

Comments of the Week

WHY NOT HAVE A CLEAN-UP DAY?

At least two years have passed since Vernonia experienced a general clean-up day, one in which unsightly rubbish was removed from conspicuous places and carted to the city garbage dump for proper disposal. Surely enough time has elapsed since such a day has been declared that another time could be set and carried out with a much cleaner city as the result. The city provides a place for garbage disposal, it is true, but rubbish will accumulate and will mar the appearance of a community unless a special effort is made to remove unsightly material.

At the present time the chamber of commerce is active in attempting to create civic improvement for Vernonia. Perhaps a clean-up day would be a suitable project for that body.

MORE ON THE SUBJECT OF CITY IMPROVEMENT

At this season when nature, herself, renews her own lustre the homemaker, especially in towns and cities where there is not spring farm work to do, is tempted to likewise improve appearances. Even though you have decided upon a new paint job for the bungalow as a source of comfort to yourself and family and of course as a good economical investment, it is likewise a good gesture on your part to the community at large.

Perhaps someone has remarked that he won't paint the old shack for fear of raising taxes. It is obviously not wise to let the building lose \$500 or \$1000 in value merely to save \$5 a year in taxes. Furthermore, when the whole community undertakes improvement and renovation the whole valuation rises to such an extent that the tax levy goes down and the tax bill is not raised.

Property improvement is an economical investment when made on a sound basis. It is a source of family pride and a step toward civic service.

THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE

MOVING TO MEET U.S. DEFENSE NEEDS
THE STEEL INDUSTRY PLANS TO SPEND MORE THAN \$282,000,000 FOR PLANT EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT IN 1941

HELPING HAND
IN A SEARCH FOR LEADERS FOR TOMORROW, BIG MANUFACTURING AND SERVICE CORPORATIONS WILL SPEND MORE THAN \$12,000,000 THIS YEAR TO GIVE YOUNG MEN A "BOOST"

ONLY A FEW DROPS IN A CUP... BUT IT'S A POWERFUL ESSENCE, AND ADDING HOT WATER MAKES A NORMAL CUPFUL

A CHEMICAL COMPANY IS NOW USING AN "ELECTRON MICROSCOPE" INDUSTRIALLY FOR THE FIRST TIME... IT CAN MAGNIFY 100,000 TIMES, AND WILL HELP IN DISCOVERING NEW AND BETTER MATERIALS IN MANY FIELDS

PORTLAND OREGON, WAS NAMED ON THE TOSSE OF A COIN—THE TWO FOUNDERS "TOSSED" TO SEE WHETHER THE NAME WOULD BE PORTLAND OR BOSTON

COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

CREWS TO START WORK SOON--

Crews were busy last week in the Scappoose area making preparations for start of work on the 3.09 miles which is to be graded and paved on the highway from the south fork of Scappoose creek to the Multnomah county line by Roy Houck, Salem contractor.

A pile driver is being built near Johnson's crossing to drive piling so that a culvert may be installed and another crew of men is busy near the Stasna greenhouse building tool sheds where equipment to be used on the road job will be housed.

Actual start of work on the road will come in a few days, workmen said.

LONGSHORE GANGS KEPT BUSY--

The St. Helens waterfront has been the scene of much activity during the week with one or more vessels at the mill dock each day and with from 70 to 120 longshoremen, some of them from Rainier and Longview, working each day. Yard, crane and carrier crews have worked overtime to expedite loading of the vessels.

Biggest customer of the week was the steamer Hollywood which departed last Friday for sea and San Pedro with nearly 2,500,000 feet of lumber loaded in day and night operations which began Tuesday when the vessel docked. All but 300,000 feet, which is for delivery to Porto Rican ports, will go to the east coast.

COUNTY TO BUILD NEW ROAD ON TOP OF DIKE--

Construction of a 1 1/2 mile road on top of the newly built dike at Sauvie's island will be undertaken by the county in about a month, Judge Ray Tarbell said yesterday.

BENNETT NAMED TO CITY ATTORNEY POST--

David O. Bennett, former county district attorney, was named to the post of city attorney last Monday night at the council session. He replaces John Foote, who tendered his resignation Monday after having held the post for the past two years.

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Clatskanie--

BUNDLES FOR BRITAIN WORK HERE STARTED--

Work in Clatskanie for Bundles for Britain is starting in earnest, according to announcements of the working center.

Each Tuesday afternoon in the back room of the Clatskanie library work meetings will be held. Home work will be given out to anyone wishing to take it to their homes rather than to attend the work meetings.

MILLER RESIGNS AS CITY'S MARSHAL--

Stanford Miller resigned Wednesday as Clatskanie city marshal and yesterday reported to duty with the department of the interior as a senior watchman.

