

THE DEACON'S THANKSGIVING

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OLD Deacon Bedell was the cheeriest man
You'd meet with in many a day.
He 'lowed that the Lord had a pretty good plan
For running the world, and he'd say,
"I'm thankful that things are about as they are—
They could be a mighty sight wuss—
An' the things we've complained of the loudest so far
Have proved to be blessin's to us."

When others lamented the drought he'd reply,
"It's better than havin' a flood.
An' we ought to thank God when the weather is dry
That we don't have to waller in mud."
Yet when it was stormy he'd never complain,
But say with immutable trust,
"The Lord in his goodness has
sent us the rain
To lay the discomfartin'
dust."

When adversity smote him it
fell like the dew
On a mountain's imper-
vious crest.
For his simple philosophy
held to the view
That everything worked
for the best.
And for others' misfortunes
he always could find
Such sweet consolation
to give.
It seemed that he envied the
halt and the blind
The lives they were des-
tined to live.

One day he was caught in a
thrashing machine.
It cost him a leg, but he
said,
"That's gettin' off cheaper than some I have seen.
I'm thankful it wasn't my head."
And always thereafter he stumped on a peg
Or patiently went with a crutch.
Declaring, "I'm savin' a lot on that leg—
My socks only cost half as much."

When his end was approaching he said, with a smile,
As they folded his hands on his breast,
"I've worked pretty hard a consid'able while.
An' I'm thankful to git a good rest."
So he went through the world strewing smiles on his way,
And the neighbors surviving him tell
That, no matter what happened, it seemed every day
Was Thanksgiving for Ezra Bedell.



* LOCAL AND PERSONAL *

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Miller,
Sunday, Nov. 26th, a girl.
Rev. J. R. Hargreaves announces
a pre-election sermon subject for next
Sunday, entitled "The Citizen Worth
While, an Imaginary Character."

A special Thanksgiving Day dinner
will be served at the Mount Hood
hotel Thursday evening from 5:30 to
7:30 p. m. Table d'hote, 75 cents.*

At the meeting of the Men's League
on the heights Friday evening the
program will consist of an open discus-
sion of commission government.

Pete Shively, who has been on an
extended eastern visit, returned to
Hood River Friday and has resumed
work in his horseshoeing establish-
ment. Mr. Shively says that he en-
joyed his trip, but is glad to be back
at Hood River to serve his patrons
at his old stand.

At the home of Mrs. W. Bentley on
Wednesday, December, 6th, at 2 p. m.,
the ladies' auxiliary of the United
church of the Upper Valley will hold
their regular aid meeting. Luncheon
will be served and those attending
are requested to wear an apron. All
cordially welcome.

The pastor, T. S. Handsaker, will
have charge of the services at the
Christian church next Sunday morn-
ing and evening. Bible school at 9:45
a. m. Junior Endeavor at 3:30 p. m.
Subject, "Jonah, the Unwilling Mes-
senger." The Polar Star crew will
have charge of the meeting. Senior
Endeavor at 6:30.

Rev. J. A. Bennett, accompanied
by his wife and daughter, returned
Monday evening from Central Point
to take the pastorate of the Valley
Christian church. The many friends
they made in their short stay here
are rejoicing at their return. Mr.
Bennett says Hood River is better
than represented.

Thanksgiving Day will not pass
without its usual football game, as
the Hood River Boosters will try
conclusions tomorrow afternoon
with the McLaughlins of Portland.
The game will be played at Chap-
man Park, opposite the depot, and
is expected to be a good one.

Wm. Friedlander, accompanied by
his wife, who is a daughter of J. L.
Blount, is a guest at the Blount
home. Mr. Friedlander is the man-
ager of the Big Four Comedy Com-
pany, which is billed to play at Hood
River at a later date. Mr. and Mrs.
Friedlander will spend the holidays
here.

