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**Editorial**

**TRAGEDY RECEIPT**

Take one natural-born fool; add three drinks of bad liquor. To this add a fast, high-powered motor car. Allow the fool to soak well in the liquor and place him in motor car, then let him go. After due time remove from the wreckage; place in black, satin-lined box and garnish with flowers.—Ex.

When Asked by a fellow Passenger why, after spending Millions of dollars in advertising, he did not stop and add the money thus saved to his profit, Mr. Wrigley, of Chewing Gum fame, said, "We are now traveling west at sixty miles an hour. Where would we be tomorrow at this time if we took the engine off the train?"

**FRIENDLY TOWNS**

Small cities and towns that do not have a "Welcome" sign on every main road leading into the place are regarded as "slow" and out of date.

And as a rule, the sign emphasized friendliness regardless of whether the community has it.

Once upon a time it is related there was a man who believed insignis, and taking the one at the edge of a strange town literally, he drove in and prepared to be real friendly. He sat on the curb for an hour and not one person even looked friendly, much less asked him any questions about what luck he was having among strangers.

The touring season will soon be here. Thousands of motorists are going to pass through. Some of them will stop here if they get the right kind of a reception; more of them will be our guests if we show ourselves hospitable.

"Welcome" signs are the most expensive things a town can have if the welcome is not there when the stranger arrives.—Bend Press.

Among unsolved problems before the public is the fact that one Rev. Olsen of Cottage Grove and Eugene is investigating for oil and says it exists near those cities and that some California Capitalist says oil will be found near Buxton—but, neither parties have visited the really oil country in and around Vernonia. It is up to some one to inform Mr. Olson of the indications around Vernonia; We believe he would be glad to investigate.

**STAMPING OUT DIVORCE**

Anything pertaining to divorces interests the average man or woman everywhere. Here in Vernonia divorce gossip is second in interest only to a murder and, for that matter, so it is in all other towns, big or little. This being true, we feel our readers will be interested in a bill offered last week in the Ohio legislature, a bill that strikes the hardest blow that has ever been struck at divorces.

The proposed measure would make it illegal for any man or woman to remarry in the state of Ohio within two years after securing a divorce. It is a proven fact that a majority of divorces are brought about through the desire of the husband or wife to marry again, but if the new bill becomes a law there would be, in one state at least, considerable hesitancy on the part of this class of divorce-seekers. Besides, many would find their affection for this third party growing cool before the two-year period elapsed, and this thing of getting a divorce one day just to get married the next would not be so popular. We believe such a law would reduce the divorce mill's grist fifty per cent.

The divorce evil has grown so rapidly in this country that it has become a serious problem and one which threatens our homelife. Easy divorce has wrecked thousands of homes, and caused the growing generation to look upon marriage as air adventures or a joke. We hope Ohio passes this proposed law, because we believe it will do more than anything else to eliminate divorces, and if it works in Ohio then we can hope for its adoption here in our own state.

**A BUSINESS ASSET**

If there is any one business in which handwriting shows up above everything else, then it's in the newspaper business. We believe that, taken as a whole, the handwriting of Vernonia residents will compare favorably with that of any other community, and yet if you could see some of the handwriting that finds its way into this office you would wonder why so many people have apparently neglected this important branch of their education.

There is no occasion for anyone to write so it looks as if a fly had been dipped in ink and set loose on the paper. While many cannot boast an attractive handwriting, everyone ought to write so that what they put on paper can be read. Careless indifference is the cause of more poor handwriting than anything else. We've known people who could not read their own handwriting two days after it

had grown "cold" and yet they presumed to inflict such a scrawl on others.

Plain, legible handwriting helps to bring joy into the world, and if our school teachers could only spend a few months in a newspaper office where every kind of writing good, bad and indifferent—is received, they would certainly lay more stress on its teaching and insist that at least two studies receive particular attention, above all others, and that would be writing and spelling. They can do the pupils under them no greater favor than to impress them with the fact that clear, legible handwriting is one of the world's greatest business assets.

