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Editorial

FLAGS were at half mast this week—W. J. Bryan is dead. The idol of millions has made his last great speech. The great advocator of World Peace has gone to his reward where he will enjoy everlasting Peace. No name has been spoken by American tongues as often or with deeper regard than the name of W. J. Bryan. Mr. Bryan was a true American in every sense of the word. A Good Man—what better could be said of any man. He was a rich man—a politician and a good man—a combination seldom linked together in these modern days. Bryan was too good to be a present day politician and rich man. He was deeply religious and followed his own teachings. In his last days he was fighting for what was right and put all his strength in the battle; even giving his life for a just cause. Bryan has done a good work, he has fought the battle, he has been called to his reward. The world mourns.

NOT SO BAD

WE'VE heard quite a few Vernonia people declare that teaching has no future. A few days ago when Glenn Frank, still in his thirties, was engaged as president of Wisconsin University at a salary of \$18,000 a year we suppose these same people used this to bolster up their argument. But before doing so they should get all of the facts, and facts will show that Glenn Frank was not a teacher but a magazine editor when he got the job. He did teach at one time, before entering the literary field, and would probably never have ascended to his present place unless he had done so. So there is room for argument both ways in this case—whether he could have secured the \$18,000 a year job without at one time been a teacher, or whether he only secured it because he was no longer a teacher. In the meantime teachers will go right ahead drawing salaries that are too small, and some magazine editors will continue to be getting far more than they are worth.

VERY GOOD WORK

WHEN Uncle Sam caught and fined 50 furniture manufacturers from \$1000 to \$5000 each a few weeks ago he did an unusually good job. The only sad feature about it is that they will pay up and then pass it on to the furniture-buying public, and the consumer will have to pay it after all. But it proves what everyone has felt for a long time, and that is that furniture makers have been among the greatest profiteers since wartime. It also served notice on other manufacturers that the government is not asleep on the job, and that the day of highway robbery is passing. Such activity is to be commended, but it can be made still more certain and effective if the courts will show a little better co-operation by hanging on a few penitentiary sentences along with the fines. The average profiteer doesn't care for a fine for he can soon make it back. But if he knows he has a good chance of going to prison for awhile he is pretty apt to change his tactics and go back to honest methods of earning money.

BULB TALK

THE News-Times does not say and has not said that bulb growing is a stable agricultural pursuit in which there are vast profits. We do say, however that in the opinion of bulb authorities and by virtue of the figures any man can put on paper, the proposed commercial production of narcissus bulbs in western Washington county looks like a dignified and profitable possibility.

Reference to any florists' magazine or any garden magazine will open the reader's eyes to the market for narcissus bulbs. The supply of millions heretofore imported each year from Holland will be eliminated after this year. This supply must, eventually be made up in the United States.

Now comes a man who offered to buy all the bulbs Washington county farmers can raise if, after a fair trial they find for any reason whatever that they do not want to continue.

Narcissus bulbs multiply five times between planting and harvest. The trial investment is about \$55. The normal harvest will yield five times that sum at the present market price, or \$275. And the entire harvest will be taken off the hands of any grower who does not wish to continue the business. A reasonable man could not well ask for a better opportunity nor more of a guarantee against loss.—Forest Grove News-Times.

OUR FIRE LOSSES

THE National Board of Underwriters has just sent out report of fires in the U. S. for the year 1924, and it shows a total loss of \$548,000,000, or at the rate of \$1,044 a minute. This breaks all previous records, and would

indicate that the American people, instead of growing more careful and working harder to prevent fires are actually growing more careless.

Here is something every Vernonia home-owner would do well to study over awhile. The money that went up in smoke in this country last year would have paid off more than half the interest on the national debt. It would have built hundreds of modern schools, hundreds of churches and private buildings and would have built thousands of good substantial homes.

The report declares that a vast part of this great loss could have been prevented, and that even where there are few fires actual money can be saved by those who are cautious, because fire insurance rates are lowest where fires are fewest and where the general public shows a desire to prevent them. The loss last year was sufficient to have given every citizen of the United States the sum of five dollars. In many instances the property destroyed can never be replaced, and that is the saddest feature of it.

