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only gateway to the rich Bo-
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PRIZES FOR THE BEST DESCRIPTIVE ARTICLES

Cash prizes for Essays on Lane County, Bohemia Min-
ing District and Cottage Grove---Commercial Club
Takes Up Advertising of this Section.

Prize for best essay on Cottage Grove, \$3.00 cash
Second prize 2.00 "
Third prize 1.00 "

These three prizes will be awarded by the Commercial
Club to students of Cottage Grove schools for the best de-
scriptive write-up of this city and vicinity, its advan-
tages, resources and industries.

LANE COUNTY.

Prize for best essay on Lane county:

First prize.....\$10.00 cash
Second prize.....5.00 "
Third prize.....4.00 "
Fourth prize.....3.00 "
Fifth prize.....2.00 "
Sixth prize.....1.00 "

Total.....\$25.00

These six prizes and those following will be offered by
the Commercial Club, through the enterprise of F. J.
Hard, to the six persons contributing the six best articles
on the desirability of Lane county as a place for a home,
its soil, its climate, its productiveness, and possibilities in
the way of farming, lumbering, mining, stock raising,
horticulture and whatever pursuits are at hand.

BOHEMIA MINING DISTRICT.

Prizes for best essay on Bohemia Mining District:

First prize.....\$10.00 cash
Second prize.....5.00 "
Third prize.....4.00 "
Fourth prize.....3.00 "
Fifth prize.....2.00 "
Sixth prize.....1.00 "

Prizes for this series of articles will be awarded upon
points of clearness and comprehensive description.

COTTAGE GROVE.

Prizes for best essay on Cottage Grove:

First prize.....\$10.00 cash
Second prize.....5.00 "
Third prize.....4.00 "
Fourth prize.....3.00 "
Fifth prize.....2.00 "
Sixth prize.....1.00 "

The first three prizes will be awarded to students only.
The remaining eighteen prizes will be awarded to any per-
son, young or old, whose contribution is adjudged best
by the committee or the judges they may select. All ar-
ticles contributed will be published in the newspapers of
the city and will be used by the Commercial Club in its
work of spreading information concerning Cottage Grove,
Bohemia Mining District and Lane county throughout
the East. All citizens are urged to compete and to assist
in sending out the information when it appears in printed
form. Other details will be given later.

NO DOUBT

You are anticipating the approach of
the holiday season with gladness, and
visions of limitless turkey and cran-
berry sauce rise before your mind's
eye; and

YOU'LL HAVE

The usual accompanying delicacies,
such as mince pies, pumpkin pies,
etc.; but one thing you must not
forget. What HOLIDAY dinners
is complete without that time-honored
institution of our grandfathers---

A PUDDING

With plums, raisins, currants, lemon
peel, citron and the sauce that makes
it complete? "No matter how much
you eat, you've always room for the
pudding."

The freshest of everything for the din-
ner and for the pudding.

PEARCE & JOHNSON

Our Own Free Delivery Wagon.

Phone Main No. 43. Corner Main and River Sts., West End of Bridge

JAPANESE CAPTURE 203 METER HILL.

Are in Position to Bombard the City
and Other Forts to Better
Advantage.

Tokio, Dec. 1 (Noon).--General
Nogi's telegram announcing the
storming and capture of 203 Meter
Hill was received with cheers by
the Japanese people. It revives the
hope of an early capture of Port
Arthur proper. The people have
never despaired of the besiegers,
but the fortitude of the defenders
and the prolongation of the siege,
which exceeds by months the most
liberal preliminary estimate of the
time required to accomplish the re-
duction of this stronghold, have
been a source of deep regret, com-
bined with the loss of life and dis-
appointments over the fact that the
siege has occupied such a large
force of men, decreasing Field Mar-
shal Oyama's strength at a time
when he needed every available man.

OTHER TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

End of St. Louis Fair.

