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January \$.78!

Look whose here, little 1920!

Well girls, look sharp before you lean.

Wonder if the Red Ark carried a dove or a buzzard?

The Chicago packers are now using the w. k. squeal.

Prof. Porta's prophecy was the year's biggest fizzle.

The mark seems to be the easiest thing in Germany.

Anti-Barleycorn New Years Resolutions will stick this time.

This is emphatically not an off year for presidential candidates.

We understand those of the Morally Stunted who continue to buy alcohol are knocking on wood.

Northern wood alcohol seems to be if anything deadlier than its Southern brother Monkey Rum.

Russia seems to be "forever blowing bubbles" but judging from news dispatches from Sovietland they are not soap bubbles.

Deporting Reds to Russia may be like carrying coals to Newcastle but still one can't have too much of a good thing, you know.

Not the least joy of the glad New Year is the fact that we can all begin shortly to dally with those delightfully interesting and amusing income tax reports.

Sing out, wild bills
What a tale of Christmas,
your mammoth total tells!
Shopping, shopping, shopping
Morning, noon and night
How dad howls in his affright
At the grim and ghastly sight
Of those January bills.

LOOKING FORWARD

Once again we have passed the invisible line which separates year from year. Nineteen nineteen with its hopes and fears, its achievements and its mistakes has faded into the utter nothingness of the past. "Nor all our piety nor wit" will serve to alter in the slightest the record it has graven on the scroll of time.

We can, however, carry forward the fight for human happiness and human progress into the newer year of 1920, avoiding the mistakes and profiting by the experiences of the year now gone, with fuller confidence in the ultimate achievement of the goal toward which we are striving.

Certainly judging by material prosperity alone, in most of the world 1919 has been a year of progress - no where more so than in our own country, the Croesus of the modern world. The scars of war everywhere, except in those countries over whom the menace of the Red death looms large, are surely being eradicated. That instead of helping, America is hindering the return of the world to the ways of

peace is disconcerting and disquieting to thoughtful Americans. That during this year we may rise higher than the cockpit of political strife and take the only possible stand of recognizing and fulfilling our manifest duties to humanity is ardently to be hoped for. May commercial prosperity blind us never to the necessity of doing our full duty as a nation to the society in which we live. Only in so doing can we preserve our self respect, the respect of others, even our national integrity and independence.

Nineteen twenty looms before splendid with possibilities for service, achievement, happiness

and progress. Never nation faced a future more glorious, more powerful. Never nation faced responsibilities more exacting and insomuch as the individual assumes unto himself his share of this national responsibility so will America realize and achieve her destiny.

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