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Editorial

MODERN YOUTH

What is the matter with the youth of this day? Is it any worse, any more frivolous, any giddier than the youth of any other time? Or is all this merely the talk of old timers who cannot understand a new age with its new standards?

A number of prominent university leaders have been investigating, and from their insight into college undergraduate life, they speak with words of significance. They say that college students are more interested in dances, amusements, and class activities than in culture and learning. In fact they issue a sweeping indictment of this generation, for students are typical present day young folks.

"Collegit is no longer a place for those who wish to become cultured. It is a social practice ground", said Dr. Robert C. Angell, University of Michigan, in a report to President Burton.

"A tradition is being established outside Wisconsin that we are a bunch of cake eaters," declared Dean Scott H. Goodnight of the University of Wisconsin. "Does not our record of parties and dances go to substantiate this tradition?"

A statement from another source was: "The mothers regard the university as a good matrimonial bureau, and accordingly they send their daughters here."

Editorials in some university publications place the blame for low cultural standards not upon the students but upon incompetent instructors. And the battle goes merrily on. Some extremists go so far as to claim that the old virility of American life is disappearing in the foppishness and thrill mania of the present as shown in the conduct of college students.

But in the humble opinion of the editor, this isn't so serious after all. Young people at heart are not much different today than they were in the olden times. Human nature changes but little from age to age, and therein lies both the hope and task of the present. It is as difficult for any force or tendency to cause people in the mass to deteriorate suddenly as it is to cause them to improve quickly.

Perhaps some young folks have taken the old adage, "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," a little too seriously—that's all.

THE RAILWAY STATION

If first impressions are lasting impressions, then we can scarcely overestimate the importance to a town of a neat, tidy railway station. Both the first and last thing that many travelers sees of a city is the station. And if ours is attractive, clean, and comfortable looking, he will say of Vernonia when he goes elsewhere: "It is a fine little town".

People of the far West who appreciate the value of the right kind of advertising for their cities, understand this, and make their railway stations works of architectural beauty. Such buildings are no more expensive than ordinary stations, but they are more attractive. They convey the right kind of an impression.

What we here in Vernonia can do is to show an interest in the proper maintenance of the grounds around the station, and individually refrain from defacing the walls and putting ugliness where ugliness means a black mark against our town in the minds of travelers.

WHERE IS OPPORTUNITY?

Few of us are gifted with the vision necessary to see opportunities that lie nearest at hand. And when the editor says few of us, he includes himself along with most of his Vernonia friends. An excellent illustration of this is a story told by Professor Agassiz, and retold time and again by a famous lecturer.

There was once a man who owned a farm in Pennsylvania who became dissatisfied with farming. This was in the early days of the oil business, and so he applied himself to all the aspects of the then new and promising industry. He learned how petroleum was formed, how refined, and how marketed. In short he learned all he could about the theory, and then he sold his farm for \$833. Shortly after the sale, the new owner went over the place to look after facilities for watering stock. He found that his predecessor had fixed a plank across the surface of a stream running through the farm, and this plank was set at the right depth to hold back a black scum through which cattle would not put their noses.

This was unusual. With the assistance of experts, he conducted an investigation. The black scum, they discovered, was petroleum, and the farm it was later found was one of the richest oil fields of the East—an oil field that geologists later declared was worth \$100,000,000 to the state of Pennsylvania. Here the man who studied the theory of finding, refining, and marketing coal oil, had been damming back a stream that was pouring forth millions in oil. The city of Titusville stands on the farm that he sold for \$833—in order to go to far away places where he thought opportunity was awaiting him.

No doubt this man was no more blind than most of us here in Vernonia. The writer is of the opinion that there is plenty of wealth and opportunity to be found right here in our community and some day some man of vision will come along and see what all of us should have seen long ago.

The greenest pastures are always further up the hill. "Distance lends enchantment." In other words we think that we must travel far away to find opportunities.

But opportunity is everywhere—nearby and far away. If you lack the necessary vision you will not find fame or fortune by traveling to the far corners of the world. If you have vision you will probably find just what you most desire right here in Vernonia.

