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With this issue of the Herald the writer severs his connection with this paper and enters upon other duties which he hopes will be more lucrative if not more pleasant. During the short time we have handled the pencil on the Herald we have learned that many of the old friends have not forgotten the work of former years. For this and the many favors we wish to express our sincere thanks. Our successor will make his own announcement next week and for him we bespeak as kindly treatment as has been given the writer.

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Some of our statesmen seem to be entertaining the notion of being for their country every other day.

The man who wants to join the army, but is disqualified, will be found doing something for his country as valuable as the work of the man who cannot go because of the work he is doing.

In another wild outburst of patriotism the railroads have reduced the portions served in dining cars. But through some strange oversight no reduction in prices accompanied this fine tribute to national needs.

When Mr. Hoover gets fairly down to business, it is hoped he will do things to the Sugar Trust. The coast is pretty blamed tired of paying New York prices for sugar produced in Hawaii and in her own back yard.

The War Board says: "In fixing the prices to be paid by the governments, we shall allow a reasonable profit, but shall deny the extortion now exacted for many commodities of prime necessity." "The extortions now exacted." While we are putting men in prison who refuse to offer their lives, it seems that something should be done to those who refuse to divide their extortionate profits.

### Substitute for Gasoline.

There is joy in the hearts of the owners of the ubiquitous flivver and of the more pretentious limousine. A San Francisco chemist has perfected a chemical compound which he claims will give to ordinary water all the energy and speed of the most highly refined gasoline, and at a cost that will make the motorist "smile at miles," as the tire-maker delights to advertise. Ten cents' worth of this chemical compound, it is said, has run a six-cylinder car loaded with passengers one hundred miles of ordinary road travel. It is claimed that the motorist cannot tell the difference between gasoline and the new mixture, so far as results are concerned. Two ounces of the mixture are required to a gallon of water.

If the new compound is all that is claimed for it, the problem of a cheap motor fuel has been solved, and this would result in not only a great saving in expense to the motorist, but also relieve the demand for gasoline, now constantly growing in all parts of the world. Incidentally it would result in enormous saving to the government and its allies, which are now using vast quantities of "petrol" in the movement of armies and stores.

### Pope's Peace Proposal

Pope Benedict has submitted to all the warring powers an outline of the terms on which he suggests that it may be possible to make peace. Their character leads to the conclusion that Austria may have fathered them and that it is possible Germany may be willing to accede to them. They are as follows and practically amount to a restoration of national boundaries as they existed before the war, without indemnities:

The restoration of the territory and sovereignty of Belgium, Serbia and Roumania, and the return to Germany of her colonies stand first in the list. A peaceful solution is to be found for the status of Alsace-Lorraine, Italy's irredenta, and Poland.

The Pope declares that the injuries

suffered by all the warring nations are irreparable and attempts at compensation cannot be thought of.

For the future he would have reduction of armaments, settlement of international disputes by arbitration, freedom of the seas and no retaliatory after-the-war economic struggle for supremacy.

With all this there would be no effective guaranty of future peace so long as Germany is permitted to retain her submarines. To attempt to make any terms with the Kaiser that would leave him his throne would be like making a treaty with a mad dog, one of the conditions of which should be that he must not be permitted to roam at large.

There is just one reason why neither this nation nor any other member of the entente alliance can make peace on the terms Pope Benedict XV has suggested. When it comes to making solemn treaties to end this awful war and insure the peace of the world, the indisputable essential will be the good faith of the signatories. With a Kaiser who has flouted treaties as mere "scraps of paper," we ought to make no other terms than those which Grant demanded at Appomattox—unconditional surrender. With the German people we might negotiate and come to an understanding, with the German Kaiser never. To treat with him would be to discredit our own intelligence. With a government of which he is the head there is just one thing to do—to conquer it and put it out of business. A government which has for four long years waged war with the fiendishness of savages and trampled under foot every law of God and man, as regardless of international law as of its own most sacred obligations, ought to have no standing in any tribunal assembled to formulate the terms and guarantees of peace.

If the terms of peace tentatively suggested by the Pope are the terms on which Germany is ready to quit, the Kaiser must be awfully sick of his attempt to bring the world to his feet. The restoration of the status quo before he war even would mean that Germany had sacrificed millions of her men and billions of her money, brought all her people to misery unthinkable and made herself a stench in the nostrils of the world without any recompense whatever. To quit thus would be to acknowledge defeat in a venture so ambitious and so vicious as to be comparable with nothing in history, only with the rebellion in heaven which Milton imagined.

### About Shipping Meat.

J. D. Mickle, of the State Dairy and Food Commission, asks us to publish the following warning and advice to farmers who dress and ship their own meats:

"A great amount of this meat is condemned and ordered destroyed because of reaching the market in such a condition that it is unfit for food. This is not only a direct loss to the farmer who ships it, but in such times when we are exercising every effort in the line of food conservation, it is a loss to the consuming public, and we feel a great deal of such loss could be avoided if farmers and butchers

would properly prepare their meats taking necessary precaution to see that it reaches the market in the best possible condition.

"Dr. E. E. Chase, Chief Meat Inspector of the City Health Department of Portland, informs me that during the last 16 months there has been condemned 15,426 lbs. of meat that was killed and dressed by farmers, and this condemnation has not on account of a diseased condition of the meat but simply on account of what is termed 'Spoiled Meat.' We feel that if farmers and butchers will observe the following requirements, much of this loss can be eliminated:

"1st—The carcasses of veal and hogs must be entirely free from animal heat before being offered to the transportation company for shipment.

"2nd—All carcasses of veal should have two sticks, one in the thoracic cavity, the other in the abdominal cavity, so as to spread the carcass and hold it apart. In hogs weighing over 200 pounds it would be well to have them split through the hips and shoulders, as hogs sour very quickly during hot weather. Thoroughly wash the inside of the veal with hot water and wipe with a clean cloth until all slime and dampness is thoroughly removed; the sprinkling of cayenne pepper on the inside tends to prevent the work of flies.

"All carcasses, except veal, must be wrapped in a clean cloth before being offered for shipment."

### Benson on Coast Highway.

At Marshfield Tuesday evening State Highway Commissioner Simon Benson spoke officially regarding the probability of a coast highway and favored the construction, yet he warned the assemblage the highway could not be built for a number of years. Mr. Benson showed how great the cost would be and how little Curry county, sparsely settled, and with a long stretch of the proposed highway, could be expected to do toward the building. With a bond issue, Curry would be able to furnish but \$90,000, and the cost of simply grading the road, Mr. Benson said, would be more than \$500,000. This, he said, was one of the difficulties which stands in the way of promptly keeping the agreement with the California state highway commission and Governor Stevens.

### Marriage Licenses.

During the past seven days the following marriage licenses were issued by County Clerk Oddy:

August 21—Robert Agnew and Vesta Pilkington.  
August 22—Arthur J. Kirst and Cecelia Hoffman.  
Aug. 23—V. L. Newman and Zimra Billings, of Myrtle Point.

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