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Editorials

NEW SCHOOL LOCATION

There was a school election, as advertised, last Saturday, to decide on the location of a new grade school building. Everyone that wanted to go had the privilege. It was well attended. Some present wanted the new school built onto the present one, some wanted it down by the Nehalem river near the Parker and Malmsten additions now being laid out and others wanted it west of the railroad track in Vernonia. It was put to a vote and the vote decided to put it west of the track by 58 to 20. Now we believe a good eight room school west of the track at this time is all right, as there will probably be over a hundred real small children there going to school next year and many a little larger living west of Rock Creek can attend it. It will thus take the smaller ones, nearly 50 percent of those attending, to a safer walk. No dangerous track to cross, no busy main street to go through, no mile away, hot dinners, and better in stormy weather. East of Rock Creek has two school houses now and west of the track has none for the fast growing resident part of Vernonia. We are also of the opinion that with in another year it will prove necessary to build a four to eight room building east of the present building. But we don't believe it the best policy for the little tots, to build too near a stream, railroad, or busy thoroughfare. For the larger children it makes little difference. We believe in being fare to patrons and school children and don't believe the money question is the most important.

Have you ever stopped to consider the fact that loyalty to community interests is the highest form of patriotism? Sow us the man who is loyal and true to every interest of his own community and we will show you in that same individual a man in whom his country can report absolute confidence in any emergency that calls for his allegiance.

On the other hand, the man who is careless and unconcerned for the interests of his community is most apt to display the same spirit of indifference toward his government or his

state should any serious danger threaten either.

Try to imagine an entire state composed of innumerable communities welded and cemented into a symmetrical whole, each striving to excel the others, but each, from its own local loyalty, developing a broader and deeper loyalty that reaches out and embraces the whole.

This would be brought about if we could be brought to see that we owe allegiance to our own people, but that the prosperity and success of others is in no wise a detriment to us, but rather a help, that if each community would develop itself to the utmost—materially, mentally and morally—none would need be envious of others, neither would any need doubt but to detract from another's interest.

Let us develop community loyalty to the full—the highest possible form of patriotism.

The Oregon Motorist, in its April edition, gave considerable space to the Trout Season opening and tourist travel facts. In mentioning good fishing grounds, we must remember the Nehalem valley, along the Nehalem river and Rock Creek which runs through the city of Vernonia. Up the creek toward the power plant about 10 miles will be found better fishing, and some good catches have been reported. As to tourist travel, we have noticed it has begun. The Inland Highway from Portland to Astoria, through Vernonia, is a scenic drive no one should miss. It is a drive that is different. The roads now are in good shape and will get better as the spring advances. Some day, in the future, we expect to see this Inland route paved. The government should pave it if the state can't, as a safety measure in case of war.

The Roosevelt Highway ending at Astoria puts all the travel on the Columbia River Highway from there to Portland, and the Columbia River Highway is congested now. This Roosevelt Highway should be extended to Portland NOW by the Vernonia route. Then too, troops could be moved to the Sea from Portland through the Inland, which is a shorter route, without being bombarded from the Columbia river. The Inland Highway offers the scenic beauty, the short cut, good grade, and it travels through a country that is noted for farming as well as big timber, thereby being an absolute necessity to the producers wanting to get out to market. This, we believe, is at present the most important highway needing paving in the state or northwest.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce has certainly done it up in "Apple Pie Order". We received a copy of the Los Angeles Times in which a large portion of the colored rotogravure section was devoted to Oregon in pictures that talked, and said more for Oregon than columns of reading or hours of oratory could produce. And the Portland Chamber of Commerce isn't advertising Portland, as much as Oregon. Oregon means Vernonia, Bend, Grants Pass, Portland and all way stations. In the page of descriptive pictures appearing in this Los Angeles paper, and other big dailies, various scenes from widely separated sections of the state were shown as well as a complete picture of the Pacific Highway and the Columbia River Highway—the longest paved

highway in the world and the most scenic highway in the world. In a letter from Mr. Herbert Cuthbert, manager of the publicity department he states:

"On page five you will find the full page advertisement inserted by this Chamber of Commerce. In this advertisement, while naturally we have shown pictures of Oregon, I might point out that we have not shown one of Portland proper, but of various parts of the state.

"In the map we have given publicity to as many cities as possible without destroying the effectiveness of the ad. These cities are representative of the entire Pacific Northwest and not simply Oregon.

