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LET EACH MAN DO HIS BEST Like the star That shines afar Without haste And without rest Let each man wheel with steady sway Round the task that rules the day And do his best. Goethe.

THE SANE MIDDLE GROUND

BETWEEN the peace-at-any-price advocates such as those who have been signing pledges against enlistment and radicals on the other side such as Col. Roosevelt who wants a monster navy and compulsory military service for all men there is a sane middle ground. Those occupying this middle ground do not want America to become a warmad nation and do not subscribe to the view that great preparations for war serve to preserve peace. It is known such great preparations invariably lead to war sooner or later, as has been the case in Europe. But on the other hand the sane course is to maintain a first class up to date navy and keep abreast of the latest methods of warfare both on sea and land. If we don't maintain a large army, which this country never will do, at least we may have sufficient equipment on hand to outfit such an army at short notice in the event of need. In other words we do not need to keep at all times of the day and night in such condition we may whip the earth yet it is well to know enough about the game that we may defend ourselves in good fashion if trouble should come.

THEN RAISE THE LIMIT AGAIN

IF the gravity water system still provides much more water than the city needs even after the limit here has been increased the logical thing is for the water board to again increase the amount given to each patron for the price he now pays. To get an abundant water supply was one of the reasons why the water bonds were voted. It was desired to have more water for irrigation as well as domestic uses. It

seems we now have it and it should be used. There are places all over the city where people are cautious about irrigating because they do not want to increase the water bill. There are people who refuse to care for their parkings because of the expense of irrigating. Why not give water free of cost for use on the parkings?

In all affairs concerning the water system the people first to be considered are the people of Pendleton. They built the gravity system and paid for it. It is theirs and they should have the benefit of the improvement.

MUNICIPAL ELECTRICITY

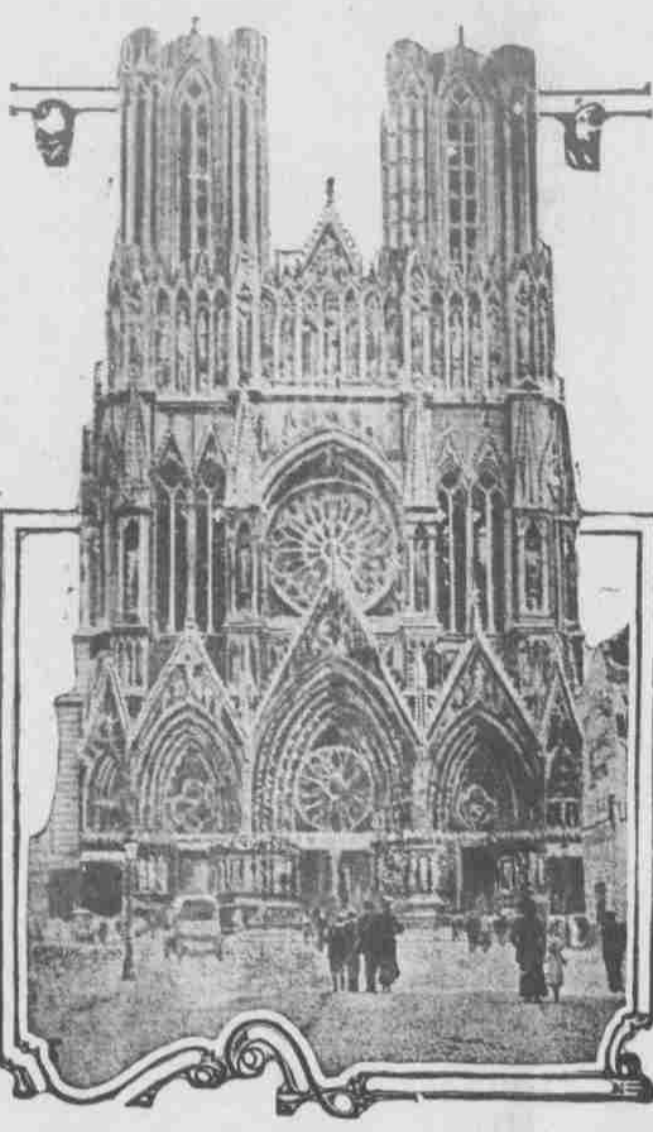
MORE and more the subject of municipal electric plants is coming to be a live issue in the United States. It is a general sentiment that municipal ownership of such utilities means lower rates and the experience of municipal ownership cities points to this end.

Bearing on this subject the following from the Christian Science Monitor is timely:

A number of American cities are swapping notes, a number of them are drawing upon each other for information regarding the comparative cost of electric light under private and public operation. The great dam at Keokuk was expected to prove a boon to St. Louis in the matter of furnishing a cheap electric supply. It does not appear that the expectation has been realized. In fact, it is held by the advocates of cheaper electricity through public ownership in the chief city of Missouri that the municipality is paying 100 per cent more for electric light at present than it should be called upon to pay. In this connection reference is made to the experience of Buffalo, N. Y., and Toronto, Canada. Both cities are supplied from the same source—Niagara Falls—but at entirely different rates.

