

Fifteenth Child Born to Mother in Oregon State Hospital for Insane

Charles Alexander Writes "Bobbie, a Great Collie"

Story of Dog Who Found Way Back Home Unaided From Middlewest Declared to Have Been Told With Charm Equal to Greatest Books Written

Reviewed by Col. E. Hofer, President Oregon State Humane Society

Oregon is not only the home of the greatest collie dog in the world, but has produced a writer of dog stories who will become famous in the canine literature of the world—Charles Alexander of Albany.

His book, "Bobbie, a Great Collie," published by Dodd, Mead & Co., New York, was released to the book trade on April 24, and, in the opinion of the Boston Transcript, deserves to be placed side by side with Kipling, the creator of Mowgli and the Jungle Books.

In the story of Bobbie, the Silvertown dog, who, at the age of two and one-half years, was taken on a motor car trip to Indiana by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brazier of Silvertown, Oregon, to visit their relatives, was lost, and made his way back to Silvertown, 3000 miles, unaided, in mid-winter, the author has presented the most remarkable animal performance in the history of the world.

Bobbie overcame tremendous obstacles in mid-winter, crossing plains, deserts, rivers, the Rockies, and several other mountain chains, unguided but by his instinct and his subconscious devotion to his master, returning to the little restaurant in the little city of Silvertown within six months, to a day, from the time he left on the trip east.

Mr. Brazier, assisted by J. G. Crossley of Portland, a director of the Oregon State Humane society, established beyond question the identity of the hero shepherd dog soon after his return home.

In Mr. Alexander's book the story is told with all his dramatic and entertaining literary ability. Like all lovers of animal nature, Mr. Alexander is a student of animal psychology, and indicates the deeper qualities, the poise, dignity and personality of this wonderful dog.

He traces the final appearance in the dog's inner nature of that marvelous instinct which led him to follow a direction west, to the home of his master, as faithfully as the mariner's compass does the polar star.

Its dawning is thus described, after months of groping in his subconscious mind:

"Something had stirred in the dog. Faint it was, and indistinguishable, like a vague blur on a desert horizon. Bobbie clung to it. In his mind he gazed and gazed at this blur, straining to round it into something he could see and understand, doggedly clinging to it, paying only half-attention to the outside world he drifted through.

"Thus he went westward across the entire state of Illinois, and plunged deep into Iowa before he stopped. He loped on deserted pavements at night, he skirted villages with an eye sidewise for trouble in the shape of men or dogs, he avoided bridges, and pulled himself, panting, from the swirling clutch of streams he swam.

"And he drifted on, in all these days, his head low, and with no eye for whither he drifted. Always he groped deep in ancient unused reaches of his instinct for the blurred vision there that tantalized him." (It should be remembered

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Five Hero Medals Mark Brave Acts of Dead Man

Fifteen Other Acts of Heroism Recognized at Spring Meeting of Carnegie Fund Commission, Following Careful Check on Deeds Recorded

PITTSBURGH, April 30.—(By Associated Press.)—Five of the heroes recognized by the Carnegie Hero Fund commission at the spring meeting here today, lost their lives in the commission of heroic deeds. Fifteen other acts of heroism were cited, a bronze medal being awarded in each case.

The dependants of those who made the supreme sacrifice were awarded pensions aggregating \$3,840 a year, while one was given \$500 to be applied as the commission sanctions. In addition, \$1,600 was appropriated for educational purposes and \$11,000 for other worthy purposes. In all twenty cases bronze medals were awarded.

Those who lost their lives were: Stanley C. Delaney, 16, student, died attempting to save a girl from drowning at Grassy Point, N. Y., July 22, 1924. The medal went to his father, Delbert A. Delaney, 121 Shippen St., Weehawken, N. J.

J. Stuart Kieffer, 1212 Miller street, Utica, N. Y., died in an attempt to rescue a man from drowning at Eaton, N. Y., August 22, 1925; the medal and \$75 a month with \$5 additional monthly for a daughter, was awarded the widow.

William John Crawford, Box 65, East Jordan, Mich., died attempting to save a man from drowning at East Jordan, Mich., June 27, 1924; medal and \$65 a month, with \$5 monthly additional for each of three children to the widow.

E. Hale Elston, Rural Route 8, Newton, Ill., died attempting to save a boy from drowning at Mason, Ill., Aug. 28, 1924; medal with \$65 a month and \$5 monthly additional for each of three children to the widow.

