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WHY WE RAISE THE PRICE

The readers of the Herald may ask why the price of the paper will be raised to \$1.50 after the first of October, therefore we hasten to answer the question.

Four years ago the price of print paper was 4 cents per pound. The other day, in spite of the fact we have enough to run us for four or five months, we sought a future order at 13 cents a pound. We must pay spot cash, store the stock until we need it in order to protect ourselves against another advance in the market which is sure to come before our supply is exhausted. Should we wait until we need more print paper the chances are we would pay 16 cents and perhaps more. If you don't believe the newspaper publisher is getting his these days, we will sell you the Herald and let you get a little H. C. L. experience of your own.

Four years ago we employed printers for \$18 to \$20 a week. Today they secure \$42 per week.

Four years ago the wife bought shoes for \$4.00 and \$5.00 a pair, but now she pays from \$9.00 to \$15.00—when she buys them.

Four years ago we bought stogies for a nickel. Today they cost a dime and the smudge is just as offensive to the sensitive nostril as ever.

Four years ago Lizzie was fed perfectly good gas at 15 cents per gallon. Today the price has gone up and the quality gone down until at the present writing we pay 30 cents a gallon (when it is to be had) and the aroma is a cross between a disgusted polecat and an overdose of asafoetida.

Four years ago we bought a loaf of bread for a nickel. Today we buy a smaller loaf for 11 cents.

Four years ago Uncle Sam let us keep what we had left after the bills were paid. Today he helps himself to part of the balance to help pay for putting the kaiser in cold storage.

Four years ago we could buy a respectable meal for 25 cents. Today all you get for that sum is a "cheap skate" glare from the waiter. If you want a full meal leave your jewelry with the cashier as security. Maybe you can redeem them after you get your check and maybe not. Chances are not.

Four years ago you could get your locks trimmed for 25 cents. Today they are twice as thin, but the price is twice as much.

Four years ago we paid our state, county, city, school and other taxes as a matter of course. Today it is a matter of course; and operation in which the patient is relieved of everything but his citizenship.

Four years ago we could see a movie for a dime. Today they are a quarter on bargain day.

Four years ago a dollar quite frequently got warm in your pocket. Today it travels on a non-stop schedule. It does not linger even long enough to take water. We are not even a flag station on that dollar's route.

Four years ago we bought eggs for two-bits a dozen. A few days ago we swapped nine months subscription to get the result of one day's toil of twelve hens.

Four years ago "drives" were practically unknown. For the past few years we have known nothing else.

Four years ago one could accommodate the morning-after effects for a few dollars. Today you have to let your store bills go for six months, learn a secret code and carry a magnifying glass to acquire a suspicious smell on your breath. The water wagon is our private vehicle as it costs less to travel that way than any other way.

Four years ago we had not been introduced to Europe. From the expense account the last few years we must have married her while delirious.

There are other reasons too numerous to mention, as we say on the sale bills, and we told a friend so. He said he would wait until the price of the subscription went up, as he didn't have the heart to pay less than \$1.50.

Those paying before October 1 will receive the Herald at the same old price.

The various advantages of residing in the suburbs like the Mt. Scott district are many fold, and not appreciated by the ordinary individual until attention is called thereto. Plenty of room to breathe fresh air, with every dwelling occupying at least one lot of its own, with grassy lawn and garden in the rear, is a refreshing change from the congestion necessarily attending those residing in the more thickly populated portion of the city. Some of the very best truck patches in the entire city were noticeable in this locality last summer, the product of, in many cases, assisting materially to fill the family larder for the winter months—thus cutting down Mr. H. C. L. to an appreciable extent. For families with children—and there are few without them in this bailiwick—the parks nearby make a veritable Garden of Eden. Few accidents from auto and street cars are reported. A child reared under these conditions has a much better opportunity to attain its majority enjoying good health, while the little one residing in apartment house is generally seriously handicapped by its environments.

That it is possible and quite probable the constitutional amendment fixing the terms of certain county office to four years, including sheriff, clerk, treasurer, coronor and mayor will carry at the coming election, it becomes the more necessary that the candidates seeking official preferment should be especially competent, efficient and possess the utmost integrity.

"Why do some women dress so suggestively?" was asked the religious editor of The Herald the other day. Because, the same he man who desires high-heeled shoes and fancy stockings is the same son-of-a-gun that nearly twists his neck off rubbing at the fair bedecked in loud regalia.

