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MEASURING UP GROWTH

In many families a marking place is established against some door post, where the young folks are lined up to have their growth measured. With careful precision father places a book on top of their heads. Then a pencil mark is made underneath, and you can see how much the kid has grown.

Something like this in a mental way occurs at the holidays, when the students come home from schools and colleges. They have perhaps reached their physical growth, and will add no higher marks on the door post. But they are registering mental growth, which is noted with even keener interest.

Sometimes this growth is not of a desirable kind. You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink. Some young people are led up to the purest fountains of knowledge, yet they prefer to partake of some stagnant pool.

Fortunately, few students come home with such signs of growth. Usually you discover a remarkably good progress. Parents swell with pride to see how well the young folks can talk, and how much their manners have smoothed down.

The kid who a few months ago was thinking only of pranks and sports, may want to argue politics with father and the neighbors. Quite frequently he is surprised that the elders have such obsolete views. Still he would better be cautious, for the plain experience of ordinary folks provides a certain wisdom not shared by all college professors.

Possibly the boys who come home to see the old folks can usually be found down at their best girls'. But even though they are moving around so fast you can hardly see them, they bring an atmosphere of good cheer. There is in them a splendid resource against the chances of the future.

People who are trying to influence human life toward higher ideals sometimes get discouraged by the things the crowd seems mostly interested in. Ministers and teachers seeing the tens of thousands of people at the football games, may wish that more of the enthusiasm felt for sports could be put into serious efforts for self improvement and human betterment. Yet the American people admire athletic success because it is a form of skill. A people that can bring the playing of games to such a high point of perfection, are likely always to be successful in the more serious efforts. So it has proved true that the American people, though they give more time to athletic sports than any other nation, have yet also achieved more for human progress than others. The two things seem to go together. Many people devote too much attention to games and too little to serious effort. Yet a country where there is not energy enough to make a success of athletic sports, is likely to fall down in more serious aspects of its life.

Why do parents tell their little ones that the Christmas gifts are brought by Santa Claus? Do the grown-ups enjoy fooling their children, and seeing how many absurdities they will swallow? More likely they do so from a certain admiration for the innocence of childhood. We live in a skeptical and sophisticated world. There is a pretty contrast in the lack of this spirit among the little ones. It seems to them the most natural thing in the world that some good natured old sport called Mr. Claus, should devote his life to making toys for children, and should emerge at Christmas and get a year's worth of fun by making the youngsters happy. In their innocence of the world's strivings and selfishness, a life of this kind would seem normal to them. It does them no harm to cherish such illusions for a little, and if more people kept them longer, the world would be less heartless.

The U. S. census bureau finds that the death rate from automobile accidents has increased every year for the past five years. This is in spite of all the campaigns that have been conducted from various sources and angles to promote safety. The children have been instructed in the schools about safety, reckless motorists have been lectured, fined, and jailed in some instances. Yet the accidents keep on. It has to be considered that the number of automobiles has increased enormously during the past five years, making street conditions far more congested. The ratio of accidents compared to the number of motorists is not so large as it was previously. The safety campaign is getting some results. But it remains true that a multitude of people are on the road who give but little attention to the matter of safety. "Take a chance," is their motto.

The country would be better off if there were fewer job hunters running to Washington, and more hiking out to the nearest farm or building project.

Christmas is supposed to bring peace on earth, but not much of it is discoverable in the post offices for the week before the holiday.

The time may come when everybody will own an automobile, but it will still be desirable that children should learn how to walk.

The boys who make so much noise coming into school may have heard that the country's evils should be stamped out.

Not many people have expressed a desire for a pair of overalls as a Christmas present.

PRUNE PICKIN'S
BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

The Elliots Minstrels
Performed last night
Without any casualties
And will attempt
It again tonight.

DUMBLE DORA THINKS

Basketball rosters ought to have
rings in their noses.

The Kiwanis guys had a lunch to-
day noon and inhaled a large quan-
tity of soup.

Ye ed. was the judge at a h. s. de-
bate yesterday and the embryo orators
had dug up quite a lot of good stuff
outa the Britannica.

A CHICKEN'S MISTAKE

Want ad in today's News-Review:
FOR SALE—Scotch collie pups at
Chicken Market.

Don't scorn a humble beginning.
Get a job as chauffeur and in a little
while you can cope with an heiress.

KNOW HER?

There was a young girl named Maud,
Who as a dancer was thought quite a
fraid.

With chaparrones around,
She's the nicest in town,
But in the dark corners, My Gawd.

Barber shop to be run on Christian
plan, says the Houston, Tex. Chroni-
cle. "Turn the other cheek."

In this great world a man can run
away from almost anything except a
guilty conscience and taxes.