Robert W. Gibson, Mason, Ill., postmaster, died attempting to rescue a man from drowning at Mason, Ill., Aug. 28, 1924; medal with \$55 a month and \$5 a month additional for each of five children to the widow.

One woman received recognition. She is Mrs. Helen Gertrude Dickey, 35, 1515 North Delmont avenue, Springfield, Ohio, dairy farmer. She was awarded a bronze medal for rescuing a farm hand from an enraged bull at Springfield, Jan. 19, 1922.

The other heroes are: Eddie G. Mathews, 124 West Elm street, Hillsboro, Tex., saved a woman and child from being killed by a train at Hillsboro, October 28, 1922.

S. Ellsworth Lewis, Upper Economy, Nova Scotia, Canada, farmer, saved a fellow farmer from drowning at Upper Economy, July 19, 1924.

William G. Wathen, Milford Station, Nova Scotia, Canada,

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'OLD SOL' MIXES WITH LYNX STORY

Rev. E. H. Shanks Writes Another Juvenile Story for Sunday

BY REV. SHANKS

Solomon Engleman lived on the farm adjoining ours on the south. He was not the oldest man in the neighborhood, by any means, but we all called him "Old Sol." As far back as I can remember that was his name.

"Old Sol" was one of those happy, jolly, good natured men who always saw the bright side of things, always had a good story to tell, and always had his little joke to play on any one who came along. Some times the joke turned on him. Then he was good natured enough to take it, and laugh about it, too. We all liked "Old Sol."

It so happened one time that a report got out about that a lynx was in the neighborhood.

Several people had been reported to have seen the wild bob-cat or whatever it was, and because a lynx had never been seen by any of the people in our part of the country it was supposed to be about the wildest and most terrifying and dangerous of all the wild beasts ever heard of.

So of course, everybody was a bit afraid, and especially at night when such animals are supposed to prowls about.

It was late autumn. During the afternoon and evening a considerable fall of snow had come. The night was pale moonlight, which with the snow, gave a sort of ghostly look to things generally.

"Old Sol" had been at one of the neighbors some distance from home and coming home he saw the lynx. He was sure it was the lynx. It was over by the rail fence that ran along the side of the road.

He could see it standing there on its hind legs with its head up over the fence; eyes shining, and ready to spring at him if he should attempt to pass.

He could see its ears sticking up and the little tassel-like tufts of hair hanging from the tips of its ears. No mistake, it was the lynx alright.

Now to tell the truth, I sup-

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THE STORY UP TO DATE

Eve Maclurie, young, beautiful, thrifty, passionately satisfied with life, loved both her employer, JOHN INGATE, thirty, president of John Ingate's Sons, Inc., one of the largest firms in Central City, and CLAY WALES, an employe of the Ingate concern. She rejected John to marry Clay because she believed that the latter, weak, irresponsible, fiercely jealous, needed her more. Once they were wed, however, she had her doubts about the wisdom of her choice.

On their honeymoon in Chicago, they enjoyed guest privileges at the Mohawk country club through the courtesy of John Ingate. There, while playing tennis, they met a MISS JOHNSTONE, violet-eyed, mysterious, and her escort, REGRIE WHITE, who were immediately very friendly. Eve and Clay had no reason to suspect that the pair were blackmailers, utilizing Miss Johnstone's powers of fascination to entrap wealthy men.

The following day, at their hotel, they ran into John Ingate, who, he explained, had been called to the city on business unexpectedly. Although Eve, with Miss Johnstone in mind, perhaps, had decided she didn't want to go back to the country club, when John Ingate proposed a trip out there to the two of them, they went along.

Now go on with the story:

TWENTY-FIVE

When John Ingate was away from Central City he enjoyed himself much more than his mother and sister, or his business associates would have suspected. In Central City he was something of a figure of importance, with a position to keep and a dignity to preserve. But in New York or Chicago, or in other cities to which the demands of business took him he was a person of no importance, and he enjoyed himself as a man does when he rids himself of tight shoes and rasping collar. He spent money for pleasure with careless abandon; ate in the lively restaurants; saw the peppery shows; gambled and drank, with moderation, it can be said, at the club. Such things are unseemly in Central City in a business leader and church goer, and at home John Ingate observed the code. In the big city he was a different man.

The can in which he drove Clay and Eve Wales to the

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Sabbath School Lesson

Arranged From the Improved Uniform International by F. J. TOOLE

Lesson for May 2—"God's Covenant With Noah." Lesson Text: Genesis 8:20; 9:27. Golden Text: I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a token of a covenant between me and the earth.—Gen. 9:13.