SEATTLE LETTER

Seattle, Nov. 28.—Another
broadside is about to be fired at
Alaska by Gifford Pinchot, the
unterrified, who has given notice
that he differs with the program
announced for the Far North by
Secretary of the Interior Fisher.
When named, this official was
hailed by all the conservatives,
because he was one of them. But
before doing anything, Mr. Fisher
made a trip to Alaska. He mod-
ified his views after being on the
ground, and Mr. Pinchot intends to
call him to task. Unfortunate indeed
is Alaska, because it is a constant
bone of contention. The result is
stagnation, for development cannot
proceed under present conditions.

The Washington Society for the
Prevention of Tuberculosis will
sell Red Cross seals this year
again, for the benefit of its fund.
The government is cooperating in
the work, as it will allow the
seals to be sold at all postoffices.
Consent has been given to their
use on the back of envelopes. These
seals sell for a penny apiece. This
year's design is particularly attrac-
tive. Prizes will be given for the
best records made. Any person desir-
ing to assist in the sale can get in-
formation by addressing the secre-
tary, 915 Cobb Building, Seat-
tle.

Since its reorganization the
new Seattle Chamber of Com-
merce has inaugurated a number
of exceptionally good things for
the state at large. By sending
delegates to various meetings in
different cities considerable inter-
est has been aroused, at the same
time giving evidence of Seat-
tle's concern in all Washington
and its concerns. At the present
time, this organization is uniting
the whole Pacific coast in
Alaska's behalf, in order to get
some remedial legislation at the
forthcoming session of congress.
It is also in the forefront rank
of advocates of free tolls for Amer-
ican ships through the Panama
canal.

The forthcoming city cam-
paign in Seattle promises to de-
velop some bitterness. From the
present outlook, an effort will be
made to enforce the Blue Laws
on Sunday. Not satisfied with
having made a closed town, so far
as saloons are concerned, the
church forces are now after the

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

REAL ESTATE SECTION

Notice to Homeseekers and Sell-
ers—Are you looking for a
home in the city or country, or
if you have a home in the city or
country you want to sell, see or
write the Mt. Hood Land Ex-
change, Hood River Heights,
corner Pine and 12th Streets. Of-
fice manager, W. A. Carnes;
field manager, J. T. Nealeigh.
45tfc

For Sale—230 acres of land, from
\$50.00 per acre up. Will sell
20-acre tract with part in trees.
C. J. Calkins, Phone 50-K. tfe

For rent—9-room house on State
street, just east of court house.
Reed & Henderson, 2 doors north
of Postoffice. 45tfc

For Rent—Six room bungalow,
near Park street school. Phone
89-M. 46-tf

theatres and all other forms of
Sunday amusements. A big
howl will go up from the base-
ball fans, for a large part of the
population cannot go on any day
but Sunday. Mayor Dilling has
already stated that he will not
be a candidate to succeed him-
self. State Tax Commissioner
Parish will be a candidate for the
office. His resignation from the
state board is expected daily.
Rumor has it that M. J. Carri-
gan, of Seattle, will replace him.

The Yakima country carried
off the apple honors at the Amer-
ican Land and Irrigation Exposi-
tion held in New York. By vir-
tue of the award of the judges,
Mrs. Ella D. Rowland, of Zillah,
is the Apple Queen, for she won
the \$500 in gold offered by How-
ard Elliott, president of the
Northern Pacific Railroad, and a
\$1,000 silver trophy. Second
honors went to Robert Johnson,
of North Yakima. Mrs. Row-
land has been living on her or-
chard for eighteen years. It
cost her \$40 an acre. She has
refused \$1600 for it. Many other
awards were made to exhibits
from the Pacific Northwest.

Grace U. B. Church News
Sunday school at 10 a. m. Sermon
and worship at 11 a. m. The Chris-
tian vesper service at 4 o'clock.
Special music. The pastor will
speak on "The Fatal First." The
Prayer meeting and Young People's
meeting combined at 7 o'clock on
Wednesday evening. Choir rehears-
al at 8 o'clock.

