-grade gravels. The same is true of the coal mining industry, which also must await railway transportation.

The annual report on mineral resources and production in Alaska for 1915 is now in preparation under the direction of Alfred H. Brooks, of the United States geological survey. The first gold mining in Alaska was done in 1850, and since that time gold to the value of about \$24,050,000 has been produced. Of this about \$186,200,000 has been won from the gold placers. Copper mining began in 1901, and the total copper output of Alaska is now about 217,250,000 pounds, valued at \$34,150,000. The value of the total silver production to date is about \$2,650,000. Coal, petroleum, tin, lead, quicksilver, antimony, marble, gypsum, and other minerals have been produced to the value of about \$2,150,000. The value of the total mineral production during thirty-six years of mining in Alaska has been \$300,000,000.

BAPTIST MEETING HELD THIS WEEK

Southeast Iowa Convention Will be Held at Fort Madison January 7-9.

Rev. F. B. McAllister of the First Baptist church, and Dr. J. E. Forney will appear on the program at the Southeastern Iowa Baptist convention at Fort Madison January 7 to 9. The Fort Madison Democrat says of the meeting:

The program for the Iowa Baptist convention in extension, which will be held in this city January 7 to 9, at the Baptist church, has been prepared. Local members on the committee are expecting some twenty delegates from various parts of southeastern Iowa. In all probability delegates will be present from Burlington, Keokuk, Farmington, Charleston, Hillsboro, Bonaparte, Warren, Croton, Glasgow, Harrisburg, Denmark, Utica and from many of the rural churches. There will also be present at the sessions some of the state officers, who will take part in the program which has been arranged and which will be as follows:

Friday Evening 7:30.

Preparation in Prayer and Praises—Superintendent F. C. Ottawa.

A Goal as an Incentive—Prof. Jay A. Lapham.

The Five Year Program—Dr. G. P. Mitchell.

Saturday.

9:00—Morning worship—Helen M. Auld.

9:20—Round table discussion—Dr. G. P. Mitchell.

10:00—Duties of the Officers in the Church—Rev. C. S. Carroll.

10:30—Duties of Officers in B. Y. P. U. Societies—Mrs. Floy Clark.

11:00—Duties of Officers in the Sunday School—Dr. J. E. Forney.

11:30—Hard Points in the Standard—Pastor, J. B. Cash.

2:00—Praise and prayer; plans to secure daily readings—Rev. F. B. McAllister.

The Point of Contact in Teaching—Prof. Jay A. Lapham.

How to Get the Library Read—Rev. T. S. Bovell.

Enrollment and average attendance. General discussion.

4:00—Children's hour.

7:30—Praise and prayer—Miss Cash. Turning over a New Leaf: Another Chapter—Prof. Jay A. Lapham.

Sunday.

Regular worship, directed by pastor, J. B. Cash.

2:30—Children's hour.

3:00—The Point of Contact in Teaching. General discussion.

6:30—B. Y. P. U.

The Lad and His Dad—Prof. Jay A. Lapham.

Come with Bibles and pencils.

It has been requested that any who desire to attend this convention for one or more days, they phone their name to Rev. F. B. McAllister and he will see that the proper authorities are notified at Ft. Madison.

Doesn't Deserve Her.

Burlington Gazette: A Mr. Palm, who eloped with and married the daughter of Hon. Henry Volmer, of Davenport, and then permitted her to take his bride. If he showed the right spirit he would take his wife if he had to lick his father-in-law to do so.

BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel—are a mild but sure laxative. Most headaches, "dizziness" and that lazy feeling come from constipation and a disordered liver. Take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. They are a harmless substitute for calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel, sometimes plays havoc with the gums. So do strong liquids.

It is best not to take calomel, but to let Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets take its place. Most headaches, "dizziness" and that lazy feeling come from constipation and a disordered liver. Take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. They are a harmless substitute for calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel, sometimes plays havoc with the gums. So do strong liquids.

The Olive Tablet Company, Columbus, O.

Official Council Proceedings

November 1, 1915, 9 a. m.

Council met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Moorhead presiding. Minutes of meetings of October 28 and 30, 1915, were read and approved.

Resolution No. 1242.

