

Farmers of North Dakota Make New Year's Resolutions

RESOLVED THAT I WILL NOT BORROW ANY MORE MONEY AT HIGH RATES OF INTEREST



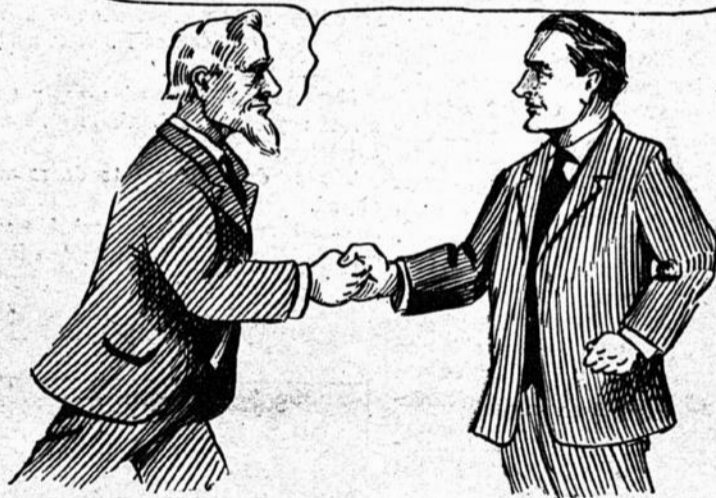
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RESOLVED THAT I WILL NOT LISTEN TO THE GAFF OF OLD GANG POLITICIANS



RESOLVED THAT I WILL STICK BY MY BROTHER FARMER THRU THICK AND THIN AND BOOST THE NONPARTISAN LEAGUE



THIS is the time of the year when we all hope to turn from some of our bad habits. We want to turn over new leaves and forget the mistakes of the past and hope for a better life page at the end of the year.

'Tis human to err and there is room for improvement all of us. Many of our with the most of us — even errors are not due to our own sinful natures, but to our surroundings—the conditions that hedge us 'round. Many times we are obliged to do things which we very much regret to do, but there is no way to avoid it.

One of the bad habits the farmers of this state have is that of paying ten and twelve per cent interest to banks for their credits. True, this is not all their fault and many have resolved to quit it. But such resolutions are ineffective unless made strong by the collective resolution of all the farmers. All must join in the resolution and then all must join in making the resolution effective by removing the conditions which prevent carrying it out.

Another bad habit a good many of us have, is that of putting too much faith in what the controlled press has to say. We must watch closely and guard carefully and learn to separate the wheat from the chaff.

We must also resolve in our hearts to turn a deaf ear to the siren song of the professional politician. This habit has been fruitful of much disappointment and grief to the farmers in the state. Let's resolve to cut it out.

And finally, let us resolve to stick together. That is the only way out of the wilderness. Depose the self-appointed leaders, who set themselves up as saviors of the farmers, and guide ourselves. United we can stand against the whole gang; divided we will be preyed upon in the future just as we have in the past. The salvation of the farmers of this state and the whole nation, for that matter, depends upon them sticking together—just as the representatives of other great interests stick together.