

INDIAN QUARTET PLEASES

What was perhaps one of the most perfect musical organizations that has visited Dallas in a number of years was the Indian String quartet, from the Indian training school at Chemawa, that gave a splendid concert at the armory last Thursday evening. The quartet is composed of three Indian boys, students at the training school, and their instructor, Mr. Turney. The program was complete, although the patronage was mediocre, and those who heard the talented aborigines were well repaid. "Death of a Warrior," and "Braves on the Chase," were two Indian compositions that brought well-merited applause, and from that the repertoire ranged through many difficult and beautiful selections of classical music. Each of the players was a talented musician and displayed the careful instruction that had been given by Mr. Turney. Throughout, the program was spirited, and the ensemble work little short of marvelous when one considers that an Indian youth is bringing such sweet music from an instrument that is naturally entirely foreign to him.

The interpretation of Victor Hugo's great character, Jean Valjean, from *Les Miserables*, by Mr. Kennedy, was a fine feature of the entertainment. He had a forceful delivery and a pleasant manner that made one see many new and interesting angles to the famous character.—Polk County (Oregon) Observer, Oct. 15, 1915.

INDIANS WIN FROM THE WHITE WOMEN

The second best pie exhibited at the state fair was baked by an Indian woman, Mrs. Alma Fiander of White Swan. It was not a pie baked for competitive purposes but one which Mrs. Fiander had prepared for her family dinner on the day when Don M. Carr of the Ft. Simcoe Agency visited her and asked that she might take it to the fair. What is more, it is a dried apple pie.

Not only as pie makers but as canners of fruit and vegetables do the Indian women show themselves worthy rivals of their white sisters. The second award for the best collection of not less than 10 jars of canned fruit, and the second prize for a jar of canned vegetables went to reservation women and that, too, in classes where there were numerous entries. The winner for canned fruit is Mrs. Ella Briggs of White Swan and for vegetables Polly Brown of Wapato.

Mrs. A. C. Davis of North Yakima won the first prize for the best collection of five cakes, Mrs. H. I. McBeth of Naches being second.—The Yakima (Wash.) Republic.