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EDITORS SET THE EXAMPLE AND THE PACE.

Of course editors are supposed to set the example and to adopt a moral, professional and ethical code for the world to follow.

Of course also they have not always done so. They have not always done what they should have done, any more than have the rest of the world.

In times gone by competitors refused to attend editorial conventions with each other and at home would hardly visit in the offices of their competitors. To say anything good of a competitor or to cooperate with him in any moral or civic movement was unthinkable.

But within 15 years a great change has come over the editors of Oregon. During that time the state editorial association has become one of the strongest business associations in the state, if not the strongest, and has grown to that position from one almost without honor and with only a straggling attendance at annual conventions.

The reason for this change is not so material to the outside world, but, as a suggestion to others, it may as well be stated that the wonderful growth of the editorial association has been brought about largely through the efforts of a few who were able to show the editors of the state that it was their profit to get together in this cooperative enterprise and who provided programs of vital import to all who did attend. Cities of the state now vie for the honor of entertaining the organization and the convention cities, of course, have done much in attracting the visitors. It was then up to the officers to give the visitors something of profit to balance the entertainment.

What the editors have done, any other profession or business can do.

Cooperative organizations may be state wide, or county wide, or may be confined to city limits. The benefits are in proportion to the amount of territory embraced and to the amount of energy intelligently expended by those in charge.

Democratic editors, republican editors, agricultural editors, farm bureau editors, medical editors, country editors, metropolitan editors, all get together like one happy, rollicking family, eat at the same hotel, sleep in the same beds and exchange ideas and compliments with one another. The editors of The Oregonian, The Journal

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The attempt at union services in Cottage Grove during the summer months is a case in point. It has not been a complete success, so The Sentinel understands, because some find that they have something that the others do not have, or because the union services could not be conducted in exactly the same manner as if conducted in the home church, or because some business affairs could not be for the world conducted in the presence of the members of other churches.

The editors used to be exactly that pious, but they are going on those 2 by 4 ideas, to the profit of themselves and to the world in general. It will be much better for all concerned when others follow the example set by the editors.

A MOTHER EXPRESSES HER OPINION.

Cottage Grove, July 25.—(To the Editor.)—I have read with much interest your editorial in The Sentinel of July 21 entitled "Mother Takes the Blame." From it I gather that you realize and deplore the increasing lawlessness and constant lowering of the moral tone of the young people of the present day. "Tis true, 'tis a pity; 'tis a pity, 'tis true." Of late I have read in several different high class magazines articles written in defense of the habits and morals of the young people. One article, published in a leading magazine in 1920, undertook to prove that the girls and women of today were not only equal in all respects to the Pilgrim mothers of 1620, but were in some respects their superiors. Not only did it state that modern women were more intellectual and better educated than their foremothers, but it also declared that "manners and morals... are improving with each succeeding generation." Many other writers rally to the defense of the young folks of this generation, all seeking to prove their point, namely: that their frivolous habits and immodest dress and conduct are but the harmless effervescence of youthful spirits, and that the world is growing better instead of worse.

Glorious news for us all, if true; but is it true? I believe there are very few thinking people whose memory reaches backward even a quarter of a century who are willing to accept this statement as truth. Has there ever been a time within our memory or knowledge when crime of every sort was as prevalent as it is today? And a large part of this crime is committed by young people under 21 years of age.

Last winter the newspapers printed an interview with Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, head of the international reform bureau, in which he stated that a personal survey in a majority of the states reveals that "seven minors to one adult is the ratio of those arrested for crimes now. The majority of the big crimes, murder, burglary and highway robbery, are committed by minors." Also, "for every boy arrested for a crime, ten girls are haled into court for immoral acts. The Florence Crittenton rescue homes report that the average age of their inmates has dropped within the last ten years from 28 to 16, and in some cases 14." Dr. Crafts then asks, "Who is to blame?" then answers his own question by saying "The Parents." It would seem to me, however, that Dr. Crafts and Mrs. Hughes are only partly right in placing all the blame upon the parents. Home training is a large factor in determining the child's character, but not the only one, as many a conscientious mother can testify. True there are many unworthy parents, careless, pleasure-loving, as frivolous as their children, mothers who totally neglect the moral training of their offspring, while devoting their entire time to society and pleasure seeking. On the other hand, there are many good old fashioned mothers who have devoted the best years of their lives to the care of their children, striving faithfully to "bring them up in the way they should go," only to have all their labors set at naught by outside influences. When the average boy or girl arrives at high school age, the advice of parents, if against frivolity and folly, has very little weight. The good opinion and friendship of young people

of their own age, or a little older, carries more weight than the advice of all the "old folks" in existence, parents included. If a high school girl refuses to attend dances, or to join with the rest of her class in any of the questionable amusements that come under the head of "good times," she is practically ostracized. She must either join in and do as the rest do, or she soon finds herself sneered at as a prude by the rest of the young people, and left out of everything; and this ostracism, this loneliness, is very hard for a young person to endure, consequently, they usually end by falling in line and "following the crowd," as the line of least resistance, in spite of parental remonstrances.

