

# VERNONIA EAGLE



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VERNONIA  
Population, 950  
High School & Standard Grade school  
Pay Roll City—Mills, Logging, work  
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P. A. & P. Ry. Town growing fast.  
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the northwest.

## Shake, We are All in Luck

The Eagle feels like expressing its words of congratulation to the voters for the exceedingly substantial condition the results placed this thriving city in. During the campaign the Eagle worked for what we believed was the best interest of the town. At no time did we try to get personal, or did we "have it in for any individual." It is the big results and the city benefits we look at. If, in Eagle articles, anyone misconstrued our motive or if any remark met with disagreeable feelings whatever, the Eagle feels like making amends in our way of assurance that no ill feelings were evolved whatever. The ticket elected is a good one. The new council is a good choice. For every member elected we assure you of the Eagle's support in all worthy causes. Gentlemen, you are the Eagles' council and the choice is indeed good. Your successful administration is our success and our confidence is placed in the newly elected officials. We also wish to thank the voters for vindicating the good cause propounded by the country press.

The Eagle is now working on an illustrated Christmas Edition to come about December 15th. We will have a specially prepared painting representing the Christmas Spirit, and the cover pages will be the best book paper printed in four colors. We will see to it that every individual in the Nehalem Valley, from Forest Grove to St. Helens can see a copy of the Eagle Christmas Number, with a short history of Vernonia. Better subscribe now if not already taking it. Adv. copy for the Christmas edition must be spoken for before Dec. 10th., as we must know the number of pages required. Four parties have already spoken for page ads each.

In the country, the farmer reads the paper, line by line, all the way through. Then his wife and their son and daughter read it. And the hired man reads it. And each article is discussed among them. The paper is, in all probability read again before the next issue appears. The enormous influence of the country editor and his weekly paper is thus obvious."—Nicholas Murray Butler.

President Harding has issued his "Thanksgiving Proclamation," for Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 30. The President calls on Americans to observe the day in "Thanksgiving, supplication, and devotion." That doesn't mean foot ball.

Are you really in the harness for business? Many folks are. Buckle the straps good, tuck in the ends and let the other fellow do the kicking. Keep your legs inside the traces and pull all the time.

The Hazelwood has added a new "Snooker Table" that will be a drawing card for whiling away pleasant hours.

The large new signs on the Vernonia Drug Store and the Mellinger Hardware are splendid works of art.

You don't have to go to war to be a patriot. Improve your locality, uphold your town, enlarge the interests, and lend a hand to help your neighbors, and you are a patriot. We are here for the same purpose, and we are here to build up and not tear down. We are partners in this life-work and not opponents. The more united, the more helpful we are, the better it will be for all.—Rainier Review.

Mr. Paul Robinson,  
Vernonia, Oregon,

I wish to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the splendid support you are giving me. I wish also to say that for over 26 years I have been engaged in country newspaper work and that during all this time the Eagle of this week is the best paper I ever saw put out in a town the size of Vernonia.—Very truly yours,  
A. E. Veach.

The next diversion will be Thanksgiving.

- Some one with a penchant for statistics has figured that a dime's worth of electricity, based on a price of 10 cents per kilowatt hour, will perform the following services in the household:
- Operates a 16-candle lamp for about a month.
- Operates a six-pound flat iron for one month and a half.
- Does a washing equivalent to twenty sheets each week for about two months and a half.
- Operates a vacuum cleaner long enough to clean about one-tenth of an acre of carpet.
- Operates a sewing machine for twenty consecutive hours.
- Drives an electric fan four hours a day for nearly a week.
- Brews two and a half gallons of coffee in an electric percolator.
- Operates a heating pad for from one-half to one week, depending upon the heat used.
- Operates a foot warmer five consecutive hours.
- Operates a water pump long enough to raise 100 gallons 1,100 feet.
- Makes 100 slices of toast.