A NEW DEADLY DISEASE

There is a new disease in America today that is more dangerous, more contagious and more wide-spread than any black plague, flu or other noxious malady that ever visited moral beings.

Its effects are: First a warping of the mind so that it fails to realize consequences. This comes from contact with those already afflicted with the disease.

Next comes the deadening of the morals of its newly contaminated victims.

Then comes the decline that finally will lead to the uttermost depths of mental depravity, moral degradation and physical decay.

Those who are suffering from this terrible malady in its advanced stages will resort to any crime to satisfy its unquenchable thirst.

Speed, thrills, excitement and more excitement are the only palliatives that will quiet the demands of this arch fiend of today.

Ordinary thrills cease to suffice and even murders have been committed merely to satisfy the depraved cravings of some of its victims.

The Nation was shocked from coast to coast when the news was carried that a 15-year-old girl, a victim of this plague, had killed her own mother in order that she could indulge in the debaucheries demanded by her diseased condition.

"Jazz-Mania" is spreading with unprecedented rapidity. The younger generation are being contaminated hourly. The homes of once happy families are crumbling from the decaying influence of this arch enemy of civilization.

If this disease can be legislated away, now is the time for our state legislators to act.

If education alone will eliminate this unhealthy condition, "in the name of civilization", it's time for all forces to begin to educate.

Parents associations, womens clubs, churches and the schools can find no subject more deserving of their efforts than an active campaign of education for the suppression of this blight on our civilization.

Stop and Think.—Southern Oregon Spokesman.

EAGLE FEATHERS



The nearer a Vernonia girl gets to 30 the farther away she keeps from a calendar.

All men may be born free and equal, but it is a waste of time trying to prove it to your wife.

Modern parents seem to be the ones who bring up a child the way it should not go and then wonder why it goes that way.

More than one Vernonia man has learned that the only way to keep some people from knowing your business is not to have any business.

Appearances count for little. You wouldn't think to look at a musician that it would ever become part of a sealskin coat.

Doesn't notice how strange it makes a fellow feel to meet a smooth-tongued of his highland days and find her wearing spectacles?

When some Vernonia men are unable to choose between two evils they hunt up a third.

The Queen of Sheba is said to have introduced the honeymoon custom to King Solomon. He was probably about the only one who could afford to buy one.

After all, a young grass widow is about the only one on earth who can make a woman-hater change his mind.

They even had oil scandals in biblical times—look at the foolish virgins.

In the old days you paid five for a yellow-back novel and read it on the fly. Now you pay \$2.50 for the same novel because they call it "daring".

When the teacher recently asked a little Vernonia boy where tin came

from he answered "Fords".

The baby buggy parade will soon be seen every afternoon.

Ho— for the open road, I heard a poet cry; Just as the well known "Detour" sign met his poetic eye. And the sign read, "Detour to Crawford's for gas, oils and accessories."

Mac Says

The other day a small girl, came in to our store and asked us for a bar of toilet soap, and upon receiving it she promptly started for the door, without offering us any money.

"Who is that sap for?" we asked. "Why", said she, "It's for the whole family."

Yes, we carry a complete line of toilet soaps for the entire family.

M. & M. PHARMACY  
Corner Across from Gilby Motor Co.



Thrifty Youth

Thrifty youth means old age comfort, so why not prepare now for your old age, when your productive days will be over, and you can enjoy yourself in comfort? It costs only a little to start a Savings Account—and a little added each pay-day soon adds up into a most comfortable sum.

BANK OF VERNONIA

Vernonia, Oregon

COLLECTIONS

KNIGHT ADJUSTMENT CO.

McMinnville Hillsboro Tillamook



MEAT HE WILL EAT

Your skill as a cook is fully exemplified and rewarded when you use it to prepare one of our delicious Roasts for your table.

Let us send you one for dinner today. Poultry, Eggs, Choicest Beef, Pork and Lamb, Cold Meats, Fish.

The Nehalem Meat Market



EVERYTHING NEEDED

Fe vitamins are of more importance to the modern woman than the contents of her beauty cabinet. You can come here and select from the purest cosmetics in the world, just what you need for your complexion.

Silver Fox Pharmacy

VERNONIA, OREGON

On corner across from Bank of Vernonia