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Editorials

It is apparent that the world was not made safe for democracy by waging war. It should be apparent that roads can not be made safe for pedestrians or motorists by waging war against the latter by prohibitive speed regulations or drastic police rulings.

The motor car and truck have come to stay. They have come to stay because they save time, make speed eliminate the speed and the time-saving from motor cars and men would go back to horses.

If the speed and the time-saving results in maimings and killings; if accidents and injuries follow the use of trucks on highways, then some other remedy must be found than will destroy the very factors of these instruments of transportation which make them vital to our modern life.

The answer is plain; most people who have studied the question see it, and many acknowledge it. But it is not much talked about, because, forsooth, the politician dreads to say anything which may be construed as advocating more taxes, spending more money. Had the politician of 20 years ago advised farmers to spend \$500 or \$1000 for a new "team" to save time, he would have been defeated for office.

But the answer must be made, and we, as a people, must see it, approve it, pay for it. The answer is wider roads; roads with high and low speed divisions; roads which can carry modern traffic!

Not all roads, of course. But the main roads, the well-traveled roads, the intercity roads, the roads connecting State with State and county with county—these, either now or later, must be made wide enough to carry the present and the future traffic safely, assure the pedestrian of his life and whole limbs, the motorists of freedom from accident, and traffic the possibility of making time without danger to anyone.

When the automobile was new, people cried out against hard surface highway appropriations as "class legislation for speeders." Now the people know that hard surface highways are for them, first, for the "speeders" afterwards. But we all want to make time, save time, go fast enough to get the benefit of our cars.

Let us stop crying out against the added expense of the wide highway, which alone can make motor transport safe for us all!

The general appearance of a community is a factor in its business progress. If a town is kept in a disorderly manner, many people would be less likely to come there for trade. They would feel that the appearance of inefficiency might extend to the business men of the community, and make the place less desirable as a trading center.

But the people who travel around the country in automobiles so freely now, looking for good chances to buy supplies, are prepossessed in favor of a neat and clean looking town. They would be inclined to say that such a place looks like a live one, where people work in a systematic and efficient way, and they would be likely to feel that it would be a good trading center.

The same thought applies to the growth of a town as a residence place. A neat and pretty town attracts, a disorderly one repels people. Folks who contemplate settling in some place to carry on business are no doubt somewhat governed by such considerations. They would dislike to locate in a slack looking town, as it would seem to lack prosperity and ambition. One that was full of the spirit of improvement would seem to be one in which any kind of business would grow more valuable. So when people work to keep their home and business places looking well, they create an influence that has a far reaching effect for business gains.

The kids can hear some thousands of miles over their radio instrument but many of them are unable to hear Mother when she calls to get up in the morning.

Claimed that the girls of Vernonia are not exercising their Leap Year privileges, but they probably feel unable to support a husband.

It was formerly customary to ask a lock of hair from people you loved very much, but now the people demand the scalp of many of the politicians.

It being asked how railroad crossing accidents can be prevented, such inquiries are respectfully informed that they can be avoided by not crossing the tracks ahead of a train.

There is some dispute as to whether the road signs should read "Go slow" or "Go slowly." But the speeders are usually going too fast to notice errors in grammar.

If people desire to have their letters promptly and accurately delivered, it might be a good idea to write them legibly enough so the postal clerks can read them.

The American people should not spend all their energy probing into the government. They should save a little of it to probe into their back yards with a spade.

A critic complains that the actions of Congress in getting organized were childish. Well, it did spend a lot of time playing with its blocs.

Many towns over the state are now arranging for big fourth of July celebrations. Let them arrange. Vernonia will help some of them celebrate. But the big time here will be the "Annual Vernonia Day", the last of August or first of September.

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If all the time we waste in arguments was put to the work of accomplishment just think how much we could get done.

Many people claim that some jinx is following them and spoiling their luck. The name of that jinx in many cases is Mr. L. A. Zinner.

Among the "Household Hints" now being offered are the suggestion offered to the Old Man that the back yard needs cleaning up.

Textile materials must be awful short in this country, from the number of women folks who can't seem to find any material for sleeves.

Some people can show calloused hands and furrowed brows as the result of their labors, while others can merely show worn trouser seats.

Political circles are said to be buzzing, which is likely to mean that the people are in danger of getting stung.

One reads in the Bible that David was anointed with oil to be king over Israel, but it would be safer in these times to use other fluid.

The boys playing ball make a terrible noise, but anyway the parents don't have to worry as to where they are.

If some folks could be as wide awake in working hours as they are at 1 a. m. when out with the sports it would promote their prosperity.

The makers of shoe leather will not be likely to oppose the movement to encourage walking.

Some of the people who talk the most claim there is no free speech in this country.

The time has gone by when a man could expect to get credit merely by jingling the keys in his pockets.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, an article has been published in the Rainier Review under date of April 25th regarding a meeting of the executive committee of an organization calling itself the Oregon Good Government League at St. Helens, at which meeting it is alleged that certain candidates for political offices were endorsed by that League; and

WHEREAS, the article made the statement that the Good Government League is composed of certain lodge organizations, chief of which are the Ku Klux Klan, the Masons, the Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, and kindred organizations of the protestant faith; and

WHEREAS, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows is a fraternal organization for the exemplification of benevolence, charity and good fellowship and is neither political or sectarian; and

WHEREAS, the impression has gone forth that our lodge participated in the meeting referred to and that it is affiliated with the Good

Government League; and

WHEREAS, St. Helens Lodge No. 117, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, did not participate in the above mentioned meeting and is not affiliated with the Oregon Good Government League;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we vigorously protest against any organization attempting to convey the idea that St. Helens Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F. either took part in the meeting referred to or that it is affiliated with the Oregon Good Government League or any other political or sectarian organization; and

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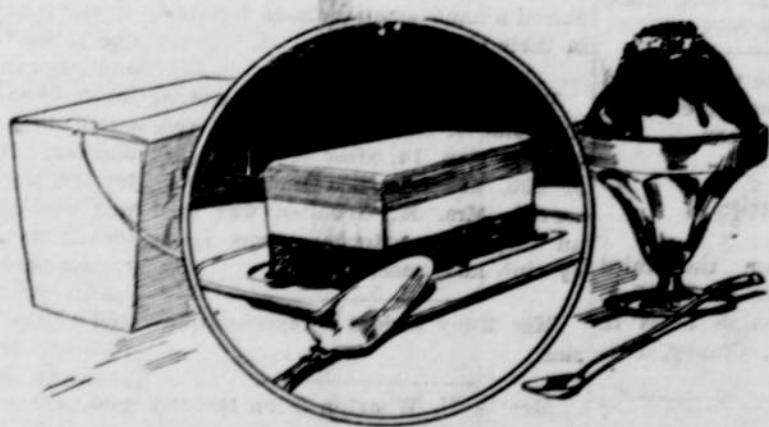
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