

Vernonia, the Nehalem valley, the state, the Nation, all need, and need badly, a paved inland highway from Portland to Astoria. It is a military necessity; a tourist necessity to relieve the Columbia River Highway congestion. It is a market highway the farmers must have. It is an emergency. Make it an extension of the Roosevelt Highway from Astoria through Vernonia and on to Portland.

# Vernonia

# Eagle

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MOUTHPIECE of the NEHALEM VALLEY

COLUMBIA COUNTY

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## VERNONIA THEIR MILL HEADQUARTERS

The Oregon-American Lumber Co. is Owned by the Central Coal & Coke Co.

Following is of Interest to Vernonia, Portland and Oregon Readers.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—John H. Kirby, of Houston, Tex., who, it was announced last week, had purchased a considerable interest in the Central Coal & Coke Co., was elected a director at a meeting of the board of directors Saturday to succeed C. F. Fox, of Philadelphia. Thomas Mackie, general purchasing agent of the company, was elected to the board to succeed J. R. McAllister, also of Philadelphia, whose stock along with that of Mr. Fox was sold to Mr. Kirby, Charles S. Keith, president of the company, and Herbert F. Hall, a director. The two Philadelphians sold a total of 11,675 shares, of which Mr. Kirby bought 9,340 for \$1,176,840, the remainder of the stock being divided between Mr. Keith and Mr. Hall.

Through the purchase of these shares, western men are now in full control of the company, and the expectation here is that announcements of considerable interest to the lumber trade will be made soon. It is known that Harry N. Taylor, formerly vice-president of the company, now president of the United States Distributing Corporation, made an offer several months ago to purchase the coal properties of the company, and it is said this deal fell through because of the objections of the Philadelphia stockholders. Whether this project again will be taken up has not been announced, but well informed lumbermen here consider it more than likely. In this event it is probable that a new name would be chosen to cover the lumber operations of the company. Some changes in personnel are to be announced later. The regular dividends of 5 per cent on preferred and 6 per cent on common stock were declared.

Mr. Kirby, who is president of the Kirby Lumber Co., and the Southern Pine Association, arrived here Saturday morning to attend the meeting, coming from Washington, D. C., where he was one of the conferees on lumber standards. After the meeting he left for his home in Houston, Tex., but will return for the annual meeting of the Central Coal & Coke Co. in February.

"One thing that attracted me to the Central was the fine body of timber it recently acquired in Oregon," said Mr. Kirby. "With the depletion of the southern pine forests, the Pacific Coast will be called on to supply larger and larger quantities of building lumber. I am greatly pleased to be associated with Mr. Keith in the Central Coal & Coke Co."

Kansas City lumbermen also are pleased to have Mr. Kirby associated with a Kansas City company.—American Lumbermen.

The above may mean much more to Oregon and Vernonia than shows

## Big Event On Last Day Of '23 Is Oregon Journal Issue

Last Monday the Oregon Daily Journal issued their "Last of the Year Edition." It could be commented on in glowing terms; it could be told of and described in flowing language of countless adjectives, but the many good results and the benefits that Portland and all Oregon will receive will not be determined for twelve months to come. Results, direct and indirect, will continue to be seen. The Journal did itself proud and issued a real service to the state. Vernonia came in for much deserved publicity in the big addition—and Vernonia will reap lasting benefits. Picture and pen, history and statistics of this great Commonwealth is thus being studied in every state of the Union.

here. Vernonia will be one of the large industrial centers of the Northwest. Portland capitalists have their financial eye on Vernonia, so have the lumbermen of America.

## THE BUSINESS PICTURE AT A GLANCE

The United States in 1923 had one of the most remarkable periods of prosperity in the memory of the present generation.

Production was of tremendous volume and consumption kept pace throughout. Employment generally was steady at high wages and labor disputes were infrequent.

Buying power increased over \$2,000,000,000 from enhanced crops, high wages and improved incomes resulting from the return of industrial corporations to a dividend basis.

Only a few basic industries failed to show adequate return on the investment.

Business kept its head and the year ends with inventories and stocks low and credit and banking position high. Conditions indicate a continuation of activity and prosperity into the new year. Competition will be keen. Agricultural conditions give promise of improvement.—Journal.

