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The Dawning Year

Behold, another New Year greets us. Generally we face the New Year without reflection, without even a backward glance; but with a smile on our lips we turn to the future, which lures us on with hopes, promises, and enticements far greater than the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

Our hopes, our anticipations, what a part they play in the joy we get out of life! Still, if we are to obtain the full measure of our portion of future gladness, we had best review the past, and recognize our errors and mistakes, so that their recurrence will not mar the happiness of days to come.

If happiness can be measured by friendship, if joy can be measured by kindness, and hope by service—and they can—then we can well afford to take a long and searching look into the days of 1919 before going far into the bright dawn of 1920.

What does that last backward glance reveal? Does it show any friendship ties broken by our neglect, carelessness, or thoughtlessness? Has our selfishness dwarfed our growth, and dimmed for

us the happiness which can only be obtained thru friendship? How many new friends have been added? What actions of ours hinder us from having all of our acquaintances as friends?

What acts of kindness left undone, what bitter, thoughtless remarks rise up to mar the happy reflections which are the reward of every kindness?

At last our eyes rest upon our accomplishments during the past year, which are in reality only a summation of service rendered. It is the smiles we have caused, the sorrow and trouble of others which we have shared, the daily labor well done, our steadiness, trustworthiness, and diligence which lend a glory to the sunset of 1919, and fill us with joy and hopes.

It is then with a feeling of gladness and renewed strength that we can turn to view the rising sun of 1920, a year of boundless opportunity, to be obtained thru service, and as yet unmarred by mistakes.

Take that backward glance, Friend, so that your greeting of "A Happy and Prosperous New Year" may express a stronger hope and more solid belief in the great results to be accomplished during the coming year.

The American Legion

In the midst of unsettled conditions, there is one steady force in our country today—the American Legion. This great organization of American World War veterans is non-political and non-partisan, but it is one hundred per cent. patriotic. It is opposed to all I. W. W.'s, Anarchists, Bolsheviks, Communists, International Socialists, and all other radicals who are seeking to disrupt our industries and tear down our American institutions. It stands for the brotherhood and comradeship of the men who fought the Hun, whether here or abroad. For this organization is not militaristic, and makes no distinction between officers and privates, or between overseas men and men who did not get overseas.

Service men, the Badin post is now organized; get in touch with it. The following officers were elected at a meeting held in the Citizens Club rooms, on Friday evening, December 9, and will serve three months:

J. N. McNair, Commander; J. R. Coggins, Vice-Commander; R. M. Kelly, Secretary and Treasurer.

An important committee was appointed at this meeting, composed of Messrs. Baumgardner, Moore, J., and Cagle,

whose duty it is to assist the officers in getting the Legion before the service men of Badin.

The dues required are \$1.50 per year. For further information, see any of the above, or Mr. F. A. Cummings.

A Faithful Man Gone

Mr. Peacock, who passed away at his home on Maple Street a few days ago, was one of the most faithful and reliable men in the employ of the Company. Whatever was assigned to him to do, he did with a completeness, thoroughness, and whole-heartedness that aroused admiration even when it caused inconvenience to someone who wanted a little letting down of the bars. While he was on duty at his gate, it was well known that not even the highest officials could pass there without conforming to the regulations required of everyone.

THE BULLETIN wishes to express full sympathy to the bereaved family, and to hold before our community the memory of a plain and simple man who did his work well.

Statement of Relief Department

December 1, 1919

Dues Collected from Employees...\$309.50
Amount Received from Company.. 309.50
Checks Uncalled for 58.93

Total Received—November\$677.93
Claims Paid—Sickness\$216.18
Claims Paid—Accidents 116.20
Sick Committee and Miscellaneous
Expenses 8.00

Total Expended—November\$380.38
Total Cash Received Since
January 1, 1919\$7,679.43
Total Expended Since January
1, 1919 5,162.23

On Hand, December 1, 1919.....\$2,517.20
J. H. DEVEREAUX
Relief Agent

Father a Lap Ahead

Father ruefully gazed at his last dollar. "Money has wings, and house-rent makes it fly," he said.

"Yes," said his fifteen-year-old son, "and some houses have wings, for I've seen many a house fly."

"You're smarter than your old dad maybe, my son; but I always thought that no part of a house except the chimney flue!"—*The Continent.*