Some Interesting Letters Written by Prize Winners in Former Puzzle Contests

He Won and Received a Five-Passenger Overland Touring Car

Lorne Hicks is a busy boy on a big farm, who won one of the finest prizes ever awarded.

Lorne entered one of the recent puzzle contests, and qualified his entry promptly by securing only five subscriptions. His entry was awarded first prize by the judges, and Lorne and his father came to Toronto and drove home their magnificent car in pride. Many newspapers commented editorially on his winning this magnificent prize.

He wrote us the following letter in acknowledgment of his prize:

Dear Sirs: The Overland five-passenger touring car has arrived and I must say we are all greatly delighted with it. It seems a wonderful prize to win with so little effort. Have had many letters from readers of your magazine from different parts of the country, some congratulating and others asking, was it really so, that I received the Overland car.

I must say that the management of your magazine have been prompt and courteous to me throughout the contest, and I wish your management every success in the future.

Yours truly,

LORNE E. HICKS.

Winner of Chevrolet Touring Car in Great Contest

I am pleased beyond measure to acknowledge receipt of your wire of the 5th inst., informing me that I was the successful winner of the first prize in the great Puzzle Contest. It would be impossible, gentlemen, for you to visualize my complete happiness in the receipt of such glad tidings, sufficient to say that I was absolutely dumbfounded with joy. Please convey to your Judges my sincere appreciation and thanks for the great honor which they have bestowed upon my work.

In regard to the magazine, I consider it an excellent publication. In fact, for its cost, I think it excels anything of its kind published. It seems to improve with every issue. Be assured that I shall do all that is possible in the way of increasing its popularity in this city.

I only hope that my great success in this contest will be an inspiration as well as an inducement to others to try their luck. To such that may seem so inclined I would say, keep hammering; if you fail in one—try the next. Keep at it. Patience and perseverance overcomes many obstacles. As to getting subscriptions, get some sample copies and distribute them amongst your friends. The rest is easy. In other words, soliciting subscriptions becomes a pleasure instead of a task. Follow advices as I have done, and success as it has mine, will crown your effort. Before closing, I wish to thank you for your courtesy, and hoping to hear from you at the earliest possible date.

VINCENT HOWELL.

Won Ford Touring Car—He Got $500.00 Cash

Mr. Hugh A. Ross won the Ford Touring Car given as first prize in our contest, but at his request we sent him $500.00 cash in its place. Read what he says:

Gentlemen: I am in receipt today of your check for the cash prize you have so kindly given me in place of the Ford touring car, which I won as first prize in your recent contest.

The cash is made doubly acceptable by the promptness with which you have sent it, and you are to be congratulated on the courteous, fair, and efficient way in which you have conducted your contest. I have entered a great many contests, but never expected to win such a prize as this.

I would like to acknowledge my appreciation of the very evident fairness to contestants with which you conducted this contest, and trust you will realize sufficiently in advertising and circulation of your excellent magazine to repay your outlay in furnishing a very interesting and entertaining pastime for your numerous readers.

If anyone refers to me, I will surely recommend them to enter every contest as every one doing so is certainly repair a hundred times over for his trouble.

Yours truly,

HUGH A. ROSS.

NOTE: Mr. Ross secured only four subscriptions in qualifying his entry.

Ford Car Put Him Through College

W. F. Geddes won the Ford car given in our 1914 contest. This was the first car we ever gave away, and after the judges had awarded Mr. Geddes' entry first place, he asked us for cash in place of the car as he was attending College and needed the money to complete his course. He promptly recevied our check for $550.00. He writes:

Your letter in regard to first prize which I won in 1914 is to hand. I received the check for $550.00 on the exact date as promised, and the money I received has afforded me no little pleasure, besides helping me to defray my expenses at this college. I am now in the Agricultural department for the summer months. I shall be very pleased to answer any letters from your contestants which I receive regarding the winning of first prize.

W. F. GEDDES.

No Trouble Qualifying Entry Which Won Prize

I am in receipt of your letter of May 30. You may ship the High-Oven Range, my prize in your latest contest, as soon as convenient.

I did not have much trouble to secure subscriptions to qualify my entry, and the subscribers to your magazine who have spoken to me said that they liked it very well. I also, being a subscriber, enjoy reading its pages.

Yours truly,

HERMINA DES ROCHES.

