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## THE THINGS WE HEAR ABOUT

It is admitted by most of us that the newspaper constitutes a large part of the average person's reading. This is a challenge to all who help furnish the newspaper to the public. Even in this fast age, the press holds much of the destiny of the nation in its hand. But the newspaper necessarily must furnish its readers those bits of news and other material which the people want to read.

The people want "news" of every nature and content. This service must include news of crime and the general misgivings of both the wilful wrongdoer and the innocently unfortunate. In a few words, "news" constitutes the exceptional activities of the people or the results of those activities. It is true that in the local community the principal news is of those constructive movements in the social, civic and political life of the people. Generally speaking, however, the things that are spread in streamer headlines are the sensational and the exceptional, at least of those things not common to the majority of people. Crime news, for example is of those comparatively few who have neither the cleverness to evade detection nor the intelligence to abide by the law. Even with our penitentiaries full, their populations are small enough in proportion to the total population as to be almost negligible in quantity from a comparative standpoint. It should be remembered also, that notwithstanding a general feeling of laxity in the enforcement of law, the majority of criminals are apprehended, and the great majority of those apprehended are prosecuted to final conviction. Court records amply prove this statement. The offices of prosecuting authorities would show an average of convictions in excess of 85 per cent.

Is the country so bad, after all? Not when we figure by comparisons. By the very nature of things we could not expect to read in the newspapers of the acts of honesty in dealing of the thousands about us every day. We could not expect to continually read of the virtues so common among friends and neighbors in our community, nor of the many demonstrations of love and kindness and charity practiced on every hand. These are so inherently common as to be taken for granted. We thus hear more of the bad than we hear of the good. But, depending upon the ability and willingness of the people to reason for themselves, there is continued hope that the "things we hear about", if of evil, will be object lessons for our future guidance; and if of good, to spur us on to higher ideals of citizenship and greater encouragement toward success.

Isn't it just killing the way Chicago is being advertised?

America has more trouble with her Governors than England has with her criminals.

Liquor will never be stopped at the source until some way is found to stop it at the mouth.

A bill abolishing kissing in public would simply make matters worse. For isn't that about the only place some husbands kiss their wives?

It is reported on fairly good authority that President Hoover gave up the Mayflower because too many job hunters wanted him to come across in it.

Good towns are built from within. That is, provided they have the stuff within to build a good town.

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## DURHAM.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sumoski on April 10th a girl. The little lady has been named Anna May.

Mrs. Nelson's mother is quite sick.

Six members of Miss Yoder's graduating class of '26 surprised her last Thursday evening by calling at her home. Those present were Norma Smith, Fayrel and Vivian Stone, Albert Koch, Ernest Hartshorn and Clark Williams.

Last week Durham boys lost a ball game to Tigard, the score being 15 to 22. The girls also lost their game to Tigard with a score of 18 to 24. This week they each played at Tualatin, the boys losing with a score of 16 to 19, while the girls lost with a score of 9 to 23.

Mr. La Cina is in a hospital in Portland recovering from the effects of poison taken by mistake when he got hold of the wrong tablets.

Dogs are wonderful animals and alright in their place, but school is no place for dogs. Teachers have problems enough on their hands in looking after their children. Don't add to her burden by allowing your hungry dog to hang around school all day to steal the pupils lunches when the basement door is open and unguarded for a moment. Such dogs are public nuisances and should be dealt with as such. If your dog is one of the half dozen pests that have been a torment at school all this year you should be up for "permitting" a nuisance, for evidently you are not "maintaining" it.

Thad Grubb, of Logan, Oregon, visited his mother, Mrs. Alex Carpenter Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. S. Bilyeu was a Portland visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Regling and daughter Jean are now living in the Hill house near the Pilkington greenhouse.

Frank Brobst and family of Wilsonville and Mrs. Ellen Lyons and children, of Wilsonville called at the home of their sister, Mrs. J. R. Dobson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Cross, of Oregon City, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cabe, the two families having been acquainted while living in central Oregon several years ago.

