

GENEROSITY OF A JOLLY UNCLE

LIVE ROMANCE OF NEWLY WED-
DED NIECE.

BUSINESS MEN OF INDEPEN-
DENCE ARE LEADING CHARAC-
TERS IN ROMANCE—UNCLE
JOSH PLAYS IMPORTANT PART.

"Miss Summers—Polly—I—I—er-
dare I—" But the speaker took a
header over bashfulness, only to hear
a sweet

"Yes, Charley."

"Can I aspire to—er—to—that is—"
Again a lapse into silence, followed
by an encouraging

"Yes, Charley."

"Oh, if I might only hope to—er-
to—"

Another failure of language. It was
seemingly a hopeless case, and might
have been, only for a demure—

"Charley, I have said 'yes' twice,
and if you mean it, I mean it, too,
and—"

And to this day that young man
will insist that he popped the ques-
tion.

All this happened away "down
east," and it wasn't long before there
was a wedding. Not much longer be-
fore there came a letter from Polly's
Uncle Josh out here in Independence,
who wrote effusively of his delight at
her exhibition of what he called
"grit," and he proposed that if the
young people would locate at Indepen-
dence he would start them up in life,
as a wedding gift. Of course, they ac-
cepted, and were soon bidding their
friends adieu.

"After breakfast," said the old
man, "I am ready to go buy your out-
fit. To expedite matters I have or-
dered a carriage from Isaac W. Dick-
inson, our enterprising livery man." When the handsome carriage, with
elaborate trappings and prancing
horses drew up in front of the ho-
tel, Polly declared it the "finest turn-
out she had ever seen."

"Yes, Sir-ee," replied Uncle Josh,
"the three S's, 'Speed, Safety and
Style,' is Dickinson's coat of arms. So
young folks, when you want to take
a drive, either for business or pleas-
ure, go to him for a rig every time.
His wedding, party and funeral equip-
ments are unsurpassed. Home phone
3810; Bell phone 293."

"Where to?" asked the polite driv-
er, as the trio entered the convey-
ance. Uncle Josh looked askance at
his wards.

"Oh, goodness knows; there's lots
to buy," remarked Polly. Then sup-
pose we buy 'lots' first," quoth Char-
ley, without turning a hair. Uncle
Josh saw the point and started for
Tucker & Ferguson's real estate of-
fice, remarking on the way: "I can
always depend on them for bargains
in real estate, as they never hold out
false lights to induce people to buy.
What they tell you about property,
may be set down as solid facts. They
control a large list of desirable resi-
dences as well as ranch properties,
and their judgment on the 'good
things' is par excellence."

The party was not long in making
a dicker for a nice house in Indepen-
dence and a ranch, which Charley
considered a splendid investment.

"By the way," exclaimed Uncle
Josh, with a paternal air, "the next
thing to look after is the lumber for
those improvements which are abso-
lutely necessary. Come with me, and
I'll introduce you to J. S. Bohannon,
who is the principal dealer in that
line here, and he has a well equipped
planing mill in connection. He car-
ries the most complete line of build-
ing material in the county—every-
thing from the sills for the foundation
to the shingles for the roof, includ-
ing doors and windows, mouldings,
etc. It is pleasant to deal with him,
for his greatest aim is to give satis-
faction to every customer. In a few
minutes Uncle Josh had made all ar-

rangements for the building material.

"Having provided you with a cage
for the bird," said Uncle Josh, "now
the first thing we'll look after will be
the furnishings for it." Hereupon
Polly energetically declared that she
had heard so much about Bice & Cal-
breath that she had decided to go
there. The result was that they were
ushered into such a bewildering dis-
play of furniture that the girl was at
first at a loss how to select. But she
soon yielded to the seductiveness
of a magnificent parlor suit, a bed-
room set in oak, antique finish that
would do credit to old Antiquity him-
self. To this she added an easy rock-
er for Uncle Josh, and didn't forget
a most convenient and ornamental
writing desk for "hubby" Charles.

"Halt," commanded Uncle Josh, as
the party came in front of P. M.
Kirkland's handsome drug store.
"Walk right in," "Why, Uncle, we're
not sick, and—" "Guess I know that,
but I suspect it won't be long before
this young man begins to take an in-
terest in matters of paragonic and—"
"U-n-c-e!" "Well, go in, anyway;
Polly may find some toilet articles
she wants." Sure enough, before leav-
ing she bought combs, brushes, face
powders, and she found just the wall-
paper for their new house and gave
an order for it. "Don't forget," added
Uncle Josh, "to come here with your
prescriptions, as Mr. Kirkland and
his clerks are competent pharmacists
and use pure and reliable drugs."

