

Myths of the Modocs, by Jeremiah Curtin. In Little, Brown & Co. Boston.

Oregonian readers do not curdle to be told that the Modoc Indians originally inhabited the valley of Lost River, Oregon, and the country adjacent to the shores of the Klamath Lake and Tule Lake.

Mr. Curtin, in this volume of 359 pages, has made a valuable contribution to the knowledge of the Modoc people, especially to the department of their legends and fairy tales.

The elements of fancy and romance dwell in these 60 legends. Each one is a story in itself and is graphically told.

Take the story of legend of "Kumush and His Daughter," as an example. Kumush is the Creator, according to Indian myths, and the word "Kumush" is translated as "Spirit."

When it was dark, Wus-Kumush, keeper of the house, came from the west, and there was a light in the center, and there was a light on all sides.

The Auction Block, by Rex Beach. \$1.25. Illustrated. Harper & Brothers, New York City.

No, this is not a story of slavery before our Civil War. It rather pictures the social conspiracy by which penniless young women are made to "catch" rich young men and marry them mainly for the sake of wealth.

Then in the third base, "The Auction Block" as a novel, is entertaining, cynical, human and amusing. It is also, at times, timely and wise.

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Bismarck's Castle, from Modern City Planning and Maintenance

of a sort of walking saloon, Lorelei gets reckless, and aided by Jimmy, when she is every where than usual.

The Secrets of the German War Office, by Dr. Armaard Karl Graves. \$1.50. Illustrated. McBride, Nast & Co., New York City.

Written by Dr. Armaard Karl Graves, in collaboration with Edward Lyell Fox, this book is a positive starter, a bomb suddenly emerging from the dark.

Modern City Planning and Maintenance, by Frank Koester. Illustrated. \$6. McMillan & Co., New York City.

"While city planning is a subject of the greatest antiquity and one of the most important of the modern world," the author writes in the preface.

Dr. Graves began to be a globe wanderer when the British-Boer War broke out he served with a Natal field force in a medical capacity.

That was enough. That diplomat's government at once wanted to lay the hands on him.

The Rise of the Working Class, by Algernon Sidney Crosby. \$1.50. The Century Co., New York City.

In many respects this book is unsettling and revolutionary in its views, but its message is always clear and invariable.

Several of the headings of the book are: Social evolution and revolution; the government of the state; the responsibility of the mother; the emancipation of the children; the "out-family" woman; the slaves of the market; working-class financial education; morality, politics, philosophy; the coming age; the war against poverty, etc.

Evolution means changes in structure; revolution means change in environment.

Our great masses of industry are doing for the commercial world what the statesmen of France did for that country in the eighteenth century.

The working man dwells in every land and wherever the working man is, there the social struggle is being waged.

Personality Plus, by Edna Ferber. \$1. Illustrations by Frederick A. Stokes Co., New York City.

Jock McChesney is a laughable, likeable fellow, and his adventures in this novel, where the advertising agency work is fantastically anticlimactic, are decidedly worth knowing.

Looking After Sandy, by Margaret Turnbull. \$1.25. Illustrated. Harper & Brothers, New York City.

Sandy is a wife, a founding, a wholesome, interesting girl. She is the heroine of this entertaining novel, and has a refreshing message for all girls.

Books Added to Library. GENERAL WORKS. Hardy—Public Library; its place in our educational system. 1912.

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SCIENCE. Crewey—Harper's guide to wild flowers. 1912. Cliff—Castles and cave dwellings of Europe. 1911.

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DEMOCRATS FEAR DEFEAT. Voters in Fifth Oklahoma District Turn to Republicans.

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 13.—That the First Congressional District, comprising the chief oil producing counties of Oklahoma, and embracing a large and rich zinc mining belt, will return a substantial majority for John Fields, Republican.

Edna Ferber

Chapter II—(Continued.)

ND Von Gerhards came. The spallens watched for him, their noses flattened against the window-pane, for it was raining.

He looked at her, then he began to talk. Half an hour sped away while we discussed New York—books—music—art—everything and anything.

"Eggs?" queried Von Gerhards, as though making a happy suggestion.

"Eggs?" I snorted. "Eggs! Thousands of 'em! Eggs hard and soft boiled, poached and fried, scrambled and fried, scrambled and fried."

"You can laugh, eh? Well, that is good," commented the girl and smiled.

Laugh! I commanded. "Paradise" inquired he, as one who is sure that he has misunderstood.

But he did. After a moment's bewilderment he sprang to his feet and gave vent to a great, deep, infectious roar of mirth that brought the spallens tumbling up to the ceiling.

There followed a process which reminded me of the "Pittsburgh dawn."

"Certainly," I said, with elaborate sarcasm. "How should you advise me to earn my living in the future?"

"I have a great knowledge of human nature. Then, too, there is your gift of humor. Surely that is a combination which should make your work acceptable in the magazine."

"I was thinking only of your good. We do that, sometimes, forgetting that circumstances may make our wishes unworkable."

"I had helped her clean the kitchen and the pantry I noticed an expression of deepest pity over my head."



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delle into the sticky mysteries of a new kind of cake.

"The children have appointed themselves official lickers and scrapers of the spoons and icing pans, also official guides on their sniffs."

At which doubtful compliment I returned, recklessly: "Pooh! What's a puff more or less in a worthy cause?"

"So Spring danced away, and Summer sauntered in. My pillows looked less and less tempting. The wine of the northern air tinged the sky."

"I finished the egg-noodle in four gulps, returned the empty tumbler with an air of decision, and sank upon the grass."

"I suppose the straw vote will go out of fashion now," said the Kansas man.

"Women who vote won't be satisfied to use straws. They'll want to use ribbons."

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