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Proving Confidence

The absorption of the Fort Dearborn banks of Chicago by the Continental and Commercial banks hardly caused a ripple in the financial circles of that city. Big bankers of Chicago and the Middle West were surprised at the calm demeanor of the depositors and of the public.

A great financial crisis in the Middle West was averted by the action of the owners of the Continental and Commercial banks in taking over the Fort Dearborn banks, but it caused no perceptible disturbance.

The public knew that one of the most serious situations in the banking history of Chicago and the Middle West existed, but it relied on the integrity of the bankers and believed their word.

This confidence of the public is praiseworthy.

Musings for the Evening

Stay Home, Jerome

Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte
Would have a fairly ambitious start
Upon the road to eternal fame,
Wearing a most historic name,
It had been jinked from the social
shelf.

(Direct relation of Nay himself,
That nineteen century bugaboo,
Who kicked the bucket at Waterloo),
And would accept the Albanian throne
With a crown and scepter all his own.
A prince of Gotham society.

With due regard to propriety,
Might well be changed to a Balkan
king.

With a chinkstone lid and everything.
A young Park avenue man of parts,
Well versed in politics and the arts,
A diplomat of high degree.

He'd knock them dizzy across the sea
For one who has gained New York
success.

To be a king is a cinch, we guess.
His name belongs to the regal chart—
Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte.

Natives would drop their liverwurst
And yell: "Hooyar for Jerome the
First!"

They'd greet him with an admiring
shout.

And wonder what it was all about,
And go on milking their mountain
goats.

And manuring their pigs and shoats,
And trimming the tourists out of hand
Who came from their monarch's native
land.

They'd not refuse to accept the chink
Of fellow-citizens of their kind.

They'd serenade up on spaghetti and
beans.

The gastronomical mania

Of all the cooks in Albany.

There'd be no opera, not a Ritz,
No nobby tailor with swagger fits.

The population they brag of there
Could all be herded in Union Square.

They've not advanced to a point, as
yet.

To boast of a "younger married set."

For the Adriatic, you'll never start,

Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte.

Light travels rapidly, but they are
building some of the movie theatres
so large now that a man in a back seat
doesn't see the picture until five minutes
after it is flashed on the screen.

Uncertain

An eastern health expert is urging
that we adopt the European method of
greeting—embracing each other instead
of shaking hands. He says that
handshaking is dangerous to life. We
might be willing to compromise with
the gentleman—let those of like sex
shake hands and those of opposite sex
embrace. Still, we do no. That would
require taking to the woods pretty
often.

Our Friend Mary Again

Mary had a little lamb,
Its face was white as snow,
And every place that Mary went
The lamb was sure to go.

It carried home the butcher meat,

The sugar and the tea—

Mary was the missus,

And the little lamb was me.

A. Deuchars.

The difference between a lowbrow
and a highbrow is about \$100 a week
in favor of the former.

There's many a slip twixt the lip
and the lip.

After Dinner Stories

You cannot see the force of advertising, but you can feel it, said Ernest C. Hastings, managing editor of the Dry Goods Economist, New York. He told a story of a conversation between an advertising man and a merchant that illustrates the point.

"Ever had your hat blown off?" asked the advertising man.

"Yes," said the merchant.

"What blew it off?"

"The wind."

"Did you ever see the wind?"

"No."

"Well, advertising is like the wind—an invisible force. You can't see it but you can and will see the result just as you saw your hat go rolling down the street. And just as bending trees and flying dust are a symbol of the wind in the pictures, the stories I shall print in the newspapers about the merchandise carried in your store will be symbolic of advertising force."

"I want," said the very plain girl, "a book entitled 'Cultivate Your Natural Beauty.'"

"Here it is," said the clerk, who wanted to be sociable. "Are you getting it for a friend?"

And the very plain girl put her purse back into her bag and went right out.

MURINE Night and Morning.
Have Clean, Healthy
Eyes. If they tire, itch,
Smart or burn, if sore,
Irritated, inflamed or
Granulated use Murine
often. Soothes, refreshes. Safe for
Infant & Adult. At all Druggists. Write for
Eye Book. Murine Eye Candy Co., Chicago.

and there need be no surprise to learn that the bankers of Chicago felt gratified.

