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## A CHAPTER HOUSE LOOKS GOOD TO US

The regular meeting of the American Woman's League was held at the home of Mrs. S. E. Bartness December 17th, 1910. A very interesting meeting was held, plans being laid toward the qualifying for our Chapter House.

The following letter from E. G. Lewis was read and appreciated, as he pledges himself to making a beautiful vase for our Chapter House:

"University City, Mo., Dec. 4, 1910.  
"Hood River Chapter.

"Hood River, Oregon.

"Dear Friends:—Please accept the thanks of Mrs. Lewis and myself for the perfectly delicious apples, and more so for the kind remembrance. Every night now when I finish, about 3 a. m., I eat one of those apples, as I am more fond of them than any other fruit. I never have tasted better ones.

With best wishes,

"E. G. LEWIS.

"I am going to make you a vase for your Chapter House, in return."

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Schmelzler for his kindness in securing an abstract of lot 1, block 1, of the Adams Addition, which has been donated by Mrs. Armstrong for our Chapter House. As it is necessary for every member to be present at our next regular meeting, Jan. 11th, to vote. A request comes from headquarters, with a blank to be filled out, which we must not neglect if we desire to secure our Chapter House in the near future.

A very important matter was spoken of, viz: the importance of everyone who desires to unite and help us sending in their applications now, as February 1st a membership fee will be \$100 instead of \$52 as at present.

The National Daily is now nearing one million subscriptions and after January 1st will cost \$2 per year, as four fine monthly supplements will be issued in connection with the Daily. The Daily can be had for next year, if sent in before Jan. 1, for \$1. Who can get 313 papers and 48 beautiful supplements elsewhere for one dollar. Let us send in four names and help beautify Hood River.

Mrs. J. W. Rigney,  
Press Correspondent.

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## A CLEW

By ALLAN G. LAMOND

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We were working very hard at the factory, few of us getting away before midnight. One evening I went to sleep at my work, and the foreman told me to go home and to bed. It was 9 o'clock and there was little chance of the others getting away till 11. Going to the coat room, I took down my overcoat, put it on and, thrusting my hand into a pocket for my gloves, pulled out a package done up in brown paper. Unrolling it, I saw a thick layer of bank bills.

I looked about me and, seeing that I was alone in the room, rerolled the package and put it back in my pocket. Having taken this precaution instinctively, I began to consider the situation. It was evident that a mistake had been made. But what mistake? Had the corner of the bills been inadvertently using my coat and put his money in my pocket, thinking it was his own, or had he thrust them in hurriedly as it hung on the hook? Were they his own, or had he come by them dishonestly?

Here a new idea came to me. He might have stolen the bills and put them temporarily where they would not compromise him. If so he would probably come for them.

Young as I was, I recognized the importance of the matter. I might appropriate the money to my own use. I had no intention of doing so. A dread came to me that if the money had been stolen and it were found in my pocket I would have to go to state prison.

I decided quickly what I would do and did it at once. I carried the coat into the counting room, where I found the treasurer of the company, Mr. Humber, and handed him the package. He opened it and his eyes at the same time, counted the bills and quick as a flash said to me: "Go hang your coat where it hung before. But stop a moment. The package filled with ordinary paper must be in it. There; that will do. Now carry the coat back, hang it up and take position where you will be hidden and watch and see who takes the property. I don't wish to have any one else in the secret at present and rely upon you to be watchful. These notes have been stolen from this office, and it is of the utmost importance that we discover the thief."

I ran back with the coat, put it on its hook among a number of others and, ensconcing myself behind a door opening against a corner of the room, stood ready for the spying. I soon tired of standing and took a seat on the floor, there being just room enough for me to sit.

An hour passed, and, though several persons came in for their coats, none took mine. Then there was a long interval, during which no one came. Before that interval was broken I had fallen asleep. Awakening with a start, I looked for my overcoat. Running to it, I thrust my hand into the pocket where the dummy had been put.

It was impossible for me to face Mr. Humber that night. Taking the overcoat with me, I went home to find my mother and sister waiting for me. They were both very much troubled at my appearance and greatly excited when I told them the story.

I went to bed, but all desire to sleep had been driven out of me. I remained awake till dawn, and my mother awakened me half an hour later.

"Get up, my son," she said. "We have a clew to the thief."

I sprang out of bed, dressed and after swallowing a cup of coffee went to the factory. When Mr. Humber saw me he looked relieved.

"I thought you had failed me," he said.