"A pretty good start," said the old
man, "and now we'll go to Bice &
Calbreath's big hardware and stove
store." Here Polly's housewifely in-
stincts had full play in marvels of
kitchen apparatus. "There is not an
establishment in the country that car-
ries a more comprehensive stock of
household furnishings," remarked Un-
cle Josh. "Every possible piece of
kitchen furniture from a tin dipper to
a cooking range is here, in all styles
and variety." If Polly fails to accom-
plish wonders in the culinary art, it
will not be for want of superior cook-
ing utensils, for she purchased a
Charter Oak range with all equip-
ments needed in a well regulated
kitchen, besides a Perfection oil stove
and a refrigerator for summer use.
All of which Uncle Josh paid for with
delight.

"Strange, now, ain't it, how one
thing brings up another," sententiously
remarked Polly, as they emerged
from the china store. "Carpets and
draperies, you know, are of great im-
portance." "Oh, well, my young lady,
it won't take long to settle the mat-
ter," replied Uncle Josh. "Walk right
around the corner of the street a lit-
tle further and we'll visit the only ex-
clusive carpet house in the city. Bice
& Calbreath can show you more hand-
some floor coverings than could be
found in a day's journey, sold at mod-
erate prices, too." Polly was soon
reveling in a perfect elysium of beau-
tifully designed carpets and rugs, of
every conceivable shade and pattern,
including Wiltons, Axminsters, vel-
vets, brussels and Ingrains, besides
linoleums and matting, of which she
selected enough for every room in
her house, together with draperies,
lace curtains and such.

While Uncle Josh was pondering
where to go next, Polly suddenly
asked: "Uncle, where can I find the
leading millinery establishment?"
"Just a few doors further on Main
street," replied Uncle Josh, "and we
will visit Mrs. M. W. Wallace, who,
by the way, has on hand one of the
complete stocks of millinery to be
found in the city. You can get what
you want there, the latest styles and
lowest prices being her motto. Years
of experience guarantees that when
you have purchased of her you have
the thing according to fashion and a
satisfaction that your work has been
done by a competent artist." In a
few hours there was never a happier
girl than Polly, for her spring hat
was a perfect dream of loveliness.

After this visit Uncle Josh sug-
gested a resort to some place of re-
freshment. At the table the old man
waxed philosophical. "Never neglect
your larder," said he. "That impor-
tant adjunct to housekeeping controls
masculine temper. To that end you
must patronize a grocer on whom you
can depend for honest goods. In ev-
ery transaction I have found L. G.
Reeves perfectly reliable. You will

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WILL OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

QUARTER CENTENNIAL OF AGRI-
CULTURAL COLLEGE

ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXER-
CISES WILL BE OBSERVED PRE-
CEDING QUARTER CENTENNIAL
SET FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

The Quarter Centennial of the Ore-
gon Agricultural College will be cele-
brated Tuesday, June 14. The annual
commencement exercises will take up
the three days immediately preceding
this date.

Excursion rates of a fare and a
third will be in operation on all rail-
roads within the state and special
trains will be put on wherever there
is a demand. A rate of one fare for
the round trip will prevail on these
trains.

Many prominent men of the state
and nation will be scheduled for ad-
dresses. The best musical talent
available will be engaged. The alumni
and students will present features
which will add greatly to the interest
of the event.

Preparations are being made for
the entertainment and accommodation
of the largest crowd of visitors that
has ever invaded the city. The alu-
mni of the college will be back in great
numbers to assist their alma mater
in her great celebration and many
people of the state are expected to
avail themselves of this opportunity
of visiting the college.

The following is the tentative pro-
gramme which is subject to change
in detail:

Friday, June 10, 8 p. m.—Junior
Prom.

Saturday, June 11—10 a. m., Class
Day Exercises; 2:30 p. m., reunion of
Student Societies; 8 p. m., Senior
Play.

Sunday, June 12—10 a. m., Bacca-
laureate Exercises; 3 p. m., Exercises
Student Organizations; 7 p. m., Union
Meeting, all churches.

