

Henninger Helpful Hint

Drop caps...I

Want to give that feature package or column a bit of extra impact?

A drop cap is a sure way to tell readers that the text in front of them is more than another routine news story.

Drop caps are easy to set up—either in InDesign or QuarkXPress.

But there's an important detail that we sometimes fail to remember: removing the paragraph indent.

A moment of inattention results in faulty typography.

Next week: The basic drop cap.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure.

We are met on a great battle-field of that war.

We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate—we can not consecrate—we can not hallow—this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract.

The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can

Ooops! The paragraph is still indented.



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