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REMOVE FROM ME vanity and flow; give me nothing but poverty and riches; feed me with food convenient for me. —Proverbs 30:3.

## Cleaver Grapples John Bull

One thing must be accredited to George Cleaver, former Imbler resident and apple cider maker but now the state prohibition officer, and that is his lack of fear.

When he heard an English boat had pulled into a Portland dock and on that boat was a quantity of real liquor, Officer Cleaver donned his star of authority and proceeded to ransack the boat confiscating everything that looked like liquor, including the ship's medical supply. Nothing daunted George in his work. He did not care about any treaty with England, nor did he care about international complications. Someone said "whisky" and George, true to his Iowa teaching of swatting demon rum wherever he could find him, did that very thing.

Then came the federal officers and arrested George. But that is a minor matter for he will laugh at those federal officers and in his own breast he will feel that he destroyed some of the distiller's product, regardless of what may come in settling with England.

George gets 'em going and coming. Whether he gets 'em according to rules of the international game remains to be seen, but he is a go-getter all the time when someone says "hoose."

## Coolidge Economy

Many will laugh probably because President and Mrs. Coolidge opened the social season in Washington by giving a dinner which was cooked and served by White House employees, rather than the professional caterers.

Well, it does not make much difference either way. Uncle Sam is sufficiently rich to have his president serve a dinner just the way he chooses, even though it might be very expensive. However, there is something very admirable about the Coolidges and the plain, wholesome manner in which they live and entertain.

There is some apprehension on the part of property owners in new paving districts relative to cracks that have come in lately laid pavement and, according to reports from the city hall, some of the property owners are hesitating on signing up for the improvement. It should be remembered that the recent street improvements in La Grande are covered by a five-year guarantee and if the paving proves defective it will have to be made good. However, cracks in black top pavement during the winter season are quite common as can be observed on Adams avenue where the oldest pavement in the city is located. But, while cracks come in winter, the first warm days of spring seals the pavement again and no bad effect is encountered. In fact the following winter usually shows cracks in other places which again seal with the warm weather of the following summer.

"The youth of today is all right," declared Dr. W. E. J. Gratz, editor of the Epworth Herald, in Chicago, recently, before the annual institute council of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church. To this flat statement he added this explanation: "It has its temptations and shortcomings, but it is far ahead of the youth of any generation the world has known." And then he urged that the parents are more to blame than the children for those troubles which have been placed at the door of the younger generation. Good for Dr. Gratz! It needs courage to take up the cudgels for the "under-dog" and, in championing the cause of the youth of today Dr. Gratz is showing that he is not afraid to fly in the face of pop u lar opinion. Some of the older generation may take exception to his stand, but it should endear him to thousands of the world's future citizens.—Christian Science Monitor.

There are no statues of men who felt sorry for themselves.

Much that passes for philosophy is no more than a good digestion.

Wisdom is merely the reaction that follows contemplation of receipted bills.

## THE OLD HOME TOWN - By Stanley



## OFFICE CAT BY JUNIUS

He was delivering a Victoria. The distance was great—his time very limited. He strained every muscle. When he arrived there he found out that he had broken a record.

She said "good night" twice. Once when he came and once when he left.

A novel guy Is Jerry Black. He borrowed five, And paid it back.

Mrs. Bilge: "I never knew your husband was lazy." Mrs. Bilks: "He's had a postal on his desk for a week now and says he can't read it because it is wrong side up."

Mrs. Browne: "Our new minister is just wonderful. He always brings the truth home to you." Mrs. Maule: "Wouldn't it be perfectly lovely to have a husband like that?"

"Raamus, why you are look so powerful and?" "I done left open my door last night an' all my chickens have gone off home."

Smile at all the senseless Christmas presents you get. You can pass 'em off again next Christmas and get more smiles.

Young Wife: "George, I want a fireless cooker." Young Hubby: "I'll get it for you, dearie, just as soon as I can find a fireless employer."

Mother: "Get us, Elsie. Remember it's the early bird that gets the worm." Elsie (drowsily): "Let him have 'em mother. I'm not hungry."

BLOW, WINDS, BLOW A windy corner now and then is relished by the best of men. And eyes are turned as wind doth blow. Said a man, sometime ago.

But mildly today, she doesn't worry. She turns no corners all a-flurry. She sees no grins, she hears no snickers. A wonderful age, this age of knickers.

NO NEVER Girls used to be given such names as Patience and Prudence, but not now, not now!