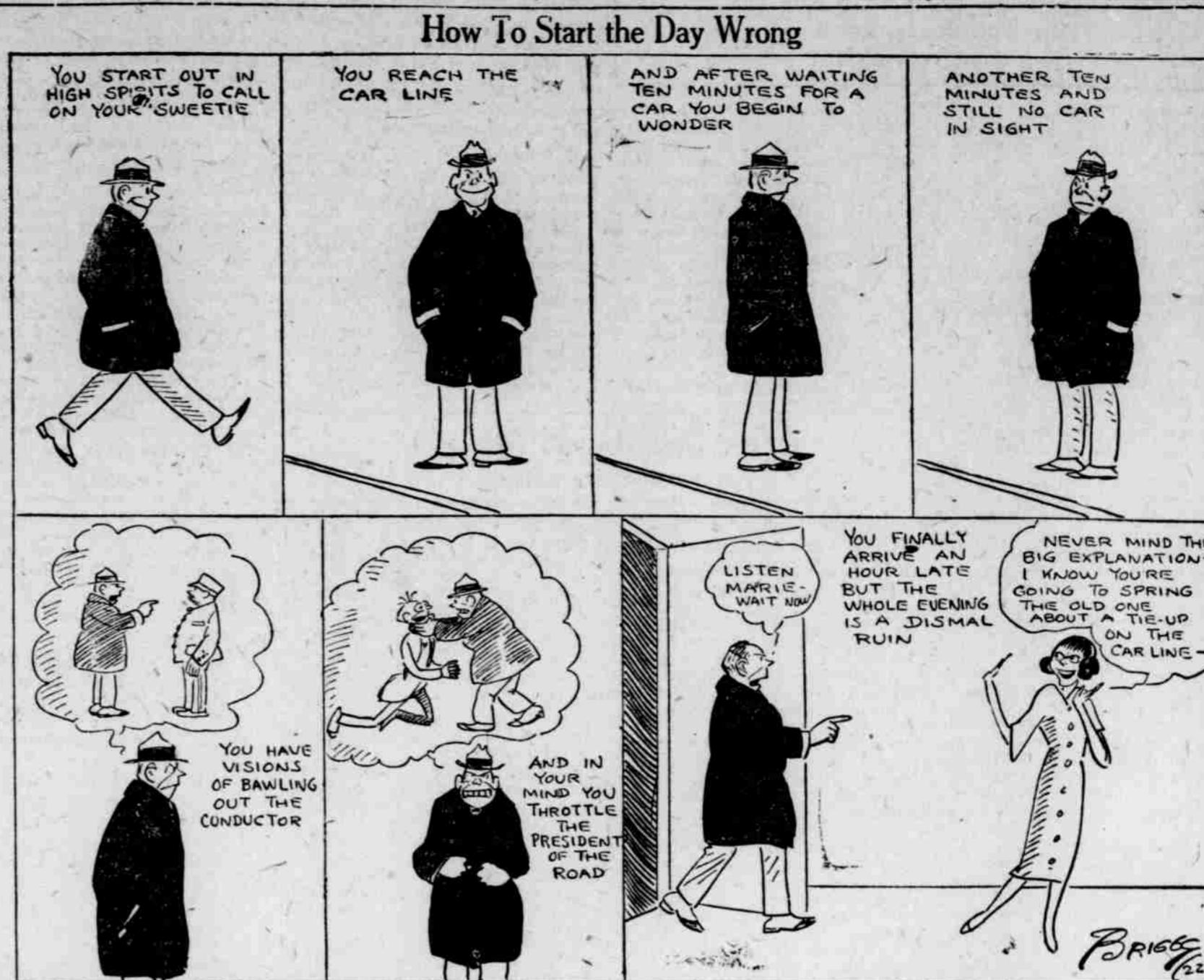
But the Chicago public backed up its refusal to be stampeded by actually pouring deposits into the financial institutions in increasingly large amounts. Instead of thronging to the banks to withdraw money, long lines of depositors formed before the cages of the receiving tellers to deposit money. One banker said that he was amazed at the spirit of the Chicago depositors.

This is the spirit that snatches victory out of defeat. It is a lesson of the highest worth, which all of us might take to heart and apply to other conditions of our national life.

If every American's soul was filled with the optimistic spirit of the Chicago depositors who backed up their judgment and their confidence by depositing money instead of withdrawing it, industries would begin to move and stagnation give way to animation.

So long as most of us dole on pessimistic forecasts and let our hearts be heavy and our spirits depressed, the whole country will remain in the doldrums.

If more of us would accept the word of our industrial leaders and financiers regarding the underlying soundness of our country and its recuperative powers, the new spirit of optimism would quickly put the idle wheels to revolving and bring back prosperity and happiness.



TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can," "Take It," "Up"

SET YOURSELF TO THE TASK

There is nothing that so withers the soul as aimlessness.

A large number of our sad failures melt away like the mist before the hot sun just the minute that we set ourselves to a particular task and work into it.

If you should ask me how to succeed, I would immediately reply: Have something useful in your mind to do—and then do it!

No matter how much we gain in material things or how much we own, we are, in the last analysis, merely tenants. And the test of our stewardship is whether we remain faithful and true.

History is a record of humans crumbling into dust. But what these humans accomplished, remains as the fresh inspiration of all history.

William Knox, in his great poem, asks why the spirit of mortal pride.

We should bathe our hearts in humility—and see in the larger good of life the supreme reason why we should set ourselves to some particular task, and complete it.

The time is so short at the longest—"the mere waft of a breath."

I am very sure that there is no time for regrets, or for ill feeling toward any human in the world. There are too many important things to be done—and there are so few big visioned people to lead.

Why should we be jealous of another's triumph? Why should we take the time to find fault?

There are problems everywhere. And each one of us controls personal abilities suited to the handling of some of these tangled affairs.

The biggest man in the world today was once an unknown and untried factor—perhaps some rail splitter, or some farmer hand, or some clerk. God picks men as the skilled mechanic selects tools—the best for the job.

Have a plan. Make it very definite. And then BUILD something from it!

Who's Who in the Day's News

SEN. PORTER J. McCUMBER

For the first time in 40 years, a westerner heads the powerful finance committee of the United States senate. The westerner happens to be Porter J. McCumber, of North Dakota.

Who, thanks to the seniority rule, has stepped into the shoes lately made vacant through the death of Senator Boies Penrose, of Pennsylvania.

The elevation of McCumber is viewed with much satisfaction by the agricultural bloc in Congress, of which the North Dakotan is a member. McCumber, while regarded as a man of progressive views, himself with radicals in the Senate like LaFollette.

Porter James McCumber was born at Crete, Ill., Feb. 3, 1858. He was educated in the public schools and at the University of Michigan, from the law department of which he graduated in 1880.

On completing his education he decided to settle in a new country and grow up with it. He accordingly began the practice of law in the little burg of Wahpeton, Dakota territory, in 1881. He has since remained. He was a member of the territorial legislature, 1885-6, and was state's attorney of Richland county 1896-7. A Republican, he has represented North Dakota in the United States Senate since 1899. His present term expires in 1923.

Masonic Calendar

Friday, Jan. 6—King Solomon's chapter No. 4, R. A. M. Called convection; work in Royal Arch degree. Refreshments.

Saturday, Jan. 7—Loyal Chapter, No. 49, O. E. S. Stated meeting; initiation of candidates; installation of officers.

In Hard Lines

"I could not work at all and had to take to my bed with a high fever due to intestinal indigestion, gases in my stomach and pain in my right side. I had spent my last cent for doctors and medicine, which gave me no relief. I was in despair. A lode brother gave me a bottle of May's Wonderful Remedy, and the first dose relieved me. Thanks to this medicine I am now in the best of health." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Clem Thistlethwaite's 7 drug stores, A. G. Luken Drug Co., and druggists everywhere.—Advertisement.

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After Dinner Tricks



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No. 57—Coin Balanced on Tumbler

A feat of apparent dexterity is to place the end of a strip of paper on the edge of a tumbler, and balance a coin on top. The trick is to remove the paper without disturbing the coin.

It is done by giving the paper strip a hard slap at the middle, which jerks it out from under the coin without the latter losing its balance.

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Q. Where is Gary and is it true that the town was built "to order"?—P. K. C.

A. Gary is a town in Lake County, Indiana, located on the extreme southern end of Lake Michigan, 26 miles southeast of the heart of Chicago. It was founded in April, 1906, by the United States Steel corporation, and was named after Elbert H. Gary, an officer of the corporation.

Q. Is an American boy who served in the Canadian Army during the war entitled to a Victory medal?—M. M.

A. Unless a man served with the United States troops at some period during the war, he is not entitled to a Victory medal.

Q. To settle a bet, please advise who is taller, Jack Dempsey or Elmo Lincoln?—A. E.

A. Jack Dempsey's height is six feet one and a half inches while that of Elmo Lincoln is five feet eleven and a half inches.

Q. Does the title United States of America include Alaska and the insular possessions?—A. N.

A. The state department says that strictly speaking, the United States means only the 48 states.

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