

GEO. WILL PLANS BUSINESS BLOCK OF EIGHT STORIES

Details of a plan to erect an 8-story building at the corner of south Liberty and Ferry streets, opposite the Salem armory, were made public yesterday by George C. Will. The building is estimated to cost nearly \$100,000. Work of construction will begin next June.

The building will measure 165 feet in length, and extend from Liberty street back to the alley running between Liberty and Commercial streets. It will be 67 feet wide, extending to the middle of the brick building now occupied by the Elker Automobile company. Erection of the new structure involves tearing down the old wooden building, originally a livery stable and now used as a garage, at the corner of Liberty and Ferry streets, and at least half of the adjoining brick building. The Elker Automobile company, a small barber shop and a small restaurant now occupy space involved.

Practically the entire building, when constructed, will be given over to business offices. Mr. Will stated this morning: "There is a heavy demand in Salem for business offices," he said. Space may be allowed for a large room capable of seating 100 or more persons. There is a need in Salem for a place where small crowds can gather to hear musicals and other programs, Mr. Will states.

The new building will be of reinforced concrete, with a stucco exterior.

10 VAUDEVILLE ACTS ON HEILIG NEW YEARS BILL

A "monster" surprise vaudeville is being planned for the big New Year's eve matinee for the Heilig theater by Aurelio Holt, resident manager. Extensive preparations are being made to make this the biggest and best New Year's matinee ever staged in Salem. Mr. Holt has not as yet announced the acts as he wants to keep it as a big surprise.

Special scenery is being made for the show and from all prospects at the present time the show will furnish more fun than ever before. Mr. Holt has engaged some professional talent for the coming bill. Something unusual in entertainment is going to be offered and a good time for all is planned.

The New Year's matinee bill will not be the regular weekly Association vaudeville. This special program is being made up of some other talent. The regular association vaudeville night will come the same as usual states Mr. Holt.

Ten big acts are being planned for at this time with the big show starting at 10:30 p. m. and lasting until the New Year is taken in. Noise makers, serpentine and balloons will be given. Seats are now on sale and are going exceptionally well. Mr. Holt said yesterday. He expects one of the biggest crowds to be at the new Heilig. A good classy quartet, two jazz bands, dancing and singing numbers are on the big surprise bill. "The show will be the biggest and best ever staged in Salem if possible," Mr. Holt states.

Growth of Industry In Salem Pictured In Student's Essay

From the first establishment of the local woolen mill to the building of the linen plant, Salem's industries are enumerated and described briefly and comprehensively by Katherine Goulet of Parrish Junior high school in her essay, which tied with that of Margaret Purvine of McKinley Junior high school for first place among 8th grade essays in the recent Kiwanis club essay contest. The essay written by Katherine Goulet reads as follows:

Of Salem's four leading industries the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill is the oldest. It was put in operation in 1839. All kinds of woolen material are manufactured yearly amounting to over a half a million dollars.

The Spaulding Lumber company is among the best equipped mills on the coast. Its annual

output is over four hundred million feet of lumber. In connection with the mill they have a modern and complete saw and door factory also a box factory. Counting five persons to a family over eighteen hundred people depend on this industry.

The Oregon Pulp and Paper company manufactures nearly fifty five tons of all grades of paper a day. Its central location is specially adapted to this industry because of surrounding forests of pulp wood.

Another of the important industries recently established is the Valley Packing company. It packs about one hundred and twenty million pounds annually. The farmers in the country surrounding Salem find a good market for their livestock. The Packing company in turn supplies

many of the western Oregon meat markets.

Other industries that play an important part are the canneries. The largest of these are the Oregon Packing company and Hunt's cannery which handle large amounts of fruit and vegetables.

Salem's newest industry, which we believe will soon be a leading one, is the manufacture of flax. These industries and others of less importance are the source of employment of many people.

In the last few years Salem has grown rapidly. Many people have come to Salem from the east, have built homes and found employment. With the growth of these industries more people will continue to come. The country surrounding Salem has proved excellent farm land. There are many orchards of prunes, apples, cherries and other fruits. Because of the abundance of cherries Salem is known as the "Cherry City." These orchards are especially beautiful on our annual Blossom Day. Many farmers are engaged in raising livestock, grain and other agricultural products.

As Salem supports more industries every year, farmers will have a larger market for their

products. The amount of raw and of manufactured products exported in the last two years was very large compared to former years. The amount of money spent exceeded that of years in the past. All this growth of Salem such as building of homes, increase in population, wealth, and agriculture is due to the development of the industrial plants of this capital city.

SPEEDY STAGE DRIVER NABBED NEAR WOODBURN

Woodburn, Dec. 23—Tire trouble causing considerable delay and the desire of passengers to make up for lost time led L. J. Woodward, a stage driver, to travel at a rate of speed prohibited by law Tuesday. Woodward was arrested by State Traffic Officer Reinhart and brought before H. Overton, justice of the peace of the Woodburn district. Judge Overton permitted Woodward to proceed upon his trip on his own undertaking and cited him to appear Thursday.

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