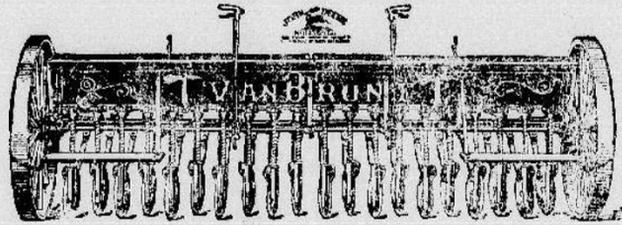


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LOOKING A YEAR AHEAD

What will the year of 1917 mean to this town, to this community, to this people?

What will be your personal attitude toward the making of a better town, a more prosperous community, a more open hearted people?

The efforts of the individual citizen may accomplish something and nobody knows how to get it. The cooperation of a collective people will produce notable results.

Collective cooperation is only possible where confidence and good will exist, and where there is a determination to utilize this combination to the ultimate good of all.

The man who holds a grudge against his neighbor can not successfully pull in harness with that neighbor so long as that grudge exists. Lose the grudge.

The man who despises and undervalues the reputation of another can not expect the community in general to think well of the assistant of character. Speak gently and use the soft pedal.

The man who says "go ahead" can not expect to keep pace with the leader who says "come on" and "step lively and get there."

And one man who says "who is worth a hundred of those who say 'I can't'."

This is the time of year when the hopper of the time is filled with new resolutions. But it is more profitable to act than to resolve.

Let us make this year, or portion, of doing, and of results.

Let us make this more than a collection of individuals. Let us make it a community of people with one aim, one ambition, and one great purpose in life, and let us make that purpose the good of man and womanhood in general and of this community in particular.

If we work collectively and earnestly and energetically we will achieve success, but if we labor individually we will accomplish but little.

The road of life is long, and stormy, and barriers bar our way. But many hands make light work of the heaviest burdens, and collective might may roll the heaviest barriers away.

We may each pursue our own chosen vocations, and yet all labor in the common cause of a better and more prosperous town and country.

Two horses pulling in one direction will get the load there. But

when one pulls and the other balks the load stands still.

Will 1917 find us a community of loyal builders, or a divided aggregation of pullers and balkers who accomplish nothing but to stand still?

Nineteen seventeen will tell the story, and you will put the words in the mouth of the teller.

What are those words going to be?

Will they be loyalty, cohesion, aggressiveness, success? Or will they be disloyalty, suspicion, disintegration, disaster?

A year of promise is ahead, but promise never makes good unaided and alone.

We must each grasp the opportunities which nature has provided us, and turn those opportunities to individual and collective good.

To do otherwise will be to stand still while others march on to victory and success.

Shall we stand or shall we march? You tell.

Chairman Adamson should not worry over the possibility of the repeal of his law. The chances are ten to three that the supreme court will declare it unconstitutional, but aside from that, the law has served its original purpose.

Why grudge and make threats of vengeance in case some employers and employees get together and adjust their difference on a business basis. The introduction and pushing through congress of the Adamson law was the most dignified and humiliating spectacle that ever an American president and congress engaged in.

Why, when the law has served the purpose for which it was designed, should there be affected regions in participation of its repeal?

It is like the effort being made to make it look as though a superior

intelligence the masses of the people in Montana through an inspired conviction voted a certain way in November last, when in truth the election was but a convention to ratify a cold-blooded business bargain between the managers of the Democratic party and a commercial organization, and was in truth a local crime and a national menace.

Best light districts throughout Montana must go out of business when Attorney General-elect S. C. Ford takes office Jan. 1, 1917. He stated that those provisions of the state law making it a misdemeanor for any person to keep a house of ill fame, or to reside in such a house will be strictly enforced. Special attention will be devoted to that provision of law making it a misdemeanor for the owner of any building to permit it to be used for such purpose, and the owners of such property, rather than the occupants, will be prosecuted first.

Crows and Chippewas in Montana will be allotted rations by the United States government, according to word received from Cato Sells, United States commissioner of Indian affairs at Washington. Mr. Sells recently visited these Indians who are known as the Rocky Boy band, on their reserve at Fort Assiniboine. The tribes are very poor and have just begun agriculture, and have lived largely on charity.

The more we read of the war the less we believe of what we read. It has produced some stubborn fighters and some godly liars.

We tender you our good will and best wishes. Our purse isn't worth having.

### THE PRESIDENT'S NOTE

The belligerent powers have been making rapid moves on the diplomatic chess board the past week, but the most startling development of all was the move made by President Wilson in behalf of the neutral nations. We suppose that he was perfectly within his rights insofar as the act itself was concerned, but it is just purely a matter for speculation as to just how the contents of the note will be viewed by the opposing powers.

It is probable that the allies and England in particular, will take strenuous exceptions to the president's inference that the "concrete objects for which the war is being waged have never been definitely stated." It is admitted that the note was prepared before Lloyd-George made his great speech to parliament, and in our opinion it could have been put to better use had it been published at the time of writing. Aside from the intimation quoted above, the president said very little of a definite nature; but somehow we seem to read between the lines that the thought he intended to convey was that the war was being waged without just cause, and if this is the construction the belligerent nations choose to put upon his words there is bound to be bitter resentment in all quarters of the conflict.

There will be those who will interpret the note as a guarded condemnation of the war and this coming at a time when each side is striving to justify its position in the eyes of the world, will tend to aggravate the situation and react upon this country in the end. As a plea for the interests of humanity the note could not possibly be improved upon but it seems rather late for the president to raise this question now. At least it will be viewed by several of the nations at war. In their opinion, this country has already forfeited its rights to speak for humanity because of its apparent dereliction of duty when concrete cases presented themselves in the past. And if it develops that we are merely acting in our own selfish interests, then the note will be discarded as a useless scrap of paper, unworthy of serious consideration at this time.

It is too early at this juncture to ascertain the nature of its reception abroad, but the probabilities are that instead of its being taken as a condemnation of the nations at war the note will be turned into a condemnation of the president's position. Our belief is that the note should not have been submitted at this time.

We know of only one two legged animal that ranks as an unit associate even for the devil, and that is the price loading speculator in foodstuffs. Hell wouldn't have him.

The idle rich in Europe have been forced to the dire extremity of going to work to earn bread and butter. Which, praise be, will be some aid to digestion.

Found—A bunch of keys. Owner call at this office for same and pay charges.

Call for Redemption of Phillips County Warrants

Notice is hereby given that warrants drawn on the funds given below will be called for payment January 2, 1917. Interest on these warrants stops on that date. General Fund Warrants registered, up to and including No. 1233; Road

and including No. 891; Bridge Fund Warrants registered, up to and including No. 117; Witness Fund Warrants registered, up to and including No. 285; Jury Fund Warrants registered, up to and including No. 460; All school warrants registered by School Districts Nos. 2, 20, and 21.

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