Remember, the only thing in the
world that is really what it is cracked
up to be is ice.

Wouldn't it be great if the suit
lasted as long as the vest?

Said
The rooster
To the old hen:
"I certainly am tired tonight.
There have been so many cars to run
in front of today that I am all tuck-
ered out."

SPLITTING ONE WITH TENNYSON
Then I gazed into the future far as
human eye could see, And the taxes
kept ascending with their old alacrity.

Night owls do not get up with the
early birds.

"George, I simply must get some
clothes. I was down at the employ-
ment office to get a new cook and a
horrible woman down there offered
me a position."

A DEFINITION
The American people: A large portion
of the world's population whose idea
of art is a circus lithograph.

There was a young lady in red,
Who dived on the crown of her head;
You'd turn white as a sheet,
If I dared to repeat,
The blasphemous things that she said.

Seems to us that for some time past
we've been a member of a League of
Donations.

"MISS M. L. C." ATTENTION!
The high priest of the office tele-
phones wants Miss M. L. C. who ad-
vertised for a lost wrist watch, to
know that it has been found. It was
picked up off the asphalt in front of
one of the theatres, it's steering gear
is missing, windows out, has dirt in
the carburetor, crank case missing,
tires gone, hinges off; has been run
over and stepped on three or four
times or more—but otherwise it is in
pretty good condition—excepting that
it won't run.

Practical jokers, I have found, are
very impractical.

A fellow, one of the latest victims,
says there are three things in this
world that always come unexpectedly,
and they are triplets.

KIDDING THEMSELVES
There is 10c overcharge on this bill.
I refuse to pay it. It isn't the dime;
it's the principle of the thing.

My daughter is not a bit pretty, but
she has a better time than most beau-
tiful girls.

I am wearing last year's hat. I de-
test the styles this winter.

We like to live on this side street, it
is so quiet.

It's hard to understand what some
motorists are driving at.

"It's pretty hard to get hard work
from a soft head."

Eastern printers for tall trees. They
are thick and strong. You don't have
to be house of the red with one hand
to work the sheet. All stars at What-
ever Dues.

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Cat's-Paw to a Cat.

(By Wickes Wamboldt.)

You never know what a human
being is going to do, because he does
not know himself. Talk about learn-
ing the ways of people—there is no
such thing.

Now just recently I heard of a
wealthy woman who died and dis-
inherited her husband and left all
her money to her cat. The husband
was named as guardian of the cat.
And that's all he was. His wife did
not leave him so much as a German
mark. However, her will stipulated
that upon the demise of the cat, its
fortune would pass to its guardian.

The poor man was in a sad
plight. He had no income whatever.
He could buy anything he pleased
for the cat, but he could not spend
a cent on himself. He confided to a
friend that he must endure dire pov-
erty as long as the cat lived. When
the friend advanced the suggestion
that a cat's life at best was an un-
certain thing, and that no one in-
quired why a cat died, the vicious
hint was rejected indignantly. But
the widower managed somehow to
scrape up enough to keep him in
grits and bacon while the cat dined
on tenderloin and mushrooms.

Then woman, resourceful woman,
came to the rescue. You can always
count on a woman to check-mate a
woman. This woman did a thing
that astonished her friends. She
married the impetuous guardian of
the wealthy cat. And immediately
the cat got generous.

It decided to start for California
on their wedding night and to take
them along. Of course the cat paid
all expenses. When the cat returned
after a month's sojourn on the
Pacific coast, it brought a nice limo-
usine and engaged a chauffeur.

The cat then insisted on having
the house refitted and the premises
put in apple pie order. Being fond
of the water and of dancing, the cat
gave numerous yachting parties and
soirees. By the cat's orders, a
swimming pool and a tennis court
were built. The cat paid its guar-
dians generous salaries commensur-
ate to such large responsibilities.

And to the credit of the two cat-
guardians, it must be said that they
discharged these responsibilities in-
telligently and conscientiously. They
never permitted the cat to go any-
where without them. They rode with
it in its limousine. They went with
it on its yachting parties. They
were in evidence at every ball. And
the cat waxed fat and enjoyed life
and still lives.

As a matter of fact, it must be
admitted that worse things can hap-
pen to one than being cat's-paw for a
liberal minded cat with a well filled
purse and that knows what the good
things of life are for.

LOCAL NEWS

From Riddle—
Mrs. Ed Riddle was a resident
of Riddle spent the day in this city
shopping.

In Town Yesterday—
S. A. Riser of Brockway spent
yesterday in this city looking after
business.

Attorney Here—
C. G. Fulton, an attorney from
Myrtle Creek, was in town today at-
tending to legal matters.

