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The Limekiln Club

The Case of Brother Jones

AFTER the routine business of the Limekiln club had been concluded Brother Givendard Jones got up and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to a question of privilege. I have a complaint to make for insults heaped upon me and upon the club. Did any member of the club ever hear that I ever stole a chicken? Did he ever hear that I stole wood or coal? Has it ever bin in de newspapers dat I was arrested for any kind of theft?"

"Brooder Jones, you has bin looked upon in dis club as an honest man," replied the president. "You haven't bin too honest, but honest 'nuff to dodge along. On one occasion, when you was standin' beside Elder Penstock, he dropped a two bit coin out of his mouf and couldn't find it again. I had every member at dat meetin' searched, and dat misstr' coin was found in your boot leg. You said you knew nuthin' 'bout it. We took your word for it. Yet I would testify dat you was an honest man. Has any one bin in and gone and doubted your honesty?"

"Yes, sah, dey has," Jones rejoined, "and dat's why I arose like a member of congress. I was walkin' out de odder evenin' to enjoy de balmy atmosphere and bathe in de moonlight when a citizen came runnin' up and called me a thief and threatened to break my neck. He said I was dar to steal two or three rods of his plank sidewalk to burn in my stove."

"Did you have a crowbar in your hand to pry up de planks?" inquired the president.

"No, sah, and I called his attention to dat very fact. I also called his attention to de bright moonlight an' de policeman on de corner above. It didn't make any difference wid him, however. He called me all sorts of names and pulled my nose, sah—yes, he pulled my nose. When I told him I was Givendard Jones he said he didn't give kums who I was."

"When I told him I belonged to de Limekiln club he replied dat dis club was composed of blacklegs and thieves. I was never so humiliated in my life. I believed dat man would have torn off my necktie if I hadn't turned and walked away. I ax that somethin' be done 'bout it. I had my dignity to maintain and so has dis club."

"Brooder Jones," said the president, "de white man and de colud man has a great objection to a coal stove in de kitchen. If dey can't buy neither coal nor wood dey has bin known to go out an' bring in a foot ob picket fence or a dozen sidewalk planks. You say you was walkin' out to enjoy de balmy air. Has you ever walked in dat direction before?"

"I—I might hab'."

"If you want me to, Brooder Jones, I will go up and ax dat man what made him insult you, and if he recognized you as a son'nan who carried off three rods of sidewalk 'bout de middle of de winter. Shall I go?"

Brooder Jones gulped and stammered and finally managed to say:

"Mr. President, of course I never stole his sidewalk. But, come to think things over, I have come to de conclusion dat de man had bin drinkin' and was not 'nactly' responsible for what he said. We will therefore, let de hull matter drop."

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LOCALS BREVITIES

Gordon hats \$3 at Kreamer's.

Dr. R. E. Duganne, dentist, National Bank Building.

Annual banquet of the Tuesday Evening Club tonight.

Miss Lena Snyder is a patient at the Dallas hospital.

Cleve Robinson of Lebanon ate turkey with home folks.

Dr. J. B. Grider, dentist, successor to Dr. Allen, Cooper Building, Phone Main 1021.

Bergman shoes, the nearest water-proof made, at Kreamer's.

Elliott-O'Brien Co. are issuing a handsome four-page illustrated Christmas Bulletin which will certainly be much appreciated by Christmas shoppers. Be sure you receive one.

Wallace Huntley is on route one this week.

Suits marked "Gold Bond" are all wool. Buy "Gold Bond" at Kreamer's.

W. W. Percival is in a critical condition and his death is expected at any time.

Robert Grounds has built himself a home on his lots in North Independence.

W. F. Elliott and N. L. Gillespie were buying goods in Portland Monday.

A big line of men's suits and overcoats at Elliott-O'Brien's, exclusive agents for the popular Clothcraft clothes.

A good pair of reading glasses for \$1.00 at O. A. Kreamer's.

Lyon Lodge No. 29, A. F. A. M. will entertain the members of the Eastern Star on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Walker returned from Eugene yesterday where where Mr. Walker has officiated as assistant coach during the foot ball season.

Salem Elks will hold memorial services Sunday for the members who have died during the year 1910. Among those to be honored will be the late George A. Rich.