## KIND WORDS FROM RAILROAD OFFICIAL

My Dear Mr. Robinson: I have reviewed your special holiday number with real interest and pleasure, and extend my congratulation upon the success of this enterprise, which I know has entailed a great deal of energy and work.

I hope that it may be profitable in every way, both to you and to the community.

Yours very truly,  
R. H. CROZIER,  
Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., S. P. & S. Ry. Co.

Let the Eagle print your envelopes, cards, letterheads, bills, statements, menu cards, butter wrappers, etc.

### A SUGGESTION

Suppose we think little about "Number One,"  
Suppose we all help someone else to have fun;  
Suppose we ne'er speak of the faults of a friend;  
Suppose we are ready our own to amend;

Suppose we laugh with and not at other folks,  
And never hurt anyone "just for a joke;"  
Suppose we hide trouble, and show only cheer,—  
'Tis likely we'll have quite a "Happy New Ye.r."

—MARY MAPES DODGE

## The Harding Memorial Association Has Been Formed

Toe Harding Memorial Association, with headquarters at Washington, D. D., is headed by President Collidge and all the members of his cabinet, and an incorporation of responsible men has been formed for the purpose of building a Harding Memorial.

It embraces the three purposes of:

1. Acquiring the Harding Home with the grounds, the same to be kept always as archives for the books, papers, speeches, etc. of the late President Warren G. Harding.

2. Establishing a chair in some university to be determined devoted to statesmanship, diplomacy and international law.

3. Also of building a Mausoleum and Monument in which shall rest the remains of the late President, and ultimately those of Mrs. Harding.

This enterprise calls for \$3,000,000, \$50,000 of which has been assigned the State of Oregon as its quota.

President Harding's last weeks of activities were spent on the Pacific Coast, and the people grew to love him for his splendid character and high ideals, and also to admire, respect and love Mrs. Harding for her womanly qualities.

It is desired that voluntary contributions be made to this fund, and that a very great many people should participate in it, that all may have a tangible interest in this enterprise.

Contributions may be sent to B. F. Mulkey, State Chairman of the Association for Oregon, Suite 403 Corbett Building, Portland, Oregon, or direct to headquarters at 1414 F. Street, NW, Washington, D. C.

Between the 6th and 16th of this month a drive will be made in several counties of this State to secure the funds, but meanwhile, and during that time, it is hoped that a large number of people will respond of their own initiative.

Governor Pierce is taking an active interest in this movement, and has issued a proclamation calling on the various churches to say something commendatory to this movement on Sunday, November 6th.

This movement is non-partisan and all are welcome to participate.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Luzader, Eyesight Specialist will be at Martineau's Jewelry store on Monday and Tuesday January 7 and 8. Have your eyes examined. 2t

Catholic Services  
Mass and Sermon on the third Sunday of each month, at 11:30 a. m. Week day communion Mass to be announced. Jos. P. Clancy, Pastor.

If you live in the Vernonia vicinity, won't you subscribe for your home paper, which is the Vernonia Eagle.

## Portland Telegram Gives Vernonia and Eagle Writup

The Portland Telegram gives the paper and town of Vernonia a little publicity in nice tones as follows:

"Paul Robinson is Editor, business manager and copy desk man on the Vernonia Eagle, besides holding down a few odd jobs on the same sheet between times. The Eagle celebrated its first anniversary not long ago, with an especially loud scream, and it must be said that the noble bird has some basis for its joy. Mr. Robinson was publishing a weekly paper in Aurora, Ore. when he read a short newspaper account of the new mill going into Vernonia, and the future of that town, little more than a cross roads far from the railroad, Robinson left next morning for the new town looked it over, and made immediate arrangements for moving in. He took his outfit into the hills at great labor, and worked night and day for awhile. In less than two years from a standing start, Robinson has built the Eagle into one of the most flourishing weeklies in Oregon. His Christmas number looked like a metropolitan daily, with copious boosting copies, huge ads and cuts everywhere."

## CHRISTMAS EDITION OF VERNONIA EAGLE FINE

On Friday, December 14, the Vernonia Eagle, weekly newspaper owned and edited by Paul Robinson in the booming logging and lumber center of Northwestern Oregon, published a 40-page Christmas and development edition.

The paper represents a large undertaking and is most creditable for a town the size of Vernonia. While showing the limitations of a small weekly newspaper plant, the Eagle annual reflects credit upon its publisher and the community.