Vines, rose bushes, green grass and plenty of paint used extensively by each lot owner would make Vernonia a beautiful home city. If each home owner would clean up in front and in the rear of his own property it would solve the "city beautiful" idea. It is time to paint and paper and time to plan on beautifying your lawns. Might be well for some Civic Club to offer a prize for the prettiest yard in town this spring. An occasional bright warm day makes us all want to dig and "fix up".

Vernonia girls are some Basket Ball Players—they can't be beat. Now, we suggest they go after the State Championship.

It is with narrow-souled people as with narrow-necked bottles; the less they have in them, the more noise they make pouring it out.—Pope.

**WORTH REMEMBERING**

In conversation with a Vernonia carpenter recently we asked him how he managed to avoid mistakes, and he answered: "I make it a rule to measure twice before I cut once. We've studied over that answer, and we believe that it would apply well in everything we do—measure twice before we cut, think twice before we speak, and so on. There is more time and energy and raw material wasted in this country from lack of forethought than one can even estimate. No one can do his best work when hurrying and what is done in a hurry often has to be done over. Taking time to think over what you are about to do means that you can be sure of having it right when it is done. And having it right saves time in the long run. The carpenter has given us a thought well worth keeping in mind "measure twice before you cut once."

**WHY WORRY?**

There are quite a few people around Vernonia who believe that "what will be will be." They can now find encouragement in the story of Mr. E. N. Cooksey, of Clarksville, Tenn. Mr. Cooksey is 83, a civil war veteran, and despite numerous serious accidents is reasonably hale and hearty. He was wounded four times at the battle of Missionary Ridge. He has been struck by lightning and in two train wrecks. His skull was fractured when he was hit on the head with a brick in a fight. Recently he fell off of a bridge, breaking several ribs and his jawbone. And he still lives to tell it. A peaceful death in bed will probably be his end. Not all of us will be so fortunate, but it does not pay to worry over what may happen. The "what will be" philosophy is good, if we do not permit it to encourage carelessness. Personally, we believe in it a good deal ourselves. But we always look both ways, just the same, before we start to cross a street.

**EAGLE FEATHERS**



They say the Chinese had crossword puzzles 3000 years ago. No wonder they are slant-eyed.

Scientist say work makes life longer, but the average Vernonia man is of the opinion that it only makes it seem longer.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to think that the way to keep something out of the paper was to "scare" the editor?

Just when we got autos and balloon tires to get us away from home here comes the radio and crossword puzzle to keep us there.

Many Vernonia parents raise the deuce these days because their sons and daughters are as wild as they were at the same age.

The new game they are playing in a good many cities just now is called "Hiding the Bottle."

A man holds a woman's hand before marriage, and after marriage she holds the whip-hand.

They say sage tea will color the hair, but Vernonia auto drivers know that a close call at a railroad crossing will do it quicker.

Water and Wood—Pulp Mill needed—Vernonia.

**Mac Says**

The old time remedy—Sulphur and Cream of Tartar is just as effective a Spring Medicine as it was fifty years ago. But it is much nicer to take, now that it is obtainable in the pleasant tasting tablet form, at the

**M. & M. PHARMACY**

Corner Across from Gilby Motor Co.



**IN HIS HONOR**

Were Washington alive today nothing could please him more than to know that every bank in the country could forward him word that they had opened a number of new savings accounts in his honor. He was a thrifty man, knew the value of saving money. So why not pay your respects to the Father of Our Country by starting to save today. We have a plan that will fit your income.

**BANK OF VERNONIA**

Vernonia, Oregon



**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**

**IT'S EASY TO KEEP FIT**

We're striking the season now when the blood is inclined to grow thinner. And it calls for something to build up energy, to stave off the draggy feeling that comes on as winter nears the end. COME IN AND LET US RECOMMEND A TONIC THAT WILL SHAPE YOU UP FOR SPRING'S ARRIVAL.

**BE PREPARED**

Rapid and frequent changes of weather are causing more than the usual amount of illness. Be prepared at the first sign of an approaching cold. Stop in on your way home and get a cough and cold cure that we guarantee—it may save a life or a heavy doctor bill.

REPLENISH THE MEDICINE CHEST WITH TIME-TRIED REMEDIES. Bring your Prescription for careful compounding.

**Silver Fox Pharmacy**

VERNONIA, OREGON

On corner across from Bank of Vernonia