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## WE'RE OFF AND GOING STRONG.

The chamber of commerce may now be said to be officially upon its way. The campaign has been put over, the directors have been elected and they in turn have elected their officers and are making their important committee appointments.

The chamber is particularly fortunate in the directors and officers selected. All are men who have always taken a prominent part in the business and civic life of the community. They are men who have made a success of their own business. With possibly one exception they are men who have risen from the lowest rounds in the business world to the positions they now occupy. By their own energies they have made their places in the world. Men of that caliber, men who have shown in their past lives that they are not easily discouraged, men who have shown business judgment and business capacity in their own business, are just the kind who are needed to put over the new chamber of commerce now in its swaddling clothes.

These are the kind of men whom the members of the chamber of commerce have selected for their leaders. They are men who did not seek the positions. In the strictest sense of the word they have been called to a great duty. A call of that kind they could not refuse. Much is expected of them by those who selected them. With all due respect to the worthy ones who were not selected for the board, we feel that a better selection could hardly have been made, although a member from outside the city limits and a feminine member would have balanced things a little better. We feel quite certain that the directors and officers will prove equal to the tremendous task imposed upon them.

We say that we feel that they will be equal to the task because we believe that every member of the chamber is going to give them whole-hearted support. They are men fully worthy of such support. With that support they can and will put over the whole program that is to be laid out.

With this splendid beginning, with the splendid array of directors and officers, with the splendid membership and with a respectable service fund, almost anything is possible, but it is still largely up to the membership. They have given a big job to the men selected to run their business but

they have kept a big job for themselves in the support they must give those of whom they ask and expect so much.

All together now! We're off and going strong!

## HEARTACHES SIGNAL US.

There is a signal of danger for every community in the recent attempted robbery of the bank at Halsey, as a sequel of which one lad was killed and two others injured, with the injured lads and the fourth lad, uninjured, well on the way to a penitentiary sentence.

Too few will heed this warning. They will be thankful, if parents, that their lads are not such as these. If boys, they will be thankful that they have gotten into no such escapade.

But there are many lads who know that they have fallen only little short of getting into some such escapade and there are many parents in every city who know not how close their boys may have been, or how close they are getting, to getting into some such escapade.

It is not very long ago that The Sentinel was called upon to publish as news the escapades of some of the young lads of this city similar to the above.

This week we learn that a lad threw a stone at a train and an injured engineer was the result. We do not presume for a moment that the lad intended any harm, but the stone might have put out an eye, it might even have hit the temple and have inflicted death. And there must have been lack of responsibility or the lad would have realized that he should not have even carelessly hurled the stone at someone else's property.

We learn also that lads are stealing torpedoes, placing them on the railroad tracks and are having lots of fun watching the trains stop and the crews search for the cause of the signal. The expense to the railroad in stopping its trains and paying the crews for the time they must waste is considerable, not to mention the aggravation to the train crews.

These are little things compared to bank robbery and resultant death, but they are the little things that lead that way and it is a pretty safe bet that 99 per cent of the parents of boys who are doing these little mischievous acts would stoutly maintain that no child of theirs would do anything of the kind, so there is just as much danger in the blind confidence of parents as there is in the irresponsibility of their youngsters.

It is remarkable how many lads who seem worthless, good for nothing youngsters make fine citizens in later life. The recovery is often remarkable, but that should not allow us to take no heed of the warning in the incident we have referred to. The remorse of the three lads who yet live after their escapade and the sorrow and humiliation of the parents may well be a lesson to save others from the same predicament.

The ghost always walks for those who collect the wages of sin.

A chauntauqua is about the only business that succeeds on talk alone.

Being married isn't so bad if you don't let it burden your mind too much.

There are too many people who think nothing is wrong as long as they don't get caught.

The person with good eyesight never sees the small, nasty things that are done to bother him.

The man who marries for money doesn't get fooled much oftener than the woman who marries for love.

Someone says a boil is worth \$10. Anyone wishing a real bargain should apply at once for our allotment of Job's distractors.

The many reports of the myriads of germs that lurk in paper money may enlighten us as to why money getting has become a disease with the American people.

The plumbing trust has been dissolved, but the members probably will charge the people so much per hour while they are figuring out a gentlemen's agreement.

## THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

A man buried in thought is dead to his surroundings.

Some of the theories about brain food sound fishy.

The man who is busy doesn't have time to be unhappy.

Cupid doesn't waste much time loafing about marble halls.

At least learn not to get out of patience with yourself.

A man seldom pans out to the expectations of his bride.

The person who uses too many I's is guilty of a capital offense.

Bologna is on the free list, but there is still a tax on dogs on the hoof.

The man who is flattery-proof is too independent for good citizenship.

More law suits are won before the case comes to trial than afterwards.

Most favors come from those who are not likely ever to ask one of you.

Drinking firewater is a poor way to use money that should pay the coal bill.

Money talks—and it is certainly an entertaining and forceful conversation.

It is just as well to remind you again that you cannot make amends for lost time.

The man who succeeds is the one who directs the energies of those who can't.

There is one comfort in not knowing much—you'll have very little to worry about.

Telling the truth is a good moral trait, but some people can't wait to be asked.

The shoemaker believes that the only way to get along is to keep pegging away.

It is quite often the case that there is more to a slender girl than to a plump one.

A sharp advance in the price of flats doesn't add much to the harmony of married life.

There is no good reason why a small man shouldn't fill a big place in the world's affairs.

A wise chaperon never lets the young folks know that she knows that she is being fooled.

This is the day especially set aside for doing that kind deed you've been putting off so long.

Esperanto has no swear words. This is probably the reason it is shorter than other languages.

The young man has a hard time deciding between being a railroad president or a baseball star.

The man who gets the girl is just as likely to be disappointed in love as the man who loses out.

A child asks questions that a wise man cannot answer—but the mother satisfies the youthful queries.

If your bank credit is all right, your business associates don't care a tink'er's darn about your ancestry.

There is more religion in a square meal to a hungry man than in the meatiest sermon ever preached.

The anarchists are zealous, but they don't get anywhere. There is always someone willing to take a king job.

A hero is often a person who gets too much credit for doing something which he should have done anyway.

Second wives probably sometimes think what nice boys and girls her stepchildren would be if she had been their mother.

The boy who is abused in youth finds it mighty unpleasant, but the training may be found of considerable practical value after he grows up.

Women who pad and wear the latest in clinging garments should bear in mind that several states have laws against false advertising.

A man never hurts anyone else's feelings when he is perfectly happy—so, if you don't want your feelings hurt, make everyone around you happy.

Some scientists now claim that the earth is hollow and open at both ends. If this is true, here is a chance to get "on the inside" that capitalists have overlooked.

It's hardly right for the aristocrats of New York to be vying with each other in the spending of money for jewels—but it's better that way than for them to hoard it.

It almost seems a waste of energy to express opinions when it is considered how few will hear what you have to say, and what a small portion of those will be in anywise affected.

Scientists have discovered that chilling of various plants produces sugar, and profess to believe that humans may be similarly affected. Girls sometimes seem the sweetest when they are coldest towards you.

Scientists are endeavoring to calculate the age of the ocean by the amount of salt in it, on the theory that it gets saltier each year. Computing the age of man by the same method, there are some fresh people who are not due to be born yet.

It's hard for a may to play a game of "cinch" with the children with the same zest that he does a game of "draw" when he is out with the boys.

There are thirty-eight bankers in the federal prison at Leavenworth. The money power is grabbing everything.

A whole lot of romance is attached to the western plains by people who never lived on them.

Women juries are proving successful in Washington. Men in that state can at last feel satisfied that they are being judged by a jury of their peers.

The person with nothing to do can usually get help at the job.

Usually the man who imagines he is the whole thing doesn't amount to more than about half as much as his modest brother.

A New York scientist says fish never have toothache. We presume that they are not troubled very much with rheumatism, either.

If a man to get married had to produce as good a record as he does to get into the best lodges there wouldn't be so much work for the divorce courts.

The man who works like a machine doesn't wait for someone to turn off the power when quitting time comes.

A surgeon offers to make anyone courageous by performing a simple operation. Anyone willing to submit to the operation has courage enough already.

Hate spoils the best looking face—love will make a homely face beautiful.

A man who gets acquainted with his future wife at a card party shouldn't be surprised if he draws a full house.

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