As to the boys—how many of them dare brave the ridicule of their companions by refusing to smoke cigarettes, play cards, or take part in any of the lawless pranks or wild frolics with the rest of the boys? "Come on, be a sport" is the winning argument. Rare indeed the young person of today with sufficient strength of character to take a firm stand for the old-fashioned standards of morality in opposition to the strong, almost overwhelming current of modern luxury. Serious aims and high aspirations are conspicuous by their absence. Modesty is scoffed at as out-of-date. "A good time" appears to be the chief end and aim of existence. Whether with or without the approval of parents matters little to up-to-date young people. Revolt against parental authority is the usual thing; who, indeed, can fail to remark this prevailing lack of obedience to parents? The commandment "Honor thy father and thy mother" seems almost obsolete from lack of observance. It is a sad condition of affairs, yet, to a student of the bible, not a surprising one, being but one more instance of the fulfillment of the "sure word of prophecy." Anyone who has carefully studied the book of prophecies plainly describing conditions that will prevail in the "last days," conditions that are existing now as never before in modern times, I will choose only one prophecy to bring to your attention, one that especially mentions disobedience to parents. In II Timothy 3:15 it is written that "in the last days perilous times shall come." (Are we not now living in perilous times?) Then it mentions 18 different sins found, not among those classed as wicked, but among those "having a form of godliness"—that is church members or professed christians. Among these faults are mentioned "blasphemous, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection... despisers of those that are good... lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God." We cannot fail to see that these conditions are now present, nor can we doubt that we are actually living in the "last days." As these world conditions are irremediable, being foreordained, the question before us is, how can we save our children from this prevailing folly and wickedness? In my opinion, the answer is, we parents cannot save them in spite of ourselves. We can, in our own lives, set them an example of right living, we can do our utmost to inculcate in them good moral principles, and pray without ceasing for their salvation; more than this we cannot do. After having been trained to distinguish between right and wrong, and to fully understand the penalties of wrong doing, if young people deliberately choose to follow the "broad way that leadeth to destruction" in preference to treading the "straight and narrow path" the responsibility rests upon themselves. See II Peter 2:20-22. If, in spite of admonition and ex-

FORD CARAVAN

Cottage Grove Picnic Day, August 3

The Ford and Fordson exposition which is touring Oregon this summer will be in Cottage Grove August 3, the day of the big Butchers' and Grocers' annual picnic and demonstrations will be made throughout the day and evening. Beginning at Ashland and working northward, the Ford caravan has drawn constantly increasing crowds at every stopping place. An interesting feature of the caravan is the parade which will be put on at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Prior to the showing in Cottage Grove the caravan will pass through en route to Eugene, which city was given dates ahead of those arranged for Cottage Grove in order that visitors might be privileged to attend the picnic and witness the exposition at the same time.

The caravan equipment being heavy, it necessarily moves at a slow pace on the highway, and because time is a precious item in the conduct of the caravan, considerable effort on the part of Woodson Brothers was required to route the caravan through here and back again just to cover the picnic date.

At the urgent request of Woodson Brothers arrangements were made for the return of the caravan on the picnic date.

Those persons witnessing the caravan as it passed through here en route south received only an inkling of the bigness of the show. The cost of covering Cottage Grove, even for a single day, is enormous. The equipment alone represents a colossal investment, there being more than one hundred machines, tools, trucks, tractors, appliances and specialties. The daily payroll of the crew is another tremendous item, not to mention gas, oil, and scores of incidentals, including hotel accommodation, meals and other factors, but all of this has been provided for, not only for the caravan officials and crew, but for the hosts of visitors who are expected to join in the fun and frolic of the picnic day. The two events, coming on the same date, constitute an affair of magnitude that seems clearly to be recognized in view of the promised attendance upon this important date, and there is no doubt but that both the picnic and the caravan will fully measure up to the highest hope and expectation of the vast throng.

ample, they choose to follow the wrong course, we can only continue to hope and fervently pray that they will yet turn from their folly and seek righteousness.

WALDEN.

(Special to The Sentinel.)
July 25.—Mr. and Mrs. James Lebow spent Sunday at the Harry Williams home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gusse Turner and children went to Marcola Sunday, after having visited several days at the Castle home.

Fred and Harry Frost were in the Grove Thursday.

Mrs. A. Castle and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Castle and children motored to Marcola Sunday and spent the day at the E. M. Seward home.

Fred Frost was at the Rawlins ranch Sunday morning.

Fred Peters, who was injured at the Walden docks several weeks ago, is able to be at the mill again.

Miss Hattie Lebow is staying at home now after having been at the Johnson home in the Grove for several weeks.

Harvest is well under way in this neighborhood. Crops are light owing to the continued dry weather.

Harry Castle motored to Creswell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones and children spent Sunday at the D. H. Brumbaugh home.

Mr. Houston is in a Eugene hospital for medical treatment.

Claude Sherman and Miss Mary Snauer have been elected to teach the next term of school, according to announcement of the school board.

Mrs. A. Castle and Mrs. Harry Castle and children motored to Constock Monday afternoon.

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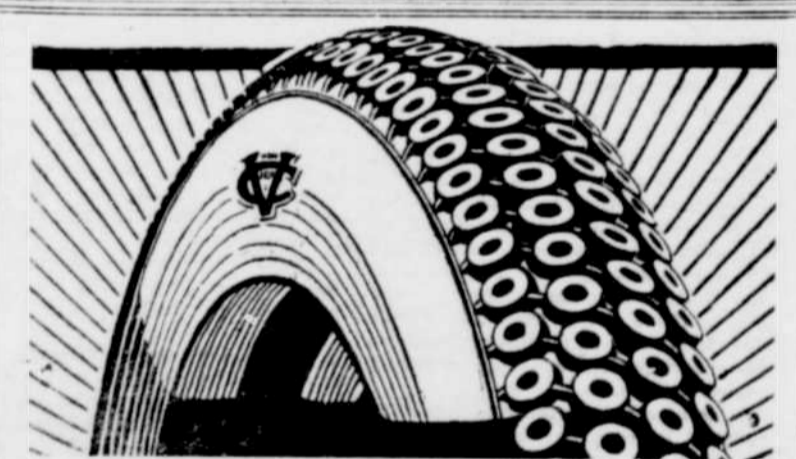
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