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Editorial

AUTO PRICES TUMBLING

WE'VE never boasted of our powers as a prophet, and neither do we lay any claim to be able to peer farther into the future than the average citizen of Vernonia. But when a few months ago we ventured the assertion that the auto manufacturers of this country would slash their prices before the fall season rolled around, well, it looks like we made a mighty good guess.

They are coming down in price now, and have been for several weeks. Not all cutting at once, that would look too much like a frame-up. But gradually they are falling in line, each giving his own individual reason for the reduction. But the public knows a lot more about the business of auto-making now than it did a half-dozen years ago, and one thing it has learned above all others is that, without a single exception, they are all too costly. You can buy a lot of steel and leather and nickel-plating and labor for a thousand dollars. And when plants that can turn out hundreds and thousands of cars daily can mould and bend and cut and assemble that material several thousand times more cheaply than if it turned out but a car or two a day, they can take a profit of a few dollars oneachcarandstill make money. The public know, too, that while auto production has been as high this year as last more of this year's machines have been shipped abroad than ever before.

The American car buyer has grown particular. He is placing more value on his dollar now than he once did. As a result he is driving down the prices of autos, and without causing any of the makers to starve to death either.

A PRETTY PASS

THINGS are coming to a pretty pass when crime conditions get so serious that prominent citizens from the various states of the union find it necessary to organize to stamp out murder and banditry. Yet an organization for that purpose, with E. H. Gary, head of the steel corporation, at the helm, is now in process of formation.

We live in peace and contentment here in Vernonia and it is hard for us to believe that the United States is today taking its place at the top of the crime list of all nations. But there they are, not one or two but dozens of them, chronicle on the first page of our daily papers every day. The climax came a few days ago with daylight holdup in a big Chicago hotel in which the clerk and two of five bandits met death. But the very same day, and practically every day since, other crimes of a most revolting nature were reported from other parts of the country.

Murder has become common in the U. S. within the past few years. It is impossible to pick up a daily paper any more without finding accounts of holdups and murders. Men are shot down on the least provocation and bandit gangs pick off the leaders of opposing gangs at will. This year will record more legal hanging and electrocutions than in any one previous year, and yet the number of cold-blooded murders is not decreasing. It seems strange a nation like this has to put up with such a record, or that it is necessary to form a committee of private citizens to get behind our laws and see that they are enforced.

MORE GOOD NEWS

WHEN citizens of Vernonia are again called upon next March to file their income tax returns it is more than likely that they will have to pay but one cent on the dollar, instead of 2% as at present. For figures have been given Pres. Coolidge showing that a tax cut of \$350,000,000 is now warranted, and he has told congressional leaders that he wants this winter's session to lop off income taxes. It is also proposed to eliminate entirely the tax on theatre tickets, club dues and a few other things. But the thing that will help this section most is the income reduction, and taking off another 1 percent would bring it down to the point where there could be very little room for complaint, since we must raise money to pay for the war. State and county taxes are burdensome, and always will be. So since there appears to be no hope of getting them reduced, let us be thankful for this still further reduction in the taxes assessed by Uncle Sam.

A FLOOD OF LAWS

DOUBTLESS everyone in Vernonia is acquainted with the old assertion that "ignorance of law excuses no one." And yet we would like for someone to point out to us one man, here or any where else, who is not ignorant of our laws. A learned eastern man has just finished an

investigation that required several years of his time, and he has given out figures to show that there are in this country today a little over 2,000,000 laws. They are state and national and municipal, but they are to be obeyed if a man stays "within the yaw." Now where is the man who can claim that he is wise enough to know them all? And where is there any reason for blaming a man for happening on a new one occasionally, usually after he has broken it? Two million laws! Think of that! And yet here we are spending our hard-earned money in every state in the union to pay legislators to make more of them.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED

THE west has harvested her wheat crop and for the first time years she hasn't had to send out a nationwide appeal for harvest hands. This doesn't mean that her crop was very much smaller, nor that there is a greater amount of idle labor than in previous years. It simply means that those who are willing to work in the grain fields of the west during the harvest season can now get there without difficulty, and at less expense than when they had to depend on the railroad instead of the flivvers. This condition is good for the grower and good for the man who really wants employment. He can go a longer distance to secure this kind of work than he could have hoped to go a few years ago, and he doesn't have to spend all he earns in the harvest field for a ticket back home. We will probably never again hear the old-time cry for help from states that furnish the world with its bread. The flivver seems to have solved still another problem for the "bounding west."

Out in the country, life is what you make it, and in the city, life is what you make.

There may be a few darning needles left in the world, but we can find girls right around Vernonia who do not know it.

A Philadelphia man fainted three times while being married. Wonder what he'll do when the first month's bills come in.

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