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A New Year Prophecy In Acrostic by John Edwin Price

NEW YEAR

ew starts will be made by millions to conquer their bad habits and establish new ones which will help them lead more victorious lives.

everyone will feel better in 1936 as certain economic forces now at work which are not likely to be blocked by the political powwows will create more jobs and a greater sense of security.

each will still be the main topic of conversation and we will have plenty of it, whether we like it or not.

outh will take heart as those in control of jobs will realize that the greatest crimes against the civilization of the future are committed by those who block employment and give beginners in life a warped idea of what it is all about.

conomists and practical business men will more and more see that neither knows it all and that theory must ever be curtailed by practical knowledge and new practical methods brought into being by the trying of new theories—as in ages past.

pples will continue to be the symbol of man's fall but men will resolve anew to make every fall fruitful of new knowledge with which to consciously make something of themselves.

ight thinking will hold a higher place in man's esteem. While holding fast to what is good in his heritage from the past, man in 1936 will honor his own ability to think in order that he may leave an honorable heritage of his own aggressive effort for other men to revere in the years ahead as coming from the wisdom of antiquity.

The Literary Digest Nation-Wide Poll —Is It A Certain Vote Against Mr. Roosevelt?

The public generally and the politicians particularly are speculating upon the import of the nation-wide poll of the New Deal, now being conducted by The Literary Digest. This magazine has made a specialty of conducting tests of public sentiment, scoring with remarkable accuracy the trend of opinion, in some instances down to a fraction of one per cent. The good faith of The Literary Digest is, we think, unquestioned.

Concerning the present straw vote, addressed to the same list canvassed in 1934, partisans say, on one side, that it doesn't prove anything and, on the other, that it spells inevitable defeat for the President next year. Obviously, neither conclusion is correct.

At present, with partial returns from voters, whose names were taken from telephone directories, motor registration lists and other rosters, a majority has replied in the negative to the question: "Do you NOW approve of the acts and policies of the Roosevelt New Deal to date?"

The 1934 poll, conducted by the same magazine, showed a majority in favor of the President's course and forecast the Democratic victory at the polls in the congressional elections. Significantly, the present poll shows a change on the part of those participating in this balloting, with a perceptible slip in the support accorded the New Deal.

The question arises whether a vote disapproving the New Deal now is a certain vote against Mr. Roosevelt for reelection next fall. His opponents maintain the affirmative, insisting that the trend against him is running stronger than ever and will be "in flood" when election day rolls around. His supporters point out that a vote against the New Deal may come from two widely divergent groups, one objecting to it because it goes too far and the other incensed because it does not go far enough. Moreover, they pin their faith in the President's resourcefulness and personal popularity.

Anyway, the Digest poll, whatever it may mean, is interesting. Certainly, at this time, it indicates no land-slide for either side in 1936.

New Year Resolutions, Although Unkept, Are Often Of Considerable Value

It is about time for our readers to begin formulating their resolutions for the new year which will arrive next week.

Of course, most of the resolutions will be discarded by many but the mental check-up which individuals attempt during such a period of self-appraisal will be worth more than the few—or many—broken resolutions.

To the young people of Alleghany county we express the hope that they will take some time during the remaining days of 1935 to think of the possibilities of a well-ordered life and that, to some degree, at least, they will attempt to plan a course for themselves during 1936 which will lead them to greater individual accomplishments and prepare them for larger responsibilities.

As far as millions of little boys and girls are concerned 1936 is just a year until Santa Claus comes around again.

What this country really needs is better drivers, not better roads.

BRUCE BARTON Says:



... Can't Evade Problems
A man has just been in to worry me about the children. He points out that taxes are getting worse and I am getting older, and that if I set up annuities and insurance trusts and do a lot of other things, my children may perhaps be better off.

As far as insurance is concerned, I have been a booster for it all my life. My father, who was a preacher with a large family, and a small salary, used to remark that he had "kept himself poor paying insurance premiums." But the insurance premiums enabled him to sleep peacefully at night and, having seen us all through college, he proceeded to cash in his insurance, and he and Mother had a good time on it during their last years.

