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5-Minute Biographies

MAHATMA GANDHI

The World's Best Known Man Carries False Teeth in His Loin Cloth

Every so often, out in India, a little brown man, wearing a loin cloth, lays himself down on a cot, refuses to eat, and threatens to fast until he dies. Then newspapers all over the world feature the story because Mahatma Gandhi is one of the leading figures of this generation.

all his earthly possessions, they probably would not bring seventy-five cents; yet he is more powerful than any millionaire on earth.

Physically, he is weak; and he refuses to use force or violence; yet his teachings and his spiritual influence are more potent and powerful than a hundred battle-ships of England.

One person out of every six on earth lives in India. And for centuries, these people of India have been asleep; now this little frail man, who weighs less than a hundred pounds, is arousing India to a sense of its own gigantic power. He is instituting reforms that may have far-reaching effects on the history of the world.

There are many curious things about Gandhi. For example, he has a set of false teeth, which he carries in a fold of his loin cloth. He puts them in his mouth only when he wants to eat. After his meal, he takes them out, washes them and puts them back in his loin cloth again.

He speaks English with an Irish accent, for one of his first teachers was an Irishman. He wears nothing but a loin cloth now, but for years he lived in London and wore a silk hat and spats and carried a cane.

He was educated at London University and became an attorney. But the first time he attempted a speech in court, his knees trembled, and he was so frightened that he had to sit down in confusion and defeat.

As a lawyer in London he got nowhere at all. He was practically a failure there.

Years before, when he first came to England, his Irish teacher made him copy the Sermon on

the Mount over and over again, purely as an exercise in English. Hour after hour, Gandhi wrote "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. . . . Blessed are the peace-makers for they shall be called the children of God," and these words made a profound impression on him. Presently, he was sent to South Africa to collect some huge debts; and he tried to apply there the philosophy of the Sermon on the Mount. And it worked. Clients flocked to M. H. Gandhi because he settled their claims peacefully out of court and saved them time and expense. Gandhi soon had an income of fifteen thousand dollars a year. The meek was inheriting the earth.

But was he happy? No. Because he knew that untold millions of his fellow countrymen were living in misery. He had seen thousands die of starvation, and world success seemed cheap and unimportant. So he gave up all his money, and took the vow of poverty, and since that time, he has consecrated his life to helping the poor and the down-trodden.

Millions regard Mahatma Gandhi as a saint. Others believe that he is reincarnation of a Hindu god. In a world filled with sordid greed and selfishness, I, for one, feel like standing with bowed head before this man who is seeking nothing for himself but is willing to die in order that others may live.

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CLUB SPONSORING MOVIE AT LYRIC

Sponsored by the Elkin Woman's club, "Stronger Than Desire" will be shown at the Lyric theatre Thursday evening, starring Virginia Bruce and Walter Pidgeon.

Only the advance sale of tickets will go to the Woman's Club and those planning to attend are urged to buy their tickets from the school children, who are assisting with the advance sale, or from the booths which will be in Abernethy's and Turner's drug stores both Wednesday and Thursday. Tickets purchased at the theatre box office will not apply to the club fund.

The cooperation of all citizens of the town is urged by the Woman's Club.

Windsor in Paris on Leave



PARIS, France . . . The Duke of Windsor, on leave from his post as major general with the British forces in France, photographed with the Duchess here recently.

Wings Over Europe



SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE . . . Two recent photos show German and British planes of the type headlining today's war news. German Heinkels, on top, figured in Edinburgh raids. Below, British "Spitfires" warm up on the line.

TO SEEK TO BOOST RATE

Local Telephone Company to Request Authority from Utilities Commission

SUBSCRIBERS NOTIFIED

The Central Electric & Telephone company, which operates the Elkin telephone exchange, is planning, within the near future, to file an application with the Utilities Commission of North Carolina requesting authority to establish a schedule of standard common battery rates which will be comparable with charges made in other exchanges in North Carolina of similar size receiving the same type of service, the company announced November 1 in a letter sent to all subscribers with their current telephone bill.

During the past eight years, it is stated, the telephone company has operated the local exchange charging only magneto rates which were in effect prior to the time the change-over was made from magneto to modern common battery service. At the time of the change-over, it was agreed by the company and city officials of Elkin that the company would establish standard common battery rates, the letter said. However, due to economic conditions existing at the time, and in order to cooperate with subscribers, the company did not establish the new schedule of rates.

Notwithstanding continued economies, the letter points out, expenses of the Elkin exchange have been increasing much faster than revenues, mostly because of higher taxes, material cost and increased wages, and unless revenues are increased the company will not be able to provide satisfactory service and meet all necessary cost.

FORMER ELKIN MAN PASSES IN FLORIDA

News was received here late Wednesday of last week of the death of Fletcher Howell Bobbitt, about 70, at his home at Inverness, Florida. Mr. Bobbitt had been a resident of Florida for the past 40 years and prior to that time he was in business here with the late A. G. Click. He was a member of a prominent family and was well known throughout the state.

Mr. Bobbitt is survived by his wife, who was before her marriage Miss Lelia Harris of this city, and two daughters, Mrs. Ben Jones of Inverness, and Mrs. Clarence Thomas of Gainsville, Fla.

Since Mr. and Mrs. Bobbitt have been making their home in Florida, they have spent their summers in North Carolina.

PARACHUTES

According to a report from the U. S. Forest Service, fire fighters may soon be jumping from airplanes in parachutes to put out blazes in Uncle Sam's national forests.

The Golden Age

For You And Me
Is Not A Time That Used To Be,
Nor Future Days When We Are Gone
But Here and NOW
Climb On And On.

Health Wealth Is Great Wealth.
Keep Healthy, And Keep Smiling.

We Are Infinitely Small, Little.
We Cannot Do Great Things, Neither Big Things.
But, We Can Do Little Things In A Great And Big Way.

If We Would Be A Friend To Man
We'd Lend A Pair Of Helping Hands.
We'd Conquer Suffering And Disease,
Give Peace, Comfort, Harmony, Ease,
We'd Conquer Doubt, We'd Conquer Fear,
Add Years To Life And Life To Years.

We'll Give The Best That We Can Give
For The Right Of All Mankind To Live.
We Will, We Must, We Know We Can
Lend A Pair Of Helping Hands
And Be A Friend To Every Man.

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Not Seated In A Chair In Far-Off Sky.
But Is Here On Earth
Reflected Thru Trees, Thru Nature, Thru Man

Thru Cool Summers Breeze,
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Thru Manhoods Prime,
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