



Poem by Uncle John

"WHITTLIN"

Whittlin' on a splinter in a quiet homey place,—
feller spends the winter-time with happy smilin' face.
Watch the shavin' flyin' from a blade that's sharp an'
thin'—mighty satisfyin' way to fence the hours in. . .

Whittlin' on the problems that affect a feller's life
—takes a world of patience in the man behind the
knife. . . . Had to whittle keerful, when you run
across a knot,—or mebbe cut year finger, when you
faltered—or forgot.

Whittlin' out a character, or, mebbe a career,
makes a sight of litter all around a feller's cheer. . . .
Get it shaped to suit ye, in its form as well as heft,
makes a pile of whittlin's, where there's often little left.

Fellers argy sometimes, that whittlin's never paid.
Never put no value on the filagree they made. . . .
Somehow failed to realize the talents which they had,
to carve around the good things, or whittle out the bad.

No One is Perfect



Ever have the idea you are not good
enough to join church? Forget it!
No one is perfect, but every Chris-
tian is striving toward the perfection
set by Jesus Christ. Take one step
at a time.

Attend church services regularly.
Study the Bible at home and in Sun-
day school. Perhaps you attended
Sunday school years ago. You still
need the same old Bible. It has a message for you and
your children. Come to Sunday school and church.

The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseeth
us from all sin

LOMITA CHURCH NOTES

In spite of the threatening rain,
weather, the Sunday school regis-
tered a large attendance. The Lin-
coln Highway Chart shows the posi-
tion of the various automobiles each
week. It is an object of interest to
pupils and teachers alike. We in-
vite all children, the boys and girls
of Lomita, to attend our Sunday
school. Mrs. Francis has kindly
consented to teach the class of Ju-
nior boys, which the pastor has had
for two years. Mr. James W. Fryer,
the teacher of the adult Bible
class, has asked the pastor to take
that class, and he has consented to
do so. Men and women are cor-
dially invited to join the class.

"Not Weary in Well-Doing" was
the theme of the morning message.
It is easy to grow weary in well-
doing. We get tired easily. But
Satan is never tired. Sin is never
weary. Even with all the officers
and machinery of the law against
it, crime grows apace. The State
passes laws against gambling. Slot
machines and punch boards are for-
bidden. After a while they come
back again quietly, secretly, only
to be met once more by the strong
arm of the law. If Satan is so
busy, if sin is never weary, surely
the Lord's people ought not to be
weary in well-doing.

The evening text was: "If any
man willeth to do His will he shall
know of the teaching whether it be
of God or whether I speak from my-
self." Jesus here sets forth a truth
of human life and of Christian ex-
perience. Knowledge comes through
obedience. Knowledge is the daugh-
ter of the will. I become a loco-
motive engineer, not by reading
about the engine, but by sitting in
the cab and controlling the move-
ments of the engine. I become a
Christian by doing the will of
Christ.

The Intermediate C. E. Society
met on Monday evening at the home
of Miss Thomas and Miss Mills to
make contributions to and pack a
Christmas missionary box.

WONDERS OF AMERICA

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AMERICAN CAMPANILE

THE records of past ages are
authority for the fact that cam-
paniles or bell towers became very
common in Italy and especially in
Rome between the eighth and eleventh
centuries. Almost everybody has
at some time seen a picture of that
famous old one of old St. Mark's
Church in Venice.

On the other hand, campaniles are
rarely seen in the United States now-
a-days and yet California boasts what
is perhaps the most splendid example
of a bell tower on the western hemi-
sphere.

It is one of the most-pleasing and
graceful architectural structures one
can hope to look upon and is located in
the grounds of the University of Cal-
ifornia, at Berkeley. The gift of a Mrs.
Sater, it cost about \$200,000, is 302
feet high, approximately 36 feet square
and is constructed of California gran-
ite, with the exception of the pyramid-
ally-shaped top-piece which is of white
marble.

Within the tower is an immense
clock and a chime of twelve beauti-
fully-toned bells. These precious bells
were safely transported through the
submarine-infested waters of the At-
lantic, on their journey from the old
world, during the earlier days of the
world war.

These bells, also the gift of Mrs.
Sater, range in weight from 349 to
4,118 pounds. The tenor or largest
bell carries the following inscription,
written especially for the purpose by
Professor Flagg of the university:

"We ring, we chime, we toll;
Lend ye the silent part,
Some answer in the heart,
Some echo in the soul."

OLD CARLYLE HOUSE

OF SURPASSING interest, because
of its unmatched historical associa-
tions, is the venerable home of John
Carlyle, who came to America as col-
lector of customs for the British
Crown.

It is located near the Potomac river
in Alexandria, Virginia, which settle-
ment was at that time a sort of Amer-
ican headquarters for the British em-
pire. It was built in 1752, on top of
an old fort which it is thought was
constructed about the year 1600.

Solidly built of cut stone which it
is believed was brought from England,
the walls of this two-story-and-base-
ment house are wonderfully well pre-
served and much of the interior fur-
nishings remain but little unchanged
from the days when this was the
scene of much old-fashioned hospital-
ity.

In the hallway stands a slender,
grandfather's clock which for more
than a century recorded the passing
of time. Upstairs is the ancient can-
opy bed, so high that a step was nec-
essary to enable one to comfortably
climb into it, in which slept General
Braddock who was sent to this coun-
try to take charge of the British for-
ces during the French and Indian
war.



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LOMITA NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Mollie Olsen, a trained nurse
from a Los Angeles hospital, is vis-
iting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.
Herlin, of West Pepper street.

John Holm, contractor, is driv-
ing a new Dodge automobile.
The Bluebirds met with Mrs.

Ducharme on Redondo Boulevard
Tuesday afternoon.

Wm. J. Herrin, son of Mrs. Effie
Hayden, arrived Thursday from
Camp Quantico, Virginia, where he
received his discharge from the
navy. Claude Ringwald, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Ringwald of Redondo
Blvd., was in the same camp and
arrived home four days previous.