How completely they might have spoiled their days and nights if they could have looked forward into the future. Suppose they had known in 1900, that this country was going to do a nose dive in 1929 which would be followed by the worst depression in history. Suppose they had said to themselves: "What a terrible ordeal that may be for our children and grandchildren. We ought to do something about it."

Well, they couldn't have done anything about it. And, as things have turned out, we are still eating regularly; we have a dry place to sleep, and so far have neither applied for a dole or sought admission to a nudist camp.

The changes that are going to come in these United States are beyond the imagination of any one to forecast. Our children and grandchildren will have to meet them, as we have had to meet the problems in our own lives. What we can do for them beyond health and education is not much.

... Self Reliant Are Educated
President James A. Garfield was asked: "What is your definition of a college?" To which he replied: "Mark Hopkins on one end of a log and a student on the other."

Not luxurious dormitories or Gothic recitation halls; not rich endowments or mammoth football bowls, but a great teacher in personal contact with his pupils, stirring their imaginations, stimulating their minds.

Mark Hopkins had the teaching genius in the top degree. What was the secret of his success? Answering that question in his autobiography, Bliss Perry quotes his own father, who had been one of Hopkins' pupils: "After beginning by asking the pupil what the textbook said about this and that topic, the Doctor would invariably inquire, 'What do you think about it?' It stole the hearts of young men to hear such a man as he was plumping down upon them from his desk, as if it were a matter of much importance, such a question as that. It suddenly increased their own self-respect."

And Bliss Perry adds: "To discover that you had a mind—narrow, commonplace, or ill-trained, perhaps—but a mind of your own, was a thrilling experience."

Many students graduate from college without ever making that discovery. For them education has been twenty years of mental massage. They come into the world with no plan except to find a boss who will keep telling them what to think and do.

You can go twenty miles from a railroad into almost any crossroads town and find men and women who have self-formed convictions and operate their minds under their own steam. Such folks, however ignorant of books, are educated.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for December 29

REVIEW: SIGNIFICANCE OF THE EXILE AND THE RESTORATION

GOLDEN TEXT—The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children.—Psalm 103:17.

PRIMARY TOPIC—How God Restored His People.

JUNIOR TOPIC—How God Restored His People.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Learning From Great Men.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—God's Providence in History.

The method of review must be determined by the teacher. The grade of the class, the aptitude of the scholars, and the genius of the teacher are features to be considered. For senior and adult classes, the following suggestions are made:

I. Study the Lessons of the Quarter as illustrating the Philosophy of History in God's Dealings With His People in Their Captivity and Restoration.

Assignment of topics should be made at least one week in advance. Only adult classes could be expected to use this method. The following subjects might be assigned:

Why God permitted Israel to go into exile.

What cure the exile effected for Israel.

What changed views of life resulted from the exile.

The bearing of the exile upon prophecy.

The relationship of divine chastening to divine love.

II. Character Study.

Assign the outstanding heroes of the quarter's lessons to members of the class to have them report. This assignment should be made at least one week in advance. Some of the outstanding characters for consideration are Isalah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Nehemiah, Ezra, Zerubbabel, and Malachi.

III. Summary of Contents.

This is a method readily usable at all times, and it can be adopted to most of the grades. The following suggestions are made for the carrying out of this method:

Lesson 1. The prophecy of Isalah is the grand center of the Old Testament. It pictures the Servant of Jehovah, with great wisdom, gloriously executing the divine purpose of redemption, at the cost of great suffering.

Lesson 2. Before he was born, Jeremiah was ordained by God as a prophet to the nations. He so really took to heart the doom which awaited his people that he wept sorely.

Lesson 3. Jeremiah stood in the gate of the temple in order that the multitudes might hear him. He told the people that God required them to amend their ways, solemnly warning them of impending judgments.

