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Has the World Gone Wrong for You?

The election has come and gone, and the issues, whatever they might be, have been answered in an unparalleled fashion. Thanksgiving Day has passed; many wondered what they had to be thankful for.

Christmas, the season of good cheer, is soon here, and then—New Year!

A new Administration goes into power with some of the greatest men of the country in the Cabinet and other offices. Grave and important issues, still open, must be met and solved. Possibly no administration has ever gone into office with such grave problems before it. The business of the country is in the throes of great pain of the adjustment to a sound and healthy basis—not that business flushed with the fever of war and profiteer. The workman is in doubt whether the great war really meant anything for the good of mankind. Let us as true Americans stand fast (as the boys did before the enemy in France) behind the new national leaders, supporting every worthy cause, and no matter what the effect to the individual

may the watchword be: "It is for America."

During the circus in Charlotte this year, a train passed through the city, and from end to end of one coach, in large chalk-written letters, someone had written: "Are we down-hearted? Hell, No!" If we don't approve the language, let us live up to such spirit, and we shall be invincible.

Signed: ONLY AN AMERICAN

THE closing days of the year
1920 do not hold out for us
the signs of prosperity which
those of 1919 did. Unem-
ployment throughout the country
has been on the increase, and
fears for a continuance of this
are held by many men qualified
to judge conditions.

I am therefore constrained to
incorporate in my annual Christ-
mas Greetings a word of warn-
ing and advice, which it is hoped,
if followed, will tend to alleviate
to a large extent any condition
that would tend to make Christ-
mas other than a happy one.

Save, by denying yourselves
the unnecessary things, so that
you will have laid aside that
which will provide for you in
case of necessity, and supplant
these pleasures so denied by good
wholesome work and study, which
you will find gives much more
permanent satisfaction.

To all I wish a very Merry
Christmas and a Happy New
Year. —J. E. S. THORPE

The Evils of Gossip

Gossip is one of the worst of all evils; and not only is it wrong, but it is dangerous. Many people lose their reputation and are hurt socially and in business, all through the talk of some who probably did not know they were doing any harm in saying what they did.

Of course, there are different ways of gossiping, just as there are different ways of doing everything else. Gossip does not necessarily mean saying harmful things about others through malice. It is natural for everyone to want to tell interesting things, but they should be careful what kind of things they tell. There are enough things to talk about without discussing other people's affairs. Although at the time you may not think anyone else will hear what you say, or

you may not think you are saying anything harmful, still it is possible that you are mistaken, and harm may come where none was meant.

Then, the further things of that sort go the more they grow. When you hear something about someone, whether it is true or not, if you think about it at all, or have any imagination, you unconsciously make it out to be just a little larger than it really was. Then, the more it is passed on from one person to another, the larger it grows until as the saying is a mountain is made of a molehill, and perhaps will fall on a person who is entirely innocent.

All of which goes to show that the safest way, both for yourself and for others around you also, is to try to follow the old rule, even if it is hard, and never mention anyone if you haven't something good to say about them.

—FRANCES WILLIAMS

T. P. Co. Relief Department

Report for Month of November, 1920

Amount on hand November 1,	
1920	\$4141.94
Amount received during month..	559.00
 Total	 \$4700.94
 Claims paid sickness.....	 \$ 78.10
Claims paid accidents.....	48.28
Claims paid deaths.....	100.00
 Total	 \$ 226.38

Balance on hand December 1,	
1920	\$4474.56
Number of sick cases during	12
month	
Number accident cases during	7
month	
Number of deaths during month	1
 Total claims paid	 20
Days' time lost account sickness	110
Days' time lost account accident	68
 Total days lost	 178

D. CLARK
Relief Agent

The subject for the High School English papers was, "The Evil Effects of Gossip." Two-thirds of the papers handed in were on "The Effects of Evil Gossip," but one paper went over the top on writing, "The Effects of Ideal Gossip."