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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1919.

Hoover says food prices should begin to drop soon and we all agree with him.

Newberg people who failed to hear Fred G. Bale deliver his lecture, "The Fourth Line of Defense," at Wood-Mar Hall on last Saturday evening missed a rare treat. Many who heard him say it was one of the best lectures they have ever heard delivered in Newberg.

Newberg has the largest cannery in the Northwest, a saw mill with capacity of 100,000 feet daily, creamery and cheese factory, milk condensing plant, prune processing plant, and iron foundry, making a list of industries greater than that of any other town in the Willamette Valley of its size. This fact, coupled with our excellent educational advantages, is bringing many people here who are buying property.

It looks like the various committees appointed throughout the country whose duties were to find employment for returned soldiers might have to be put on the pension list. If there is a returned soldier, or any other kind of a soldier, in the country without a job he must be in hiding. Here in Newberg it is almost impossible for householders to get their cordwood sawed, owing to the inability of the men who operate the wood saws to secure help.

With an ample supply of wood all about us suitable for fuel but with fir cordwood selling at \$7.00 per cord, people are beginning to wonder how long it will be before the Alaska coal fields we heard so much about a few years ago are opened up and the cheap coal that was promised is put on the market. With private capital cut out it is a safe guess that there will be several "cold spells" before the Federal Government has any Alaska coal coming this way.

A Graphic reader suggests that the city council should pass an ordinance requiring that the name of the streets be marked at corners in all concrete walks put down in the future. This is a good suggestion and one that ought to meet with universal approval. The painted street signs that were put up a few years ago are already becoming marred by the elements and in a few years they will be to replace, while a street name placed in concrete will be there for a long time to come.

The illness of President Wilson, which proves to be of a very serious nature, eliminates all possibility of a third term and leaves the field open for other prospective democratic candidates. While there are a number of men who think they

are presidential timber it will be no easy task for the party to find one who will measure up to the requirements, and the same may be said of the republican party. Possibly there never was a time in the history of our government when a really big, broad-minded statesman was needed for the office more than one will be needed in the next few years, and doubtless the man will be found, but just now a survey of the field don't look very encouraging.

A letter received from the Public Service Commission, Fred G. Buchtel chairman, says a copy of a bulletin will shortly be forwarded to automobile owners throughout the state, explaining the nature and intent of the various kinds of warning signs placed at railroad crossings, hoping that the plan will prove to be of substantial benefit, and that the number of accidents may be materially decreased by co-operation between the state and county officials, railroads and the traveling public. Such a movement ought to bring results and no doubt some automobile drivers will heed repeated warnings, but it is a noticeable fact that after all the warnings given through the newspapers and by signs put up that none can fail to read, there are few auto drivers who take the necessary precautions when approaching railroad crossings.

TRADING WITH GERMANY

While the war was in progress there were many movements designed to boycott Germany commercially after peace should be restored. Most famous was the Paris agreement among the European allies to favor one another by tariffs and to discriminate against the Germans for a long term of years, says The Youth's Companion.

No doubt the dislike and distrust of the Germans, the ill will toward them, and the repugnance to associating with them in any way are as strong as ever. Americans feel much as the British and French feel, but not so strongly. We suffered less from German atrocities and therefore thirst less for revenge.

Although the hostility exists and will die but slowly, it is not likely that it will long keep the nations from trading with Germany. Taking the broadest view of what is right and expedient, it should not. We are hoping for a long era of peace, and we cannot expect it if we adopt a course that fosters in ourselves a spirit that conduces to war, and that tends to war still more certainly by prolonging the exasperation with which the Germans resent the consequences of their defeat. We need not be such hypocrites as to tell them that we love them; but we shall certainly be preparing for another world catastrophe if we continue both to shout and show our hatred of them.

For merely material reasons, too, it would be bad policy. We—and that includes Great Britain and France—wish to sell our products in German markets, and we cannot do it unless we admit German goods, some of which we need, on fairly equal terms. Moreover, general prosperity throughout the

world—even prosperity in this country—is out of the question so long as a great nation like Germany is condemned to isolation and misery. Preferential tariffs and other friendly arrangements between the Allies there may be, if they are not too harsh, but excessive severity will react against those who exercise it.

There are, no doubt, higher reasons, based on religious principles, for taking the same view of what is expedient; but the motive in presenting them might be misunderstood. Wordly wisdom furnishes an ample argument and is pretty sure to prevail.

LOCAL

Mrs. G. W. Ferree and daughter, Miss Eva, of Salem, spent the week end at the S. E. Winchester home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore, who have been here for several weeks visiting his brother, John W. Moore, and family, left for their home in Nebraska Monday.

Miss Miller, who was to have sung at the Baptist church, will not sing until the following Sunday, having contracted a cold. Mr. Arthur will sing the "Holy City" at the morning service.

U. S. G. Miller, Mr. Collier and Mr. Peterson, of the Miller Mercantile Co., are off for a vacation of a week which they are spending at Pacific City where they hope to do some salmon fishing.

J. Carl Nelson, who is in the employ of Balou & Wright in Portland who handle automobile accessories, as salesman, is off for a ten days' vacation which he is spending at home with his family.