Be It Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Keokuk: That the following pay rolls and bill be, and they are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Table with 2 columns: Warrant No. and Amount. Includes Warrant No. 2631 General (\$ 5.80), Warrant No. 2632 Street (806.80), Warrant No. 2633 Motor Vehicle (111.00), Warrant No. 2634 Sewer (9.50), Warrant No. 2635 Sidewalk (13.69), Warrant No. 2636 Park (27.00), Warrant No. 2637 T. J. Colvin, various sidewalk intersections, improvement (136.98).

Roll Call—

Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt.

Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.

Resolution No. 1243.

Be It Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Keokuk: That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to draw Warrant No. 2638, for \$21.33 in favor of the State Central Savings Bank, for interest on Fire Truck Time Warrants, due November 1, 1915.

Roll Call—

Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt.

Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.

Special Ordinance No. 466.

An ordinance vacating that part of Commercial street in Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk which extends through Block 9 and that part of N street which abuts upon Blocks 9 and 10, in said Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk, and authorizing a conveyance of the same, having been on file and posted in the office of the City Clerk for a period of one week for public inspection as required by law, is now before the City Council and same is adopted by the following vote:

Roll Call—

Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt.

Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.

Special Ordinance No. 466.

An ordinance vacating that part of Commercial street in Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk which extends through Block Nine (9) and that part of "N" street which abuts upon Blocks Nine (9) and Ten (10) in said Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk, and authorizing a conveyance of the same.

Whereas, the Mississippi River Power Company is the owner of Block Ten (10) excepting Lots One (1) and Twelve (12) and is the owner of Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in Block Nine (9) and Nannie M. Smith is the owner of Lots Four (4), Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7), Eight (8), and Nine (9) in Block Nine (9), all in Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk, and

Whereas, no other person than the aforesaid property owners own property abutting upon Commercial street in said block Nine (9) and "N" street in said Addition, and

Whereas, it is desired to use said streets for industrial purposes and the same is unsuitable, insufficient and unnecessary for public uses in said city and is impracticable for public travel thereon, now therefore

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Keokuk:

Section 1. That the city of Keokuk hereby vacates that part and portion of Commercial street in Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk, Iowa, which extends through Block Nine (9), and that part of "N" street which abuts upon Blocks Nine (9) and Ten (10) in said Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk.

Section 2. That the City of Keokuk hereby grants and conveys unto the Mississippi River Power Company (a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Maine, and duly authorized to engage in business in the state of Iowa), its grantees, successors and assigns that part of Commercial street abutting upon Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Ten (10), Eleven (11), and Twelve (12), in Block Nine (9) and that part of "N" street abutting upon Blocks Nine (9) and Ten (10) in said Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk; and also said City of Keokuk hereby grants and conveys unto Nannie M. Smith, her grantees and assigns that part of Commercial street abutting upon Lots Four (4), Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9) in Block Nine (9) in said Ford's Addition to the City of Keokuk.

Section 3. That the Mayor of the City of Keokuk, S. W. Moorhead, be and he is hereby authorized on behalf of said city of Keokuk to execute a conveyance to the Mississippi River Power Company and Nannie M. Smith for the respective portions of said streets so vacated and described in Section 2 hereof.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be published in "The Daily Gate City" and Constitution-Democrat, newspapers of general circulation in the said City of Keokuk, and the same shall take effect from and after its publication and ten (10) days after its final passage.

Section 5. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

Passed this 18th day of October, A. D. 1915.

Roll Call—

Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt.

Total voting aye, 3; total voting nay, 0.

Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.

Resolution No. 1244.

Whereas, On the 13th day of April, 1915, Cameron, Joyce & Company did enter into contract with the City of Keokuk for the improvement of that portion of Commercial street as relocated and extending from the easterly line of Lot 4, in Block 6, Reid's Addition, produced southerly across Commercial street, thence to the westerly line of B street; also that portion of B street lying between the northerly line of Bluff street and the southerly line of Commercial street as relocated produced across said B street, by paving and curbing the same, which contract was duly approved by this council on the 14th day of April, 1915, and

Whereas, The said Cameron, Joyce & Company has fully completed the construction of the said improvement in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said contract and the plans and specifications thereto attached, as shown by the certificate of the City Engineer, filed with the City Clerk on the 14th day of April, 1915, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keokuk, That the said report of the City Engineer be, and the same is, hereby approved and adopted, and that the paving and curbing constructed on Commercial street and on B street from Bluff to Commercial streets, by Cameron, Joyce & Company, under its contract with the City of Keokuk, bearing date of April 12, 1915, is hereby approved and accepted, as having been fully completed under the terms and conditions of the said contract and the plans and specifications thereto attached, and the cost thereof is hereby determined to be \$2,049.95, as shown in said report of the City Engineer; and

