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THE OUTLOOK FOR 1933

There is something about the beginning of a new year which tends to revive waning hopes. Both literally and figuratively we close our books on the last day of the old year, take account of stock and make our plans for the coming twelve-month. There was more reason for hailing the new year in the old days when the calendar began with the vernal equinox, in late March, and the festival of the year's end was certain to be followed speedily by the revival of vegetation and the beginning afresh of the annual agricultural cycle. A great deal of sentimental importance which we attach to New Year's Day is a survival from the pastoral civilizations of the past.

We are no better able than anyone else to predict what will happen in 1933. "Who knoweth what a day may bring forth?" We are certain only of one thing: that is that the New Year will be different from the old one. And we hope it will be a better year.

We have, at least, put behind us some of the things which made 1932 the hardest year in recent American history, for most folks, and we are closer to some of the things which promise better for the future. The election is over, for one thing; the European debt situation is at least beginning to be clarified. We seem to have about reached the end of the procession of bank failures. Farm products touched new all-time low prices in 1932 and we cannot imagine that they will not average higher in the coming year.

It seems to us that the coming year will necessarily be one of thorough readjustment, not alone in money matters and in trade, but in people's mental outlook. It may have been necessary for us to go thru three terrible years of depression to purge our minds of the fallacious notion that the road to universal prosperity and individual wealth is an easy one. If it turns out by the end of the year 1933 that everybody has learned that he is entitled only to what he can get by working for it, and to be content with that, the New Year just beginning will be the greatest success ever recorded on the calendar.

The tragedy at Moweaqua which cost 54 miners their lives should cause one to realize more and more just what risks and sacrifices are taken and made by those who go into the bowels of the earth to toil that they may provide daily bread for themselves and their families, and that we may have the benefits of the comfortable labors make possible.

Claus as well as the rest of us had an unusual Christmas this year as we were able to weather conditions as well as the size of his pack.

The spring weather of the past few days and most of us hanging on the window sill looking longingly out at nature. It is fine weather to carry out the ashes but we wouldn't advise anyone starting their garden just yet.

The "beer front" has been pushed back to the new line of offense flying the flag, "Beer on the Fourth". The old banner left on the front line trench carried the "hope" of "Beer by Christmas." But Santa Claus was a bad Santa and didn't bring it to the "little boys." Anyway, Santa is supposed to give the kiddies a thrill not the big folk.

Just whose "babies" some of the aftermath problems of the World War are, at times causes one to wonder if they are not more or less everyone's offsprings. Or, at least both parties should feel more or less obligated to look after a common responsibility. In other words, "Why pass the buck?"

Sale time means moving time down on the farm and it is not too early to begin making plans for the coming season of sowing and harvesting.

Meredosia discovered the other day that it was 100 years old. Let's not wait until 1936 to discover that here.

The aeroplane industry—the flying end of it formerly thought to be a sport, dangerous, uncertain, today is a business, surprisingly safe, and making money.

THE WAY OF LIFE

By Bruce Barton

ON LIKING PEOPLE

Jesus loved to be in a crowd. Apparently he attended all the feasts at Jerusalem not merely as religious festivals but because all the folks were there and he had and all embracing fondness for folks. We err if we think of him as a social outsider. To be sure it was the "poor" who "heard him gladly," and most of his close disciples were men and women of the lower classes. But there was a time when he was quite the favorite in Jerusalem. The story of his days is dotted with these phrases. "A certain ruler desired him that he should eat with him." "They desired him greatly to remain and he abode two days." "Even after he had denounced the Pharisees as 'hypocrites' and 'children of the devil,' even when the clouds of disapproval were gathering for the final storm, they still could not resist the charm of his presence, nor the stimulation of his talk.

