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THE VALUE OF NEWSPAPERS

The following article is from the pen of Dean Lyle M. Spencer of the University of Washington:

Few people in the average city appreciate the value of a newspaper to a town. Like flowers, they are appreciated most by those who do not have them.

Most people look upon a newspaper as the business of a single individual. If it thrives, that is the owner's or editor's business.

If it were not for our newspapers, rumor and gossip would run riot over the world. Everyone knows how a simple question asked by someone often is made a statement by another, how that statement is distorted by a second or enlarged by a third.

Newspapers, too, are the best advertisement a city has in the outside world. Other cities judge a town by the kind of a newspaper it has.

Newspapers are also our chief source of information. Most of our reading matter after we leave school comes from the newspapers.

If some of us appreciated more fully the value of our newspapers, we would make greater effort to see that they get the news and advertising and so become successful.

SENATOR McNARY ON TIMBER TAXES

"Lower Timber Taxes Is Topic," reads a headline in a Portland newspaper and in the text following Senator Charles L. McNary is quoted as saying at a club luncheon the other day that "the state should make it easier for timber owners."

If the senator could devise some scheme whereby eastern Oregon wheat farms would be classified as timber lands his suggestion would meet with hearty approval in this part of the state.

Timber owners and lumbermen are about the only people in Oregon who are enjoying much prosperity just now and why their taxes should be reduced while the wheat grower is struggling between the devil and mortgaged lands and crops and high taxes and the deep blue sea of financial oblivion, the senator sayeth not.

Taxes are probably too high on timber but the good Lord knows they are beyond all reason on wheat lands that are running their owners into a financial hole on every acre they cultivate.

PARLEYING WITH LAW-BREAKERS

There has been within the last few months a vast amount of balderdash written, printed and spoken about the "American Ideals" of the Ku Klux Klan.

The Ku Klux Klan represents no American ideals. It is composed of lawless members, and the heads of the organization are conspirators against the law of the Nation and the States.

If the burglar who holds you up in your own house explains that he only does so because you are not Protestant, or because you have negro blood in your veins, he does not thereby establish rights in the profession of burglary which the law is bound to respect.

There is nothing more mischievous and nothing which has done more harm in the past ten years than this same twaddle about ideals. There are no ideals which can be higher than the Ten Commandments, and there is none of us who can say in his heart that he has always successfully kept them.

means to an end. For centuries the common law which we inherited from our free English forefathers has held a sound and deep ideal of the safety of the person. It says that if you shake your fist in a man's face, without inflicting any actual violence upon him, you nevertheless commit an assault.

There is no ideal in the conception that an organized minority like a labor union shall be given everything it asks for, regardless of justice, in order to "satisfy" it. You do not satisfy the blackmailer when you comply with his demands.

"If you strike and cut off the public's supply of anthracite I shall proceed to enforce the Pennsylvania miners' license law. It requires that every licensed miner shall have answered twelve questions in English on practical mining.

Mr. Pinchot "progressively" parleyed with lawbreakers, so did President Coolidge. Strong men both of them but politicians first, public officials afterward having due regard to the rights of citizens.—The Lawyer and Banker.

MORGAN

The construction train is on the spur at Morgan and will repair the track.

John Gray started harvesting for Mr. Osborn, Monday at Fourmile.

Fred Ely and Floyd Wiles are seeding for Ben Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pettyjohn, Misses Gertrude and Hazel, and Earl, Ellis, Claude and Clyde Pettyjohn visited at the Holaday home Sunday evening.

Fred Pettyjohn, John Gray and Leona and Lela Gray went to Igne Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gray, Leila and Lillian Gray and Baby Gerald were Sunday evening visitors at Holaday's.

Miss Margaret Ely paid a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Echo Palmateer on Saturday.

Noah Pettyjohn finished reseeded where the big storm took out the wheat.

Mr. Holaday is helping Mr. Gray with his harvesting work.

Miss Geraldine Funk and parents have returned from their trip to Portland.

Den Morgan will finish seeding on Tuesday.

Donald Witzel met with a very painful accident when his horse stepped in a badger hole, throwing Donald over his head.

Those neither absent nor tardy last week were Lela, Leona and Louis Gray, Wayne Witzel, Edith and Margaret Ely, Ore and Mary

Holaday, Katie, Claude and Elise Morgan, Earl, Beulah and Geneva Pettyjohn, Howard Hardesty.

RED CROSS ELECTION THIS EVENING

The annual election of officers for the Morrow County Chapter American Red Cross will be held this (Tuesday) evening in the county nurse's office in I. O. O. F. building.

NOTICE TO TAX LEVYING BOARDS

Notice is hereby given to all persons who are members of any board or commission empowered to levy taxes for any public purpose within the boundaries of Morrow county that the Tax Conservation Commission for the county of Morrow is now organized and ready to take up the work for which they have been appointed and that all budgets must be filed with the commission at the court house in Heppner, Oregon, on or before Monday, November 12, 1923.

Notice of public hearings of all persons interested either for or against the budgets will be given at a later date.

It is expected that some person or persons familiar with each budget shall hold themselves in readiness to



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