Be It Further Resolved, That the City Engineer is hereby instructed and directed to prepare a plat and schedule of the said portion of the said street, showing the separate lots or parcels of ground, or portions thereof, subject to assessment for the cost of the construction of the said improvement, together with the names of the owners thereof, as far as practicable, and the amount assessable by law against each privately owned lot or parcel of ground abutting thereon and adjacent thereto, according to area, so as to include one-half of the privately owned property between the street so improved and the next street, whether such privately owned property situated more than three hundred (300) feet from the street so improved, which plat and schedule have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of law; and

Whereas, The assessments shown on said schedule seem to be proper assessments to be made for and on account of the cost of the construction of the said improvement, therefore

Be It Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Keokuk, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, instructed to give not less than twenty days' notice by two publications each in The Gate City and Constitution-Democrat, newspapers published in this city, and by handbills, posted in conspicuous places along the line of the said improvement, that said plat and schedule are on file in his office, and that within twenty days after the first publication of such notice all objections thereto, or to the prior proceedings, on account of errors, irregularities or inequalities, must be made in writing and filed with the said clerk.

Adopted November 1, 1915, by the following vote:

Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt.

Ayes 3; noes 0.

Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.

The Happy Family. Next Christmas will be the one in which every member has received a check from Keokuk National Bank Christmas Savings Club. Imagine how much merrier Christmas will be when everybody has money to make others MERRY. It's nice when all have money of their own—there's no asking—no coaxing—no disappointments—no "broken hearts." Let every Family be the Happy Family Next CHRISTMAS. Let everyone—the baby included—enroll right away. It's the sure way to have the money when you need it. Keokuk National Bank.

REMEMBER. There is no embarrassment to you in a small beginning. The person who is saving pennies today, may be saving dollars a year from now. Join our DEPOSITORS' WEEKLY SAVINGS CLUB and you will be convinced, we have given you the best method you have ever tried for getting money. NOW is the time. Use some of the money you received for Christmas for this purpose. State Central Savings Bank. Corner Sixth and Main Streets. Capital \$200,000.00 Surplus \$200,000.00.

Interest is Now Due. All money deposited before Jan. 12 will draw interest from Jan. 1st. Keokuk Savings Bank. Passed, which said plat and schedule, when completed, shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk. Adopted November 1, 1915, by the following vote: Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt. Ayes 3; noes 0. Approved and signed: S. W. MOORHEAD, Mayor of the City of Keokuk. Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.

Resolution No. 1245. Whereas, In accordance with the instructions of this council there have been prepared and placed on file in the office of the City Clerk, a plat and schedule, showing assessments proposed to be made for the cost of the construction of paving and curbing that part of Commercial street, as relocated and extending from the easterly line of Lot 4, in Block 6, Reid's Addition produced southerly across Commercial street, thence to the westerly line of B street; also that portion of B street lying between the northerly line of Bluff street and the southerly line of Commercial street as relocated produced across said B street, against the privately owned property abutting thereon and adjacent thereto, according to area, and including one-half of the privately owned property between the street so improved and the next street, whether such privately owned property situated more than three hundred (300) feet from the street so improved, which plat and schedule have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of law; and Whereas, The assessments shown on said schedule seem to be proper assessments to be made for and on account of the cost of the construction of the said improvement, therefore Be It Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Keokuk, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby, instructed to give not less than twenty days' notice by two publications each in The Gate City and Constitution-Democrat, newspapers published in this city, and by handbills, posted in conspicuous places along the line of the said improvement, that said plat and schedule are on file in his office, and that within twenty days after the first publication of such notice all objections thereto, or to the prior proceedings, on account of errors, irregularities or inequalities, must be made in writing and filed with the said clerk. Adopted November 1, 1915, by the following vote: Aye—Moorhead, Collins, Schmidt. Ayes 3; noes 0. Approved and signed: S. W. MOORHEAD, Mayor of the City of Keokuk. Attest: O. W. SANDBERG, City Clerk.