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THE PEACE OF GOD, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.—Phil. 4:7.

## THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



**OFFICE CAT**  
TRADE MARK REG.  
By Junius

All the world's stage but most of us are merely chorus men.

"It certainly is funny," mused little Phony. "This makes the third kid sister in this house, and no matter how hard I've tried I've never yet seen the stock."

Doctor: You are all right. Your pulse is regular as clock work.  
Patient: You have hold of my wrist-watch.

**THIS TOUCHES US!**  
I don't feel very well, and maybe the change will do me good, thought the La Grande housewife, as she went through her husband's pockets.

The modern philosopher walked down the street. He looked about him, determined to philosophize. Suddenly his eye perceived three girls walking toward him. "Bah!" he said to himself, "girls nowadays are all alike. Look at those three—Dressed all alike, walk alike, look alike—no originality. A person would think they were sisters." They were.

The thinner the slices of bread covering a dab of chicken salad, the more fashionable the party.

**PLAIN TALK.**  
Jim Jones is a plain talker. He calls a spade a spade. But that is what you'd expect—He's in the hardware trade.

When a fellow tells you prohibition isn't enforced, you can feel what kind of company he keeps.

"Seriously speaking, this mistake works wonders."  
"Sure, it's the horror!"

We owe a great deal to chemistry; for instance, we owe a great many of our blouses.

Farmer: "How did you come by that black eye, Silas?"  
Silas: "The ole cow has a way."



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## Poets' Corner

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER

The following poem was presented to the McGoldrick family by Mrs. Edna Walker of Imbler, in memory of their mother, Mrs. Sarah J. Hill, who passed to the Great Beyond at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McGoldrick of Imbler, November 12, 1924.—Editor's Note.

This world seems filled with sorrows since mother's gone. But neither joy nor sorrow can efface Of all of love, or live the sweetest one. Or memories of a loving mother's face.

For many years she filled a mother's part. Through all life's trials even fondly true. Transferring faith lived in that loyal heart Where hope eternal ever springs anew.

A mother's pain, also a mother's joy Was her's to bear, was also her's to cheer. To her each child, no matter girl or boy, Each in that mother's love equally dear.

To each was given a mother's tender care. As over each a mother's love was spread; And Oh, the length a mother's love will dare. To throw protection around each little head.

To her the last to mold each loved one's life. For her The Crown a mother's




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## Right On Way

The agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce, with Dr. W. T. Phy as chairman, put its program over yesterday in such a way that for some time to come agriculture has right of way over all other subjects that will come before the chamber.

And with all the reports and speeches; with all the possibilities disclosed at the luncheon, the underlying feature is the same fundamental point—irrigation.

Needful it is to transform this valley from the wheat fields to lesser individual acreage with more profitable crops. Needful it is to carry the large overhead expense which has overtaken farming in a proportionate manner that it has overtaken other lines of business.

Dr. Phy told yesterday of the forty years ago methods of farming, of the yield per acre in wheat, and of the price, and then emphatically stated that the vehicle of progress was upon us and we must either awaken to the situation or get out of the way for someone who will make the most of the opportunities. Quite true, and the only thing remaining to be determined whether or not the present residents of the valley, are big enough to meet the emergency.

Irrigation is now the watchword and the important subject. Let nothing stand in the way of a thorough investigation to the end that the Grande Ronde valley may become an irrigated section.

## Making Traffic Safe

The committee on traffic control, appointed by Secretary of Commerce Hoover, has completed its report to the national conference on street and highway safety to be held in Washington, December 15 to 17, inclusive. About a third of the states are represented on the committee by men and women who, through their official positions or interests, have been more or less compelled to observe traffic conditions and give consideration to the problem of its control.

A summary of their conclusions is divided into 16 paragraphs, each one dealing with a different phase of the problem. This indicates that so much as has been done the country over in haphazard manner has been in the main in the right direction. The cardinal principle is laid down that "rules governing the conduct of drivers and others on the highway should be uniform." If the national conference gives impulse to cooperation among the states for standardization and coordination of traffic laws and regulations it will have performed an important public service.

At the very beginning of its report the committee says that "effective control of traffic from the point of view of safety is bound up with the provision of streets and highways adequate for such control, the maintenance of the highway vehicles in safe condition, the availability of trained officers to administer the traffic regulations efficiently, and the education of the public to realize their individual responsibility to promote safety in every way." This is a generalization the soundness of which is indisputable. It is up to the authorities everywhere to provide as far as possible the fundamental conditions of safety and their rely on strict and impartial enforcement of laws and regulations to produce results.

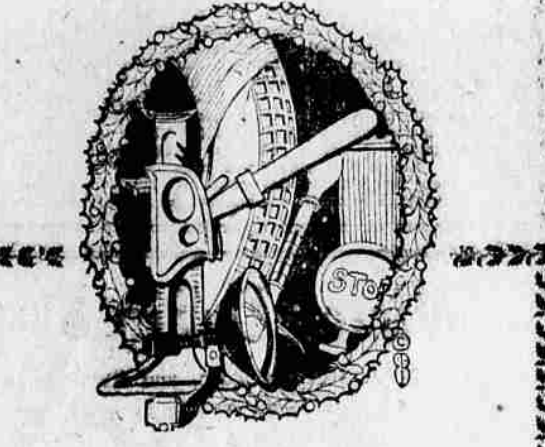
The children in grammar school don't know much more than their parents did when in high school.

Ours is no infant republic, but weaning us from the bottle is nevertheless a tedious and costly process.

When a man is undone he's done, usually. The English language is a wonderful invention.

Since 30,000 horses are killed in bull fights in Spain every year they ought to use flivvers.

Though we already have more laws than we need we are to have more before the robins nest again.



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mother dear. And though she's gone, yet still that power Will bless each life and vanish every tear.

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And now as softly falls the twilight hour Sweet memories come to us of

time with a hole in it was the cue that led to the arrest of Warren Whippley, 27, who said he came from Kansas, and H. B. Willett, 25, of Buffalo N. Y., who yesterday ransacked the automobile of H. E. Young of Huson, Wash., here with his family to partake in the opening celebration of the Hood River-White Salmon bridge.

The men stole a suitcase, containing an approximate \$300 worth of toys and children's clothing, purchased for Christmas gifts for the family. Among the few coins in the suitcase was the ancient dime, which the thieves tried to pass for tobacco at a pool hall. Officers overheard of the dealer and within a short time the men were in jail and the children's toys recovered.

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