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Happy New Year. Hello! Yes, this is 1914. Still, old 1913 might have been worse.

Sorry, girls, but it's still two more years to leap year. The merchant also thinks "Do your New Year paying early" a fine slogan.

Swearing off is easy enough. The rub comes in carrying out the platform pledge. "Uplifting thoughts assist the voice," says a noted singer.

Looking Forward and Backward.

The turn of the year is the commonly-accepted time for a review of the past and a retrospect of the future.

Looking backward for Omaha over a twelve-month period, the one big overshadowing figure is the death-dealing tornado which swept across the city on the evening of Easter Sunday.

Through the tornado Omaha discovered its own resourcefulness as never before, and despite this unexpected colossal burden has not only lost no ground, but continued to forge ahead along every avenue of material, intellectual and moral progress.

Looking forward on the threshold of 1914, Omaha may confidently count on keeping the pace and shortening the gap to other wide-awake cities just ahead.

Swearing Off. No matter how many men fall down on their New Year's pledge, the custom of boarding the "water wagon" is a good one to the extent that it contributes to the sum total of sobriety.

Salient Events of the Past Year. The years 1913 and 1914 will be linked notably in history by the completion and opening of the Panama canal.

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Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

Compiled from Bee files. JANUARY 1. Thirty Years Ago—The glad New Year proved to be one of the most bitter and cold of the winter.

The newly organized Chautauqua Literary and Scientific circle had a session at the Young Men's Christian association rooms last night.

"There has been a number of different styles of refrigerated cars invented, but never has one been designed in which the atmosphere approached that of Greenland's icy mountains as does an Omaha street car."

Police Officer Louis Godola, who was severely injured in an accident on the East Omaha motor line on August 2, returned to his beat for the first time since.

Three thousand people attended the Young Men's Christian association's annual New Year's reception from 4 to 10 p. m. It became quite a social affair, brightened by some very rare music.

The 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nelson, 334 Larimore avenue, was drowned in the pond at Miller park while skating.

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Human Life is Cheap

"When somebody tries to hurry you up and explain how important it is that he should be living next week, remind him that the wind traveled 1,500 miles last week, and that it didn't get anywhere in spite of all its hurry."

"Your brother, whom you are to relieve, has accumulated a great pack full of tremendously important things. Take it from him and dump the load in the deepest part of the deepest ocean. Travel light. Be good. Otherwise you will never be truly happy."

"There will be folks who will ask you to run backward for a while to give them opportunity to correct their mistakes. Be deaf to them. If you give them another chance, they will simply make fresh mistakes and bring trouble and confusion on persons who have been fortunate enough to escape in the past."

"Never allow yourself to become irritated at persons who think they are right. Bear in mind that they can't hurt me, and they may extract some happiness from their hallucinations. Many a crazy man is locked up simply because other folks hate to see a fellow enjoy himself in a way that isn't theirs."

"You will be besought to change your schedule for the benefit of lovers, those condemned to death and others. Pay no attention to their urgings. Neither you nor anybody else can better the lot of those whom the regular course of nature does not satisfy."

"It is not necessary for you or any member of our family to become alarmed over the wickedness of the world or enthusiastic over its goodness. Those who have only a short space to spend in the world may waste their substance over other folks' wrongs and rights; I and mine, having a monopoly on time, need not worry about trivialities. You look out for yourself. Keep your hands clean and attend to your business."

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Twice Told Tales

Had to Think a Little. People in a Missouri town are telling this little story on a lawyer there. It happened in Judge Tedford's court, and the witness was a negro woman, whose reply to every query was, "I think so."

The Error of His Ways. A good New Year's resolution for a middle-aged married man? said George Ade at a dinner in Chicago. "Well, the best resolution a middle-aged married man could make, according to my views, would be for him to swear off telling his wife and children about the girls he used to kiss in his young days."

Utility of Penmanship. Booth Tarkington, like most literateurs, writes a wretched hand. Of this he said in Newport recently. "Once, crossing to Naples, I sat in my deck chair with pad and fountain pen, at work on a short story. A young Peorian stopped before me."

A Flattering Defeat. This winter's fashions are undeniably charming, and an episode in their honor was related the other day by Lieutenant Barnes at Annapolis. "A very pretty girl," he said, "was noticing on a recent afternoon with a young man when, without a word of warning, he put his arms around her neck and kissed her."

Editorial Viewpoint. Baltimore American: A man of 45 enters the list for the meanest man championship by suing his father for non-support. The probability is he failed to marry a wife with a good, steady job.

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NEW YEAR SMILES.

"I notice your neighbor at the table was boasting of always being at the front in any movement."

"Where's your son, Hiram?" "Going to an agricultural college."

"I see early December was so warm that radishes are growing in Illinois."

"Suppose, friend, your wife fell into a reminiscence, jovial mood some evening after supper, and started to tell about the boys who used to kiss her by the wood stove in the dim-parlor—wouldn't the dove of peace flap her wings and light but p. d. q. just?"

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NEW YEAR PRAYER.

Chicago Post. Lord, shrive us of our praying. Now that the year's at end Our words and actions weighing, A sense of mercy send Or naught we prayed but address. And naught we prayed but gloom, Nor told Thee of the gladness That in our hearts had room.

We told Thee little sorrows That ended yesterday; We prayed Thee of tomorrow As but the thoughtless pray; Our words were faint with sighing, Our heads full low were bowed, We ran to Thee with crying, That in our hearts had room.

O, all the foolish troubles, The faults, the frets, the fears— They vanished as do bubbles, They drifted down the years; Yet what grieved us of laughter, Of happiness we had? Lord, in the days hereafter Our prayers shall be glad.

We comforted with singing, With music and with mirth— We came, our brothers bringing, And held our joys on earth, Like little children fretting, We moaned to Thee our lot, Our griefs before Thee setting, Our benefits forgot.

Our thoughtlessness confessing, Recalling happy whiles, Give us this New Year's blessing; To meet each day with smiles, To have the grace that doubts, And the blessing understood, To pray no more of troubles, To share with Thee our road.



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