The difference, it is held, is caused by the fundamental difference between municipal and private ownership. The Canadian city, it seems (like many of its sister communities), is under the municipal ownership and operation system and has a maximum rate of 3 cents; Buffalo is under the private ownership and operation system and has a maximum rate of 8 cents. St. Louis has a maximum rate 2 cents in excess of that of Buffalo, or 7 cents higher than the maximum rate of Toronto and other Canadian communities. The Buffalo rate is to be reduced next September, however, and a rebate for excess charges of \$500,000 is to be paid back to consumers. According to the Star, a rebate is more than the consumers of St. Louis ask, "but they have the right to ask for 3-cent electricity from the city, because that is easily possible and the city should give it." It is pointed out that in Cleveland the city plant, by forcing down rates in competition for large power contracts, saved users over \$1,250,000 a year compared with what they were paying and would have continued to pay had not the city plant been installed.

CATHEDRAL AT RNEIMS



CURRENT THINKING

LUBLIN.

Lublin is the latest town in Russian Poland to come into prominence by reason of the changing German-Russian battle lines. It has become the immediate objective of the armies under Field Marshal von Mackensen, in the line of the forward drive of the Austro-Germans in the direction of Warsaw. The city of Lublin, the third most important city in Russian Poland, forms the subject of today's study in war geography issued by the National Geographic Society.

"Warsaw, Lodz and Lublin are the three most important manufacturing centers in Russian Poland. Like Lodz, Lublin has a large textile industry, being one of the important Russian districts for the production of threads and yarns, linen and hempen goods and woolen stuffs. The industry of this place has been upon an upward trend for a number of years and its factories were beginning to take a more important share in the supplying of the home textile market. The country around Lublin is a very rich agricultural country, and the town had a large and growing commission trade in grains and cattle.

THE CERTIFIED BABY.

(Atlanta Constitution.) The Indianapolis News says that childless married folk looking for an infant for adoption now require that the baby should be "certified" as to its mental and physical condition. It is stated that Dr. William J. Hickson, of the psychopathic laboratory of the municipal court, Chicago, is the inventor of the certified baby, and the Indianapolis Medical Journal gives the following as the requirements:

- At birth he should weigh at least six pounds; at one year about twenty-one pounds. At birth he should measure twenty inches; his sister may be slightly shorter. The first year he should increase several inches; the second three more and from the third to the tenth year two inches each year. The fontanelle or soft spot on the head should close about the thirtenth month. Three to Four and a Half Months—Grasp an object that is placed before him. Hold his head erect, alone. Seven Months—Sit alone, unsupported and reach for toys. Eight to Ten Months—Start to creep. Some babies never creep, but start to walk instead. Ten Months—Should start to stand, holding some object. Eleven Months—Stand entirely alone. Twelve to Fourteen Months—Start to walk. One year—Say mamma and papa. Two Years—Talk quite plainly, know names of animals, persons and objects, and put two words together. Should distinguish one object from another at four months. He must

hear well and his teeth must make their appearance at from five to seven months.

The baby measuring up to these standards is rated "Ideal"—Class A-1. But the Indianapolis News makes the suggestion that "the custodians of such certified babies demand like certificates from the 'foster parents.'"

SLOGANS OF SUCCESS.

The time to be dissatisfied with your progress is before it has stopped—not after. The man who keeps his feet forward seldom has to step back on the other one.

Achievement is the meat on the bones of life. Fame is merely the fat. A river is a poor thing to use as an example, for it is the only thing on earth that "gets along" and still spends much of its time in its bed. And at that it has to "rise" to hit the "high-water mark."

THIS MAY ENTERTAIN

You Bet They Wouldn't. What are your views on woman suffrage? "I'm against it," said the politician decidedly. "You can fool the men voters with cheap cigars, but the women folks would never stand for cheap candy."

MARY'S BELIEF.

They were speaking of the beautiful sex and their kindly conversation in discussing each other a few evenings ago, when this little incident was recalled. One afternoon two young women were talking hair, a strange picture shows and things like that, when one of them casually referred to a certain Mrs. Smith. "Poor Mary!" sighfully commented the other. "She is a perfect dear, of course, but she suffers much for her belief." "Her belief?" responded the first, questioning. "And what, pray, may that belief be?" "She believes," was the soft, cooling rejoinder of the second, "that she can wear a No. 2 shoe on a No. 3 foot."

NEARER HER STYLE.

"Is Jane as superstitious as ever?" "Yes. She went to a fortune teller today and came home delighted." "She's always going to fortune tellers and always coming home delighted. What was the special good fortune this time?" "She was told she would marry a tall man with light hair and big purple eyes and a blond moustache and a Gibson chin." "Does Jane believe that?" "No, but all the other men that the fortune tellers have offered her were little and dark, with gray eyes and a Vandike beard—and Jane adores blonds."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

WOMAN'S LOGIC.

The following fable, which is probably of Turkish origin, is not within a touch of truth: As a woman was walking a man looked at and followed her. "Why," she said, "do you follow me?" "Because," he replied, "I have fallen in love with you." "Why so? My sister, who is coming after me, is much handsomer than I am. Go and make love to her."

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