Lesson 4. While Belshazzar and his lords were engaged in drunken revelry, the mysterious hand recorded the divine judgment. There is a coming day of judgment.

Lesson 5. Because of Judah's apostasy, God permitted the Babylonians to destroy Jerusalem and take the Jews into captivity.

Lesson 6. Ezekiel sets forth personal responsibility. On his part, it was to hear God's word and to sound forth the warning. The people's responsibility was to hear and obey.

Lesson 7. Though Israel went into captivity as a chastisement, in due time the Lord restored them. In due time God will make good his covenant agreement with the Jews.

Lesson 8. God used these prophets to stir up the people to build God's house.

Lesson 9. Ezra was commissioned to lead the people to forsake their sins and return to God.

Lesson 10. On hearing of the distress of his brethren in Jerusalem, Nehemiah took the matter to the Lord in prayer. The Lord gave him favor with the king, permitting him to go back to build the walls of Jerusalem, bearing credentials of authority from the king.

Lesson 11. The method used in bringing the people back to God was the reading of the Word of God to them. Because the Word was made plain to the people, they repented of their sins.

Lesson 12. Malachi, as an aid to Nehemiah in effecting reforms, pointed out the sins of the people. He set forth a day of judgment when righteous retribution would be meted out to the wicked, and rewards given to the faithful.

Slow Freight

Man to conductor—"How long does it take this train to get to Belleville?"

Conductor—"A little over three hours!"

Man—"That's poor service. This train is slower than a lazy snail."

Conductor—"Well you can get off and walk if you don't like it."

Man—"No, I'll ride, I'm in no hurry."

RAMBLING ROUND NEW YORK with HUGH KENNY

Lorgnettes and monocles and Rolls Royces paraded up to the Metropolitan Opera house last week to the opening of the new season. Flashlights, jewels, opulence were the order of the evening. And the house was sold out a week in advance to the tune of \$16,000 box office receipts.

Hansel and Gretel was greeted by piping cheers from an audience of children at the Metropolitan matinee on Friday. . . The name of its composer always strikes me as almost as amusing as the opera—Engelbert Humperdinck.

A rumor that goes the rounds is that one of the major film concerns in Hollywood is having a play written from a successful movie. That would be the first turn of the worm in that direction, and quite a reversal of the usual procedure.

To see a barber in New York pull out a roll of bills big enough to wrap up a wet dog is something of a shock, at first. Frequently the bills are in denominations of fifties and hundreds, and eyes pop from all sides—until people know the answer. Dozens of barbers are "bookies"—bookmakers for the horse betting fraternity.

It's something of a shock to walk along 42nd Street near Fifth Avenue and see the stores of practically Lilliputian dimensions there. Specialty shops, there are several that can't be more than six or eight feet wide and ten or twelve feet deep—just big enough to hold shelves of silk stockings, a proprietor and a customer—or at a squeeze—two or three.

On the site of the old Wendel home where penny-pitching was always the order of the day, has risen one of the most artistic of modern buildings to house the store of some other small change artists—a five, ten and twenty-five cent store.

The Winter edition of the New York Telephone Directory is out. And it's fatter than the last—another sign that things are picking up.

Only One Wife
"Ah, Mr. Branson, and how is your most charming wife?"
"I have only one."

Nuts and Kernels Troy Isaiah Jones

It is not so much the kicking as the amount of ground one has to kick on.

A dream is where your mental clutch is slippin'.

Talk about "stable" government. We have a branch of it in West Jefferson.

Whenever you see a fellow resting on what he has done he has had very little to make him tired.

When we speak of our cousins once removed we wish sometimes they would stay that way.

Most of the self-made persons either knocked off too soon or joined the CWA.

An artificial heart would be all right. If one woman got it out of fix there would be a mechanic with a monkey wrench.

The people who do the knock-into are the ones who are on the outside wantin' to get in.

The two by "fours" are usually the ones "behind". The two by four does the most "lumbering".

As the farmer said, "It's been weatherin' for the past few days."

An aviator went into the ice business but it was too much of a "crack up."