A community is, or should be, something more than a mere collection of homes and marts of trade. It is what its citizens are; what they make it; no more, no less. Consequently, "in unity there is strength." A good, live Community Club will work wonders along this line.

The old freight rate from Chicago to Portland on one shirt was one-half cent each; the new rate is four-fifths of a cent. We are breathlessly awaiting the advance asked by the retailer. The writer, in years gone by, has formed the habit of changing this garment named every fall, whether needed or not, but this year may possibly be unable to follow his established custom.

The Oregon wheat crop this year is placed at 21,924,000 bushels, according to the September report issued by F. L. Kent, agricultural statistician of the bureau of crop estimates, United States department of agriculture. This is an increase of 1,529,000 bushels over the estimated crop of last year. Other increases shown in the report are 2,896,000 bushels of oats, 922,000 bushels of barley and 243,000 bushels of rye.

Residents of Bonanza have raised a fund for grading the road-bed for a branch of the Oregon, California & Eastern railway from the present terminus at Dairy, to Bonanza. Under agreement with Robert E. Strahorn, president of the road, the Bonanza people are to grade the road, furnish ties and provide the rights of way. The railway company will furnish and lay the rails. Bids for grading will be opened October 1.

By a decision rendered in the circuit court in Portland, Judge John McCourt dissolved an injunction brought by the county court of Polk county to restrain the state highway commission from proceeding with paving operations in that county over a contested route. The effect of the decision is to uphold the right of the highway commission to select the routing of highways or to change announced routes in its discretion.

Appropriation of 4000 second feet of water from the Klamath river for the development of 150,000 horsepower and irrigation of 250,000 acres of land in the Sacramento valley at an estimated cost of \$15,000,000 is sought in an application filed with Percy Cupper, state engineer, by Victor Demarais and Charles E. Watson. The main canal will divert water from the Klamath river in Oregon and carry it 60 miles into the Sacramento valley.

In Hungary the minister of justice suggests that profiteers should be fished across their bare feet. This ought to throw terror into their souls.

Don't forget this: The government can not do for you those things that can be accomplished only through hard work. Work is your part of it.

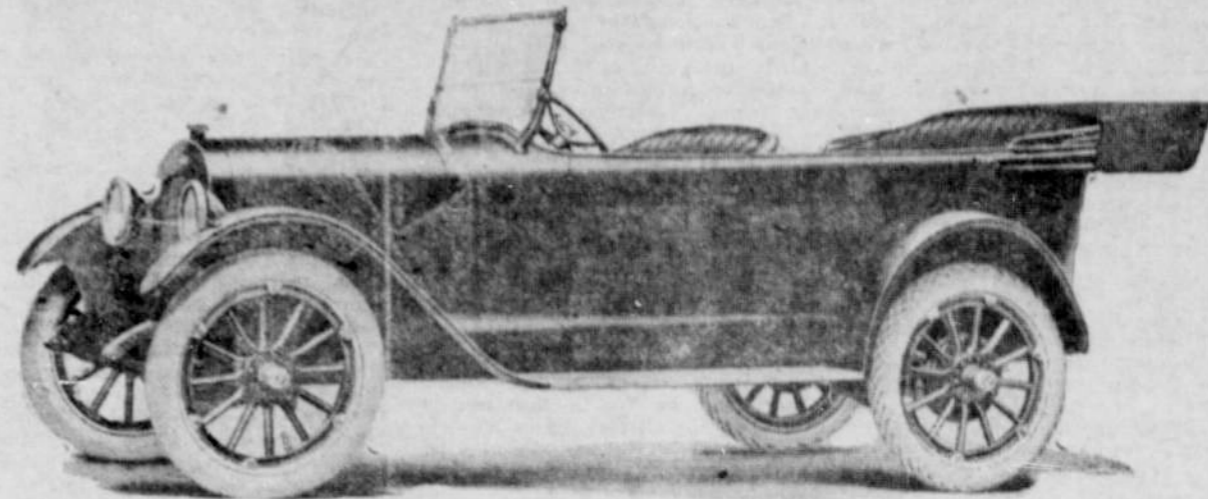
We read that "the lettuce should not be eaten when served with salad, as it is intended only as a garnish." What's the matter? Does the salad poison the lettuce?

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