It is bad enough for a nation to lose \$548,000,000 through any resource. But it is little short of criminal for it to lose almost that much through carelessness.

TO my mind there are more reasons why the business interests of a town should support its home paper than any other class of people.

The greatest reason why they should support its local paper is because of the large dividends it pays in the form of advertising.

In this day of our modern age it is useless to stress the great necessity of advertising, for it has proved its worth to the most skeptical. Any sane business man knows that without advertising the business world would indeed be greatly handicapped.

There are today many business men who understand that advertising is a great asset to the business interests in general, but who fail to stop and think how greatly they could increase their own volume of business if only they would advertise extensively through the channels of their own local paper.

The time has come when the business man is beginning to realize more and more the worth and help his paper is to him in the form of advertising.

The great majority of our laboring class of people do not have the time to go around our town and find the best talent, skill and bargains when they require the services of any of our various business interests.

Instead of that they depend generally upon the advertising columns of their local paper to serve them with the information as to where they can best be served. Take it wherever you may you will always find that the varied business interests that advertise the most extensively are the ones who are the most successful.

By the help of the business interests of a town co-operating with its local paper, it thus enables the editor and his staff to devote a great deal more of their time to making the paper a larger and much better publication.

Wherever you find the various business organizations of a town supporting and co-operating with its paper that is full of good live news, and a great asset to any town and community.

When the business interests of a town have foresight enough to co-operate and support its local paper, it is doing a great work in helping to uplift and upbuild its town and community that can be done in no other way. A town's spirit of pride and progress is reflected in the pages of its own paper.

Its influence counts far more outside the home town than the most of us realize. Whenever an out-of-town person chances to get copy of a paper that is supported by its business interests, it creates a favorable impression upon that person. He immediately puts that town down as being a good live business place, and one that has the spirit of progress and success.

A paper like that thus attracts many new and desirable citizens to that town that could not easily be attracted in any other way.

Wherever you find the people of a town, and especially the business interests, backing and co-operating with the editor of its paper you will find a town in which all classes of people are directly benefited.—Rupert Ball.

W. W. Laughlin says we are a "Duce of a fellow because we don't notify him when his "year is up." We didn't know it, but appreciate the year's advance for the Eagle just the same. Thanks, Mr. Laughlin.

A building started in Penn 5,000 years ago has just been completed. It must have been a government job.

Ever notice that a cent never looks bigger than when it is added to the price of gasoline.

40 ACRE FARM FOR SALE

I will sell my 40 acre farm at an attractive price for a quick deal. Lies one and one-half mile from Vernonia, just beyond the city reservoir. A 7 room good house, two good wells, place all fenced, 12 acres in hay crop, good garden, family orchard. A place we want to show you. Am offering place for \$3000. Give good terms. John Hall. 50-2t

If you have anything to sell or want anything. Advertise in the Eagle

IT HELPS THE BOYS

WE read recently where the director of music in the Oakland, California schools said that "if you'll teach a boy to blow a horn he won't be so apt to blow a safe." And he also deplored the fact that the smaller towns of the country are fast drifting away from the old idea that a brass band was a fine asset. We feel sure Vernonia citizens will agree with him there. Nothing gives our smaller towns more good advertising in territory surrounding them than a well-organized, well-conducted brass band, and nothing aids more in employing the leisure time of our young men than being members of such an organization. We're sorry to see the radio and the phonograph replacing this fine old institution, for while they afford much pleasure they can never bring the thrill that comes from music rendered by "home town boys" and they can never give the town the fine reputation for progressiveness that the home-town band can give.

VERNONIA has one of the best ball teams of any town her size in the country and for the splendid games they are putting up, the citizens of Vernonia are not giving them the support they deserve.

CANDIDATES are bobbing up fast for U. S. Senator and for Governor. Ike Paterson for Governor is the favorite at this writing.

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