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**Editorial**

**MORE EVIDENCE**

If you want to find opinion divided, ask a number of Vernonia men if they think the auto is putting the horse out of business. You will find them arguing on both sides of the question. But here comes new evidence to support those who contend that the auto is supplanting the horse—the U. S. Steel Corporation has quit manufacturing steel to be used in horseshoes. The big corporation says that the demand for this kind of steel has declined to about 18,000 tons a year, and that it does not pay them to tie up part of their plant making this class of steel in such a small quantity when they could be making railroad or building steel at better prices. They intimate that delivery trucks are fast taking the place of the horse, and that each new truck means a few less horseshoes, the demand being more and more from the farms and less from the city and towns. We are not taking sides in the argument, however, because we want to go right on believing that the faithful old horse is going to be with us, and useful to us, for all time to come.

**OLD-FASHIONED REMEDY**

For just about 20 years many parents have been trying to bring up their children by scientific methods, by influence-in-the-home methods, by hygienic methods and by the keep-busy methods. They have coaxed, preached, promised and rewarded their young offspring, but seemingly only to find a little later on that their methods were not bearing the fruit they hoped for. So now, for their benefit we want to offer a suggestion on raising children as given out by Dr. Rudolph Binder, a teacher in New York University and a practical man. He told a New York newspaper the other day exactly how to bring up children, and what is lacking in the present day methods. And his suggestion is simply this: "Forget all these new-fangled methods and theories and when a child is in need of a spanking—see that it gets it and gets a good one."

**ARE THEY WORTH IT?**

We were talking with a Vernonia man a few days ago about the action of our Congressmen in raising their own salaries from about \$8,000 to \$10,000 a year, and he took a philosophical view of it by saying that "it wouldn't be so bad if they were worth it."

But the thing that strikes us as being funny is the fact that the people, the very ones who pay Congressmen their salaries, didn't have any voice in that raise. It was just like a lot of farm hands getting together and boosting their own wages while the boss was in town. The people were not consulted; they hadn't any chance to express an opinion in the matter either way—but they will have to foot the bill just the same. In a good many instances they'll also have to be content to know that the raise wasn't justified, for considering the actual services rendered by some of our public servants, they were overpaid before the raise went into effect.

It costs a good deal to live in Washington, no doubt about that. But the men who were anxious to get there at the old salary knew of the expense end of it before they announced their candidacies. Not one of them had to go to Washington if he didn't want to. And that is why it strikes us that it would have been a little more modest in them to have raised the salaries to become effective only when incoming Congressmen, or, say for example, four years from now. However, the raise came without any suggestions from us, so we guess the only thing expected of us now is to do just what the other 110,000,000 Americans will have to do—go on and pay our part of it and keep our mouth shut.

Those Monday morning "Bad Habit" cartoons by Ed Reynolds, in the Oregonian, are getting on our nerves. Reynolds should forget his bad habits now at the approach of Easter. A quarter of a century ago the Eagle editor worked in the Fresno, Cal., Democrat office with Reynolds—both of us considerably younger, then—and we can plainly see Reynolds is thinking of our ancient habits of "Rushing the can" in the water sprinkler and attaching electrically charged wire to the newsboys' table.

**NO COMPROMISE FOR PROHIBITION**

"Like many other laws the prohibition law has its enemies. Too many of them are among the so-called good citizens. It has been difficult to enforce because of the influence and activities of some of these enemies. There is practically no argument advanced against prohibition except the one that it cannot be enforced. Usually those who advance this argument do not want it enforced, and not only do not help enforce it but hinder it. "I believe any law adopted by the majority in this country can and will be enforced—otherwise we had better look over our governmental agencies. Prohibition is a success in my judgment and the people will never refute it or yield to any compromise in response to the demand of either appetite or greed."—J. F. Charles, Judge Grant Circuit Court.

**GOOD PROSPECTS**

Agricultural experts at Washington have taken a bird's-eye view of the farming outlook in this country, and it will be of interest to all citizens of Vernonia and community to know just what they forecast. In brief, it is to the effect that present high wheat prices will not be maintained, and that acreage should not be increased; there will be a cotton crop as large as last year at sustained prices; decrease in livestock does not warrant increasing corn production; it is not a good idea to increase acreage of oats, barley or hay; hogs, cattle and sheep promise good profits this year; another slump in potato prices is expected, but there will be fair profits in fruit, though it is still too early to make forecasts on the size of the crops. In other words, it seems that Uncle Sam's advice is to farm moderately, and not spurge, and to operate labor-saving machinery as far as possible, because he says farm wages are not going to come down.

**FOR EVERY FAMILY**

Col. Leonard Ayres, noted automobile expert, of Cleveland, predicts that the peak of auto production will not come in this country until there is a car for every family. There are about

27,000,000 families now, and the country has produced 24,000,000 cars to date. One million of these went abroad, 6,000,000 have worn out and 17,000,000 are now in use. To buy and run these autos, he says, we have spent over \$40,000,000,000, a sum twice as great as we spent in the World War. By the time the one-car-to-a-family stage is reached this \$40,000,000,000 expense will probably have become \$75,000,000,000. After every family has a car it will be only a matter of replacement, say four or five million cars a year to take the place of those worn out or wrecked. These are interesting figures if you will but study over them a few moments, and they will prove that if this expert is right the high point in automobile manufacture is still a long way off.

Citizens around Vernonia who have radio sets say the best night to hear anything is the very nights that the battery is down.

"Every fly that skips our swatters will have five million sons and daughters, and countless first and second cousins. Of aunts and uncles scores and dozens. And fifty-seven million nieces—So knock the blamed thing all to pieces."

In spite of all that we may possess of knowledge, philosophy and religion when viewed in its stern reality, life is a tragic thing. We may be profoundly thankful for the fact that "hope springs eternal in the human breast."

Man, like every living creature, is born under the sentence of death, which rests alike upon the king on his throne and the murderer in his cell. None is exempt.

That we can cheerfully and hopefully "carry on" in the face of this certainty and in the midst of the trials of our daily existence is convincing evidence of man's courage and fortitude.

These reflections are not intended to spread gloom or discouragement, but are merely a reminder that, taken at its best, there is enough of anguish in the world, without anyone seeking to make the burden of another harder to bear.

Along the thorny paths of life each can do much to aid, comfort and encourage his neighbor. Why, then, should we choose to do these things which needlessly bring added misery to others instead of joy?

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**TIMBER EXHAUSTION**

(By Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States.) We do not know the forest situation down to the last acre and board foot, but we know it well enough to make us think and act. Of the old forest the first explorers met we have in area only one-sixth left and in bulk of timber less than one-third. From over-cutting and fire we have left on our hands something like 80,000,000 acres of denuded forest land, most of it unfit for farming. Then we have about 250,000,000 acres of second-growth forest, most of it poor in quality and amount. Three-fourths of our cut is still from virgin forests, difficult and distant of access, so that their products must pay for long freight hauls to reach the chief markets.

Expressed roughly, we have left about 745,000,000,000 cubic feet of timber. From this the annual drain is 25,000,000,000 cubic feet. This total drain is most significant when we reflect that, toward offsetting it, we have an annual timber growth of only 6,000,000,000 cubic feet; and even in our young forests, where this growth is taking place, cutting has already outstripped growth. We must face the situation that at this rate we are not far from timber exhaustion.—(Address before Utilization of Forests Products Conference, November 19, 1924.)

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