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## PROBLEMS OF THE NEW YEAR

(Rev. Gordon Dickie, M. A., in St. John's, Nfld., Evening Telegram.)

The year 1919 has seen the solution of many problems, but as it draws toward its close we are confronted with the thought that there are many still to solve. War always has its aftermath, and unless we build wisely upon the foundations which remain, there is little promise that the new order will be better than the old, or that it will abide any longer. Men are seeking leadership today to guide them to the truth, and happy is the people to whom prophets have been given to know the truth and sincerely make it known. So that in undertaking our problems we may work worthily and well.

There are three of these problems I would like to specify:

### 1.—The Problem of Peace.

Like many other great reforms it has taken a long time to develop—so long in fact that oftentimes it seemed as though it must perish from the earth entirely. Men have cried peace when there was no peace. Peace has often been turned back in its course just as the river current is turned back by the tide, and it seemed uncertain whether it should ultimately prevail.

The problem of peace lies in the fact that although we have been thinking in terms of peace we have been living in the spirit of war. And even yet it lingers with us. Hatreds are still smouldering, while here and there is the blaze of open conflict. Is it possible that in a little while we shall see the outbreak of another terrible conflagration consuming what is left of the world's wealth and the world's manhood?

Such thoughts as these often force

themselves upon men's minds and inspire them with a great fear. The Christmas season with its spirit of peace from above and good will to men should provide the answer to all such forebodings, and give us the occasion for establishing a peace of which there shall be no end.

### 2.—The Problem of Power.

Greed and cunning divorced from principle have menaced the prosperity and stability of many countries. Men who have the power to get have violated the plain instincts of humanity in their eagerness to acquire. "Everything is permitted to the strong" has been their philosophy of life. They have spent their time figuring how they could throttle competition, monopolize the necessities of life, inflate the market and create artificial conditions in the world of trade and commerce.

Time has revealed the fact that to accomplish these purposes public officials have been brow-beaten, laws juggled, secret agreements formed, and the labor world demoralized. These things should not be.

There is also the power of labor which is continually growing greater. Many people say that Mr. Gompers is greater than President Wilson, not as a man but rather because as president of the American Federation of Labor he can use and exert more power than the president of the United States. There is danger in such power. It needs a good man and unusually wise to be so great.

The crisis in the industrial world today has come about through the abuse of power. On one side, so many hours at so much an hour with certain conditions attaching to the work; on the other, so much work, the least compensation, the strongest bars. The ideals of religion "render to all their dues," and

"owe no man anything but love," do not enter into their contracts. Agreements are made in cold blood, oftentimes after a bitterness of strikes and shutdowns, and by the shrewdest professional skill. As a result capital and labor are more hostile today than ever in the world's history, and some solution must be found if the world is to move on in moral progress.

### 3.—The Problem of Reform.

If we expect to continue as a nation we must do something more toward the solution of social problems than we have done hitherto. A tree to produce fruit must be well planted. Rootage precedes fruitage. We are often interested in leaf and twig when we ought to dig about the roots and enrich the soil in which the tree stands. A tree is known by its fruit but the fruit gains the nourishment and perfection from the things which make the tree grow. The greatest business on earth is feeding the roots of our social life. All reforms will blossom and bear fruit to the blessing of the world if only they are nourished by the great underlying truths of life.

In this connection our chief hope is likely to be the child. It is hard to teach an old dog new tricks. The best orders may be disobeyed today, but a properly trained youth will see to it that they are carried out tomorrow. A better social life will be created by giving to the children of our generation a better training than was given to the men and women of the present generation not only in method but in motive. We often work with the wrong people to secure moral progress. The messages for a better social order which have been given the past years with imperceptible results would change a nation in a generation if taught to the youth of our land. Why not return at this Christmas season to the prophet's message, so often repeated, so seldom followed, "A little child shall lead them." Where others have failed, it may succeed.

## ANOTHER SHIPLOAD OF REDS TO GO SOON

Anarchists to Be Sent to Ellis Island First.

