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RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENT.

Many parents lose sight of the fact
that the vacation period is one of
grave danger to the growing child.

The boy or girl just out of school
feels like the caged bird that is sud-
denly released from its captivity. It
glories in its freedom to the exclusion
of all else.

Many of the lessons in deportment
that have been learned in the class-
room are gradually forgotten as the
child finds its way to the street. There
is no room in its heart for anything
but the glories of the present, unless
the parental hand is ever guiding its
steps. The future is a sealed book
which will be opened only too soon for
its purpose.

Herein the function of the parent
becomes of double importance to the
future life of the child, for the care-
ful work and training of the teacher
must be carried on through the days
and weeks of the vacation period not
to the extent of hampering the
child in its rest and recuperation from
classroom confinement, or depriving it
of the innocent pleasures of life, but
rather the daily impressing upon its
young mind the necessity for contin-
ing the rules of conduct learned in
its hours of study.

Children are quick to learn and are
equally quick to forget. An impres-
sion may sink deep today and be for-
gotten by tomorrow, but if it is re-
peatedly brought to the attention of
the juvenile brain it will eventually
take deep root and live.

The teacher is responsible to the
parent for the proper instruction of
the child during its hours of study,
but the parent has a double responsi-
bility—to both the teacher and the
child—the responsibility of safeguard-
ing the work of both.

IN YOUR IDLE HOURS.

While resting in the cool shade these
hot days why not let your thoughts
dwell upon this town and countryside
—upon what they need, what you can
do for them, and how you can spur
others to greater exertions in behalf
of your community life?

They need more thought, deeper
concentration, greater action.

Many a great and ennobling deed
receives its inception in an idle mo-
ment. The hours of work and action
serve but to expand and develop it.

It might be so with that idle thought
of yours, with this community of ours.

No town is ever so perfect but what
it might become a hundred per cent
more so. Even ours is no exception
to the rule.

Cool off in the shade if you feel no
inclined.

Let your thoughts wander afield,
and gather in the ideas of fancy that
may later crystallize into a greater
and better community development.

We add a new coat of paint to our
house and gaze upon the finished prod-
uct with pride. Its improved appear-
ance more than justifies the labor and
expense.

And if improvement is good for the
home of the individual, why not for
the community as a whole?

Let your hours of idleness beget
others of energy and aggressiveness.

It ennobles yourself and enhances
your value to the community.

It develops the community and in-
creases its value to you.

SMALL TOWN VS. BIG CITY.

For years it has been a favorite
amusement of the large city dwellers
to refer to the local news contained
in the country press as "small town
stuff."

It pleases the city dweller to read
it at his breakfast table.

It emphasizes the superiority of
"metropolitan wisdom."

And we of the country press are
content to let it go at that, with a
passing word or two of comment.

The "small town stuff" which fur-
nishes so much amusement to our city
friends may be homely in its phrase-
ology—it may be unimportant as com-
pared to the vital affairs of the world
—but it possesses the merit of being
the truth.

The average country publisher does
not resort to misrepresentation and
sensationalism in the columns of his
paper. His news articles and items
are composed of facts as he finds
them, and they are not doctored or
colored for the purpose of pleasing
any class or faction, or for the build-
ing up of a huge subscription list.

When he takes a stand editorially

on any public question, be it local,
state or national, he has in view the
welfare of the people as a whole, and
not the interests of some political fac-
tion or machine.

His columns may not contain an
overplus of news, but such as there
is may be read with perfect safety
by the growing children of the com-
munity without parental fear of in-
stilling questionable thoughts and de-
sires in their budding minds.

His paper may be small, and pro-
vincial, but it is clean.

The reader is never at a loss to
know whether or not a statement
made by the editor is based upon fact,
or whether it is composed principally
of what is commonly known as "news-
paper bunk."

The publisher of any big city daily
who can legitimately and truthfully
say as much for his own paper is at
liberty to amuse himself at our ex-
pense to his heart's content.

It will be viewed by us in a spirit
of fellowship and brotherly love.

The British government owes the
government of the United States some
billions of dollars of money borrowed
from us during the war. None of
the principal has ever been paid, and
only a small pittance of the interest
due has been collected. The United
States owed England \$35,000,000 for
transporting American soldiers to
France in British ships. The British
presented their bill the other day and
the government at Washington paid
it promptly. In the meantime thou-
sands of our disabled soldiers are ne-
glected and in want. Can you beat it?

Mr. Rockefeller has so many mil-
lions or billions that he is able to
dominate about everything and every-
body he comes in contact with. But
all of his wealth was as naught to
that skunk that calmly took up his
residence on the John D. golf course
and put the players to ignominious
flight.

We learn from the secretary of the
treasury that cleaner money is to be
put into circulation. That is pleas-
ing. When we get it it will be still
more pleasing. But until we do, just
keep right on sending in the dirty
old stuff and we'll be eternally
pleased.

Mr. Harding may be able to induce
the world to disarm in so far as war
is concerned, but he will never be
able to disarm certain dominating
housewives as long as their favorite
weapon is able to wag.

Before entering into a discussion of
disarmament Mr. Harding should be
suitably armed for the fray.

STATEMENT—Of the Multnomah
State Bank of Portland, County of
Multnomah, State of Oregon, showing
the amount standing to the credit of
every depositor July 1, 1921, who has
not made a deposit, or who has not
withdrawn any part of his deposit
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said date, with the name, last known
place of residence or postoffice ad-
dress of such depositor, and the fact
of his death, if known.

H. J. Ames, Arleta, Ore., known, \$0.16.

India A. Hadden, Lents, Ore., not known, \$0.15.

E. W. Phillips, Lents, Ore., not known, \$2.27.

Chas. Thomas, Lents, Ore., not known, \$0.16.

Total, \$2.74.

I, Sherman Harkson, being first
duly sworn, depose and say upon oath
that I am the Cashier of the Mult-
nomah State Bank of Portland, Ore-
gon, County of Multnomah, State of
Oregon; that the foregoing statement
is a full, true, correct and complete
statement, showing the name, last
known residence or postoffice ad-
dress, fact of death, if known, and
the amount to the credit of each de-
positor as required by the provisions
of Sections 10160-10163, inclusive,
Oregon Laws.

SHERMAN HARKSON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
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