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VERNONIA

Population, 1050
High School & Standard Grade school
Pay Roll City—Mills, Logging, work
Farming—dairying, fruit, vegetables
P. A. & P. Ry. Town growing fast.
On Inland Loop Highway between
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Many opportunities in Vernonia.
Best hunting, trapping and fishing in
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NO TIME NOW TO DRAG ALONG WITH THAT OLD CONSER- VATIVE IDEA

The Eagle has never over estimated the growth or the possibilities of Vernonia. We have boosted and secured many things, but we have never boomed the town. The city has been moving too slow. This we are now thoroughly convinced of. And if we don't whip up immediately, it is going to be disastrous to every interest here. Our big industries mean business, and they are going ahead with a rush. We must take care of them. We have a city, we must make it cityfied. Millions of dollars are going to be spent here every year, and we have got to spend thousands right now to control it. We have got to have three hundred more small dwellings in Vernonia as soon as possible. Can't moneyed men see this, or form a company. We have got to pave Bridge street, and it should be finished by all means this summer. We have got to have a sewer system and right away. Don't put it off. This is a prayer for help. We don't want to have to be told next Fall "I told you so." We must do it. The Oregon-American Co. don't want to go into the real estate business, or any other business except the mill and lumber business. We wish all the Vernonia people that don't understand the situation would visit a good live industrial city and see the needs here. Look at Silverton, Westport, Canby, St. Helens and many more. Vernonia in twelve months will be larger than any of these. The Eagle is sincere, we are interested, we are not blaming anyone, or censoring anyone, we are only urging speed. Let's not be so conservative. We have to spend money to make money, or go broke. Portland citizens have estimated Vernonia as a city of 10,000. If we have 3,000 in a year we are not prepared to handle them or house them. It is a business proposition, and we are only wanting to impress the subject on every citizen of the town and county. It is an industrial city, we can't stop it. Build houses for sale or rent, build sewers, pave, work. Any men of authority can give us this sound advice. Can't we take it. We believe we will. Vernonia is certainly growing. It will keep it up. We must keep "at it." We must be a "Go Getter." This need for action is not bull or boast—We know what is coming. We know what to look for, and as past statements have proved true so is this prayer absolutely needed.

NEW CHURCH BUILDING

The Evangelical church membership and many interested ones not members, are thinking seriously of the needs of a new church building. The present building is too small and isn't arranged to care for the various church affairs. Many would like to see a new modern edifice to replace the present one, and if plans and arrangements can be made during the summer, the prevailing sentiment may develop into a reality. Rev. Herrman is desirous of a new and better building, as well as many of the citizens.

LET US SMILE

The thing that goes the farthest towards making life worth while, That costs the least and does the most is just a pleasant smile. The smile that bubbles from a heart that loves its fellowmen Will drive away the cloud of gloom and coax the sun again; It's full of worth and goodness, too, with manly kindness blent— It's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent.

Mrs. C. A. Anderson and family and Ruby Dixon, of Portland, visited at the Oxley home Saturday, between trains.

Visit Vernonia, Vestigate.

J. E. Warner was given a fine of \$3,000 for operating a moonshine still in the foothill country east of Harrisburg. He was apprehended last week Wednesday evening by Sheriff Dunlap and an assistant and taken at once to Albany where he is confined. This is one of the heaviest fines ever imposed in the county for moonshining.—Harrisburg Bulletin.

NEAR BEER

A reader read our item of the new sawmill being built near town by Mr. Beer. The reader gets off a pun on the name, in a letter to us as follows:
Gales Creek, Ore., May 3, 1923.
Mr. Paul Robinson:

In the last issue of the Eagle you stated that there was under construction near Vernonia, a new Beer mill, that they would soon have the lumber ready. I presume for the bar, tables, and benches. Now, for the love of Mike, when they announce their grand opening let me know a couple of days in advance. So our drouth stricken Gales creek loggers can get there in good time.
Yours in waiting,
G. N. MECKLEM.