In order to grasp the meaning of God's covenant with Noah, the whole story of the flood should be clearly in the mind of the teacher and the pupil.

1—"The Cause of the Flood"—6:1-8. It was an apostasy from God. The two types of men we saw in Cain and Abel (the one of proud self-will, the other of humble faith), developed on diverging lines, but as they multiplied they came into contact and intermarried.

2—"The Ark the Way of Salvation"—6:14-7:24. Although all flesh has corrupted its way before God, in His mercy provision was made for such as would avail themselves of it. Christ is the ark into which all who enter are eternally saved. As all outside of the ark perished, so all outside the redemption of Christ shall perish—Mark 16:16; II Thess. 1:8, 9; John 3:18, 19, 36; I Pet. 3:18-22. Observe in connection with this judgment and provision of salvation: 1—The long-suffering God—He waited 120 years. 2—Noah a preacher of righteousness—II Pet. 2:5. God not only waited long, but through Noah sounded forth intelligent warnings. 3—

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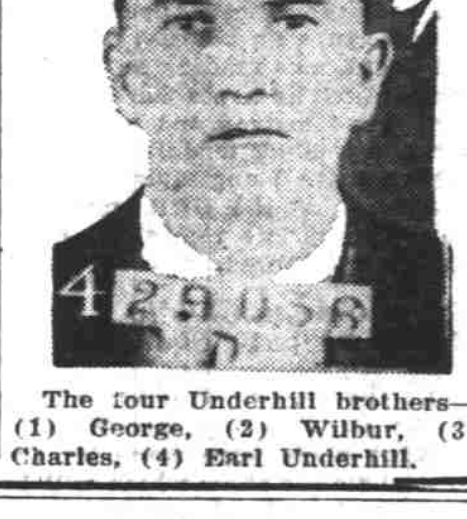
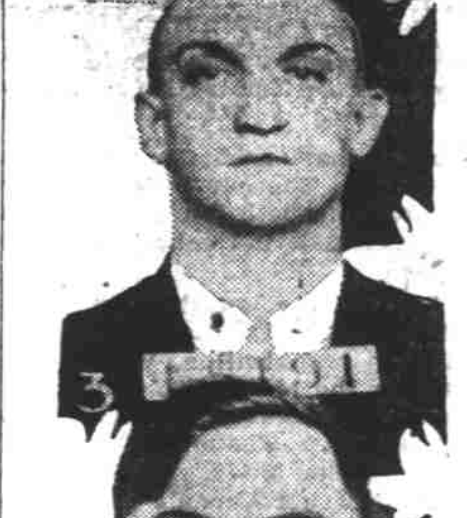
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Tragedy of Human Wrecks Seen In Eastern Criminals

Workings of Mendel's Law Seen in Hereditary Tendency in Confined Oregon Family and in Eastern Case Where Four Brothers Are Jailed

Four Brothers In Pen Set New Prison Record



The four Underhill brothers—(1) George, (2) Wilbur, (3) Charles, (4) Earl Underhill.

The 15th child was born to a mother who for three months has been an inmate of the asylum, commonly known as the state hospital, here Wednesday.

The late Theodore Roosevelt, great advocate of large families, did not have this kind in mind when he spoke of the responsibilities of the strong husband and the strong wife. By the birth in the asylum Wednesday, the state's list of potential wards was increased by one. Sixteen members of the same family had already been declared incapable of living normal lives and had been confined, to be supported by taxpayers of the northwest for the remainder of their existence.

These 15 children had no chance from the day they opened their eyes. The father was given a cell in the state penitentiary. He was transferred later to the asylum where he died. The mother's confinement proves how little she had to contribute to the mental vigor of her offspring. Each parent contributing weakness, of the 14 children preceding the one born Wednesday, one is in the Oregon state penitentiary, one is in the Oregon state training school, one is in the Oregon Girls' Industrial school, one is in the Oregon state institution for the feeble minded. The remaining unfortunates, having entered the world without a chance, are in state institutions of Washington and Idaho.

Science has ended the possibility of continuation of this living tragedy, yet elsewhere, unhindered, the same black story is being written by the intermarriage of human derelicts. Witness this striking story from Jefferson, Missouri:

(By Central Press.) JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 25.—Four brothers, serving terms in the penitentiary here, furnish criminologists with an interesting study. The brothers, members of the Underhill family of Neosho, Newton county, Missouri, are serving terms

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Spring Delight

Take a loaf of soggy bread and soak in hot water over night (see that the water is kept hot all night) in the morning baste with vinegar and sweet spirits of ammonia, make a cream dressing of cod-liver oil and powdered alum, add a touch of garlic then throw it out the window and open a can of salmon.