The Poultry Association held their regular meeting at the school house on Tuesday evening.

At a meeting of the school directors last Thursday the following teachers were elected: principal, Mr. N. O. Anderson, of Sherwood; intermediate, Miss Rosalind Ogden, of Portland; primary, Miss Virginia Parks, of Tigard.

On account of illness Mrs. McFerson has handed in her resignation as president of the P. T. A.

The P. T. A. will hold their regular monthly meeting Friday, when nominations will be made of officers to be elected at the May meeting. Mr. Dunham, of Portland, will furnish music.

## HITEON

Hiteon club met April 10th at the home of Mrs. Emily Peterson with Amanda Carlson as hostess. There were sixteen members present and our roll call "what can we do for the betterment of our club" was well responded to. The bazaar committee had on hand a lot of material for sewing. Notification of the next county federation meeting to be held Friday, April 20, was received. This is also to be an institute and promises to be very interesting. Hiteon club has been asked to give a five minute talk on "Giving and Receiving" in relation to club work. Our next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Sarah Van Kleek and will be on Tuesday instead of Wednesday. The date is April 23 and every member is requested to be present as this meeting is election of officers. Mrs. Ada Caldwell gave a very interesting report on "Fishing Industry of Alaska" at our last meeting. In part her report was:

"We do not fully appreciate what the United States gets from the

waters of Alaska. Half a billion dollars is realized yearly from this source. Alaska is divided in three fishing districts and the food supply received is great. Enough salmon alone is caught to supply each family in the United States with ten meals, and 10,000 men are engaged in this work.

Besides the four species of salmon millions of pounds of cod are caught. After spawning both the male and female salmon die.

Halibut averaging from 100 to 300 pounds are caught and salted in 850 pound hogheads valued at \$100 each.

Immense schools of herring which are the principal food of the halibut are found. Besides the eight million pounds used annually for food these little fish are used for fertilizer.

Other fish found in these northern waters are seals, oysters, crabs and chams. One has to be very careful in using clams as they often come from the holes where there are copper deposits which make them deadly poisonous. In closing her report, Mrs. Caldwell read a very interesting paper on a trip to Alaska canneries taken by Mr. Ward Cutting several years ago.

Miss Grace Workman of Corvallis has been visiting the past week with Evelyn Hite.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Struthers were Hillsboro callers Thursday and called at the J. B. Phillips home.

Mr. P. L. Willoughby spent the week end with his family here. He reports eight feet of snow at Government Camp.

Mrs. E. L. Rucker and son Alfred of Buxton were visiting Sunday at the Struthers home.

Frances Hansen who has been absent from school with measles was back at her classes Monday.

Henry Metzentine was absent from school several days with sore throat.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE AT MONMOUTH APRIL 27TH

Another milestone in education advancement will be reached when on April 27, an educational conference concerned with the modern problem of "Building the new curriculum" will be held at Monmouth Normal School.

Educational leaders and teachers from all over the state will attend and arrangements are being made to care for a large gathering. Some of the speakers on the program are: Dr. Burnham of Clark University authority on mental hygiene.

Principal W. A. King, Seattle Washington authority on elementary school administration and reading.

Dr. B. W. DeBusk, University of Oregon, research specialist.

Mr. Delmar R. Dovey, Director of Training Schools, Oregon Normal school.

Students are urged to attend, as many as possible of the sessions at the conference. There will be something of vital interest for all people interested in educational progress.

## STRETCH OF HIGHWAY TO BE MADE MORE SAFE

The stretch of the West Side Pacific highway from the Washington county line to McMinnville will be re-surfaced during the summer months. The Oregon highway commission have taken this means of making this portion of the highway more safe as there have been many accidents lately. The road will first be covered with tar and then crushed rock will be applied making a wonderful non-skid surface.

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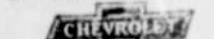
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