HAVE YOU NOTICED

A newspaper is regarded as an influence for progress and its aim generally is to advocate that which is good or ideas regarded as safe, sane and substantial for the territory covered by its circulation. In its endeavors it is impossible to please all. Let a paper speak in terms discouraging "strikes," and some of different mind will jump on the editor. Let the paper mention a political opinion and those opposing knock the editor and forget all or any good topic he has ever advocated. Let the paper try to point ways of city affairs and it becomes an "unfair sheet." Let a paper uphold good morals, and it makes serious enemies. Rev. Sheldon once edited the Topeka Capital "As Christ Would Edit It" for one week—it was a failure financially. Verily, editing a weekly paper is no velvety bed of ease. It takes lots of patience.

THE WORLD IS WORKING FOR YOU

The manufacturer who makes your shoes is working for you. So is the store that sells you shoes, your grocer, your clothier and every concern or person who makes or sells anything you buy. Often these people have messages for you. They want to tell about new goods, new styles, new prices or other new things they think you should know about. They cannot speak to you personally because they have so many customers to serve. So they put their messages in the paper in the form of advertisements.

It is therefore to your interests to read these advertisements. They are published for your benefit. They keep you informed as to what these folks are doing for you. They help you to buy the right goods at the right time and to make the most of your money. Moreover, you will find that business concerns that tell you frankly what they are doing are the most dependable. Firms that advertise are progressive firms that have something real to say to you. Reading advertisements is both interesting and profitable.—Warrenton News.

FROM THE CRADLE TO THE GRAVE

(Contributed)

The newspaper starts in when you are born, relates about your excellence and tells about your sweetness. It follows you to school and prints the honor roll, if your name is found there, it tells of your graduation and speaks of the excellence of your magnificent essay; it tells of your progress during your college career and then dilates much about the choice of your location; then it gives a nice notice about your marriage and praises up the blushing bride 'till her kinsfolks didn't know her. Then in due course of events it tells about the bouncing baby that happens in your family, thereby beginning its life work, all over and over again.

The newspaper does all this and much more. It tells of the progress made by the city and country and boosts all enterprises; gives free advertising worth thousands of dollars to its own home town.

There are scads of things that all good newspapers do, for which they cannot be paid.

That is why every citizen should do his darndest to support the newspaper in every possible way and all the time. Yassum.

DON'T BE A BANK-WALKER.

"Man overboard!" yelled the small boy as the crowd gathered on the dock. "Help!" cried the man, as he sank struggling (to rise again later) Said a business like person, "What that man needs is either a rope or a life preserver." "That's right," replied another. "Somebody must throw him a rope or a life preserver. Let's get together and see what can be done." "Yes," replied a calm faced merchant. "I think about seventy-five feet of rope will reach him if we throw it right. I've got some rope at my store that I can sell at a

small profit in a case like this, and I also have some very good life preservers." So the hat was passed, and after a little careful bargaining, the order was placed, and the calm-faced merchant started for his store to get the needed appliances. "Help!" cried the drowning man, just then, he rose to the surface. At this instant a young fellow rushed through the crowd, kicked off his shoes, plunged in and got the drowning man out. Moral: One go-getter is worth five bank-walkers.

If you think your work is hard, how about the bank clerks who count other people's money all day? asks a Vernonia cashier.

The mayor says the energy we use in getting even might be used in getting ahead.

The Postoffice Department is having a new experience. It's getting along without work.

The only way to save daylight is to use it.

The Oregon-American Lumber Co. unloaded a car of coal Saturday.

Mrs. Bradley, of Banks visited her daughter, Mrs. Warfield over the week-end.

G. B. Clark Sundayed in North Plains.

New brick buildings starting are the real thing.

A new oven in the Vernonia Home Bakery will bake 200 loaves at one baking.

Ministers and editors have a hard time trying to satisfy everybody.

Miss Wilma Dooley spent the week-end at her home in Banks.

Dr. Holloway, of Clatskanie, visited the Eagle Sunday.

The display of flowers on Mothers' Day at the Brown store were beautiful.

Hundreds of automobiles lined our streets Sunday. Restaurants, confectioners and hotels were busy.

Mrs. H. Troop and Miss Hattie Webster came down from Keasey, Friday, to attend the Grange play.