Mr. Miller applied for the position about a month ago and took the civil service examination. Wednesday he received a telegram notifying him of his appointment and yesterday began his new duties.

MRS. PETERSON, 102, CALLED BY DEATH--

Mrs. Gertrude Peterson for many years a resident of this locality passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. V. O. Blood, at Hamilton last Sunday.

Mrs. Peterson passed away quietly in her sleep. The little centenarian had weakened gradually after her 102nd birthday on January 27.

FACTS FOR DRIVERS
By EARL SNELL, Secretary of Road

All traffic accidents in Oregon must be reported, regardless of the amount of property damage or whether anyone was killed or injured, Earl Snell, secretary of state, replied today in answer to several inquiries on this matter received from Oregon cities.

Confusion exists in the minds of many persons on this matter, these queries indicated. Many persons believe there is a minimum property damage limit under which accidents need not be reported. Some states, for example, do not require reporting of accidents in which no one is killed or injured and property damage amounts to less than \$50.00. However, in Oregon, there is no such legal minimum and all accidents must be reported.

Report to Sheriff

Accidents in rural areas should be reported to the sheriff of the county in which the accident occurred while accidents in urban areas should be reported to the local chief of police. These reports are required to be made within 24 hours of the time the accident occurred.

Accident reports in Oregon are not open to public inspection and may not be admitted as evidence in any court action arising from any accident, it was emphasized. The reports are used in assembling facts on accidents with the view of improving conditions and preventing their recurrence.

Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

The attitude of a noisy minority that "dog bites business man" is the real test of headline news has misdirected the attention of many people from the really tremendous achievements of American industry so far in building up the national defenses.

Coupled with the vociferations of disgruntled theorists in obscuring the accomplishments of industry has been the necessity of keeping detailed figures and information concealed in many cases. After all, when you're creating defenses to make the nation safe, you don't go out of your way to give potential enemies a complete set of charts on those defenses.

But even parts of the record of manufacturing achievements so far afford sufficiently startling evidence to give the average citizen a new measure of confidence and a new measure of pride in the industrial machine of his own United States, the greatest, most adaptable, and most efficient in the whole world.

It is not, for instance, giving away a military secret to state the plain truth that in the course of the last 18 to 24 months, American industry has arrived at a state of production of the weapons of defense which the Germans reached only after six years of an intensive effort that ended with Mars eating up 72 per cent of the German national income each year.

Like a champion runner competing against a man hobbled with chains, American industry is "lapping" its field of totalitarian opponents again and again as time goes by. Free men move fastest. In the fields of thought and action, they not only move fastest, they also move most intelligently.

In defense, there are examples galore to prove this point. A few among thousands may be interesting to readers.

To begin with, the manner in which industries geared to peacetime production have changed over swiftly to the making of defense equipment is one of the most fascinating stories on record. At the present time, a maker of sewing machines is turning out pistols; a maker of lingerie weaves mosquito netting for Army cantonments; a linoleum factory makes shells; oil plants make rubber and rubber fabricators make gas masks; a typewriter factory turns out machine guns, a tobacco machinery plant puts together diesel engines, auto makers turn to tank production, a lipstick maker produces shell casings, a lawn mower manufacturer turns out fuses, and a carpet manufacturer fabricates machine tool parts. The list could be continued almost endlessly.

Even more remarkable, though perhaps on the surface somewhat less colorful, is the way in which American industry—in almost every case unused to making military equipment—has fulfilled the new requirements set for it. In spite of countless handicaps, it took on ten billion dollars' worth of defense contracts between last June and the first of the year and currently, a

survey shows, is on time or ahead of schedule in the case of 75 per cent of firms with defense contracts.

Space doesn't permit relation of the whole breath-taking story, but one more example is of particular moment. Remember the case of the machine tool industry? It makes the "super-machines" necessary for modern mass production. At the outset of the defense program, carping critics said that this particular industry would become a serious "bottleneck," and hold up the entire program.

Well, the machine tool companies answered those idle statements with deeds. They expanded, they set their minds to the utilization of all available machinery, they went in for sub-contracting on a big scale. The 1940 production figure for the machine tool industry was—hold your breath—2000 per cent over the depression low! It will be even more startling for the year ahead.

That's the spirit in which industry, not counting the risks or the uncertainties, is moving ahead to make America strong. Every week there are stories like these: an airplane factory built in 57 days... a tank factory in 4 1/2 months in the snow and cold mud... ships launched three months ahead of schedule.

Free men build best. Americans hoped that was true, knew in their hearts it must be true, for it was the best justification of the kind of life our forefathers conceived in this country. Now industry, with free men working for it and free men doing the planning, is proving the value of human liberty beyond the least shadow of the smallest doubt!

