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Blessed are the pure in heart;  
for they shall see God.—Matt. 5:8.

## The Great Virginian

The passing years have not dimmed the figure of "The Great Virginian," as Wendell Phillips called Washington; they have but humanized him and drawn him from the skies. Imposing as is the towering shaft at the nation's capitol, lovely and spacious as is Mount Vernon, interesting as are Valley Forge and Yorktown, not any one of these nor all of them are as interesting and impressive as the story of the man's fortitude, his pure and disinterested patriotism, his calm and sagacious judgment amidst turmoil and confusion.

Washington was a wise man from whatever angle we may view him. A score of our presidents have possessed a greater knowledge, but few have equalled him in wisdom. Knowledge and wisdom are often confused, and the terms are carelessly employed. Wisdom is the ability to use what stock of knowledge we possess, and to use it with precision and power. Of "walking encyclopedias" there are half a dozen to one wise person who uses accurately his stock of knowledge, whether large or small. Washington trusted reason rather than impulse. He did not jump at conclusions or take snap judgment on anything. He was philosophical, not emotion, practical, not theoretical. A scrutiny of Washington's acts, both as private citizen and president, reveal the thoughtful man, and also something of his methods. His was the mind to reflect, to deliberate, to think things through, and having done this he was ready to act without hesitancy and with much firmness. He was leisurely in his habits, refused to be hurried, could not be stampeded. There is a certain serenity observable in all his pictures, a composure of countenance that indicates inner strength. Possibly his early days of life in the open and by himself help to account for his thoughtfulness and his poise.

Our generation needs this lesson from the life of Washington, namely, the priority of wisdom over mere knowledge. Moreover, his calm mental processes invite us to put a premium on thinking and habits of reflection in an age when "predigested" ideas are set before us with appetizing garnishings.

May it not be we see too much, read too much, talk too much, and think all too little?

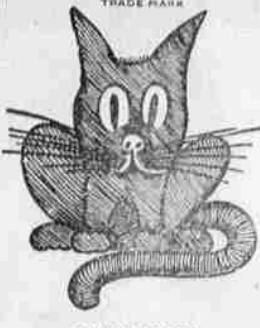
## Just Sentiment

One person in answer to the Evening Observer's editorial on saving the historic Episcopal church of La Grande remarked that it was but a matter of sentiment.  
So it is, just sentiment. But what would we be without sentiment? Remove it from the heart of mankind and he is a dull slab. Take sentiment out of life and there is nothing left but the clanking of dollars, the stern iron existence possessed of no elasticity, no feeling, nothing worth while.  
That is why this newspaper is urging the preservation of an altar where people worshipped many years ago, where weddings were held, where young people met in that best of all atmosphere—the church. Yes, it's sentiment, but let us have more sentiment. Save the old church and make of it the shrine of the pioneer. Make of it a place where with bowed heads men and women of today may go and let their minds drift back to the days of hardships when a few people were working at the tremendous task of winning the west.

## Socialized Recitation

Yesterday we enjoyed a half hour with the eighth grade in Central building during which time the pupils engaged in what is termed "socialized recitation." The subject for discussion was the Tea Pot Dome affair in congress. Two of the pupils had been selected to give the outstanding points of the investigation and then the entire class engaged in a running debate of the merits and demerits of the case in a way that would cause many an old lawyer to gasp at the amount of knowledge the young people possessed and their ability to ask leading questions.  
While the debate started in rather a formal manner it was not long before each pupil was in the game in earnest. How plainly discernible the different newspapers read in the homes, for the information given in the recitation reflected the newspaper source of that information. Finally one young lady cleared the atmosphere by taking the bold stand that the political campaign is on and evidently the Tea Pot Dome matter is largely a matter of politics with one political party trying to besmirch the other. This brought forth very keen remarks first from the children who have been raised as Republicans and then by those whose homes still cling to the Jeffersonian principles of the Democratic party. It was really good. And while it was entertaining, it also established the unmistakable fact that in the eighth grade of La Grande's schools the pupils are taught to read current events closely and to form their own opinions from what they read.  
The socialized recitation is an advanced step in education and with its continuance the child will be farther advanced in the world's affairs when he is sent into the high school than many men and women are at the present

## OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

**NO JOKE**  
"This is the truth" said old man Hutch.  
"And I'm right, I'll bet.  
You always pray for twice as much.  
As you expect to get!"

**RAISE HELL TOMORROW AND  
SUFFER TOMORROW.**  
Many people claim to be willing to help the deserving poor, but they never mean to find out if they possibly deserving.

**IN LA GRANDE**  
The potatoes, they come small.  
In La Grande.  
The potatoes, they come small.  
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The potatoes, they come small.  
And they're so high at the state.  
That we eat them since and all.  
In La Grande.

Only the rich have time and can afford to walk. The rest of us have to hustle to buy this.

Once upon a time there was a man who obtained satisfaction out of a postoffice pen. He looked it out the window.

The best way to feel at home is to stay there.

Many had a hide-knee.  
She kept it hid under.  
Twin clothed that nose might hear or see.  
Because it knoched, they say.

**A BELLING STONE GARDENERS  
NO MOSS, BUT WHO WANTS TO  
BE A MOSS-BACK?**

**A Tendency Without Aep,  
Producers,  
Who (some quietly) "Gleaned?"  
He (often) "Abused?"  
Father of the (often) "Deer?"  
Breastling Neph.**

Probably the reason some men

will eat with a knife, is because they have ancestry who shoveled hay with a spade.

The bad luck in two dollar bills is in not having them.

There were ten marriages in Wilson, Kans. in January, and fifteen divorces. So the Altamona Tribune heads the item, "More Quills Than Korns."

Lodges get along very well with-out women, but churches wouldn't last a week without them.

**New Wheat to Be Grown**  
PENDLETON, Ore.—Haci Fed-eration school, first grown in the Pilot Truck section of Tualatin county's wheat belt in 1922 when four acres were tried there, prob-ably will be grown on 1500 acres

this season, according to Fred Ben-son, county agent. There is a tendency on the part of farmers to forsake bluestem, which has long been a favorite in that sec-tion, for one of the federation wheats.

**Rotarians Have Meeting**  
PENDLETON, Ore.—At present there are 100,000 Rotarians in 25 countries of the world, and no-where has a club once organized been suspended. Kate Snedecor, Portland attorney, a past president of Rotary International, told Pen-dleton Rotarians in the meeting celebrating the 19th anniversary of the founding of the organiza-tion. The history of the interna-tional body and its ethical stand-ards were discussed by the speak-er. A special musical program was given at the luncheon.

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---Some of it is a Work  
Bench.



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**Saturday \$1.00 Special**

**Men's Hats**  
All sizes in latest shapes and colors. Values \$5.00 to \$6.00.  
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**Ladies' Pumps**  
Various styles and colors, good quality.  
**Saturday \$3.95 Special**

**Misses Shoes**  
One lot of misses' black and tan calf shoes.  
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Shoes**  
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**For Spring**  
Our new things for Spring are here and ready for your approval. Both men and women will be more than pleased with this season's stunning styles. See them.  
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Saturday, February 23, every pro-gressive grocer in  
**LA GRANDE**  
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