Won Magnificent $450.00 Piano

Mrs. Clark answered last season's puzzle and complied with the qualifying condition in a very short time. She was delighted with her prompt reward for this service, and could hardly believe her good fortune when the judges decided that her entry took second place and she got the beautiful $450 piano. Read her letter:

Dear Sir: I cannot tell you how delighted I was to receive your telegram and to learn I had been awarded the second prize. It certainly was a surprise and a great pleasure to me to find that I had won a $450.00 prize.

I am sending my photograph with this letter and would very much appreciate it if you will kindly return same when you have finished with it, as I have no copy. It will be one of my greatest pleasures to tell all my friends of my good fortune and persuade them to read our fine woman's magazine.

Wishing you every success and assuring you of my endeavors to increase the circulation of your magazine, I remain your happy contestant,

MRS. FLORENCE CLARK.

Never Ejected It, Still Bryden Foster Gets $150.00

I have just received a check for $150.00, and it certainly was a great surprise to me, as I never expected to get first prize, but I am very glad and will do all I can to boost your magazine. I have not had my picture taken since I was a baby, but will get one taken right away and send it to you.

Thanking you very much, I am

Yours very truly,

BRYDEN FOSTER.

THE MOVIE MYSTERY PUZZLE

The Secret Codes ☞	No real chip	Low in tears	Had low rice	A kings help
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Said that great Movie Producer, Cesar B. De Miller, to his hated rival, Movie Producer David Warkfield Griffin, "I have just engaged four of the greatest Moving Picture Stars in America for my next big Moving Picture Play." Of course this made Griffin angry because he likes to be the greatest of all the great Movie Producers and he tried his best to persuade De Miller to tell him the names of the great Movie Stars. Just to tantalize him, Cesar B. De Miller gave David Warkfield Griffin four secret codes representing the names of the four Movie Stars he had engaged and told him that if he had brains enough to discover the names from these secret codes he deserved to know them. It was too much of a puzzle for Griffin, so it is said he called in Scotland Yard and offered them a thousand dollars if they would discover the names for him from the exactly as you would any other sum of figures, four secret codes that De Miller had given him. This was an easy job for the great Scotland Yard Detective Force, and in less than an hour they had the four names. They gave the names to Griffin and also gave him their system for working out their clues.

HERE IS THE WAY THEY DID IT.

"It's easy," said Chief-of-Detectives O'Flynn. "I have worked out four sums which you see beneath each one of the four codes.

"Add up these four sums and your totals give you the four clues to the four names.

"You go about it this way. Each secret code has ten letters to it. Each letter represents a number. The first letter of the code represents 1, the second letter represents 2, the third letter represents 3, and so on. The tenth letter in each code represents the cipher 0 instead of 10.

"Each sum, as you see, instead of numbers is made up of letters, but it contains only the letters that are contained in the code above it.

"Now change the letters of each sum into their equivalent numbers, according to the code above, putting them down line by line from left to right exactly as the letters; for instance, the first letter of the first sum is N. N as you will see is the first letter of the secret code above that sum and therefore represents number 1. H, the second letter in the first line of the first sum is the eighth letter in the code above it, therefore it represents number 8.

"After you have changed every letter of the sum into a number, add up the sum just exactly as you would any other sum of figures and the total that you get gives you your clues to the names of the Movie Stars.

"Then work out your clues this way:

"Beginning at the left-hand side of the total of your sum change each figure of the total back to its letter as represented in the secret code above the sum; for instance, I can tell you that the first number of the total of the first sum is 7. The letter C is the seventh letter in the code above the first sum, therefore the first letter represented by your total is letter C. Now change every number of your total in the same way and you will have the name of the Movie Star represented by that sum."

This is not an easy problem, but patience and perseverance may find you the names of the great Movie Stars. For the best answers submitted we will pay the following prizes:

This Great Contest Is Absolutely FREE of Expense. Send In Your Answers Today!

This great contest is being conducted by The Statesman Publishing Co., Salem, Oregon, one of the largest and best known publishing houses in Oregon. This is your guarantee that the prizes will be awarded with absolute fairness and squareness to you and every other contestant. Frankly, it is intended to introduce The Pacific Homestead, Oregon's Greatest Farm Magazine, and The Northwest Poultry Journal, the leading poultry magazine of the Pacific Northwest. You may enter and win the best of prizes whether you are a subscriber to either of these publications or not—and moreover, you will neither be asked nor expected to take these magazines or spend a single penny of your money to compete.

