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SHEW ME THY WAYS, O Lord; teach me thy paths. Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.—Psalm 25:1, 2

He's A Good "Indian"

Those who do not enjoy personal acquaintance with Charlie Curtis, the new senate leader, will be surprised to know that he is an Indian. Fact, and Charlie don't deny it. He is proud of it. Charlie is pretty much Cherokee, but he is a big man, able and square. He is a good "Indian."

When he used to drive a horse cab in Topeka and study his law books under the gas lights on street corners few people anticipated that he would ever be the leader of the United States senate.

And yet, there are those who say none has a chance in America but the rich. What piffle. Charlie Curtis never had money. He has none now, yet he has the highest place in the nation except the presidency. He is leader of the greatest deliberative body on the face of the earth, and he is still a Cherokee, he is still the same Charlie Curtis who drove the old horse cab, he is still the same vigorous man who loves his country every minute of the day.

He had to fight his way up. Don't think anyone handed the honors to Charlie on a silver platter. Not at all. He was quite a nuisance and a pest to many of the old-timers who wanted to continue in office years ago. When he ran for congress in the First Kansas district he decided to shake hands with every voter, and he did it. His old horse and buggy lumbered along every lane and Charlie stopped at every house. He won. Then it became a question of keeping him out of the senate. The organization was against him, but he continued his individual work.

How well we remember the night at Topeka when Cy. Leland, then boss of Kansas politics and a representative in the legislature, gave up his fight on Charlie Curtis. It was a contest for United States senator. Leland represented Atchison county. His name was well toward the top of the list. When the reading clerk called the roll Leland arose, without any warning or explanation, and cast his vote for Curtis, the man whom he had fought for years. Well, if a state house dome ever shook with vibration from cheering that old state house dome at Topeka did that very thing.

It was over. The fight lasting over so many years had ended and Charlie Curtis from that day until now has been a commanding figure in politics of the nation, for he has been in the senate continuously ever since.

He now goes to the head of the class, so to speak. It took courage, it took nerve, it took an inward energy that is today too often missing, to do what Curtis has done. But his sense of leadership is the best demonstration of what a poor boy can do in America.

Brand Him

It was the proper thing for the United States senate to shelve La Follette in his bigotry, along with some of his close followers in the senate. This is a Republican senate and La Follette is not and never has been a Republican. Neither is he a Democrat, and when he runs wild in the deck as he has for so many years, it is high time that the two old parties catch the senator and brand him with his own branding iron. Let him have a La Follette party and do whatever he chooses, but according to all laws of the political game he is not entitled to call himself either a Republican or a Democrat.

Beauty specialist says it is quite the thing now for women to wear their hair bobbed in the daytime "and dressed up with a few pieces of artificial hair for evening affairs." Evidently the women want to eat their cake and have it, too.

The human race is said to be 800,000,000 years old. In all that time men haven't learned better than to talk back to their wives.

There are fewer children among high society because children don't pay dividends first twenty-five years.

Movie star's wife asks divorce. Suits him, he says. Maybe she is the worst wife he has had lately.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



WINDY BRAYMORE WHO RECENTLY WENT TO THE CITY TO SEE A FOOTBALL GAME SHOWED SOME OF THE BOYS AT THE DEPOT HOW THE GAME WAS PLAYED



OFFICE CAT

By Junius

1st Flapper: "Is he a dumbbell?"
2nd Flapper: "No, I wouldn't say that. But his idea of a good time is a walk plus an ice cream cone."

The only difference between the dime novel of yesterday and the novel of today is about one dollar and ninety cents.

INEXPERIENCED
"I've never kissed a girl before," he said, removing the cigar from his vest pocket and stepping towards her.

ONLY HALF BAKED
"I'd like to get one of those anytime cakes."
"What kind did you say, ma'am?"
"Anytime—one of those full o' nuts."

The days are getting shorter. In fact, they are almost as short now as ready cash.

Much to his annoyance, they were late for the game, arriving in the sixth inning.

"What's the score, Fred?" he asked a fan.
"Nothing to nothing."
"Oh, splendid," she exclaimed rudely. "We haven't missed a thing."

E. O. B.
The clients of a lawyer and paid for two dozen glass decanters that were advertised at 80 a dozen, f. o. b. and when they were delivered, they were empty.

The Lawyer: "What did you expect?"
"Full of booze. What else does f. o. b. mean?"

"Come on, snap out of it. Be a man!" reads the physical culture advertisement. Bill bobbed his girl shouldn't take it too serious.

The sweet young thing was examining cameras. "What is the name of this one?" she inquired of the assistant.
"That is the Belvedere," replied the man.

For amusement there was a chaffy science. Then the sweet young thing pulled her together and inquired toly. "And can you recommend the Belva?"

The labor shortage is never so acute that there isn't quite a crowd waiting for the parade.

A sweet little thing of beauty is an expense forever.

