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CALL TO PRAYER

The Easter season is one of more than usual sacredness to the adherents of the Christian religion. Easter marks the close of the Lenten season, the period of self-denial practiced generally by the Catholic bodies and partly by some Protestant denominations. It recalls the recorded events accompanying the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The time has passed when men may scoff at the effectiveness of prayer in the national and individual life and at the same time maintain a reputation for sound judgment. Whatever may be the explanation for prayer, whether it be the response of a supreme being to the requests of men or whether the effect is purely psychological, results of unequivocal character are seen in the lives of men.

All the sin and injustice in the world is the result of selfishness in the hearts of men. No individual can enter sincerely into the practice of prayer without the surrender of the mind and disposition that would prompt the doing of things that would work harm in the lives of others.

Prayer as it is revealed in the Holy Scriptures, makes for a serenity of mind and a fixedness of purpose to do righteously that can not be easily destroyed by the ordinary experiences of life. The most outstanding men and women in history have practiced prayer for themselves and for the interests to which they gave themselves.

MARBLES AND SPRING

There is a time for all things, and this happens to be the time for marbles.

One of the positive signs of spring is the advent of the marble season. No sooner does the warm spring sun melt late winter's snow from pavements and sidewalks than there appears on them mystic chalk marks around which squat boys like Indians about a camp fire "Knuckle down," "Trade you two shooters for a glassy," and "Your shoot" now become the language of youth, and the tell-tale signs of the season are bulging pockets, cardboard boxes filled with something that rattles suspiciously and having a hole in the top through which a marble might be dropped, and the clatter and roll of marbles on schoolroom floors as sorely strained pants pockets let go.

In his games is the boy "the father of the man." The marbles of youth prepare the way for the tennis, billiards, golf and other sports and pastimes of maturity. Marbles is the kindergarden of good sportsmanship.

One wonders if there is a normal boy today who does not feel the irresistible urge to play marbles or a normal man who did not as a boy "shoot" the little spheres of colored glass and clay. So inseparable is the boy from the marble one sometimes thinks to deprive the boy of his marbles would work an irreparable loss.

ROVINCE OF A NEWSPAPER

It would be comical, were it not somewhat pathetic, the way newspaper offices are besieged every day by their friends, urging them to "roast" this and that; to "see to it" that this and that is corrected; to have this and that done in the city or county; to start this and that kind of movement to correct evils in the state government. These friends actually appear to believe that it is the newspaper's business to handle all these affairs.

But a self-respecting newspaper, though ready and willing to carry all reasonable responsibility, must remind its readers that they, the people, are the authority upon whom rests the responsibility for the present state of affairs local, state and national.

A self-respecting newspaper tries to report the news of what actually happens, not what it might wish had happened. The relation of a self-respecting newspaper to the general public is not always understood. It is the duty of a newspaper to be in a position to support any good act and criticize any bad act of public policy.

This relationship cannot exist where favors are asked and granted. Honesty is the only policy for a newspaper.

If objectors don't like the way things

are going, they should qualify as voters, and then raise Cain about it.

NEW METHOD PREVENTS SKIDDING

A new method of finishing the surface of a paved highway with stone screenings has been devised to prevent skidding. One of the first projects of this kind is a 7.8 miles highway leading out of Modesto, in Southern California.

The original pavement was widened to 20 feet by cement concrete shoulders placed on either side of the existing 15-foot base which was then surfaced with asphalt concrete, averaging 2 1/2 inches to 4 inches in thickness. Two-foot rock borders four inches in thickness were placed alongside the concrete shoulders.

The screenings used for top finish were such as would pass through a one-fourth inch square screen with not less than 90 per cent of the total being retained on a standard No. 10 screen. The amount applied averaged from 10 to 15 pounds per square yard.

The cost for this 7.8 miles of reconstructed highway was \$163,500.

VERNONIA NEEDS GARDENS

Sunshine this week, which started Monday morning, is a good sign that spring is really coming at last. The belated season has been announced for some time with the showing by many Vernonia concerns of countless varieties of seeds. More fertile soil for the growing of garden stuff and flowers can not be found than in the Nehalem valley, where the land re-forests itself and vegetation grows on any land left to its own devices.

A little later, when the ground has dried out and warmed up some more, even the bottom land will be ready for cultivation. Plant some strawberries, onions, potatoes, or what not. You will get beneficial exercise and the pleasure of seeing things grow better than they probably did "back home."

Fire carelessness assesses an indirect tax of more than \$5 against every man, woman and child in the United States.