The Holiday Spirit Caught and Held Before Your Eyes

## Beasley's Christmas Party

BY BOOTH TARKINGTON

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If you would be charmed or never before by the embodiment of the spirit of our greatest festival holiday, read "Beasley's Christmas Party" which will run for a few weeks as a serial in

the Eagle, beginning next week.

## THEY SAY

"They say" is the introduction to an awful lot of harm. We often hear the "they say" stories on the streets or in the stores and always, if we will pause and think a moment, the one telling the "they say" story never tells it about a member of their own family. Telling this kind of story is an idle pastime with some people. They may not mean any harm—and yet "they say" has done more to blacken characters and sadden hearts than any other one thing. The victim has no opportunity to combat a "they say" story, even if it should, as it seldom does, come to his ears. The story starts on no more authority than "they say," and with each telling it grows and magnifies. Pretty soon it is common talk, and each time it is repeated you will hear that damnable "they say" quoted as authority. There appears no way to break up this miserable thing. We wish we knew a way. But the columns of this paper are open to you and if you have a suggestion for stopping the "they say" stories, write it out and send it to

## LONG TIME BETWEEN DRINKS

The attitude of many people toward prohibition is like that of Lord Northcliffe on his recent visit to America. A reporter asked him, "What do you think of prohibition?" "I haven't noticed it as yet," he replied. The "International Sheriff," the organ of peace officers of the United States and Canada, commenting on this, says: "All distinguished foreigners are asked that question, usually just after a dinner where good wine and liquor were plentiful. Certainly they hadn't noticed it. But that was of no practical aid to the reporters in immediate need of a high ball. They had to stand on the corner—and deliberate."

Their only way to get liquor was through a "key club"—a place down the street where everybody who is initiated gets a key. All you have to do is to unlock the door, walk in and buy a drink. The key is the password.

No anxious reader, there are no key clubs in Vernonia, and according to the "International Sheriff," the key club story is grossly exaggerated even in New York.

"Right now," says that publication, "there is less drinking in proportion to the population in New York than there was when the old settlers got the Indian chiefs teed up and talked them out of Manhattan Island for something like the price of a 1910 cocktail. In spots drinking is heavy, especially among the class that can afford to buy champagne, but the wage-earning people are unable to pay the price, as well as being afraid to take a chance with bad stuff."

One dry leader advocates the withdrawal of all the liquor in America in the bonded warehouses in one month and get it over with, instead of withdrawing it at the rate of 972,000 gallons per month as at present. With that gone, he claims the hooch makers would never be able to supply more than 1 per cent and that the country would then be 99 per cent dry—which may or may not approach the truth. But it is probably true, whether we like it or not, that the consumption of whiskey as decreased from 75 to 85 per cent, because it isn't here to consume. That little dialogue between the governor of North and the governor of South Carolina, still rings true. It is more than a long time between drinks. And it's getting longer. In many cases it is permanent.

## KEEPING UP THE CAMP

Recent gatherings in this state have italicized the desirability and the positive necessity of securing added investments, which would mean more population; and, in passing, it should be recalled that added population does spell lower taxation, the sage sayings of theorists to the contrary notwithstanding. For the reason that added population produces more wealth. One man owns 160 acres, assessed valuation \$50 per acre, at 5 per cent taxes equals \$400. Put three more on that tract, of 40 acres for each of the four, and value it at \$100 per acre, or \$4000 for each, at 5 per cent taxes equals \$200 for each. The 160 acre tract is worth twice as much to the public as a matter of tax value, each 40 produces proportionately considerably more wealth, there are four families to one before and each doing better than the one with the larger tract because of the new capital that makes possible more intensive and more diversified farming.

But investment first, for that means more payrolls and more markets. Capital investment can be kept out much easier than it can be brought in. It seeks the more desirable fields for present and future profits and, as the profits are projected into the future, as in the case of a new territory, so it is more difficult to secure the capital. Secure investments as a first aid to state growth.

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