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Seventeen Years Old.

The LEADER today starts out on its seventeenth year. For eight hundred and thirty-two consecutive weeks the LEADER has visited the homes of Lincoln county. It has always been the leading newspaper in the county and we hope it always will be. It has always been as now a local NEWS paper, aiming to give the news of the entire county at all times, and as far as the managers of the paper were able this has been done.

The LEADER was launched out in the field on March 9, 1893, by J. F. Stewart, who conducted it as a Democratic paper for over four years. Then C. L. Gowell took charge as editor and published it for one week. Wesley L. Davis then assumed charge and edited it for about a year, when he quit leaving one of the present owners in charge, after a few months of the latter's management Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Soule assumed control and continued its management until September 1, 1907, when the present management bought it. Ever since Mr. Gowell left the paper it has been Republican. In all these years the paper has not missed a single issue, it has lived and by the number of subscribers it has we know that its efforts to give the news have not been in vain.

It will be the aim of the LEADER during the coming year to be even better than ever before. It desires to be in every home in the county and its management realizes that to succeed it must hold its reputation as a newspaper, which will be done.

The Legislature has adjourned. Now we must all get busy to make money to pay next years' taxes.

Don't kick about the rain. It is much better to have it now than later in the Spring. We will have an early Spring and a good Summer.

The great fleet of battleships arrived at Hampton Roads Monday, thus ending their cruise around the world. Now it seems to us the proper thing for the Government to do after the repairs are made on the vessels would be to send some of them back to the Pacific to remain.

Toledo has needed a band for a long time. Now we have one, a pretty good one, too. The boys have worked faithfully in organizing the band and it has taken considerable time and work to practice. It is no joke to make and keep a band together, and the boys who compose this band are entitled to much praise for their public spirit in this work. It isn't often that the people in Toledo will slight anything that is for the public good, but we believe we are entitled to a mild roast for the manner in which the band's first concert last Saturday evening was patronized—or rather, not patronized. It was undoubtedly an oversight on the part of our people, but anyway, the concert was a fizzle financially, and we are to blame for it. The band boys must feel the slight. Let some dinky traveling show come to town and they will have a \$40 or \$50 house. The band concert got a \$19 house

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Lincoln County.

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Lincoln County, Oregon, lies in the center of the State north and south, and is bounded on the west by the Pacific Ocean, which with its warm Japan stream, tempers the climate to one of almost perpetual summer. Flowers bloom the whole year round, drouth is unknown, and grass is ever green. Although we have high winds sometimes in winter, cyclones are unknown. The soft, balmy winds from the South in winter make it like spring, and in summer the cool northwest wind is like the cool draught from an open door. In its might the old ocean dashes in some places against a rockbound coast, and in others the sea goes murmuring and splashing over sandy shores. Thousands of tourists come every summer to enjoy the luxuries we have to offer.

Newport is the principal resort of this county, where tourists can find the finest surf bathing, boating, hunting, fishing and digging clams and rock oysters which are found in only one other place on the globe. Nature uncovers her agate beds, and you can find the beautiful moss agate, water agate, moonstone, cat eye, tiger eye, the diamond agate, and many others. Such is Lincoln County from the dreamy ones' or tourists', standpoint. Now, for some facts for the practical man.

We will take the farmer first, for from the farm we all derive our living and our clothing. The Lincoln County farmer, first, lives in a semi-tropical country, therefore can raise anything that can be raised in a temperate zone, and many things that can be raised in a country much farther south. Here potatoes, onions, peas, carrots, parsnips, and in fact all vegetables, grow to an immense size. Here cattle, horses, sheep, goats, swine, poultry, etc., are successfully raised and sell at fancy prices. Also is this true of fruit such as apples, pears, cherries, peaches and berries of all kinds. All these things sell at "tourists' prices."

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dozen, chickens 50 to 75 cents each. Berries and vegetables bring good prices, and while everything the farmer sells is a good price, the things he has to buy are as cheap as at any place.

The land is of a rolling character, and is well watered with never failing springs and creeks. Almost any kind of grain will grow here without irrigation. Some of the land is what we call tide land, and when dyked is the richest land in the world.

Next we will speak of the manufacturers to whom we extend special advantages. Here are the gigantic forests from which any number of manufacturers could find material to run for 100 years. There could come to us the sawmill man, then the manufacturer of furniture, boxes, staves and barrels, alcohol, charcoal, tar, paper, veneer, and the innumerable things that can be made of wood. Then the canneries of fruit, fish, meat and vegetables; the dryers, the tanneries and boot and shoe manufactories and many other will do well here, for land is cheap and taxes low and transportation facilities ample. We will tell about them in another space.

The forest contains many different kinds of wood and large quantities of each. There is the fir, which is the most common and almost equal to pine, the spruce which is a softer wood, a little harder than the Eastern basswood; the hemlock, which is a hard-grained wood; the alder, which is a hard wood and takes a beautiful polish; the vine maple, which is as hard as oak; then the chittum, from which large quantities of bark is peeled annually for medicinal purposes.

We will try and tell of some things that can be done here with small capital. One can acquire a small farm. Land can be bought for from \$15 to \$30 per acre unimproved land and from \$25 to \$50 for improved. It can be bought in any quantity you wish so that the size of your farm is only measured by the amount of money you wish to invest. A few lots turned into a chicken ranch pay well, or any other fowl is equally profitable. A

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come here first will receive the lion's share of the profits to be reaped. Some are planting orchards of walnuts, almonds, hazelnuts, etc. It has been proven that they do well here. A few dollars invested in trout-raising would pay, or a few boats on the bay, in fact hardly any kind of business is overdone.