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VANDALISM

The railroad company's property has suffered all along its system, according to one of its detectives, by the depredations of gangs of boys. If they were bowery toughs it might not be surprising, but such is not the case. What then is the reason? It is only another symptom manifesting itself of a general disregard for law. It has become notorious that as a nation we are long on legislation but short on its enforcement. Children notice that their parents disregard laws when it suits them and they can do so with impunity, whether it be prohibition or city ordinances. It is not surprising that their children think they can do likewise. Then for some years the children have been coddled and subjected to no discipline. So much has this "hands off" policy become the vogue, that a popular system of child training, has for its cardinal principle that a child should never be coerced. One of the most pressing requirements of today is both on part of old and young, a respect for law which shows itself in obedience. It is absolutely vain to look for much reform until this has been restored. Formerly we were much opposed to universal military training, but now it seems to be the only method to train the young idea in self discipline and obedience.

Senator Harding has intimated to Governor Coolidge that if they are elected, he will want him to be a coworker rather than a mere colleague. Heretofore the vice-president has been like the Prince of Wales more of a social ornament than a useful adjunct to the administration. Presidents like monarchs seem to dislike understudies.

Both the old parties probably say about the third party now aborning, "If it amuses them it won't hurt us."

The ex-Empress Eugenie of France died at Madrid in Spain Sunday at the extreme age of 94. Until the last she was physically active, neither did her mental powers show any signs of weakening. She had a most eventful life and at one time was the arbiter of fashion. The Franco-Prussian war in 1870, whereby France lost Alsace-Lorraine, and her husband his throne, was largely attributed to her insistence, when Napoleon III. hesitated. Though she lived long enough to see the lost provinces restored, she paid dearly for her ambition. The Napoleonic sun set with no prospect of it ever rising again, and she lost her only child who died fighting for the land which had sheltered and befriended the imperial exiles.

Much is being made by the republicans of the point, that Harding stands for party not personal rule. But if he should become president it may happen that he will find it necessary to assert himself vigorously, in order to get anything done. Only lately two gentlemen who visited Washington last winter, expressed themselves to the writer, as most disgusted with the way time is wasted in congress. There is continual debate over mere trivialities and when a member rises to speak most of the others leave. Thus day after day passes with no progress being made. When such is the condition, it naturally tends to the personal rule of a strong leader who desires to accomplish something.

Now that the Democratic nominee, Governor Cox, is supposed to be the choice of the wets, the Republican party will have a virtuous spasm in a dry direction.

The Advance of the Press

The principal educational force working in the modern community might be grouped under three heads. 1.—The public schools. 2.—The colleges, technical schools, and academies. 3.—The newspaper press.

The newspaper is a self-made institution. It is an individualistic enterprise, with no help from state or philanthropy.

The newspaper press has reached the point where many feel it is a greater educator than either public schools or colleges. The newspaper press exerts its influence from the day a child learns to read until the day he dies.

There is no greater problem than the evolution of this mighty force up to its highest possibilities of service and leadership.—The Manufacturer.

The Road Bond Decision

The decision of the Supreme Court that the Clackamas County road bonds are invalid, affects those of Jackson, Lane and Yamhill counties as well. A formal request may therefore be made upon Governor Olcott within a few days by the county courts of the above counties for a special session to secure validation of these bonds. This according to the Oregon Journal was the intimation given by S. S. Smith, editor of the Medford Sun, last Friday night, who had been in conference with the governor on this matter.

Park Picnic

The members of the First National Bank of Portland had an enjoyable picnic in the park Sunday, in spite of the cloudy weather. They came in special cars, while some drove their own machines.

Park Depredators Warned

A detective for the P. R. L. & P. Co. was in town Friday looking over the Park, which was to be cleaned up Saturday, as a picnic was scheduled for Sunday. He expressed himself very forcibly about the depredations which had been committed. The company had repaired the furnace last year at an expense of \$60 and now it had been torn down by some one, and had to be rebuilt. The boat shed had been seriously damaged and the pavilion broken into and some of its contents taken out. He informed the writer that he had the dope on those who did the damage and had given warning that the next time such doings occurred arrests would follow.

Phil Stubbe was in town the first of the week.



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