The Forum

DAVID MACDONALD
Citizen, Father, Man

"Tis not all of life to live, nor all of death to die."
Longfellow says that life is real and earnest, and Ingersoll says in death "listening love can hear the rustle of a wing." His life was real, it was earnest, but death, the great equaler, carries that reality to his unknown abode. And, the silent captain of the ship left the port with the voices of a noble woman and devoted children ringing in his ears, and he said not a word.

As a citizen, he stood equal to the best; as a father, let the tear stains of his children make answer; as a man, let the countless friends make reply.

The state has lost one of its best citizens, the family the only father they can ever have, and mankind has lost a man. But a man cannot die. "To live in the hearts we leave behind is not death." We know that this is true.

Words of sympathy are as Dead Sea fruit. The citizen, husband, father and man is physically dead, but he lives in the hearts of those he left, and he will live and out of the mist and murk enshrouding the silent grave of the dead there shines the guiding star of Bethlehem.

We believe that the future will blot from the present some heartaches, that life may yet be hopeful for those now almost without it, that God reigns and rules.
A Friend.

Book Talk . . .

By EDNA ENGEN

New books on the library shelves—

"Tassels On Her Boots" by Arthur Train.
This is a story of the New York of the 1870's when Boss Tweed was in power and when cows still obstructed crosstown traffic. It is a dramatic story of characters drawn from the famous Four Hundred of that day.

"One Bell Calls the Watch" by William Winter.

This is a collection of sea stories entertainingly written by an Oregon author, a graduate of the University of Oregon.

"Murder Without Motive" by R. L. Goldman.

This is an exceptionally well-written mystery story, concerning the efforts of a small town newspaper man to break the power of the local "Boss" and to solve a mystery that threatens the security of a beautiful girl and her family. Also several new children's books have been placed on the shelves.

Pie Social Nets \$16.10 Friday

KEASEY—(Special to The Eagle)—Miss Davis and Miss Boe, teachers from Beaver Homes school visited at the Ed Boe home over the week-end.

A total of \$16.10 was taken in at the pie social at the Pleasant

LODGES

I. W. A. — C. I. O.
Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union No. 5-37

MEETINGS every Friday evening at 7:30 except the second Saturday in each month. Saturday meeting at 1:30 p. m.

EXECUTIVE BOARD meetings each Monday evening, 7:30.

OFFICE HOURS Mon. to Fri., inclusive, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.; 3 p. m. to 7 p. m. SATURDAY 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Alford Doree, Pres. 5-41—
Dwight Strong, Recording Sec.

Vernonia Lodge No. 246 I.O.O.F.

Meets Every Tuesday 8 P. M.
Mike Willard, N. G.
Paul Gordon, Secretary 4-41—

Vernonia F. O. E. (Fraternal Order of Eagles)

Legion Hall
Vernonia
Friday Nights
8 o'clock

Alford Doree, W. P.
Willis Johnson, W. Sec'y. 7-41

Knights of Pythias

Harding Lodge No. 116
Vernonia, Oregon
Meetings—I. O. O. F. Hall, Second and Fourth Mondays Each Month.

Pythian Sisters
Vernonia Temple No. 61
Vernonia, Oregon
Meetings— I. O. O. F. Hall Second and Fourth Wednesdays Each Month 2-41

Order of Eastern Star

Nehalem Chapter 153, O. E. S.
Regular Communication first and third Wednesdays of each month, at Masonic Temple, Vernonia. All visiting sisters and brothers welcome.

Allie Dickson, Worthy Matron
Mona Gordon, Secretary 1-41

A. F. & A. M.

Vernonia Lodge No. 184
A. F. & A. M. meets at Masonic Temple, State Communication First Thursday of each month. Special called meetings on all other Thursday nights, 7:30 p. m. Visitors most cordially welcome.

Special meetings—Friday nights.
C. L. Brock, W. M.
Glenn F. Hawkins, Sec. 1-42

VERNONIA POST 119 AMERICAN LEGION

Meets First Wed. and Third Mon. of Each Month.
AUXILIARY
First and Third Mondays 1-41

Vale school Friday night. The social was given for the Keasey 4-H club.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Counts and daughter, Betty, visited Saturday night at Mrs. Luther's home.

Mr. Armstrong is building a house on the Armstrong place beyond Arcadia park.

Mrs. Herb Counts and daughter, Betty, visited Mrs. Lindsley, Mrs. DeVaney and Mrs. White Sunday.

School Closed Friday

Miss Anna Mae Ramey was called home to Independence Thursday night because of the death of a very close friend. There was no school Friday.

Lee Lindsley and Lloyd Gillham, Jr., drove to the beach Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Bolma and baby from near Forest Grove visited at the Albert Kreiger home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kreiger visited at Noel Wood's home Sunday evening.

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