With ideal early winter weather
prevailing; with the gates thrown
open to children and to those who
were worthy but had been unable
to attend from pecuniary reasons;
with crowds pouring through the
turnstiles, the Louisiana Purchase
Exposition held forth its last day
Thursday. President D. R. Francis
was the guest of honor today and
ceremonies were conducted in com-
memorating the service he has ren-
dered in making the Exposition a
success.

President Diaz Re-Elected.

The inauguration of General
Porfirio Diaz, as president of the
republic of Mexico for the seventh
time, and Senor Don Ramon Corral,
as first vice-president, took place in
the hall of the Chamber of Deputies
under most auspicious circum-
stances Thursday.

Jewel Presented.

Dr. Geo. Wall was the recipient
of a Past Master's jewel from Cot-
tage Grove Lodge, No 51, A. F.
& A. M. on Nov. 26th.

The doctor has served five years
as Worshipful Master of the
local lodge, a very remarkable
honor. The jewel is beautiful
in design, silver, with blue and
white enamel and gold emblems.
Dr. Wall and family expect to
leave for their new home in Los
Angeles within a few days.

Died.

Mrs. John Branton, an aged and
most respected pioneer of this sec-
tion, died suddenly Friday morn-
ing, Dec. 2, at 7 o'clock, of heart
disease.

The funeral services will be held
today, at the M. E. church,
conducted by Rev. F. L. Moore.

A more extended notice will be
given later.

The infant child of Lon Short-
ridge died Thursday, Dec. 1, 10
miles south of Cottage Grove, near
Rouse's mill. The interment took
place in the Taylor cemetery yester-
day. The mother died a week
after the birth of the child.

Mrs. D. T. Aubrey was called to
Portland last night on account of
sickness of her sister's husband, S.
S. Sigel.

1905--OREGON--1905

The girls' basket ball team went
to Drain yesterday afternoon to play
a game with the girl's team there
last night. We predict a victory
for our team as they play a fine
game.

1905--OREGON--1905

R. S. Smith and wife have moved
to Cottage Grove and are occupying
the rooms vacated by the J. N.
Boyd photo studio. Mr. Smith in-
tends opening a photo studio and
will put in a fine line of jewelry.

1905--OREGON--1905

Tomatoes, pumpkins and beans
blossoming in the balmy air on
Dec. 2, is the latest evidence we
present to our Eastern readers
especially. The vines were brought
in by F. B. Alford and are on dis-
play at the Leader office.

APPLES OF DEGREE

Grand Product of a Will-
amette Valley Orchard.

PERFECT SPECIMENS

Orchard in Home of the "Big Red
Apple" Brings Over \$200 Per Acre
on \$1000 Land.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 29. (Special
to the Oregonian).--That the Will-
amette Valley is still an apple-
growing region is shown by the
fact that on a single orchard near
Salem there were grown and
packed this year more boxes of
first-class Spitzenburg apples than
were shipped from the entire Hood
River Valley. That the apples were
up to standard in quality is evident
when it is stated that a Hood
River expert was employed to pack
the fruit in accordance with the
regulations in force at packing es-
tablishments in the famous Hood
River Valley. The Salem apples
were sold in New York City on
their merits.

The orchard referred to is the
well known Wallace orchard, near
this city, where 10,000 boxes of
shipping apples were produced.
The orchard comprises 35 acres,
but many of the trees have been re-
moved or set to other varieties, so
that there are but twenty or thirty
enough Spitzenburg trees to fill
completely about 30 acres. Because
the outlook for a crop was poor
early in the fall, the apples were
sold at a reduced price and brought
only \$12,000. The crop matured
much better than expected and
yielded the purchaser a handsome
profit.

Manager C. A. Park, of the Wal-
lace orchard, estimates that it cost
\$1000 to prune, spray and cultivate
the orchard and \$3500 to pick and
pack the fruit. This leaves a net
return of \$7500 on the 35 acres, or
\$214 per acre. This is over 20 per
cent on the investment if the or-
chard be estimated to be worth
\$1000 an acre.

In view of this good showing
made by the Wallace orchard, the
question, "How did you do it?"
seems peculiarly pertinent, and it
was put to Mr. Park.