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POWDER BURNS IMBLES YOUTH

IMBLES (Special) — Everett Blanchard was hurt a few days ago when with a number of other boys, they were experimenting with black powder. They had put the powder in a can and when Everett stooped down to light it, it blew up in his face. He was taken to La Grande where the powder was removed from the face and eyes. For a while it was feared that he would lose his eyesight, but at last reports he was able to see and is thought to be getting along nicely.

Chilton Marshall sustained injuries to his back Monday evening while at basketball practice. He was taken to La Grande and X-ray pictures were taken to see how serious the injury was.

Howard Wilson fell out of a wagon at school recently and was cut quite badly.

George Marshall left Tuesday for Kansas with two carloads of apples.

Harvey Tipter left Tuesday for his home in Monmouth, after visiting friends here for some time.

The Monafee Lumber company has purchased the sawmill on the east mount. In the spring they plan to start up full blast.

Booth Larson of Eugene is spending the week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Larson.

Walter Strangham returned home recently from Everett, Wash.

Halberd Rollins made a trip to La Grande Tuesday on business.

Pat Morris and Frank Wilson came out from Maxville Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. William Sherman and daughter Mrs. were shopping in La Grande recently.

Mrs. George Marshall went to La Grande this week on business.

Mrs. Dudley Peel came out from Joseph to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hull.

L. M. Jensen of La Grande was visiting friends at Imbler Tuesday.

Ross Perry and Bert Tucker held a shooting match Monday at Imbler.

Mrs. William Ruckman returned to Walla Walla recently after attending the funeral of Mrs. Hull.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ruckman and son Harvey visited friends at Joseph yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagen have comfortably located in the Mike Roger house.

The K. P. lodge gave a dance at the amusement hall Thanksgiving evening.

Lyle Kiddle attended the football game at Corvallis recently.

New Wage Agreement Proves Costly to Welsh Mine Owners

Obituary

THOMAS STEPHENSON

Thomas Stephenson was born in 1857. Died in Healdsburg, California, November 24, 1924 at the age of 67 years, nine months and 27 days.

He was married in 1882 to Martha Rebecca Pollock and to this union were born seven children all of whom are living. Four daughters, Mrs. E. M. Williams of Modesto, Calif., Annie M. Baker, Mrs. Edith Cooper of San Francisco and Mrs. Edith Shaw of Healdsburg, California, and three sons Earl E. Stephenson, of Healdsburg, Oregon, Thomas P. Stephenson of Orville, California and Allan A. Stephenson of Perry, Oregon honor his death.

Mr. Stephenson came to La Grande in 1918 and lived here until his wife's death in 1918. He then took up his home with his daughter, Mrs. Edith Shaw of Healdsburg, California.

LUCY J. HAMMILL
Lucy J. Hammill, 79 years a resident of Island City died at her home at 10 o'clock last evening of the age of 77 years. Mrs. Hammill was the wife of George Hammill.

The funeral will be held from the Island City church at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Rev. J. K. Wells of Island City will preach the funeral sermon. Burial in the Island City cemetery. The body is now at the Soodgrass and Zimmerman chapel.

FLESHMAN IS NAMED CLERK

PROMISE (Special)—A special school meeting was held at Promise recently for the purpose of electing a new clerk to fill the place of W. B. Henscock, who has moved to Maxville. Marshal Fleshman has been chosen as the new clerk.

Miss Emma Weaver of East Grossman and Miss Maude Weaver of Sunnyside visited recently at the Ulay Poulson home.

The ladies of Promise met at Marshal Fleshman's recently and made two comforters which they presented to the Williams family.

Robert Carper, Howard Carper and Boles Newby are working on the road to the Hill Carper place.

Miss Eunice Courtney went to Troy Saturday returning to Riverside Sunday evening.

C. P. Carper and Harold Carper butchered a beef for Tex Williams Thursday.

Mrs. C. P. Carper and Nancy Bennett have been visiting with Mrs. Tex Williams, who has been ill.

Harold, Robert and Theo. Carper attended the dance at Claude Houston's recently.

It has been quite warm the past week and all the snow is gone. The stock are back in the canyons where the grass is growing nicely.

J. K. Carper who was ill for several days with sore feet caused by frost bites is able to be out again.

Tex Williams, who has been suffering with a lame back is able to be about a little. He made a trip to Wallawa Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Charlie Fleming of Troy, spent Friday night at the C. P. Carper home.

Alvin Footberg spent Thanksgiving at home.

Thanksgiving services were held at Promise on Thanksgiving day. E. L. Potter spoke in the morning. A dinner was served at noon, after which a program was rendered.

The Smith of Wallawa has been spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Stella Poulson.

Charlie Bennett is preparing to move to Lower Valley.

Arthur Courtney, of Troy, passed through here Sunday on his way to Maxville where he expects to work this winter.

Roy Carper who works near Bear Creekville came home Friday and attended garage.

Alfred Carper took Will Reed to Wallawa Monday to see the doctor. Mr. Reed has been suffering for several days with a very sore toe caused by a frost bite and it is feared he has blood poisoning.

Miss Corinne Bue and Miss Clara Howell of Entorprair are among the guests now stopping at the Summit hotel.

An Observer Want Ad will do it.

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