

The Timber Line

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Vernonia Wins District Track Meet Cup

A happy bunch of athletes arrived in Vernonia Sunday night. The reason for this was that they had won the lower Columbia river district track meet. A cup was presented to the team at a banquet given in Seaside that evening. Vernonia has permanent ownership of this cup, as it only has to be won once.

Astoria was Vernonia's main competitor, and Vernonia received encouragement from all the other schools within the district. Hickson started off the day by winning the mile. He ran all the way and on next to the last lap the crowd cheered so loudly that he thought it was the last lap, but on reaching the line he found he had another round. Instead of stopping sprinting, he took the whole last lap at a lively pace, and came out 30 yards ahead of any competitor. This livened up the rest of the boys and the next thing to come was a winning second in the pole vault. Parker cleared nine feet and nine inches, but could not make the next inch. The other man had to take three trials before he could make it.

Another first place was divided between an Astoria man and Bennett of Vernonia. They both jumped five feet five inches, but neither could make five feet six. Malmsten of Vernonia won third in the high jump, which brought our score to 13. Mills won the half mile by a long lead; he also won second and Bennett third in the quarter mile. Hodges won the low hurdles by a good margin and Whitsell took third in the high hurdles. Laramore was second in the shot put with a throw of 38 feet 10 inches. Malmsten won four more points by taking second in the broad jump and third in the javelin. The last to come was the relay. But for Seaside we would have been tied for first in the meet, but Seaside won this event with Astoria close behind and Vernonia a very close third. After this event Vernonia had 35 points, Astoria 30 and Seaside 30.

Coach Austin can be proud of the fact, that with only eight men, all of whom won points, he won the district track meet. This is the first cup Vernonia has permanently won.

Sophomore Class Play Success

The sophomore class play was given Friday, May 6. Everyone in the play did his best to make it a success, and the result was that everyone who saw it said that it was good.

The total amount taken in for the play was \$54.60. The expenses were \$5.45, which is considered small. After paying the expenses, the class had \$49.14 left. The class gave \$45 to the annual, leaving them \$4.15 in the treasury.

The play will be given at Mist or at Timber if Betty Culver gets well in time. The sophomores want to give the play again so that they can pay the royalty of \$10 on the play.

Miss Eva Roles has been absent from school for the past two days. she is not expected to be back before next week; she has the measles.

Miss Edna Strong came back to school Monday morning, she was absent for two weeks on the account of the mumps.

FRESHMEN
The freshmen play has been called off on account of the sickness of so many of the actors.

Miss Catherine Hoffman and Violet Phelps went to Toledo, Washington, Saturday to visit Miss Maxine Elliot.

The Anderson sisters are out of school on account of sickness. Mary Backman and Albert De Rock returned to school Monday after having the measles.

Oregon's 1927 wheat crop promises better yield than for years past.

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The Will and The Way

I will find a way or make one. Nothing is impossible to the man who can will.—Mirabeau.

In the lexicon of youth which fate reserves for a bright manhood there is no such word as fail.—Bulver.

The indomitable will, the purpose, will find a way or make one. There is always room for a person of force. "He who has a firm will says, 'Goth molds the world to himself, 'People do not lack strength says Victor Hugo, 'They lack will.'"

Nearly all great men, those who have towered high above their fellows have been remarkable above all things else for their great will power. Of Julius Caesar it was said, "It was his activity and giant determination, rather than his military skill that won his many victories."

Lincoln is probably the most remarkable example on the pages of history, showing the power of will and determination. From poverty, through the life of the frontier, with no chance of education, through much discouragement, he rose to be champion of the union and freedom. Lincoln's will made his way. He was determined to be something in this world. History is full of examples of men and women who have redeemed themselves from poverty and misfortune, and who have become great men and women; through an iron will.

The person who starts out in life determined to make the most use of his eyes, and let nothing escape him that will help in his advancement, who keeps his ears open for every sound that will help him in his advancement, who keeps his hands open, ready to clutch every opportunity, he who keeps his heart open that he may catch every noble impulse and inspiration. That person will make his life successful.

Basis Of Liberty

Is tolerance the basis of liberty? Before we attempt a discussion, let us see what the word tolerance means. Tolerance is letting other persons hold views different from one's own, or in other words, letting other persons have liberty.

Therefore one can see that tolerance is close related to liberty because one must do towards others as they would like to be done by. But on the other hand if tolerance is not closely connected with liberty, let us see what liberty would be without tolerance. Let us suppose that some county granted all rights and privileges that come under liberty to its citizens, but would not allow them to express any belief or opinion contrary to those held by the government. Its citizens would have to attend the church which the government upheld, no matter what might be their religion. If one did not believe in the policy of the government, he would not be at all liberty to express his views. If his views differed from those of the government, he most probably would not be allowed to take part in any of the affairs of government.