Here is the idea—The Pacific Homestead is the oldest and best farm magazine published in the Pacific Northwest, issued weekly, it has a very large number of readers. The Northwest Poultry Journal is also very widely read and has the largest circulation of any magazine in its class published in the Pacific Northwest. But our motto is one of our magazines in every home. We want more readers to become acquainted with these famous publications. Therefore, when we acknowledge your entry to the contest and you know your standing for the prizes, we shall send you without cost a copy of our very latest issues. Then in order to qualify your entry to be sent on for the judging and awarding of the grand prizes, you will be asked to assist us in carrying on this big introduction plan by showing your copies to just four friends or neighbors, who will appreciate these reallyworth while magazines and want them to come to them regularly—two readers to The Pacific Homestead and two readers to The Northwest Poultry Journal, or any other combination you like to make four. You will easily fulfill this simple condition in a few minutes of your spare time, and we will even send copies to each of your friends if you wish.

HOW TO SEND YOUR SOLUTIONS.

Use only one side of the paper that contains names of the Movie Stars, and put your name and address (stating Mr., Mrs. or Miss) in the upper right-hand corner. If you wish to write anything but your answers, use a separate sheet of paper.

Three independent judges, having no connection whatever with this firm, will award the prizes, and the answers gaining 250 points will take the First Prize. You will get 25 points for every name completed correctly. 40 points will be awarded for general neatness, style, spelling, punctuation, etc., 10 points for handwriting, and 100 points for fulfilling the conditions of the contest. Contestants must agree to abide by the decision of the judges.

The contest will close at 5 p. m., November 30, 1921, immediately after which answers will be judged and the prizes awarded. Address your answers today to:

The Great Movie Mystery, Statesman Publishing Co., Salem, Oregon

WIN These Prizes

1st	$200.00 Cash
2nd	100.00 Cash
3rd	50.00 Cash
4th	25.00 Cash
5th	15.00 Cash
6th	10.00 Cash

7th, $5.00 Cash	18th, $5.00 Cash
8th, $5.00 Cash	19th, $5.00 Cash
9th, $5.00 Cash	20th, $5.00 Cash
10th, $5.00 Cash	21st, $5.00 Cash
11th, $5.00 Cash	22nd, $5.00 Cash
12th, $5.00 Cash	23rd, $5.00 Cash
13th, $5.00 Cash	24th, $5.00 Cash
14th, $5.00 Cash	25th, $5.00 Cash
15th, $5.00 Cash	26th, $5.00 Cash
16th, $5.00 Cash	27th, $5.00 Cash
17th, $5.00 Cash	28th, $5.00 Cash

PRIZES GUARANTEED

Easy Work to Get Subscriptions—Easy to Win Prizes

Your letter advising me that I have been awarded a prize is received with pleasure.

The way I got my subscriptions was not very hard work, as it was near Christmas and your paper makes a nice Christmas present. I know that the people who subscribed to your magazine enjoy it very much.

I, myself, am quite pleased with my own paper, and the good stories that are in it.

Yours very truly,

MERLE AITKENS.

Little Girl Wins Big Prize

Dear Sir: Your letter was certainly a surprise for me. You don't know how happy I am that I was lucky enough to win the third prize, $50.00. I took ill some time ago, and couldn't get any more subscriptions but two, but I am up and about now and I expect to get some more subscriptions as soon as possible.

I think everybody should read this beautiful and great magazine. I certainly enjoy reading it.

Yours truly,

HELEN BENESCH.

He Won the Ford Car in Great Percy-Puzzled Contest

Dear Sirs: This being Thanksgiving Day, I can think of no more appropriate time in which to acknowledge and thank you for the delightful information which your letter contains, informing me that I have been awarded Special First Prize in "Percy's Puzzled!" contest, of the Ford touring car.

Indeed this was entirely surprising and unexpected. I can find no expression of my thanks to the judges and the awarding me such a magnificent prize.

Again thanking you, I beg to remain,

Yours very sincerely,

ROY C. McGRATH.

Wins Waltham Gold Watch

Your cable of May 5th was received, containing the good news of my success in your "War Proverb" Competition, also letter of recent date confirming same.

I am more than thankful to you for your kindness to me, also the competition. In fact, I feel as if you have taken a personal interest in me all through.

Wishing your magazine every success and certainly the Contest Manager, I beg to remain,

THOMAS HUMPHRIES.

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