"In the first place, we kept the
trees as clean as we reasonably
could by spraying," he replied.
"We kept the trees well pruned and
then took off about two-thirds of the
fruit while the apples were young.
As a rule we left the apples no
closer together on the limb than
six or eight inches. The result was
that our apples were large, clean
and well colored. This last charac-
teristic is important, for one of the
requirements of a first-class apple
is that its surface must be at least
two-thirds red. Out of the whole
10,000 boxes of apples we found
only 62 boxes that did not go into
the class of 'two-thirds red.'"

"It was the Willamette Valley
that gave Oregon its reputation for
'big red apples,'" continued Mr.
Park, "and I hope to see Will-
amette Valley orchardists reap a
fair share of the benefits of that
reputation. If growers would only
clean up their orchards, spray them
thoroughly at the proper times and
pick off enough fruit while young
so that what remains will be large
and well formed, we shall have
much less of the poor fruit that is
unprofitable to raise and not suit-
able to ship."

"Then we must have packers
who will not accept poor fruit.
When we sold the Wallace apples
this year we told the purchaser
that we wanted him to get a man
who understood the business to
superintend the packing. He sent
to Hood River for a man, and the

large quantity of apples that were
found acceptable under his regula-
tions shows what the Willamette
Valley can do in raising apples of
good quality."

Because these 10,000 boxes of
apples that were shipped East,
there was also raised on the Wallace
orchard 163 tons of Bartlett pears,
1800 boxes of Fall pears and 75
tons of other apples.

Dumb (?) Bootblack Skipped.

Eugene Guard; Walter Evans,
the dumb newboy and bootblack,
who has conducted a shine shop in
the McClung block on Seventh
street for several weeks past, has
proven himself to be all that the
Oregonian and Guard said he was
when he first came here. He is a
tramp and a bilk of the first water.
Yesterday he left for parts unknown,
leaving many debts behind him and
going away without redeeming a
large number of shine tickets which
he had sold at 50 cents and a dol-
lar apiece.

At the approach of the first of the
month, when he knew that his rent
and numerous bills would become
due, the boy began quietly to make
preparations to leave and during
the afternoon yesterday he locked
the door of his shop and quietly
slipped out of town. It is sup-
posed he went south, as he came
from the north.

Evans claimed that he could not
talk, having been injured when he
was a child, the injury preventing
the use of his vocal organs. A
number of boys who were employed
by him state that on one or two oc-
casions he gave vent to his feelings
in well chosen words. It is re-
markable, though, how he could
keep silent, as he was constantly in
the company of boys who frequented
his shop and who were talking and
"joshing" him all the time.

Special Rates to the Fair.

The latest rule of the
railroads from Mississippi River
points to the Pacific Coast go into
effect next year on account of the
Lewis and Clark Exposition in
Portland. By this very commend-
able action a large attendance at
the fair is assured, and the ex-
position may already be called a
success. Owing to the low rates,
thousands who have long desired
to visit the Coast will come to the
exposition and travel will be
greatly stimulated. Of course, it
may be urged that in taking this
action the general passenger agents
have been actuated by a selfish
motive, but we do not choose to
see it in that light. The truth of
the matter is that the greater factor
in the upbuilding of the West,
apart from the resources themselves
has been the persistent advertising
done by the passenger departments
and the broad-minded attitude that
they have assumed. The Pacific
Monthly has urged in the past that
there is a debt of gratitude due the
railroads from every man who has
even the smallest financial interest
on this Coast, and it is a pleasure
to call attention to this fact when
the railroads have shown such a
signal interest in the success of the
Portland Exposition.--William
Bittle Wells in The Pacific Monthly
for December.

Children for Adoption.

Boys may be had (and sometimes
girls) for--(1) ordinary service at
wages; (2) upon indenture, [to
work, attend school, and be brought
up somewhat as your own; and--
(3) children may be had for legal
adoption. Address, W. T. Gaudin,
Supt. Oregon Boys' and Girls' Aid
Society, Portland, Oregon.