Something New—The Western Junk Co. has established an office in Independence on C street and will pay the highest prices for metal, hides, rags and old papers.

The Ladies Circle of the Christian church will hold its annual bazaar in the opera house on Saturday, Dec. 2. There will be a musical program in the evening. Admission 10 and 15c.

TO THE VOTERS

It is reported that if elected to the city council, we will vote to close up all the business houses on Sunday. Such a report is false. The present arrangement seems satisfactory and unless conditions become a great deal worse, so bad that a great majority of the people wish the abuse corrected, we will not advocate the passage of any law for the closing of business houses on Sunday.

Peter Kurre.
Wm. B. Barnett.
(Paid advertisement)

Wilson Elected! Tripp still sells and trades farm and city property.

Under the direction of "Billy" Barnett, the young people of the Baptist church will stage a play soon which according to Mr. Barnett will be a fun producer of the first class.

A beautiful and extensive line of silks is carried by Elliott-O'Brien's. Crepe de Chine, Pansy Willow, Chiffon, Taffeta, Taffeta de Chine, etc., are shown in all the correct evening colors.

The Monitor organized an Independence orchestra in its local columns last week and by error gave two places to Ed Lorence. Now perhaps Ed can play two instruments at the same time but for fear that he would only care to play one, we will take him off the trombone and put Pearl Hedges, the old reliable, in the place as we intended to do in the first instance but didn't thru an error of our proof-reader.

ABOUT BRYAN

Monmouth, Nov. 28—To the Monitor—Is it true that W. J. Bryan never carried his precinct, city and county when a candidate for president. Please answer, in next week's Monitor and decide a bet. F. L.

In 1908 Mr. Bryan carried his precinct, city and county by a very large majority, tho all of them were strongly Republican.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to those who helped us and were so kind during the sickness and death of our beloved one.
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Baker.
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hoffman.

FOR SALE CHEAP

Pigs, horses, wagon, buggy, chickens, harnesses, 2-horse corn planter and cultivator, milk cow and other stuff dirt cheap.
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FOR RENT.

Comfortable furnished rooms Mrs. Martha C. Richardson, corner Seventh and Monmouth Streets. 16

WAS RACING TO MEET STORK.

But Policeman Found Cocaine and Heroin in Harvey's Parcel.

New York—A young man hastily leaving the drug store of Henry Rubenstein engaged the professional attention of Policeman Fitch, who asked him what were the contents of a parcel under his arm.

"Can't stop to talk to you now," said the man, who later said he was Paul Harvey. "It's an emergency case, and the stork will soon arrive. If you are married you can understand the situation."

Then he tried to dash off, but Fitch restrained him and insisted upon examining the parcel. According to the policeman, it contained a large quantity of cocaine and heroin. Harvey was held on a burglary charge by Magistrate Brough in Morrisania court.

Birds Stop Gas Supply.
Menominee, Wis.—Two little sparrows caused every gas user in Menominee to go without gas for several hours. The birds built their nest in the outlet pipe of the water tank through which the gas is passed. During the heavy rain the tank overflowed because the nest clogged the outlet pipe. The overflowing of the tank disarranged the apparatus and shut off the gas. The nest was removed later and the gas supply restored.

HIS SILENT VIGIL

French Sentinel Watches Wife and Parents Work.

AN ODDITY OF THE WAR.

Peasant Soldier Cannot Help Kin Because He is on Active Guard Duty. Stationed at Railway Line to Prevent Spies or Vandals From Interfering With Trains.

Paris—A middle-aged man in full health stands idly smoking a pipe. Across the road his wife, his young daughters and his aged parents labor unceasingly in the fields, getting in the crops which they patiently sowed last spring when he stood idly by smoking his pipe as now.

Lazy? Not a bit of it. He is a French peasant of the toiling, untiring kind. But he wears the long blue coat and baggy red trousers of a territorial of the French army, and he carries a magazine rifle with fixed bayonet all the time he is on duty. He is guarding the railway line to prevent spies or vandals from attempting to interfere with the movement of troops or supplies.

Two years he has stood there. Mobilized since Aug. 3, 1914, he dropped his agricultural implements and seized his arms. Just too old for the trenches he has been put on interior guard duty and is fortunate enough to be stationed right opposite his home. Perhaps if he has a kindly colonel he is permitted to sleep at home; otherwise he must walk away from his house and stay in the nearest barracks while he is not on active duty.

