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A SPLENDID DISPLAY OF "PEP"

Less than a month ago it looked as though the Vernonia golf course was to become a memory. It had the good will of the community, but Sandy Macpherson could not continue indefinitely to operate the links on nothing but good will. One day a band of sheep was turned out to pasture there, not to compete with Sandy's power mower in keeping the grounds in good condition but to take the place of men and women who carried golf sticks and hit at little white golf balls. The intention was to forget about sports that did not pay.

Some of the boys, with F. M. Ruhl in the foreground as chief hard-worker, immediately got busy, formed an organization, raised money (no easy task these days) enabling Sandy to resume his painstaking care of the grounds, and supplied the needed "pep" to keep the thing going. Men and women with golf sticks and golf balls immediately replaced the grazing sheep, and the golf course is again a scene of activity. A splendid display of "pep," that.

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War used to be thought an evidence of patriotism. Some of the recent revelations regarding the activities of munition makers at home and abroad make it quite clear that desire for fatter and fatter pocketbooks has a great deal to do with fostering the war sentiment.

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The Oregonian has espoused the candidacy of Joe Dunne, and the Journal for some time has been championing Martin. Next will come the big fight to see which paper can influence the more votes.

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A sophomore in New York is suing a college for \$25,000 damages from two "wasted years." Lots of college graduates ought to be entitled to collect \$50,000 on that basis.

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The Vernonia city council is not alone in its difficulties in getting a quorum. Commissioner Bennett of Portland met the other day, called himself to order, and adjourned.

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According to the present outlook if the depression does not get us down the strikes will.

What Other Editors Say

THE DARROW REPORT

Clarence Darrow reminds us of the doctrine of Byron, that all great men are more or less insane, varying only in degree. He roundly condemns the NRA because it is not perfect; but in considering his criticism we must remember that Darrow has always found himself on the opposite side of the fence from organized law and order.

That laws minutely regulating trade are

unworkable over a long period of time has been proved too often to need reiteration. The corn-laws of Britain are a fair example, but by no means the only one. Every civilization has attempted in one way or another to eliminate competition, decreed by nature, and all have failed. The present strike situation is merely the attempt of the bell-wethers of unionism to enforce control of the labor market; it too, will fail eventually, however much it may temporarily seem to succeed.

This great country was suffering from an attack of malignant capitalitis, unbridled control of what amounted to the total resources of the United States. NRA seemed the most readily available medicine, somewhat disagreeable to take but preferable to the disease. It was not intended as a permanent social system, nor thought by its most enthusiastic supporters to be perfect.

Darrow charges that big business under the NRA is still oppressing the little fellow; possibly true, but not to the extent that he was oppressed before. In fact the little fellow is beginning to squirm under code inequalities.

Nature decreed competition between all life on earth. Man is wiser than the beasts and so controls them. Some men are created wiser than others,—born to control their mental inferiors, always have been and always will be. NRA nor anything else can stop it. Yet we find that if big business dominates small business under the present set-up it is to a far less degree than before. In the case of labor, the NRA has opened up new possibilities for domination by organizers who are more ruthless than big business ever was.

Darrow has for a lifetime proclaimed himself as a champion of the "under-dog;" but the under dog has been unleashed by The New Deal and is headed for trouble in the dog days of August, if not before. New Deal arbitrators seem aghast. The administration is creating problems faster than it can devise solutions. — Portland Spectator.

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THE RECALL IS OVER

Last Friday's election settled Columbia county's latest recall move. It is over and let's keep it over.

L. R. Rutherford of St. Helens has been appointed by Governor Meier as the new county judge and all factions should now get behind him and stay there until the fall election when a successor or Mr. Rutherford will be elected by the voice of the people.

Now let recalls, if there must be such, start and end at election time.

Let the campaigns be hard in the fall if they must, but may they be final. The will of the majority will elect a candidate in the fall, may he serve his full term without harassing and only constructive criticism.

Study carefully the candidates before election, take not their own word for their records but get them yourself from authentic sources and abide by the will of the majority.—Clatskanie Chief.

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Warning: We may expect that within a month some long-haired boy will sound off in some liberal sheet to the effect that Little Orphan Annie, with its Daddy Warbucks episode, is a devilish plot engineered by the capitalists to impede justice in the Insull case.—Oregon Emerald.

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Speaking about people who want more money, we wonder if they ever thought about working for it.—Beaverton Enterprise.

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Liquidation of the wild claims of candidates is now in progress.—McMinnville News-Reporter.

'A Drowning Man Usually Loses His Head'



Ten Years Ago . . .

Vernonia Eagle, May 30, 1924.

At an election Tuesday \$40,000 bonds were voted for construction of a new school house. At a citizens' caucus called to vote on the question it was decided by a better than two to one vote that the new building should be west of the railroad tracks.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Enos May 23.

Monday night's session of the city council was attended by the county court, who discussed the Bridge street paving question. According to the proposition as put forth now the county will pave sixteen feet down the center and the property owners will pave the sides.

The C. W. Shipley family are moving to Vernonia from Banks.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Dustin and daughter are visiting the parents of Mrs. Dustin, Mr. and Mrs. Ben S. Owens.

Launching of a crusade that will continue until the prohibition statutes are thoroughly en-

forced in Oregon, Washington and Idaho is the stated aim of the Anti-Saloon league which is sponsoring a law enforcement congress in Portland June 1-3.

Mrs. J. W. Brown has purchased a new Durant car.

The Birkenfeld mill burned down Wednesday with a loss of \$16,000. The Birkenfeld brothers will rebuild.

Lillian Washburn is on the sick list. Miss Lola Cline is helping in Purney's store during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Dial have moved to their new home in Riverview addition.

P. O. Mellinger lost a fine three year old mare last week.

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