"We trust that you will like our ad and that you will consider it a valuable piece of publicity for the Pacific Northwest as well as for Oregon. It reflects the policy and the spirit of Portland—a desire to see the whole Pacific Northwest grow as well as the State of Oregon, so that Portland and the rest of the cities may grow with it.

"After God had finished making the rattlesnake, the toad and the vampire, He had some awful substance left with which he made the scandal-monger. A scandal-monger is a twolegged animal with a corkscrew soul, a water-sogged brain and a combination backbone made of jelly and glue. Where other men have their hearts he carries a tumor of decayed principles. When the scandal-monger comes down the street honest men turn their backs, the angels weep tears in heaven and the devil shuts the gates of hell to keep him out." Filthy lies and frame-ups on candidates is a poor way to exercise ones right of franchise even in a free country.

Art Steel, Editor of the Clatskanie Chief, was a Vernonia visitor Monday in company with Mr. Anderson, head of the Light & Power Co. over there. Mr. Steel had not been in Vernonia for several months and spoke in the highest praise of our growth and progress. He says "You are going to have some city over here without a doubt." Well, Art You spoke the truth, and you have a good city at Clatskanie also. Come again.

All the candidates have announced and the big race for the nominations is on. Columbia County has two or three contests on, and the rest of the candidates have no opposition. Mr. Hall, of Clatskanie is the best bet so far, for State Representative, he is a Republican, and this is a Republican county—why send a democrat to Salem, when a man like Hall is willing to go?

Bert Mills, of Vernonia is as good as elected as County Commissioner, and no better man for the job could be found. Mr. Mills will pull an extra large vote.

No one from Vernonia filed for Committeeman—Oh well, we are all Committeemen over here.

Of all the dirty, mud-slinging, rotten politics, the rankest of this campaign is that pulled by a few opposing Geo. Baker for United States Senator, when they got him in Eastern Oregon making speeches, and then trying to hint that in some remote way he might be mixed up in the "Bridge Deal" or some other



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Portland graft not yet discovered. Dirty insinuations of things guessed at and of things that "could have happened" is worse than the vilest gossip.

SPRING CALLS

Lovers of the out-of-doors will respond to the call of spring, and almost before we know it the highways and byways will be swarming with automobile tourists. Communities that wish to secure the greatest benefits from this tourist crop begin now to clean up, paint up and spruce up. A clean up campaign not only benefits the community but its results attract those passers-by whose first impressions are important.

J. C. Lindley has purchased a lot east of the high school and is now clearing it. Mr. Lindley intends to erect a home on the property as soon as he can get it in shape.

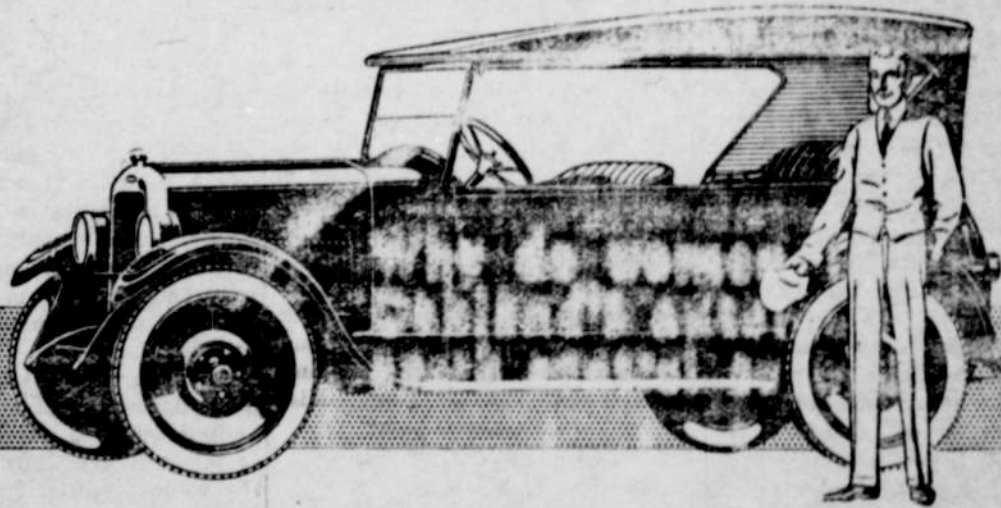
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