Teacher: "So I've caught you chewing gum, have I?" Scammy: "No, ma'am; I wasn't chewing; I was just keepin' it here instead of in my pocket. It's so sticky."

NOT THAT KIND Jones (lighting last Fatima): "I'd like to offer you a cigarette, but—" Smith: "Don't bother. I never smoke cigarette butts."

Store Is Robbed Again. ALBANY, Ore.—Robbers entered the store of J. R. Rolland of Jefferson for the third time within a year and made way with merchandise valued at \$200. Entrance was gained through a window. No trace of the robbers has been found.

Man Faces Third Suit. MEDFORD, Ore.—Ruford Rickman of Ashland, a Southern Pacific roundhouse employ, who was found over to the grand jury on a subornation of perjury charge, and was sued Tuesday for divorce by his wife, was sued again Wednesday, this time by his mother, Martha L. Rickman, also of Ashland, for the collection of an \$1500 promissory note dated March, 1922.

Pierce Favors Child Law Change. SALEM, Ore.—Governor Pierce, in reply to a query received from a New York newspaper, sent a telegram to the publishers that he favored passage of the so-called child labor amendment to the federal constitution. Ratification of this amendment probably will be one of the important matters to come before the Oregon legislature at its next session.

Henry Ford Is Sued. SALEM, Ore.—The E. A. Mitchell Tractor company of Washington filed suit in the circuit court here against Henry Ford, his son Edsel Ford and the Ford Motor Car company of Detroit, Mich., to collect \$304,000 damages alleged to have been suffered by the plaintiff corporation when its agency covering the sale of Fordson tractors in Washington and parts of Montana and Idaho was terminated. Breach of contract was charged by plaintiffs.

Obituary MR. HOOPER. A telephone call was received today from Elgin notifying the Snodgrass & Zimmerman funeral service parlors that the body of a Mr. Hooper was being shipped to La Grande tomorrow on No. 26 from the west. Burial will be held in Elgin. The local undertakers will forward the remains from here to Elgin.

BUY SOMETHING FOR THE Car THIS CHRISTMAS

Perkins Motor Co.

HAL BOHNENKAMP Funeral Director

FIFTH AT SPRING STREET Main 42

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3 MORE SHOPPING DAYS TILL XMAS

**Gloves**  
Warm, fleece-lined and fur-lined gloves with fancy stitched backs. In all the popular shades. \$2.75 to \$9.00

**Slippers**  
Felt Slippers, also leather slippers with felt lining. So warm and comfortable for chilly evenings. \$1.65 to \$3.50

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French flannel, madras, poplin, silk and broadcloth—striking new patterns and tailored to fit. \$2.50 to \$11.00

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Beautifully patterned new silk, silk-and-wool and all-wool imported scarfs, with fringed borders. \$2.90 to \$9.50

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New Silk-and-wool Ties in smart stripes and checks. Also silk-and-wool Ties with slip-easy bands. \$1.00 to \$3.50

**Sweaters**  
In brushed and semi-brushed wool and silk and wool in coat style and slip-overs. \$1.50 to \$15.00

### GIFTS FOR MEN

--They won't tell, But we Will Suggest

**New Gift Hose**  
NOVELTY SOX in Silk, Silk-and-Wool and All-Wool in plaids, checks, stripes and clocks. Sox—the appreciated gift.

STORE WILL BE OPEN TILL 8:30 WEDNESDAY NIGHT ONLY

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For Your Christmas Dinner A BAKED SWIFT'S PREMIUM or CARSTEN'S HAM We Will Also Have TURKEYS, GEESE and CHICKENS We will appreciate your order early.

### CHILDREN'S WOOL HOSE AND THREE-QUARTER WOOL HOSE

Boys' Jersey Suits, sizes 2 to 6 years \$4.00 to \$6.00

New shipment of all kinds of Ribbon Novelties, Hand-made Handkerchiefs, Pillow Cases, Lunch Sets, Buffet Sets, Dresser Covers, Centers, Bath Towels, Ready-made House Dresses, Special, \$1.00.

Baby Wear of all kinds; also Blankets and Robes, Ladies' Princess Slips, \$2.00 to \$3.50

## NORTON'S KIDDY SHOP

Button Holes Stamping Buttons Covered HEMSTITCHING PLEATING

## GIFTS

Can you think of a more valuable present for your child's Christmas than a Certificate of Deposit or a Savings Passbook showing a deposit in this bank drawing interest at four per cent compounded every six months?

Would it not be wise to start an educational fund in this way now and thereby insure a college education for your boy or girl?

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