Russians are backward in the production of motion pictures, reports a commentator returned from Moscow. Accounted for by the scarcity of custard pies.

A California motorist, aged 100, still drives his own car. No pedestrian of that age has yet been reported.

Miss Spring is expected to act a little bit forward.

All reports are not in yet, but the fruit crop has undoubtedly been killed.

About the most expensive thing on earth is money.

A man doesn't reap what he sows unless he works the crop.

The hardest thing about loafing is buying things on credit.

Who remembers when the age of discretion was the parentage?

Sometimes a man gets so mad he quits being a hypocrite for a few brief minutes.

Middle-age is the time when the average man is going to begin saving next month.

The old fashioned boy who had to drink sassafras tea was not, however, a tea hound.

Summer is called the foolish season, but of all the months April is the most dizzy-headed.

At times we fear that whatever killed the dead civilizations was something inheritable.

A husband's spirit isn't really broken so long as he thinks he gives in because he is chivalrous.

Still, most of the world's big jobs are handled by men who are not classed as "intellectuals."

The playwright's task becomes more exciting. It becomes ever more and more difficult to shock people.

You can't trust some people out of your sight. You can't trust others until they are out of your sight.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon For the County of Columbia

Alma Urie, (Plaintiff), vs. Charles H. Urie, Defendant.

To Charles H. Urie: In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the 12th day of March, 1927, and if you fail to answer or otherwise appear, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, to-wit: for the dissolution of the bonds of matrimony between plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the Court may seem just and meet.

Service of this summons is made upon you by publication thereof in pursuance of an order of the Honorable J. E. Eakin, Judge of the above entitled Court, made, dated and entered on the 25th day of January, 1927, ordering such publication in the Vernonia Eagle once each week for six successive weeks, the first publication thereof being on the 27th day of January, 1927, and the last publication on the 10th day of March, 1927.

J. Mason Dillard, Attorney for plaintiff.—Postoffice address 404 Failing Bldg., Portland, Oregon. P24A7

Herbaceous perennials in Oregon gardens are being divided now, where best results are obtained, says the landscape gardening department of the state college. Iris and phlox are good examples of those plants that form clumps and do much better when

frequently divided. The roots are divided so that each new plant has a well formed root, or with iris a section 5 or 6 inches long with a bud from which the leaves grow.

Nursery plants received by Oregon gardeners before the ground in dry enough to work are heeled-in for a while. Heeling-in is done by digging a trench deep enough to cover the roots and part of the stem as the plant lies cross the trench.

In making boiled icings for a cake, if it does not seem to be cooked enough after it has been taken from the fire, it can be reheated in the top of a double

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boiler, even after the sirup has been poured over the egg white. Oregon and Washington prunes find good demand at Hamburg, Germany.

Lodge Directory

W.O.W. Buxton camp No. 655 meets every Monday night at seven thirty at the Grange Hall. Visiting members welcome.

C. A. BARNES C.C.  
C. C. DUSTEN CLERK.

Vernonia Lodge, No. 184 A. F. & A. M., meets at Grange Hall every Second and Fourth Thursday nights. Visitors Welcome. Work in the EA degree tonight, March 24. K. A. McNeill, Secretary.

I. O. O. F.—VERNONIA LODGE, No. 246, meets every Tuesday night at 8:00 o'clock, in Grange Hall. O. E. Enstrum, N.G. G. B. Smith, Sec'y.

Vernonia Post 119, American Legion. Meets second and fourth Tuesdays each month, 8 p.m. H. E. McGraw, Commander. Lee Schwab, Adj.

American Legion Auxiliary Meets first and third Mondays of each month at Legion hall, 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Mrs. H. E. McGraw, President. Mrs. Earl Washburn, Secretary.

Nehalem Chapter 153, O. E. S. Regular communication first and third Wednesdays of each month. All visiting sisters and brothers welcome. Bessie Tapp, W. M. Leona McGraw, Secretary.

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**VERNONIA GRANGE**  
The Vernonia Grange meets on the second Saturday of every month at 7:30 P. M. Any members of the Grange living in or near Vernonia or visiting in the community, are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Minnie Malmsten, Secretary

**MOUNTAIN HEART**  
REBECCA LODGE No. 242, I.O.O.F Meets every second and fourth Thursdays in Grange Hall—Vernonia. Visitors always welcome. Mrs. Edna Kilby, N. G. MRS. IRENE SPENCER, Sec'y.

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