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Rufe's Ravings



AT THIS SEASON . . . NO NEWSPAPER COLYUM is complete . . .

WITHOUT SOME REFERENCE to the advisability of changin' from winter to summer lingerie. . . .

NOT BEIN' ABLE to think of any wise-cracks on the subject and not carin' whether you change yours now or later I'm goin' to leave the matter entirely to your individual judgment. Let your conscience be your guide.

"NO PARKING" signs have proven effective on our city streets. Why not "NO SPARKING" signs for the country by-roads?

THIS WEEK'S prize winning dumb-bell is the geek who told the census taker that his vocation was the last two weeks in August.

I ONCE NOTICED this sign near a cuspidor in a cigar store: "Don't Spitattit, SPIT-INIT"

THEY USED TO SAY certain things would "spring up like mushrooms." Now they say "Spring up like barbecue lunch stands on the highway."

ALSO . . . People used to "enjoy" certain things. Now they "Getta Kick outa it."

Helpful Hints for Housewives At this season of the year the busy housewife faces the problem of providing dainty dishes to tempt the jaded appetites of her family. The following recipe is recommended as being particularly suited to spring diet as it is rich in nutritive elements yet tasty and appetizing. It also contains a high percentage of Adenoid "A."

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The Busy Reader's Newspaper

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Greeting you on May 2, how many days of last week were you able to read a daily newspaper thoroughly? By spending five minutes here, you can be well informed on all important local happenings.

Monday, April 26

Salem Heights, realizing that it could easily block any attempt to place a city dump there, protested strenuously. City officials had previously declared no dump would be placed there. The protest, however, ended all controversy.

Opposition which met the advent of buses into Salem street transportation system apparently dwindled away for only eight citizens were present when the public hearing was held on Monday night to consider plans calling for complete cessation of street car service. Adequate bus service has been promised.

True summer weather hit the valley, opening a hot spell which finally took the official thermometer well above 90 degrees, before cooler weather set in.

Tuesday, April 27

Taxpayers of Salem on May 19 will once more have the opportunity to say whether or not they are willing to have \$120,000 of bonds transferred from the Lincoln school district for the purpose of a new school site and the erection of a school unit on the so-called Tuxedo Park tract. A special election to be held just two days before the May primaries was called by the Salem school board after Dr. J. O. Mathis, president of the South Salem parent-teachers association, had presented a petition bearing over 150 signatures of taxpayers asking for the election. Only ten signatures are required to bring about such an election. School directors expressed the hope that taxpayers will realize this time that by voting yes they do not vote for more bonds, but merely vote for the transference of bonds already issued.

All existing heat records for April, in the history of Salem weather bureau, were broken here when the mercury in the official thermometer reached 93 degrees.

Another chapter will be written in the case of Tom Murray, Ellsworth Kelley and James Willos, convicts under sentence of death for the part they played in the prison break of August 12, 1925, when arguments on their appeal to the supreme court of Oregon will be heard on May 25. The date was revealed on Wednesday.

Eleven hundred students gathered at the Oregon Electric station at 4 o'clock to bid a last farewell to the group of four students who departed for Salem, Mass., to meet the high school team of that city in the first high school cross-continent interscholastic debate on May 7.

Despite political promises of tax reduction and a statewide clamor for termination of government fads, a summary of the taxes levied in the state of Oregon for the year 1926 based on the tax rolls for 1925 showed a total of \$44,795,048 or approximately \$2,314,700 in excess of the amount levied in the year 1925 based on the tax rolls for 1924. The levy for 1925 was \$42,660,338. The state tax for the year 1926 is approximately \$291,000 less than in the year 1925, while the county levy was reduced from \$3,836,298 in 1925 to \$3,540,596 in 1926. The state tax levied in 1925 was \$7,492,761 as against \$7,200,830 for the year 1926. Total tax levy for Marion county for the year 1926 is \$1,869,966 and for Polk county \$565,114.

Thursday, April 22

The Oregon Statesman issued its annual crude drug slogan number. Pollution of the source of Salem's drinking water, the Willamette river, is the basis of an investigation of the Salem

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Bible Supplies Prize Film Idea



Miss Catherine Comstock, 28, Long Beach, Calif., Sunday school teacher, wins first prize for having suggested Biblical story of the deluge for the theme of a motion picture spectacle. She made the suggestion in an international contest in which 38,000 competed.