Here Yesterday
Mrs. Bertha Moore of Elkton was
in Roseburg yesterday spending sev-
eral hours shopping and visiting with
friends.

In Town—
J. H. Peery and son from Buck
Fork were in town today for a few
hours attending to business inter-
ests.

To Indianapolis—
Bert Cruise left this afternoon for
Indianapolis where he will spend the
next month looking after business
interests.

Here Today—
Mr. and Mrs. John Hess of Myrtle
Creek spent the day in Roseburg
shopping and attending to other busi-
ness affairs.

Left Today—
Mrs. Jessie Johnson left this af-
ternoon for her home in Portland
after spending the past three months
in this city visiting with Mrs. W.
H. Taylor.

MICKIE SAYS—

"THIS IS MICKIE BROADCASTING!
ALL MEMBERS OF OUR
HAPPY FAMILY WHOSE SUB-
SCRIPTIONS ARE GONNA RUN
PRETTY SOON OUT, MEANIN'
EXPIRE, WILL PLEASE, COME
IN AN REHEW 'EM WITHOUT
WAITIN' FER A WRITTEN
INVOICE! THANKS!"



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Indigestion

May Lead to
Appendicitis

Repeated attacks of indigestion
often lead to serious inflammation of
the stomach and intestinal tract. This
inflammation may finally extend to the
appendix, which usually becomes in-
fected through the presence of foul,
irritating matter in the bowels.

It doesn't pay to ignore even the
most simple warnings of digestive
trouble. Neglect is responsible for
much misery. Uneasiness at the pit
of the stomach, sour taste in the
mouth, excessive gas, heartburn,
nausea, vomiting, bitter risings, con-
stipation, biliousness, dizzy spells
and palpitation, of the heart after
eating are some of the most common
symptoms of poor digestion.

If you are subject to any form of
stomach distress, don't fail to try a
bottle of Smith Bros. M. A. C., the
guaranteed stomach treatment. This
wonderful medicine usually gives
prompt relief from all discomfort. In
fact, it is sold on a positive guaran-
tee of money back if the first bottle
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March. Orders taken for any quantity.
Fred Schmidt, Dillard, Oregon.

Miss Adams is presenting some of
her most talented pupils in interpre-
tative dances at Antlers Theatre, Dec.
21st.

HAVE THE SOBBING BLUES

Six good musicians will be afflicted
with the "Sobbing Blues" during one
dance at the Firemen's Hall Christmas
night. Don't miss this sad event.

IN BANKRUPTCY

In the District Court of the United
States for the District of Oregon.
In the matter of W. L. Rigby,
Bankrupt.

To the creditors of W. L. Rigby, of
Glendale, in the county of Douglas,
and district of Oregon, a bankrupt:
Notice is hereby given that on the
19th day of November, 1923, the said
W. L. Rigby was duly adjudicated
bankrupt; and that the first meeting
of his creditors will be held at the of-
fice of the undersigned referee in
Roseburg, Ore., on the 21st day of De-
cember, 1923, at 10 o'clock in the fore-
noon, at which time the said creditors
may attend, prove their claims, ap-
point a trustee, examine the bankrupt
and transact such other business as
may properly come before said meet-
ing.

Dated December 17, 1923.

C. L. HAMILTON,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Weather Bureau, local office,
Roseburg, Oregon, 24 hours ending 5
a. m.

Precipitation in ins. and Hundredths
Lowest temperature last night... 41
Highest temperature yesterday... 61
Precipitation last 24 hours... .02
Total precip. since first of month 2.77
Normal precip. for this month... 5.92
Total precip. from Sept. 1, 1923
to date... 9.85
Av. precip. from Sept. 1, 1922, to
1923... 11.26
Total deficiency from Sept. 1
1923... 1.41
Aver. precip. for 46 wet seasons,
(Sept. to May, inclusive)... 31.48
Rain tonight and Wednesday.
WILLIAM BELL, Observer.

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Dear Folks:

When I think of all the nonsense that is said
blue, then I wonder what would happen if the things
true. If the worth of folks was governed by the things
blood, then I'm thinking we'd be ready for a Noah's
trees? Are they something Heaven favors? Should
our knees to the folks who say their fathers were
the blue, and who point their noses upward "cause
else to do? Does the God who made us mortals
whose folks were kings? Does He frown on all the
fer to them as things? Will He keep us out of Heaven
is common red? Will He send us all a hasting to
stead?

What of Lincoln? What of Coolidge and a million
Were they ever head a bragging that their blood
blue? Were they born to sills and riches? Were they
the Feers? No by jingoes, they were common and
shed no tears.

Oh it's not the life of others that determines
Those who think so, should be pitied for their
par. Give me blood that's red and wholesome
earns it's pay, for it's not what others used to be
are today.