I told him the story of my going to sleep on watch. Then I added:

"My sister found a clew in the pocket of the coat last night after I went to bed. She will not trust me with it after my carelessness last night, but says she will give it to any one you may send for it."

"I'll go myself," he said. "Come, show me the way."

I led him to my home, and a few moments later Maggie came down with a bit of white folded paper in her hand.

"Last night," she said to Mr. Humber, "after my brother had gone to bed I instinctively took up the coat and examined it thoroughly, thrusting my hand in every pocket successively. When from the right lower pocket, where he tells me the package was placed, I withdrew my hand I noticed a hair that had been caught between two of my fingers. Here it is."

She opened the paper very carefully and showed him the hair. It was a fiery red.

"Good!" said Mr. Humber. "I think that you might as well have shown me the thief."

He reread the paper about the hair and went back to the factory.

Mr. Humber told me that I had been instrumental in saving the concern \$2,000 and at the same time proved my honesty. He also said that the service would be recognized in time, but not till the thief had been discovered. Ten days later one of the clerks in his department with red hair was arrested. Sufficient auxiliary proof had been obtained to fix the guilt upon him. He finally confessed the theft, but as it was his first offense he was not prosecuted. I was given his place at a good salary.

## SENT TO JAP LAND FOR SMALL BROWN BRIDE

A. Kalokya, the Japanese who sweeps the platform and takes care of the waiting room at the O. R. & N. depot at The Dalles, and who is a familiar figure to most Dalles people, was recently married in Seattle. Kalokya had to send to Japan for his bride and in order to get her into this country it was necessary for Agent J. R. Stehley to give the Jap a letter to the immigration agent at Seattle, stating that Kalokya had been in the employ of the railroad company for two years and was able to support a wife. Mr. Stehley was somewhat surprised, when his employe returned to be presented with a box of cigars and a silk scarf. Upon investigation Mr. Stehley found that it is customary in Japan for the bridegroom to give presents.

## PINE GROVE WILL HEAR FAMOUS MALE SINGERS

Thursday evening, Dec. 29th, the residents of Pine Grove and vicinity will have the opportunity to hear Ye Olde Towne Quartette, one of the most popular male quartettes of the country. The four young men have sung together for three years under the management of the Britt Lyceum Bureau. Their program is instructive, entertaining and pleasing, and consists of quartette numbers in costume, together with readings, solos, and crayon work of the highest order, and always gives satisfaction.

Remember the date, and bring your neighbors and spend an evening never to be forgotten.

### O. A. C. Special Sessions

The Oregon Agricultural College will commence its annual special short courses for farmers on January 3rd and the instruction to be offered this year is probably the best since these courses were started several years ago. Experts in the various branches have been secured and the special work will extend over a period of six weeks.

### Played Successful Engagement

The Fraser Stock Company played a successful engagement here last week, ending with a matinee Sunday. The company is a very good one and drew large audiences which it evidently pleased. Later it expects to return for another series of dates here.

### Defeated White Salmon 36 to 8

The Hood River high school basketball team played the White Salmon team Friday night and defeated the Washington boys to the tune of 36 to 8. The next game will be played here January 6th, when the local team will meet The Dalles.

## AUSTRIANS HAVE LIVELY SCRAP IN BUNK HOUSE

As the result of a near-riot on the property of the Home Orchard Co. southwest of Hood River, two Austrians, Jim and Mike Gottlieb, last week appeared before Justice A. C. Buck against Mike Salvitich and three other Austrians, charging them with assault. Little could be learned of just what did occur in the bunk house where the laborers were housed but from the mixed evidence a general fight seems to have been held. Chris Mitchell appeared as an interpreter, but he could give but little light as to what caused the scrap.

Deputy District Attorney Hartwig appeared for the plaintiffs while the defendants were represented by Derby & Wilbur. The case was later quashed.

### New Year's Day

There will be special services at the Alliance chapel morning and evening on New Year's day and continue each evening at 7:30 p. m.

We have no new thought or new theology, but the old gospel that will make men and women new creatures in Christ Jesus. Come and hear it.—C. E. Perry, pastor.

We print our paper MONDAYS and TUESDAYS. Copy required Monday.

## SKATING RINK CLOSED TO MAKE ALTERATIONS

Action was brought Wednesday by S. W. Stark in Justice Buck's court against George and Nelson Emery, who conduct a skating rink in the old armory building, on account of there being no proper fire escapes and also for the reason that the doors open inward, contrary to law. The defendants agreed to remedy the building in this respect and the case was continued until the alterations were made.

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