(New York Evening Post.)

Another shipload of radicals from various parts of the country, some already in custody and others, whom it is expected will be arrested by agents of the department of justice, will be deported through New York within the next few weeks.

Reports from Washington say that a large number of alleged anarchists are in custody in Detroit and Chicago, and that

these will be ready for deportation at an early date. In addition there are twenty-five on Ellis Island.

An effort was made to get some out of town to this city in time to sail on the Buford Sunday, but it failed, and preparations are now being made to deport them when the next "Soviet ark" leaves for some unknown port, probably in Russia.

While definite figures are not available for the passenger list of the next deportation draft reports say the number will reach 400 or more.

On the next vessel to leave, wives and children of those deported on the Buford are expected to sail, and with them relatives of some of the next batch of anarchists sentenced to leave American soil. Upward of twenty of the Reds who are somewhere on the high seas aboard

the Buford are married and of this number several had children or other dependents.

No information about the port to which the Buford is destined will be made for the present. Heisingfors has been mentioned in this connection, but army officers refuse to confirm or deny the statement that the Finnish port will receive the Russian anarchists.

"What would you do if you had your life to live over?" said the serious constituent. "I'd learn to play the violin," replied Senator Sorghum. "The utmost care I could take as to thought and utterance has not shielded me from criticism. The man who manages to draw a bow nicely can depend on eliciting cheers for his fiddle regardless

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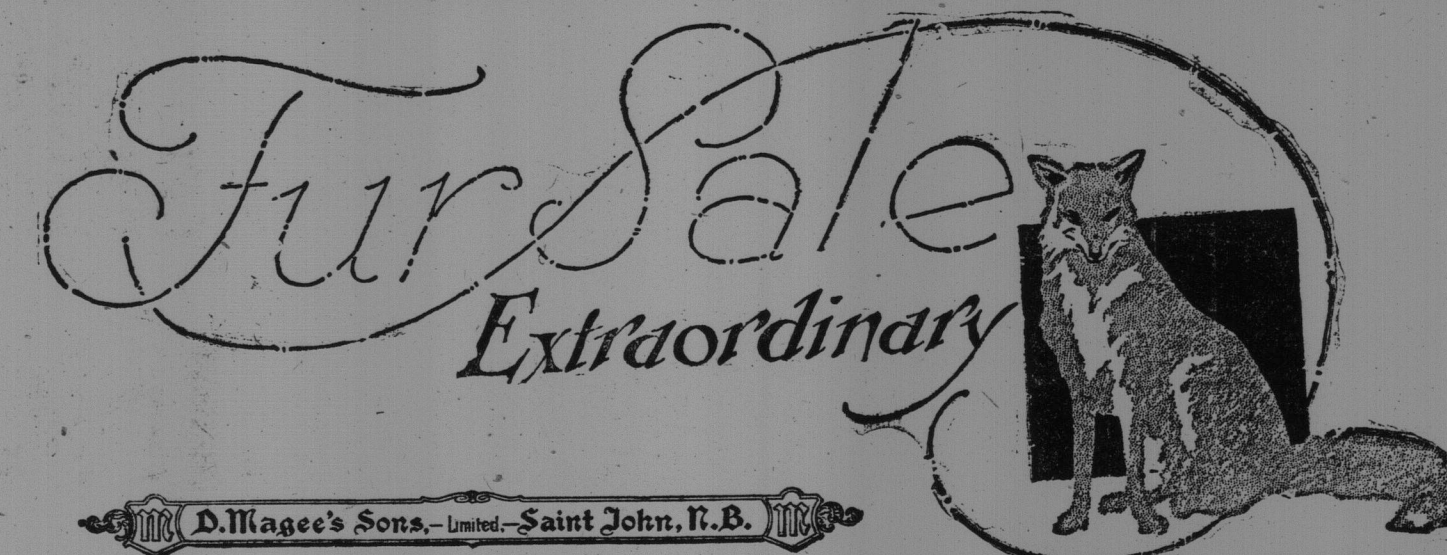
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