Everybody will enjoy the great
American wonder at Hellbroner
hall, Thursday, Nov. 30th—Josefy,
necromancer, who makes the unreal
real. Rev. J. B. Parsons, Minister.

Boosters to Play Dalles Thanksgiving
The next football game of local in-
terest will be a game played between
"The Hood River Booster Club" and
The Dalles high school bunch on
Thanksgiving, November 30. The

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and no doubt you will prefer the Tur-
key. Rest assured, we have gobblers
of all weights and sizes, sure to please
you, tender as chicken; and all that,
but if you do not feel like investing in
a "bird," we have joints that are
equally as tender and delicious. Beef,
Mutton, Veal, Lamb, Pork or Hams
for roasting. We can guarantee the
freshness and tenderness of all our
meats, and their flavor is the subject
of talk among our customers.

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET

P. C. YOUNG, Prop.

Thirty Per Cent
of the new business written
by the *Northwestern Mutual
Life Insurance Co. of Wis-
consin* in 1910 was received
from old policy holders. Its
enviable record for large divid-
end savings produces its
exceptional low cost insur-
ance.—JOHN GOLDSBURY,
Hood River, Oregon.

EMPLOYMENT COLUMN

Wanted—Young man who un-
derstands pruning and care of
trees wants position in nursery
or orchard. Would do any other
kind of work. Geo. Hagen, care
J. L. Carter, Hood River. 47-48p

Wanted—By experienced nurse,
maternity and general nurs-
ing. Address "M" News office.
48-49-p

Wanted—Good position in town
by young man. Phone 276 or
write P. O. Box 83. 47-48p

Wanted—A girl for general
housework. Mrs. A. J. Derby,
46tfc

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

Notice to Apple Tree Planters—
I have 1 and 2-year-old apple
trees for sale for seasons 1911-12
—several standard varieties, good
trees; fine trees 7c to 10c. Phone
218-K or write me at Hood River,
Ore., if you want apple trees.
All trees guaranteed true to name
and free from disease.—J. T.
Nealeigh. 28-52p.

Brick—New kiln of brick ready
for orders Monday, Nov. 13.—
A. T. Zeek. 45-48p

Real Estate Bulletin

\$5,000—Thirty-two acres in Wil-
low Flat Section, close to rail-
road, church and store, on the
main road, red shot soil. Two
pieces of this description are on
the market at the present time.
Terms \$3,000 down.

\$1,750—Five acres 4 miles out;
house and barn, part in trees,
balance cleared—on the main
road on West Side. Mortgage
\$600. Want cash for equity.

\$2,000—New bungalow and barn,
lot 100x100 on corner, near High
School. This price for quick sale.

...Insurance...

G. Y. EDWARDS & CO.
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Dalles boys have played five games
so far this season, and as yet have
not lost one. A large crowd is ex-
pected to be in attendance at the
game.

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Store Closed All Day Thanksgiving Day

WEDNESDAY, Last Day of Our ACHIEVEMENT SALE

As advertised, Our Big Sale will Close Wednesday Evening. The past Seven Days of Extraordinary Selling have naturally left us some broken lines in the Ready-to-Wear Departments and Remnants and Short Lengths in our Dress Goods Sections. All these will be offered at **Closing-Out Prices** During the Next Few Days—Prices we feel justified in saying represents

EXTRAORDINARY SAVINGS

We want to take this opportunity of Thanking you, one and all, for your liberal patronage during the past season, and this sale in particular. We have demonstrated to our entire satisfaction that Honest Merchandise, Fairly Priced and Honestly Advertised is appreciated. This is the ground work and foundation upon which we planned to build our business and standing among you. Our experience the past few days has proven our policy to be right, and strengthened our determination to at all times use every effort within our power toward furnishing merchandise of merit and worth. We are glad to live among you and feel that we have a great many things to be thankful for this coming day of National Thanksgiving

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