No other public character ever had a more interesting list of friends. It ran from the top of the social ladder to the bottom. Nicodemus, the member of the supreme court, had too big a stake in the social order to dare to be a disciple, but he was friendly all the way thru, and notably at the end. Some unknown rich man, the owner of an estate on the Mount of Olives, threw it open to Jesus gladly as a place of retirement and rest. When he needed a room for the last supper with his friends he had only to send a messenger ahead and ask for it. The request was enough. And in the last sad hours, when the hatred of his enemies had less from the cross, it was a rich man named Joseph—a rich man who would have sunk into oblivion like the other rich men of all the ages except for this one great act of friendship—who begged the authorities for his body, and having prepared it for burial laid it in a private tomb.

Such were his associates among the socially elect. What sort of people made up the rest of his circle? All sorts. Pharisees, fishermen, merchants and tax collectors, cultivated women; outcast women; soldiers, lawyers, beggars, lepers, publicans and sinners. What a spectacle they must have presented trailing after him thru the streets. But Jesus loved it all—the pressure of the crowd, the clash of wits, the eating and the after-dinner talk. When he was criticized because he enjoyed it so much and because his disciples did not fast and go about with gloomy looks, he gave an answer that throws a wonderful light upon his own conception of his mission here on earth.

"Do the friends of the bridegroom fast while the bridegroom is still with them?" he demanded. "Not a bit of it; they enjoy every moment of his stay. I am the bridegroom; these are my hours of celebration. Let my friends be happy with me for the little while that we are together. There will be plenty of time for solemn thoughts after I am gone."

The Family Doctor

By John Joseph Gaines, M. D.

Funny name, isn't it? But the disease isn't funny. In former years when a fellow took sick after skinning rabbits, no attention was paid to that element in the case by either patient or physician; but we have progressed—so, we have "tularemia."

Common name for it is, "rabbit fever." The usual history is, the young man has been hunting, with good luck—in rabbits. He has, very properly, skinned and dressed them for family use. He gets a sudden chill, followed by fever—pains all over the body with vomiting and prostration generally. He may break out in pustules that is, "pimples" containing pus. These are of the nature of smallpox eruption, though much less pronounced. Given the above history and symptoms we are justified in looking out for a case of "rabbit fever."

It is rarely fatal, but may be many months in getting well. It depends on how the patient resists that sort of infection, how long recovery may be delayed—the same as in other infections.

My duty here is, to advise you to wear rubber gloves if you skin your rabbits; not having any, be sure that you have good sound skin on the hands. No splinters, scratches or other little wounds, where the fresh rabbit blood may get into your own. Soap and scrub the hands after dressing the game. I have skinned hundreds of rabbits, never used gloves in the process, and never had tularemia. But I may have had narrow escapes! I shall be mighty careful in the future and you should be, too.

Cooking renders rabbit meat clear and wholesome for eating. No standard treatment has been adopted for the disease. Quinine and milk protein have had excellent reports to their credit.

LAKE FORK

Lake Fork, Ill., Dec. 28.—Mrs. W. H. Bryson, Sr., living south of town, entertained with a dinner Christmas day, those present being Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Febus and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Phillips and three sons, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bryson and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. John Bryson and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Will Oglesby.

There is quite a lot of sickness in the neighborhood, many suffering from the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Tarbox and two children, and Wendell Platt, of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Platt, of Hartsburg, were guests Christmas day and Monday of home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Platt.

Will Fuiten and family, and Russell Fuiten and family, spent Christmas day with their mother, Mrs. Laura Fuiten.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Masterson and four sons, of Lincoln, visited here Christmas day with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Peters and Mrs. Elizabeth R. Masterson.

Lewis Koehlar and son Everett have purchased a new Chevrolet truck.

Miss Clarissa McAfee of Springfield is making a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester McAfee.

Miss Margaret Mileham of Lincoln is visiting here this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn.

Last Friday afternoon the teachers, Miss Ruby Moore and Miss Harriet McAfee, and the pupils, gave an excellent Christmas program at the school, and school closed for the holiday vacation.

Miss Mary McCollough, teacher of the Oakland school, took her vacation last week and visited her mother in Atlanta, so school is in session again this week.

