

# IN THE LAND WHERE THE SAND MAN DWELLS

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## EVENING STORIES AND TALES FOR THE LITTLE PEOPLE

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### BOBBIE'S SUMMER IN THE COUNTRY—THE PICNIC.

The day before Bobbie had to go back to his home in the city. Grandpa hitched old Rose and Nell to the hayrack and took him and eight of his little friends out for a picnic.

It was a fine day and all of the boys and girls were happy.

Rover went along and had his share of the good time.

The children sang all of the way to the place where they were to have their picnic. They were a jolly crowd.

Their picnic ground was a shady spot close to the river. The water was shallow here so there was no danger.

After they had played at dropping the handkerchief and several other games, they took off their shoes and stockings and began wading.

Soon they began to get hungry and while the boys built a fire, the girls prepared the lunch. It was a real picnic dinner on the ground.

After they had eaten they sat on the grass and told stories.

Our friend, Bobbie, told them all about the animals at Lincoln Park. He told how the sea lions would fight over their food when it was thrown into the water, how fond the old mother lion was of her baby lions, how the monkeys chattered when the boys and girls fed them peanuts, how the little tame squirrels ran through the park and many other things.

Late in the afternoon they built

a huge bon-fire and roasted apples and potatoes.

Bobbie wanted to see his papa and mamma, but he did so hate to go back to the hot, smoky city, away from all this fun.

When the children said Good Bye to him, he began crying.

"Never mind, Bobbie," Grandpa told him, "you will be back at Christmas time to spend your winter vacation and then we will have bushels of fun. We will have a big Christmas tree and dinner and we will go sleigh-riding, and just think how the bells will jingle. We will go skating, make snow men, and do all of the things that make boys and girls happy at Christmas time."

(The end.)

### ROGER.

Roger was a big yellow dog with a shaggy tail. He was larger than his little mistress, who was only five years old.

Elsie's Mama felt her baby was quite safe when Roger was with her as she knew that he would take care of her.

Elsie wore a pink sunbonnet while playing, and just as sure as you saw that pink sunbonnet, you saw that big yellow dog with the shaggy tail.

People often wondered why Elsie did not have more playmates, but if they had watched her and the dog, they would have known. Roger knew how to play "Hide and Seek"

and many other simple games that his little mistress had taught him.

One day Elsie's mother said, "Now, Roger, you must watch Elsie closely for there are gypsies camping near here." Roger seemed to understand and began to lick Elsie's chubby face.

A few mornings later when the little girl went out to let Roger out of his house, she found the lock broken, and no dog. This was the longest, and most lonely day that Elsie ever spent. Night came on and still Roger did not return. Roger's little mistress cried herself to sleep that night, and would not play the next day.

Just a week after the dog had disappeared, Elsie's mother heard a scratching on the door and when she had opened it, in bounced Roger, all covered with dust, and with his tongue hanging out. He lost no time in finding Elsie, and was soon on the sofa licking her hands. Fastened to a cord around his neck was a note which read, "Here is the dog. I wanted him and knew that you would not sell him. When I began to think how chummy he and the Sunbonnet Kid were, I could not stand it, so I let him loose so that he could go home."

Soon Roger and the "Sunbonnet Kid" were playing together—a happy pair. Did you ever see the like? After this Roger always slept in the kitchen.

"I think it was Roger and not me that the gypsies wanted," said Elsie.

### MONDAY POSTOFFICE HOLIDAY.

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## HOEY TALKS OF RAILROAD

Says Line Down Coast to Eureka Will Eventually Be Built.

That a railroad from Marshfield to Eureka is an eventually, was the statement made by Engineer Hoey after returning from his trip through this part of the country to Eugene. The Eugene Register says: H. P. Hoey, assistant engineer, who has charge of all the railway surveys for the Southern Pacific line in Oregon, arrived in the city yesterday from an extended itinerary of the field of operations on the various lines and surveys.