Mr. Folger is getting a reputation as a window decorator and the displays in the drug store window are fine.

A. J. Boyt, Mgr. of the Clatskanie ball team made us a pleasant call Sunday. He was with Mr. Temple. Mr. Temple was their umpire. He is in the real estate business at Clatskanie.

Mr. Carl Johnson, of the Northwestern Trust Co., Portland, Mr. George Burdick and a party of four Portland men, visited Vernonia Saturday, looking over the light and power work being done here.

Cheney Benefield and son "Pete," were Vernonia visitors Sunday, from Banks.

The Vernonia Bakery has been enlarged, and a big new oven installed this week.

"THE MINERS DAUGHTER"

Friday night the High School auditorium was crowded (demonstrating again the need of a larger auditorium) when the Grange put on the home talent production known as "Dot, The Miner's Daughter." Everyone in attendance was more than well pleased with the entertainment, and the talent displayed by the home Grangers was indeed splendid. The heroine, Dot, was ably handled by Miss Beneta Parker, who all were delighted in, and she displayed no stage embarrassment whatever to mar the roll in which she was represented. Mr. Condit evidently has been there before, because he felt at home before the footlights and acted as natural as life. Mrs. Lee Hall was Mrs. Mason and played the part without a hitch. Eddie Condit, the son, was one of the best and Mrs. Wilson made a splendid negro servant as Aunt Hapzibah. Mr. O. Peck made the crowd laugh in his well played part of Ebony, the dark boy. Mr. Elbert Kelley as Arthur Floyd a villain was one of the stars, and Mr. Larimore as the villain's helper had no difficulty in carrying away the beautiful Miss Winnifred. Mrs. E. Ray did well as Mrs. Clifton an authoress from the big city and Miss Gertrude Hall played in exceptionally good way the daughter of Mrs. Clifford. Sidney Wilson as Royal Meadows in love with Dot, was true to the character. Mr. Albert Parker was at home as Mr. Clifford who returned to smooth out matters after years of absence. Isabel Condit was bridesmaid and Ruben Hall proved his ability as a good city marshal. The play was a good one with a splendid moral. The Grange realized a handsome sum as door receipts. After the show a "Shadow Social" kept many until a late hour. The men bought the shadows cast upon a screen and ate supper with the Shadows after they materialized into Vernonia women with boxes filled with good things to eat.

PORTLAND ASTORIA & PACIFIC

The P. A. & P. railroad that Vernonia is on is daily gaining in importance and in business. This community appreciates this road. It means much to us and has been the making of our city to a great extent. Be it known that this road is a part of the big roads of the Burlington, the Great Northern, and the Northern Pacific. All publicity these companies are spreading is, in a degree, publicity for Vernonia. Our local road is proving their best "Feeder," and the S. P. & S. will have to go some to keep up. This road recognizes in Vernonia, their best town on the line. They are good to us as we are good to them. At Vernonia they have built the finest depot on the line, and now are fixing the sidings and depot approaches in a manner that will be a credit to any city. Verily Vernonia is becoming quite a little R. R. Center. And why not.

House Bargains—6 room house close to High School, \$1250, lot 50 x 100. Six room house close to High School, \$1250. Lot 50 x 100
Six room house, very attractive, 2 lots 50 x 100 each, \$2500.
Five room bungalow, very pretty, close in, large lot, \$2700.
2 room house 1 block of highway, large lot, \$300. G. B. Richmond.

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Mrs. Lester accidentally burned her shoulder quite severely, one day this week, from boiling water spashing out of a tea-kettle she was carrying.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McDonald are now at home in their new residence a short ways up the Rock Creek road, near the H. S. They recently purchased the new dwelling from Mr. Wright.

A wrestling match this Saturday night in Vernonia Dance Hall promises to be a fast one for sport fans. Farmer Vance vs Gus Hanson. Both good.

SPLENDID—The eighth grade of Vernonia school, 24 pupils, all passed with a good average grade.—Good work

Mrs. Dell Potter and daughter, of Portland, were visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sitts, last week.

M. J. John was a pleasant caller at the Eagle office Saturday, for a few moments visit.

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