However, we must not forget the other side. The citizens of the country would have all the rights and privileges coming under liberty. They could vote, hold offices, have the right of trial by jury, even freedom of speech and of the press, providing their views were the same as those of the government. Yet, considering the supposition, would these rights mean anything? Would a government allow a person to vote or to hold office who was of entirely different religion, or who held different beliefs. It most probably would not. Indeed, the person would have to defend himself from a charge of heresy if he made known his views. And the government would not give a fair trial, if any trial at all, to any person whose views differed from theirs. Would freedom of speech be freedom of speech if one could express his own views? It would not. Indeed considering the foregoing, would the citizens of that country have real liberty? Assuredly they would not, for liberty means being exempt from the will or power or demands of another person?

Let us look into history and see if we can find any examples of this. As far back as history goes people have fought for liberty. The ancient Greeks fought the Persians and defeated them for the sake of liberty. For if the Persians conquered them, they would not show any tolerance or mercy at all toward the vanquish-

ed and without this they would cease to have liberty. The ancient Romans fought for tolerance and liberty against their leaders who tried to take it from them and against the Carthaginians. In more modern times, Martin Luther revolted against the Catholic church because it would not give him any religious tolerance. The English kings of the houses of Tudor and Stewart did not show any tolerance toward their subjects, and caused much trouble. Charles I by his intolerance caused the civil war. James II caused many insurrections and rebellions which finally resulted in his down-fall. The pilgrims left England and came to America because of religious intolerance. Again, Roger Williams left the Massachusetts Bay Colony and founded Rhode Island colony because of religious intolerance. The Revolutionary war was caused partly by intolerance on England's part. In all these examples, the main cause was intolerance, and therefore, no liberty. These examples prove that tolerance is the basis of liberty, for in every example tolerance was the basis upon which people fought, and tolerance gives liberty.

Moreover, no nation has ever risen to great heights or to exist for long unless founded on the principles of tolerance and liberty. The United States, the greatest, richest, and most powerful nation on earth, is founded on these principles. Its citizens enjoy full tolerance of all kinds, and therefore have all the liberty that can be granted. The United States constitution grants all the rights and privileges which come under liberty to its citizens. They have the right to vote, hold offices, of habeas corpus, of trial by jury, of freedom of speech, to assemble and to petition and all other rights that are possible. And the United States Constitution grants absolute tolerance both religious and otherwise to its citizens or any one else living within its boundaries. It does not make any difference what a man's religion, race, belief or opinion or anything else is, so long as he obeys the laws and acts as an honorable citizen should. And this is all that can be asked for in the name of tolerance and liberty.

The False Wedding Invitation

By a Student of Miss Gooding's English Class.
Dixie Dixon, a young lady about twenty-four years of age who lived in a middle western town, Levenshire in England, was in danger of becoming a feminine bachelor. She had a very rich spinster aunt whose name was Miss Duvel, Dixie was to inherit a large legacy if she was married before her twenty-fifth birthday which was only four weeks away.

In order to gain this legacy and escape her aunt's irritable temper and sharp tongue she had to invent a fictitious marriage which must take place soon.

The first step in this proceeding was to engage an engraver to print her wedding invitations. Although this seemingly isn't a difficult task to do Dixie was sorely puzzled by the name to give her future husband. She searched every magazine in her possession and then went to the public library in search of a name. At last she was rewarded in her search one evening while going home from work she overheard a name which so excited her imaginative mood that she decided that this would be her future husband's name. The name was Stewart Mac Kanaan.

The date engraved on the false invitations was the identical date of Dixie's birthday, an invitation was duly sent to her aunt one week before her supposed wedding was to take place. This precaution was then in order to prevent an embarrassing situation if her aunt was to come.

As the wheel of fate turns to bring bad luck to some persons, so it did to Dixie. It was with great consternation that Dixie, on looking out of the window the night before the supposed wedding, saw her aunt alight from her coach.

Dixie ran frantically from room to room trying to compose her mind as to how to solve the difficult problem now presented. Finally he composed her mind enough to go and bid her aunt welcome.

Dixie decided that she had better stage a ball so as to appease her aunt's irritable temper for not having met the groom during the day.

Dixie had been wide eyed at midnight the night preceding this

How To Prevent Maggots In Radishes

(Agriculture Class)

Nearly all gardeners at this time of year are planting radishes, and some are wondering if they will have to share some of them with the white radish maggot.

This maggot can be controlled several ways two of which will be described.