Mr. Hoey left via the Oregon Eastern to Oakridge then on to Klamath Falls. From Klamath Falls he doubled back to Grants Pass, thence to Crescent City and on to Marshfield. From that point Mr. Hoey came back to Eugene over the right of way of the proposed Willamette Pacific. This trip, according to Mr. Hoey, was taken in order that he might familiarize himself with general conditions along the routes traversed.

Asked concerning the probable extension of the road from Marshfield to California, Mr. Hoey stated that the contract had been let for the construction of a branch line from Eureka to Willits, thus closing up a gap of approximately 150 miles. As to the Marshfield-Eureka connecting link, Mr. Hoey said that would be an eventually, as a line had been surveyed along the coast with this object in view. This would be essentially a scenic route, according to the assistant engineer, who is of the opinion that its suggested grandeur could not be surpassed anywhere in the world. Another advantage of this route would be the cool weather which prevails on the coast at all seasons of the year.

Mr. Hoey reports activity in the railroad camps between Eugene and Mapleton. That region is swarming with crews busied in clearing the right of way of brush preparatory to grading. The approaches to the portals of the Umpqua tunnel, No. 7, are being divested of brush in order that work of driving this, the longest passageway through the mountains, may be started at once. This subterranean cavity will be 4100 feet in length. Copenhagen brothers who will drive the tunnel are sub-contractors from Port & Brothers.

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### BACK FROM EUROPE

Editor Times:

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Berglund have returned from a pleasant trip to the land of their birth, Finland, which is also a land of the mid-night sun. On the 10th of May last the journey, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mattson of Catching Inlet, was begun, via Portland, Seattle, St. Paul, Chicago and New York. Aboard the Mauritania, they left America to see the place of the birth, which they had not seen since leaving twenty years ago.

In Liverpool, England, the two families separated in order to reach different points of destination in the homeland, the Berglunds going to Vasa and the Mattsons to Gamla Karleby.

It goes without saying that it was a treat to see the old folks relatives and friends once more. After sojourning in different sections of Finland for more than two months, the return trip was begun on the Cunard liner, Caronia. In company returning was Miss Selma East, whose parental home is Vasa, Finland, but who expects to make America her land of adoption.

At Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Berglund and Miss East spent a couple of days sight-seeing, also visiting the Rev. J. Richard Olson and the Judge Anderson family. Rev. Olson is well known on the Bay, formerly having charge of the Swedish Lutheran congregations in Marshfield and North Bend. His charge in Portland is indeed prospering, says Mr. Berglund, and it was a pleasure to see the former Coos Bay man forging ahead to success in the new field as he did while here on the Bay. The parsonage is an elegant home near the church in a choice section of the city. "And believe me," said Mr. Berglund, "we had a rattling good time there too. We also had the pleasure to meet and make acquaintance with the famous surgeon, Dr. C. O. Young, formerly of Chicago but now located in Portland. He is the foremost Swedish-American surgeon in this country today. He is already known to a large number of people on the Bay, having performed several operations upon parties here, among them Mrs. Henry Olson of North Inlet.

"Regarding the conditions, generally, in the old country it can truthfully be said that they are better and brighter than twenty years ago. This is due to the general enlightenment and higher education that the people have secured, enabling them to make more out of their opportunities than before. We enjoyed every moment of the trip, and would have a longer story to relate but will not crowd the columns of your valued paper. But after all it seems good to get back to good old Coos Bay." An appreciative reader of The Times, North Bend, Oregon.

### AT THE THEATER.

Marshfield is fortunate to have an excellent attraction for Labor Day, when everybody is looking for good amusement and recreation. The management of the Masonic Opera House has secured Lee Willard and company for two nights, starting Monday, Sept. 2. Mr. Willard will be favorably remembered by Marshfield theater-goers from his last visit to the city when he presented "The Country Squire" and "Monte Cristo."

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