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Gentlemen. I herewith inclose an article upon
Oregon hoping you will publish it.

The Commercial Club of Portland Oregon offers prizes
the highest of which is \$1000 for the best article upon
Oregon published in some newspaper or magazine
outside of Oregon and Washington, said articles to
be filed by Jan 1 1911 with the Club

I sent this article some time ago to the National
Tribune (as I am a Civil war veteran) but it was
returned with the advice that it was not available.
A few weeks ago I sent it to our ^{US} Senator Geo E
Chamberlain to put in some paper for me.

Having heard nothing from him I suppose he failed
to get it, hence as a last resort and the most-
hopeful and the best I send it to you, having made some changes
could I get a large prize I would willingly pay you a
good sum, rather than miss its publication. It might-
take several issues of your peerless paper; a paper brought-
to my notice by having just received several
copies, sent me, as containing a statement-

of the "insurgents" side of the controversy between them and the "stand paters" in the National Grange.

I am an insurgent in my sympathy at least.

I thank you for the papers.

If you print my article please send me two or three copies

I ought to have them by Dec 25. I would prize them as a Christmas gift.

If you cannot print article, let me know and I will forward postage for return.

To morrow will be my 72nd birthday

Wishing you continued and an ever increasing measure of success I am

Very Sincerely Yours

Cyrus H Walker

Chaplain Oregon State Grange and
a State Deputy organizer of granges