The first method suggested is to dig your seed bed trenches and as you plant the radish seed sprinkle the trench well with a cheap grade of sulphur. Cover the seed as usual, and then sprinkle sulphur and ashes on the surface.

The other method is to sink boards six inches wide about two inches in the ground and the width of the cheese cloth apart. Plant the rows of radishes between these boards and then stretch the cheese cloth over these boards and tack it.

This will prevent the young maggot fly from laying eggs on the young plants. Plenty of sunlight will filter through the cloth for the young plants to grow.

ball trying to solve the question. She at last decided to announce to the company the reason for her finance's absence was that a message was received at the last moment. This message had called the groom to his mother's bedside.

The ball was at its gayest when Dixie was called from the room by one of her servants. She slipped quietly away from the company and went to the door. To her surprise, in the door-way she beheld a handsome young man. Before she had time to realize, he was explaining his presence at this unconventional hour. He explained that his car had been stalled on the road from lack of gasoline. During his explanation Dixie was impressed by the unmistakable signs of good breeding.

Some imp of daring youth caused her to relate her unhappy situation. And just such a feeling of daring caused the young man to suggest that he enter the room and be presented to the groom.

The couple entered arm in arm and immediately announced their presence, although this was unnecessary because of the breath-taking silence which followed their entrance to the room. Dixie introduced him as Stewart MacKanaan and signaled him to identify the name as his own.

The young man opened his eyes in sheer wonderment when he heard his own name.

They had to be married since the invitations were issued. Stewart was capable of handling the situation by engaging a mock minister.

The party assembled as the ceremony was taking place. Before the ceremony was over Dixie found herself wishing that it was really a wedding. Naturally the conclusion of the ceremony was placing the ring on the bride's finger! What to do for a ring? But again the groom showed quick wit and drew his mother's ring from his finger and placed it on Dixie's finger.

The bride and groom soon escaped in pretense of a honeymoon which ended up in real wedding and Dixie won her legacy in truth.

Police Notes

Tom Pappas was arrested by Marshal Kelly Saturday for disorderly conduct. He was fined \$5 by Judge Reasoner.

Milton Herald, a minor, was arrested by Marshal Kelly May 9 for loitering in a pool hall. He was fined \$2 by Judge Reasoner and given a severe lecture that a heavier fine would be imposed for a second offense.

Geo. Rochet was fined \$2 by Judge Reasoner Monday upon a complaint of having parked his car and leaving the motor running.

Marshal Kelly wishes it understood that it is contrary to city traffic rules for motorist to make reverse turns, backing around a corner, at street intersections.

NATAL

Miss Schooley and Miss Annie McMullen were Vernonia shoppers last Saturday morning.

Miss Millie McMullen was absent from school with the measles last week but was able to attend again Monday morning.

Inez Almon cut her hand quite badly recently and was rushed to Vernonia for medical aid.

Mrs. Grover Devine fell and hurt her head and face quiet badly last Saturday evening. She also broke her glasses in the fall.

Lester Mowe and Lillian Murphy were on the sick list last week and could not attend school.

We have only two more weeks of school. School closes May 27.

Natal grange held their regular business meeting Sunday and four new members were initiated in the grange. They were: Mrs. Goldie Murphy, Miss Myrtle Mowe, Eugene

Carter and Eugene Wade all of Natal district. Lecture hour was spent in honor of Mother's Day. Reading and singing was enjoyed by all of the members present.

Natal school and Natal grange will give a little entertainment Saturday night, May 21. Admission will be charged and supper sold. Grangers and their friends are invited.

Miss Myrtle Mowe spent Sunday night with Bertha Holding.

Mr. and Mrs. Estus and sons and nephews spent Sunday with the David McMullen family.

Mr. and Mrs. Osburn, Mr. and Mrs. Mowes and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peterson attended Pomona grange in Yankton Saturday.

The Carmical family have moved from here to Mist, Oregon.

Ole Estus and Miss Jennie Schooley attended the show in Vernonia Saturday evening.

RIVERVIEW

Ross Meeker was in Portland last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Justice were calling on friends in Riverview Sunday.

Alice Rundel visited with Lola Hall Sunday.

Theresa Tackett spent the week end with the Hawkins girls at this place.

Little Bettie Low Kirk has been staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hall, while her parents made a trip to Tillamook.

Evan Hall made a trip to Portland the first of the week to get seed potatoes.

Burch Eifort of Portland is visiting old friends at this place for a few days.

Mrs. W. L. Hall had her car quite badly damaged by Jerry Eudicot backing in to it while passing the Square Deal Garage recently.

Mr. Bruce disappeared early Sunday morning and returned late Sunday evening with a nice lot of perch.

The dance at the mile bridge was well attended Saturday night.



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