As he stands on the railway tracks he looks across the road and watches his wife staggering under heavy pitchfork loads of hay as she swings them to the top of the stack. His parents and his young daughters are not strong enough to toss the hay that high, so all that particular work devolves on his wife. Last spring he watched his aged kin feebly trying to guide the heavy plow through the fields and turning a furrow so shallow he knew little more than half the regular crop would spring up.

But it causes no bitterness in his breast. He realizes it is for "la patrie." And he knows that on all the thousands of other farms in France the same conditions exist. He is thankful that he can be near his home and see his family every day instead of being stationed far off in a trench line or, worse still, patrolling a stretch of railway in a distant corner of the republic.

MIDDLE AGED MEN EXCEL.

Result Shown in Endurance Test by United States Marines.

Santo Domingo—In a test of endurance conducted by Lieutenant Kingston of the United States marines in Haiti to determine the staying powers of his men 175 men ranging in age from nineteen to fifty-two and carrying the regulation hold equipment were given the test of ascending a steep mountain path, approximately eight miles, within a two hour limit.

Eighty-four men accomplished the feat in the prescribed time, and of those 20 per cent were veterans of forty-two years and over. The average age of those who succeeded was twenty-nine years, while the percentage of tender foot recruits among the losers reduced their average to twenty-four years.

This experiment strengthens the theory of many that trained middle age rivals unseasoned youth.

DECLARES HIMSELF ALIVE.

Probate Court Had Said That Arthur George Was Dead.

Seattle—Arthur George, a painter living in Tacoma, appeared at the county clerk's office recently and filed a solemn declaration that he was not dead. He objected to the probate court's action in declaring him dead and turning over \$750 worth of Seattle real estate to Mrs. George, now dead, after he failed to claim his property or his wife after seven years' absence.

"I solemnly declare that I never was dead and am not now," he swears in this statement filed with the county clerk. He was instructed to confer with the Swedish consul, who aided the heirs of Mrs. George to obtain the property.

George said he lived under his own name at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, all the time he was supposed to have been dead until he moved to Tacoma about a year ago.

IS FIRST NEGRESS POLICE.

Los Angeles Woman's Duty to Watch Young of Her Race in Cafes.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Mrs. Georgia A. Robinson, recently appointed to the office of policeman by Chief of Police Sniely, is the first colored woman in the United States to hold such a position.

Mrs. Robinson is an unusual woman. She speaks French fluently and is studying Spanish. In her official position Mrs. Robinson visits cafes, dance halls and other places of amusement frequented by negro juveniles.

Bolt Fires Fireless Cooker.

Janesville, Wis.—An electrical storm which did some damage in this vicinity was marked by one peculiar incident. Lightning struck a farmhouse, went through to the pantry, where it set fire to a fireless cooker. There were no other marks on the house.

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IN SOCIETY

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serving light refreshments to the assemblage.

Preceding the reception Mrs. O. F. Cosper and Miss Elizabeth Cosper gave an elaborate luncheon for Mrs. Casner and the officers of the local club.

Mrs. Casner's stay was limited as she was returning to her Hood River home after an absence of several days. She promises another visit to the Independence club in January.

COMING EVENTS

OWLS.

The Owls will banquet at the Beaver next Monday evening and then enjoy a session of whist at the J. S. Cooper home.

Y. E. C.

Members of the Tuesday Evening Club and their guests will participate in the club's annual banquet this evening at the new social hall.

KILL KARES.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bice will entertain the members of their club with a whist party at their attractive Monmouth street home this evening. The games will be followed by an elaborate luncheon.

CARDS.

Mrs. Lawrason Crane, Mrs. Verd Hill, Mrs. Maurice Butler and Mrs. Clyde Ecker will entertain at a large five hundred party at the home of Mrs. Ecker next Friday afternoon.

DANCE.

The Merrimakers have issued invitations for a large dancing party at the opera house Dec. 28. Patronesses for the event will be Mrs. K. C. Eldridge, Mrs. G. W. Conkey, Mrs. P. M. Kirkland, Mrs. S. B. Walker, Mrs. E. E. Paddock and Mrs. E. Burton.

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