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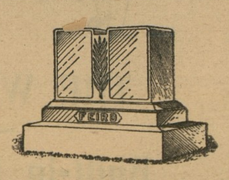
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Jolliest Kind of a New Year's Day

That's What They Had Cleaning Up Mess After the Big Celebration.

By FRANK HERBERT SWEET

"OH, DEAR!" wailed Ella, New Year's morning; "the house is a pigpen!"

"I won't do it!" shrilled down the stairs in Harry's voice.

"Cousin Jim Johnson made that mess, and—"

"But he's gone home, and you've got to—"

Albert slipped through the back door and out into the yard. Hot words were sizzling inside. He had a temper worse than the others. That was why he was trying to curb it.

For half an hour he walked around, considering the almost nervous wrecks of Ella, of Harry, of Mary and of his mother in bed with a sick headache. There had been a house full of company for ten days, through Christmas week to this New Year day. It had been all hurrah and jollity.

Then the company whisked away. The mother went to bed sick with the strain. The rest watched the old year out. And now.

Albert had a saving side to see the funny and absurd point of what might almost mean a tragedy. When the hot anger cooled, the absurd angle took possession. He went back to the house and pitched in with a humorous but efficient energy that amazed the others.

"I tell you," snarled Ella to Harry, "that—"

"There's nothing like a joke to start the New Year right," sang Albert, as he slid a heavy chair into place that Ella had been waiting Harry's help to do. A table changed a few feet, several chairs moved back and forth, a violin and banjo caught from the floor and returned to their places, the carpet straightened, a dozen books slid back home. And then Albert stood back with cocked head and one eye shut, and surveyed the room.

"Now cloth and dustpan and commonplace broom,
And we'll glide with honor out of the room."

"That's for you, Ella. Come, Harry, let's tackle the athletic stunts in the living room downstairs. That's a job for bravos. Whoopee!

"What's New Year but jolly fun
Clearing the track for a twelve-month run."

Harry was chuckling as they rushed downstairs, leaving Ella with a broad grin at the end of a broom handle.

When the young people desisted, late in the day, even the critical eyes of the satisfied Ella could see no suggestion of a "pigpen." Quite the contrary.

Yet none of them confessed to being tired. It had been the jolliest kind of New Year, all declared.

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Final

Necessity may know no law, but its decrees are never reversed on appeal. —Boston Transcript.

NEW YEAR RULES

By KATHERINE EDELMAN

Be of Good Cheer. A merry heart is a thing to be desired more than riches—for out of it grows many of earth's greatest gifts and blessings.

Be Helpful. Lend a hand to the other fellow's need, help him to his feet again. It may take money, and it may take only a smile or a kind word. Whoever you are you possess one or all of these gifts.

Be at Peace. It is good for all of us to be at peace. If there is something in your life that keeps you from enjoying the blessedness of this great gift root it out if you can, even though it hurts pride and self to do it. If the something is beyond helping, then try like a man to make the best of it—to put it behind you, as it were. You will be surprised to see that you can do this if you will, and that peace will come.

Be Courageous. Drive fear and all its kindred ills out of your heart. Look the world in the face, unfaltering, unafraid; convince yourself that you are as good as the next man and that you can do the things he does. Do not carry an inferiority complex with you through the days. The world usually rates us with the measure we have put upon ourselves.

Be Content. Thank the Lord for the many gifts that are yours and do not envy your neighbor. Perhaps if you but knew it he is thinking how much more you have, for wealth is not measured in things that money can buy. All of us have much for which to be grateful, and if the truth were really known things are evened out pretty well in this world. Remember, however, that being content does not mean that we must not strive to get ahead, for doing and achieving is one of the best means in the world to bring content to man.

Be Kind. The man who is kind in his home and abroad is a man among men. No one can gauge or fathom what kindness has done for the world. It has brightened more lives and uplifted more human beings than any other one thing. It makes homes happier, business relations more pleasant and helps him who gives as well as him who receives. To be kind at heart is to be all things.

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New Year's Wish for You

Dear friends, I wish this wish for you:
The strength to stand for what is true,
The will to serve howe'er God wills,
The power to smile at seeming ills,
The vision that can pierce the dark
And see the dawn and hear the lark,
And over all God's sky of blue—
Dear friends, this is my wish for you.
—Janie Cree Bose, in Western Recorder.

Should Include Whole Year

"Happy New Year" is a wish that should include the entire year rather than the mere day which bears the name.

Not Popular in Practice

Humility is a virtue all preach, none practice; and yet everybody is content to hear.—John Selden.

Flashing Welcome for the New Year

Old Tree and Aged Man Are Used to Illustrate the Drama of Life.

By CHRISTOPHER G. HAZARD

IT WAS the last day of the old year. The old tree trembled as it felt the ax stroke, and stretched out its bare arms in the wintry air as though imploring mercy. It was as reluctant as time to leave the field of its life and activity and become the back log of the fires of a new age. But the hands of the clock moved on and the blows of the ax continued.

Near the foot of the tree stood an old man. So aged and so bent with life's burden he seemed, that he might have been taken for the figure of the past, and as he leaned upon his staff, it was with a backward look and with sympathy towards the events of the hour.

"Are we not all in a procession that is marching off the stage," he soliloquized, "and marching off while the play is not half over?" Oh, that the exuberant life of the past, its flush of hope, its enthusiasm of budding energies, its maturity of competent ability, its harvests of accomplished results, its joyful vision of greater things to be, its dear fellowships of sympathetic progress, its prized possessions of worthy riches, might go on and cross the stage again, that we might see the coming climax and sit the drama out."

"Look out," cried the axman, and the old man stepped aside just in time to escape the falling tree, while the dusk deepened into the darkness of New Year's eve, and he was lost in the gathering shadows.

But the street lights began to flash out a welcome for the New Year, a happy crowd came shouting down the street, through an uncurtained window joyous feasters could be seen and dancers floated about the room, from a brilliantly-lighted tent came music and the cheerful confusion of the riders upon the merry-go-round.

The old man paused upon the threshold of his home and looked off upon the expectant city for a moment, as he used to do, threw it a last kiss, and went in to lie down to pleasant dreams.

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A Good Resolution

A good New Year's resolution is that you will do all the good you can by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you can.—Baptist Messenger.

New Year's Greeting

A benediction for the New Year: The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

Recalling Noah's Wet Spell

Zululand was recently flooded by a rainfall of over 30 inches in one week.

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