Miss Lulu Lanham, of Cornland, and Mervin Volle, of Mt. Pulaski, were guests Monday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Harold V. Laatsch.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Baumgardt and daughter Dorothy spent Christmas day near Chestnut with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lakin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold V. Laatsch and two sons visited near Cornland Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Davis.

Dr. Lee Dnnison and Miss Helen Schlager, of Springfield, and Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Dennison, were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Zelle.

Reel Moore, student at Bradley College in Peoria, is spending the holiday vacation north of town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore.

Miss Gladys Oglesby left Saturday afternoon for McLeansboro to spend the holidays with her father, Walter Oglesby, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Gaffney and two children spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson.

METHOD IS SHOWN FOR HALTING CORN LOSS OF MILLIONS
Urbana, Ill., Dec. 29.—Losses from corn diseases, which last year amounted to more than 25 million dollars in Illinois alone, could be brought under control by practical methods which the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois, demonstrated and explained in a special exhibit at the Hay and Grain Show, a department of the International Live Stock Exposition, held in Chicago recently, according to J. C. Hackleman, chief in crops extension at the college.

Two other states, Iowa and Nebraska, joined with Illinois in preparing the exhibit. The Illinois section featured the state's utility type corn and showed how it was developed out of the college's efforts to control destructive corn diseases. Iowa and Nebraska showed special phases of their corn type work.

Back of the Illinois exhibit are years of research work in field selection, culling and germination of seed corn which have meant millions of dollars to farmers of the state in reduced losses, more economical yields and lower production costs, Hackleman said. Improving the quality of their seed corn as advocated in the exhibit has enabled leading farmers in more than 75 counties of the state to reduce the cost of production at least 5 cents a bushel and at the same time produce corn of higher quality.

Diseases lurking in every ear of seed corn, but which cannot be seen with the unaided eye, were brought out in the open by means of a special small electrical germinator which was used in the Illinois exhibit. This germinator was developed by the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois, as an aid to farmers in controlling corn diseases.

Seed corn which was even better than that which the ordinary farmer would use was germinated as part of the exhibit. Four times each day representatives of the College of Agriculture brought out the germinated seed to show the various diseases that had been brought to light by the germination test. Operation of the germinator as an aid in selecting disease-free ears of seed corn was explained.

Supplementing the germination tests, the college representatives explained approved methods and the importance of field selecting and culling seed corn according to utility standards before the grain is ready for the final test on the germinator.

AN INVITATION
Harry:—Darling, you are the breath of my life.

Hilda:—Well, why don't you hold your breath?

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Copeland News

Copeland Vicinity, Dec. 28.—John Wasson, teacher of the Copeland school, is spending the Christmas week with relatives near Galesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gulso motored to Decatur Christmas day and visited her sister, Mrs. Elmer Waddell, and family, and also parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Guntern, of Mt. Pulaski, who are making an extended stay there.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gulso, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Drabing, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Drabing and family, and Mrs. Kissell spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. John Drabing.

Mr. and Mrs. Omer Henrichsmeyer spent Saturday night and Christmas day with the latter's mother, Mrs. Laura Van Hook.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craft were recent visitors at the home of Sam Scott and family.

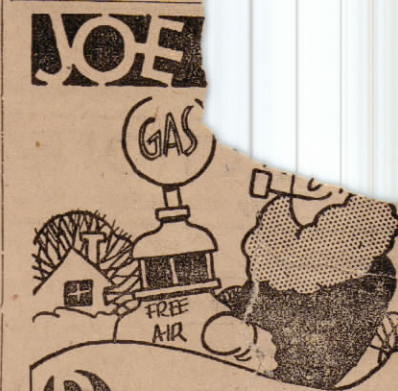
Miss Louise Van Hook has been suffering from the flu for a few days. Owing to the muddy roads there was no Sunday School at Copeland Christian church last Sunday.

Miss Helen Musser is spending Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Musser.

A blessing in disguise usually has a hard time proving its identity.

KNEW HIS 1 Passenger:—"So eh? I don't see an palm trees."

Pullman Porter: monkeys come do the Nawth."



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