J. L. Marshall and Ira K. Vantress, G. A. R. Veterans, finished a job of bricking up two furnaces recently installed in the boys' dormitory building at the college, on Wednesday, without going on a strike.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ricks, of the Ellison-White Lyceum Bureau, came out from Portland last Saturday evening to attend the opening lyceum number and remained over for a visit with their friends, the Allens.

Jesse Martin, of Grass Valley, Sherman county, who came down to attend the funeral of his father at Carlton was in Newberg Wednesday visiting his brother-in-law, J. Carl Nelson.

F. M. LaRonde, who was working with the G. S. Nelson wood saw Wednesday morning, had a small toe nearly cut off when in stooping over for a stick of wood he put one foot out behind to balance himself and reached far enough to come in contact with the saw.

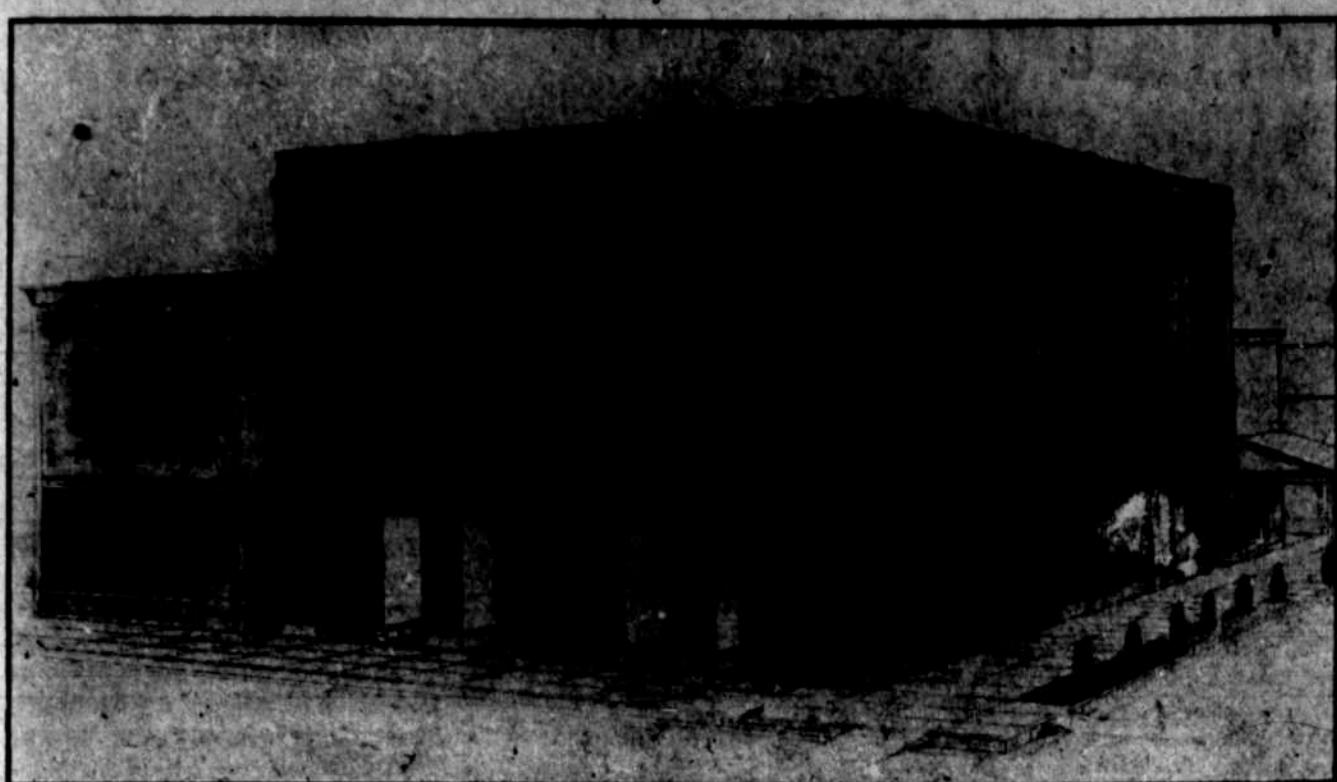
Herbert Armstrong, head janitor at the college, went to his home in Salem the first of the week for the purpose of harvesting a crop of carrots which he grew for a Salem company, but returned Tuesday and will let the carrots grow a while longer.

Mrs. W. S. Parker and little Ruth are down from La Grande keeping house for her father-in-law, L. M. Parker, while Mrs. Parker is in a Portland hospital where she went last week to have some glands in the neck removed, which had been giving her trouble for some time. She is reported to be getting along nicely.

Mrs. C. S. Hilbert entertained at 6 o'clock dinner Tuesday evening a few friends in honor of Miss Doris Hazenbury, whose marriage to W. Kurtz, of Portland, will occur this month. Out of town guests were Mrs. J. Donahue and daughter, Eugene, of Napa, California, relatives of the bride. Miss Hazenbury has the best wishes of her many friends here as she goes to her new home in Portland.

Chris Held has sold his harness business to Alfred Smith who learned the harness trade with him several years ago. Mr. Held has stuck closely to the bench for fourteen years and he feels that he needs a change. He will do some collecting for a time and says he is in no hurry to get back into business. Mr. Smith was up in the Alberta country at the time of the outbreak of the war and for a long time had charge of the cutting department in a big shop that had big contracts for government harness.

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