Lincense plates are green on black. And it does match some of the drivers!

The Promise
"My, how careful you are of your toys—you've picked up every one. I suppose your mother promised you something for doing it?"
"No, she said I'd get something if I didn't!"

The tramp returned empty-handed from his quest for food. "What's the matter?" asked his partner.
"Ge," said the tramp. "I just saw a terrible poor family I was going to make a touch but I took one little look in the window and decided that they was too poor to help us. Why, I looked in and there, imagine it, were two girls playing the same piano."

Ought to Be Good
Diner—"This salmon isn't nearly so nice at that I had a week ago."

Waiter—"It should be, sir, it's from the same fish."

THE WORLD OF GROCERIES ALICE LOUISE KEOGH

IN GREATER NEW YORK THERE ARE OVER 44,000 FOOD STORES

CHEESE CONSUMPTION AVERAGES APPROXIMATELY 4.5 POUNDS. IN 1893 IT WAS ONLY 2.9 POUNDS A YEAR.

BUTTER IS MADE IN MESOPOTAMIA BY SHAKING SOUR MILK IN A GOAT-SKIN, JUST AS IT WAS DONE IN ANCIENT TIMES. THE BUTTER WE EAT IS MADE IN SANITARY CREAMERIES FROM SWEET MILK. HENCE THE SUPERIOR TASTE.

Louisa's Letter

Discussing Six Causes Of Marital Discord

Dear Girls:

A few days ago I read a short piece by a hotel woman giving six reasons for marital discord. As well as I can remember, she blamed three of these on men and three on women. First, she said, strange as it may seem, some men never give their wives any allowance for clothes, beauty treatments, etc., and they have to pinch such things out of the house-keeping money. Second—some men insist on dominating in the home, and third—they eat breakfast in a rush and come home late for dinner which tends to make them quarrelsome and tired out. The women's faults are these: First—they do not try to economize in the home. Second—they confide their family affairs to some intimate friend, and third—they can't cook.

There is a good little bit of common sense in the above. For instance, the man who does not give his wife an allowance for her personal needs engenders a disgruntled and rebellious spirit in his wife, and many times, because of this, she does not economize in other ways. I knew a woman once who had a very stingy husband but he ran an account for gasoline at one of the filling stations which he settled each month. Mrs. L. seemed to take a special delight in using up as much gasoline as she could. She ran a regular transfer for the neighborhood. "Let Tom pay

The Family Doctor by John Joseph Gaines, M. D.

BABY
My nearest neighbor is a grandmother since quite recently. Her youngest son's baby is now 3 months old. The mother of the infant is not fully recovered from an exhausting confinement and she is with her mother, recuperating. The infant's father is in contract employment, hence he is away and hence grandma, with her vast experience, comes in handy.

Two days ago, I was called by telephone. "Baby was sneezing, and the tiny nose was getting red; there was some restlessness in this unusually good baby. What to do?"

Did I go into a medical fit and give this baby calomel, aconite and other poisons? I did not. I told the grandmother to keep that room at a steady temperature and to give baby plenty of pure water. I advised a very simple laxative that was clearly indicated for elimination. Then, be quiet please, I recommended red onion-juice, a drop on a little sugar every hour or two!

I just telephoned this hour, before I turned to my typewriter. "Baby is all right," was the welcome message. Just a word more about keeping up elimination through bowels and kidneys and a caution about feeding a 3-months baby too much starches. Also a final injunction to use just plain horse sense with the perfectly new youngster, the pride of the neighborhood.

The incident is closed. I wonder just how many young mothers and older grandmothers will pick up a grain of practical utility out of my discourse this week.

Facts of the Case
Reporter—Were you and Murphy cool and collected after the explosion yesterday?



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I am much pleased with your Anti-Pain Pills. They sure are wonderful for a headache and for functional pains. I have tried every kind of pills for headache, but none satisfied me as your Anti-Pain Pills have. Ann Mikito, St. Benedict, Pa.

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