Monday, June 13—10:30 a. m., Com-
mencement Exercises; 2 p. m., Alu-
mni Business Meeting; 4 p. m., Presi-
dent's Reception; 7 p. m., Alumni
Banquet.

Tuesday, June 14—9:30 a. m., Quar-
ter Centennial Exercises; 2 p. m., Mil-
itary Parade; 4 p. m., Reception to
Official Delegates; 7 p. m., Official
College Dinner.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Methodist Church

Regular services next Sunday: Sun-
day school at 10 a. m.; preaching at
11 a. m. on the theme, "Not How
High, but How Low" Loyal Temper-
ance Legion (for all children) at 3
p. m.; Epworth League at 7 p. m.
and preaching at 8 p. m. on the ques-
tion: "Does Christianity Unman a
Man?"

United Evangelical Church

Preaching services will be held ev-
ery Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and
evening at 8. F. E. Brickley, pastor.

Baptist Church

The regular services of this church
will be held next Sunday: Sunday
school at 10 a. m., B. Y. P. U. at 7
p. m. and preaching at 11 a. m. and 8
p. m. Rev. W. S. Stewart will speak
both morning and evening. The
weekly prayer meeting will be held
on Wednesday at 8 p. m., and the
young people's Bible study at 8 p. m.
on Friday evening. A hearty invita-
tion is extended to all to attend these
services.

Let every member of this church
take note that the annual roll call
and business meeting is to be held
on Saturday, April 30. A dinner will
be served at 12 m. Every member of
the church should plan to come and
stay all day. Let this be a grand
rally for us all. Matters of serious
import are to be considered, and we
should make a special effort to give

up this day, and make it a spiritual
feast, and a time to plan for the fu-
ture of our church.

Calvary Presbyterian

At Calvary Presbyterian church
next Sunday, the regular services will
be held, consisting of Sunday school
at 10 a. m.; morning worship at 11;
evening service at 8 o'clock, at which
time the pastor will speak on the sub-
ject: "One thing lacking". Special
music at both services. The public
are cordially invited to worship with
us.

May-Day Services at Christian Church

Sunday will be a big day at the
Christian church. The services will
begin with the study of the Bible at
ten. Then at eleven, after sitting to-
gether at the Lord's table, the church
and friends will listen to a sermon
by the pastor in which he will set
forth a far-reaching principle of life,
under the subject, "The Overhanging
Branches". Then the various families
and groups of friends will bring out
their baskets (which they should bring
with them well filled), and spread on
the tables a May-day dinner, of which
all will partake. After eating togeth-
er, with quiet joy in the name of the
Master, the roll of the members will
be called, each one responding with
a verse of Scripture or Christian testi-
mony. Then will follow appropriate
and earnest speeches by Bro. B. C.
Black, the evangelist, Maynard R.
Thompson, the pastor, and other of-
ficers of the church. The committees
provide simply the bare tables and
hot coffee, thus reducing to a mini-
mum, the work to be done on the
Lord's day. Let each family bring
all that they will wish to spread on
their part of the table and all dishes
required for a basket lunch, and let
all the members and friends be sure
to come. In the evening the subject
will be, "Namaan, the Leper, or Tak-
ing the simple steps of salvation".

DATES ARE SET FOR RACE MEET

HORSES ALREADY COMING HERE
TO TRAIN.

SPEED PROGRAM EXHIBITS GOOD
PREMIUMS FOR THE RACES
WHICH OCCUR IN AFTERNOONS
OF JUNE 22, 23 AND 24.

The Independence Driving Club has
prepared its program for the three
days race meet which is to take place
in this city June 22, 23 and 24. On
the first day of the races will occur
the horse show which will take place
at 10 o'clock in the morning. On this
day will be shown draft and driving
horses and colts, and prizes will be
awarded on thoroughbreds, standard
and draft animals. In the forenoon
of the second day will occur an ex-
hibition of single and double drivers
and saddle horses when prizes will be
awarded. On the forenoon of the
third day will be the grand parade.

A number of horses are here
to train, among which are the follow-
ing:

Running Horses

The Independence Stable composed
of Kamsack, Princess Viola and Carl
P.; W. W. Percival's St. Salvania and
Miss Condon.

Harness Horses

C. Woods' Hops, Hap Raven, Frank-
ie Hal, Lilly McCarthy and Sam B;
J. Collins' Red Wing and Collins Girl;
Peter Cook's Sallie Young, Sir Ben-
der, Mark H and Teddy.

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