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FACING THE NEW YEAR.

The clock struck 12 on December 31, and we are ushered a New Year—with how many plans for the future—new resolves, many alas! that are made to be broken. But let us welcome the untrodden paths and grasp the new conditions with a firm hand, grateful for the blessings the old year has brought to us.

If the old year has brought sorrow and desolation, and hung crepe on our doors, the new year will bring us the leaves of healing, and we are glad to part with the one and welcome the other. If, on the contrary, the old year has brought us only joy and comfort, we part from him sorrowfully, but meet his successor with the ardent hope, that he, too, comes with blessing. The sober, jollity of New Year's day is like standing for one brief moment on the threshold between time and eternity. Here is the world we know—yonder the world that is new and untried.

The pessimist delights in derision of the good resolutions which mark the celebration of New Year in the minds of many people. Shame upon the man or woman who would dull the bright ambitions and desires for the better of any human being! But there is little time to give to habitual mourners and augurs of evil. The new year will be what we make it, so far as our individual lives are concerned, and the man or woman who resolves to be happy in a healthful, unselfish way, is taking the first road toward happiness.

We can wish no better thing for all our readers than that they begin the new year animated by a firm resolve to turn all its experience into profit for themselves, mentally, morally, socially and materially, and then to faithfully carry out the resolution.

A new year is here. It is a time for invoice. Business men take an invoice of their stock. Wouldn't it be business for you to take one of yourself. Life, each life, is a business. Have you gained or lost last year? Have you used the talents that have been given you so as to gain other talents? Is there any prospect of your being placed over ten cities or five cities or one city? Have you declared any dividends in the way of loving and helping others, and have you added anything to the capital stock of your character? These are pertinent questions that press us all for an answer.

PROHIBIT SALE LIQUOR TO AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE

General Pershing Says That Matter of Keeping Intoxicating Drink Away From Troops Is Being Discussed With the French Government.

With the American Army in France, Dec. 29.—Gen. Pershing, in an interview with correspondents today, said the question of prohibiting the sale of all intoxicating liquors to American troops, which he favors, is being discussed with the French government. He explained his recent order prohibiting the sale of all intoxicants except light wines and beer and the conditions prevailing in France which caused it to be drawn as it was.

"The question of prohibiting the sale of all intoxicants to American troops is under discussion with the French Government," said Gen. Pershing, "but, of course, there are difficulties here in France that do not exist in the United States. The general order issued December 18 was a long step toward the prevention of drinking among our men.

"It was not by any means intended to convey an injunction to the American troops to drink light wine and beer, but quite the reverse. It was drawn to conform to French regulations on the subject.

"It stated only that light wine and beer would be permitted, and prohibited the purchase of and acceptance of gifts of whiskey, brandy, champagne or similar beverages. It ordered that all drinking places where such articles are sold be forbidden American soldiers. It is the same regulation made in France by the British army and by the French.

"Although I am heartily in favor of prohibition for the American expeditionary force, the situation in France and the United States is not the same. Comparatively few French people drink water as we do; they drink wine instead. This is partly because the French water supply is not as pure as ours. French wine is light and much less intoxicating than is generally supposed. An intoxicated Frenchman is a rare sight, indeed. French beer also is by no means strong. The French government issues to its soldiers a regular wine ration. Obviously there are obstacles to forbidding wine shops in the zone of the army to do business at all, which practically is what the French would have to do. Local sentiment

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"The same order which forbade soldiers taking strong drink contained the most rigid regulations to prevent the spread of the social diseases. The two questions are connected closely. Thus far the record of the army in both respects has been most excellent. It is highly gratifying to me and is a testimonial to the high character of the American soldier. Everything possible is being done to protect his morals and his health and to make him an honor to himself and his countrymen."

WASTE IS CRIMINAL

"To waste now is nothing short of criminal." Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo.

The duty of the American people to economize in consumption of food and all other materials as well as save money, can not be too often or too strongly urged upon them. The duty is so imperative, its observance so vital to our country's success, that it should be kept constantly before them.

The proposition is plain and understandable. We have lessened the productive powers of the country by taking 2,000,000 men away from the productive forces of the country; instead of producers of one kind or another the soldiers are consumers of the products of our farms, factories, and mines, and when the munitions they expend and will expend against the enemy is considered they are tremendous consumers of the manufactured products of the country.

A tremendous amount of the manufacturing energy of the country has been withdrawn from manufacturing the things we use in peace and put to manufacturing the things we use in war. The total loss to the country of the productive energy of our soldiers and sailors and the diversion of a great portion of the other productive energy of the country to war purposes lessen to a great extent the amount of material and supplies produced by the country.

To this condition of lessened production and increased consumption of

and by our own men must be added the extraordinary demand made upon this country to supply the armies of our allies and to a great extent their population with food and other material.

We must meet the condition that confronts us in two ways—by the strictest economy in consumption, for every pound we refrain from using adds a pound to be devoted to the uses of our Army and Navy and the military forces of our allies; and by

speeding up our production to the limit. The American people are going to do all that they know to be necessary to win this war—to shorten this war. They have only to realize the imperative duty of economy in saving and they will economize and save.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

A Happy New Year!

To those whom we call our customers—to those others whom we hope to call Customers before another twelfth-month rolls by—we wish the happiest, good-luckiest New Year ever!

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