MOTHERS BE CAREFUL

of the health of your children. Look
out for Coughs, Colds, Croup and
Whooping Cough. Stop them in time
--One Minute Cough Cure is the best
remedy. Harmless and pleasant.
Sold by the Modern Pharmacy.

For Sale

A mountain ranch, some
rolling, mostly level or nearly
so, half cleared and im-
proved, balance timber. Must
have purchaser. Inquire at
office of LEADER.

Meteors from Star.

Mack Stewart went to the Grove
Saturday.

John Wicks went to the Grove
Saturday.

Thanksgiving was spent very
quietly at Star.

Miss Myrtle Wicks spent Sun-
day with Lulu Harlow.

The saw mill at Vaughn's place
started to work Tuesday.

Mrs. Hawley of Wildwood visited
with Mrs. Pitcher Tuesday.

Mrs. Jim Spahr has been quite
sick with a severe case of neuralgia.

A. C. Gage passed through Star
on the speeder Monday afternoon.

Messrs. Rice and Frost, of Spring-
field visited at Joe Wicks this week.

Miss Iva and Myrtle Wicks vis-
ited with Mrs. Jas. Spahr Wednes-
day.

There was church at Star Sun-
day afternoon by Rev. Knotts, of
Albany.

Leslie Wicks is working for Ed
Cole, who has a large contract of
wood to cut.

Joseph Wicks and Rollin Wicks
are working at the saw mill on Mr.
Vaughn's place.

A. D. LeRoy passed through
Star Wednesday morning on his
way to Bohemia.

Carl Pitcher and George Kerr
have a contract to cut a hundred
cords of wood for John Wicks.

There was a dance at Mr. Stew-
art's Friday night, it was greatly
enjoyed by all. At midnight a
turkey supper was served for sixty.

Miss Rees and Mabel Harlow
made a flying trip to Wildwood,
Friday, to see the country, as this
was Miss Rees' first visit to that
place.

The Star Literary Society was
organized Saturday night and the
following officers were elected: Carl
Pitcher, president; Jewel Wicks,
secretary; Loren Hunt,
Lulu Harlow, Myrtle Wicks, pro-
gram committee; Rollin Wicks,
manager; Ed Cole, chairman;
Georgia Kerr, janitor.

PROPOSED ROAD WORK IN BOHEMIA

County Commissioners Consider Sub-
ject at Eugene.

On Wednesday the County Com-
missioners at Eugene were ad-
dressed by F. J. Hard and George
O. Knowles of the Bohemia Min-
ing District, with reference to the
roads in the district. Recent road
improvement on the Sharps creek
road has eliminated two fords, the
widest and the deepest, and it is
desired to still further improve the
highway in order to facilitate traf-
fic. Cutting out fords is simpler
and less expensive than building
bridges which are constantly in
need of repair. The commissioners
expressed themselves as satisfied
and pleased with the work already
done and the next few months will
probably witness further substantial
improvement of Bohemia road.

Sunday Wm. Perman was called
to Junction City to see his young
son who was quite ill. He re-
turned Sunday night on a freight
which arrived a little after one
o'clock. As the train drew into
the depot and before it stopped,
Perman jumped from the train. He
alighted on his feet all right, but
was thrown forward on his face and
rolled over several times. Two men
who were intending to steal a ride
found him soon after his fall and
carried him into the depot. His
friends were notified and he was
taken home and Dr. Hockett called
to attend him. His injuries al-
though severe are not considered
dangerous.

M. W. A. Attention.

All members should be present
at the next meeting, Tuesday, Dec.
6. Election of officers and other
important business.

C. W. WALLACE, Clerk.

Otto Brown, of Eugene, visited
his parents here from Tuesday to
Thursday.

Suits,
Sweaters,
Umbrellas,
Hats,
Ties.



Shoes,
Mufflers,
Hand'k'fs,
Hosiery,
Felt Shoes

IN YOUR
SEARCH FOR

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

DO NOT
OVERLOOK

WELCH & WOODS

FOR USEFUL
ARTICLES