It contains a large amount of reading matter dealing with the immense timber resources of the Vernonia territory, with the striking industrial progress which has been made there within the past three years and with the brilliant outlook for the future.

In addition, the paper stresses the advantages of Columbia County from a homeseeker's point of view. It carries heavy advertising.—Astoria Budget.

## NEW CAMPS AND MILLS

A large new camp is being established on the St. Helens road beyond Pittsburg, and the Koster interests are establishing a big five side camp near the Trehan place only a couple of miles out of Vernonia. W. L. Hall and associates are erecting a good-sized mill two miles out of town. Work is progressing now. Rumor also reaches us of a large company planning on a big mill in Vernonia. Arrangements have not been made, but if carried out as talked, it will mean another extra large industry in the way of a 200,000 capacity plant.

## MAKE IT A BIG ONE

On Monday night, January 7—remember the date—the Chamber of Commerce meets at the high school. Let's make it a rousing revival, and start the New Year right. Every man in town should be there. Monday night, January 7. Talk it. Come.

A subscription list we are proud of. The Eagle has been about a year and a half building up a list of readers that are as big a family. The paper is your paper and we are glad that

## Mammoth Edition Is Extra Portland Oregonian

As children eagerly look for the coming of Christmas, so do the Oregonians annually await the New Years addition of the Oregonian Annual. This year's paper that surpasses anything of like nature produced. This years paper that reached us Tuesday has outdone previous records as the state has made advancement in progress and prosperity. They went like lemonade at a circus, and many thousands of people in every quarter of the Nation are drinking and devouring every word in the numerous pages. Pictures of various scenes in the state occupied every page with statistics and history. It is real publicity that will have a big part in bringing to Oregon during 1924 the largest immigration of homeseekers the state has ever known in a single year. Vernonia was given important space in this valuable publication.

## FELL OUT OF BARN

Young Leonard Malmsten went up in the hay loft and some one moved the ladder. In the dark and missing the ladder he fell to the floor below. Leonard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Malmsten, and Sunday Mrs. Malmsten took him to a Portland hospital to determine the extent of the injury to his ankle.

A. J. Davidson, G. E. Votaw and E. E. Lillie, officials of the S. P. & S. and P. A. & P. railroads, were pleasant callers at the Eagle office last Thursday. The gentlemen were looking over the city and their property here.

## REGARDING THE COUNTY NURSE

Most Important Subject Is Now Nearing Solution

County Will Secure a Much-Needed Department.

Mrs. J. L. Storka, St. Helens, Ore.—My Dear Mrs. Storka: Both Mr. Whealdon and I are so sorry that he missed your committee meeting. He was very sincere in thinking it met at night, instead of the afternoon.

He told me of his telephone conversation with you and your request that I put in writing the statement he made to you regarding the use of the Christmas seal funds to help subsidize your county nursing program.

I had asked Mr. Whealdon to tell you that we would be glad to have the Red Cross chapter make a proposition to the Oregon Tuberculosis Association that we cooperate during 1924 in securing the services of a public health nurse, and that if the chapter would organize a public health nursing committee on which both the chapter and the Oregon Tuberculosis Association should be represented, that we would be willing to appropriate funds to such a committee on the same basis funds are appropriated to our branch County Association, and that we would make no attempt to organize a County Health Association during the success of this joint committee.

This is an unusual procedure but we are glad to do it because of our great desire to see you succeed in your public health nursing program.

Sincerely yours,  
SAIDE ORRE DUNBAR,  
Executive Secretary.

Write it 1924.  
Talk prosperity.

## The Hotel Vista



The many different articles of Rubber which you will find here represent an equal number of conveniences for your home.

In fact a goodly portion of them are necessities; for instance, a Hot Water Bag in case of sickness, and others which will occur to you when you see our display.

Pure Drugs

## Vernonia Drug Co.

Wm. Folger, Pharmacist.

Vernonia, Oregon

Phone 171

## YOUR NEW PLANS

—for of course, you have new plans for the new year, but are they fully worked out. If you will set a definite object for your work during 1924, you'll come close to it before this time next year.

Let us help you, here at the Bank of Vernonia, to establish a goal for 1924. Then let us help you achieve it. Come in and talk it over with us.

## BANK OF VERNONIA

Vernonia, Oregon