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TURKEYS TO SPARE

Prices in Portland Markets This Year Not So High.

FRONT STREET GLUTTED

Commission Merchants Swamped With Birds and Wholesale Prices Demoralized—Supply Exceeds Expectations of Merchants.

No one need go turkey-hungry in Portland this Thanksgiving. There are not only enough turkeys to go around, but it looks as if there would be some to spare, and prices are going to be low, as compared with last year. The wholesalers have received the bulk of their supply, and there is certainly no famine down in the produce district. The big retail market men have covered most of their requirements, but the smaller retailers are holding off until today to purchase their supplies.

Retail prices yesterday ranged from 15 to 25 cents a pound, according to quality. What the price will be today and tomorrow the market men could not say, as everything depends on the customers. There certainly will be no advance. If the people of Portland buy with their accustomed freedom these prices will hold to the end; otherwise there may be a decline to 12 1/2 cents for the best. Last Thanksgiving turkeys retailed at 25 to 30 cents.

Front street was swamped with turkeys yesterday, and wholesale prices were badly demoralized. Quotations ranged from 15 cents for "culs" to 15 cents for choice birds. The supply exceeded all expectations, being estimated by some jobbers at 20 per cent more than last year's. Buyers, both in the city and country, were cautious, and did not place their orders as freely as heretofore. Unless the demand is urgent today, it is probable that a portion of the receipts will have to be frozen for future needs.

Oregon produced a record turkey crop this year. Prices were so good in 1906 that the turkey-raisers branched out extensively, and consequently, over-did it. The larger part of the local supply comes from Douglas County, where the climatic conditions are ideal for this kind of farming. Shipments from Oakland and Roseburg began last week, and supplies are now pouring into the Portland and Puget Sound markets. One lot of 1000 Southern Oregon turkeys went to Alaska.

Douglas County's shipments to date are estimated at 15,000 turkeys. The largest shipper at Oakland is E. G. Young & Company, who has sent out 6000, while Beckley Brothers, of the same place, have shipped 2500 turkeys. From Roseburg, J. F. Barker & Company shipped 2500 and Stauffer & Company 2500 turkeys, while 2000 turkeys were sent out of the county by small or shippers. About 10,000 live turkeys are held in reserve on the Douglas County farms for the Christmas trade.

Electric Line Incorporates. Articles of incorporation were filed with the County Clerk yesterday which imply the building of an electric line to Salem, Albany and Eugene as well as a network of lines from Eugene to Langlo, Lane, Polk and Lincoln Counties. The corporation places its capital at \$1,000,000 and designates its line as the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway Company. The articles, which were prepared at Salem,

state that the line will run from Portland to Salem, Albany and Eugene, and from Eugene one branch will extend up the Mackenzie through to Prineville and connect with the Oregon Short Line at Ontario, in Eastern Oregon. Another branch will extend from Eugene to Yaquina Bay points, and still another to Lincoln, Polk and Lane County points. The incorporators are J. A. Storey, J. C. Bracher, A. V. Welch, E. W. Hall, G. Bracher and John H. McMurray.

Declines Invitation to Turkey Dinner

Dr. Alonzo Van Gesner Obligated to Forego Thanksgiving Spread Because He is in Jail.

HOW would you like to be compelled to decline a pressing invitation out to eat Thanksgiving dinner because you would have to spend the day in jail?

This is what happened to Dr. Alonzo Van Gesner, who is doing five months in the County Jail for complicity in land frauds against the Government in the Prineville district.

Moreover the friends of the doctor have importuned the authorities to permit him to take dinner with them on Thursday but all to no purpose. A lady dropped in to see United States Marshal Reed a few days ago and asked that the doctor be liberated temporarily.

"It is impossible," said Mr. Reed, "it seems hard that Dr. Gesner has to eat his Thanksgiving dinner in that jail."

"Yes, 'tis tough," said the Marshal, shedding a sympathetic tear, "but people ought to realize that it is no picnic to go to jail anyway."

Dr. Gesner will continue to languish in his lonely prison cell and will eat his dinner Thursday in the gloomy vaults of the county reformatory.

STRUCK DOWN AND ROBBED

Adolph Weiderbush, of Boring, Gets Well on Head and Lose \$45.

Adolph Weiderbush was knocked down and robbed of \$45 at 9:30 last night at the west approach to the Madison-street bridge by a man described as being rather tall and slim, and wearing a black derby hat. Weiderbush said that he met the man in the Hoffman saloon at First and Madison streets, but could give no description of his assailant.

The two men were seen by bystanders walking east on Madison street. Both men staggered as if they were drunk, and were walking arm-in-arm. They reached the west approach to the bridge, just past a fish market, two men standing at Front and Madison streets, heard a heavy thud and a groan. Going to the scene, they discovered Weiderbush lying where he had fallen, with a bruise over his eye which soon swelled into a great welt. The blood was flowing freely from the wound and from his nose.

Weiderbush said he came to Portland yesterday from Boring, where he had been employed in a logging camp. At the time of the robbery he said he had in his pockets about \$10 in gold, \$20 in greenbacks and \$15 in bank certificates. He was taken to the station by the police, where his wounds were dressed.

TURKEYS! TURKEYS!

Go down to the Harry Wood Market, corner First and Alder streets, if you care to see some of the finest lines of turkeys ever shown in Portland and the prices range from 15 cents to 22 cents per pound.

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NOMINEE TURNS ON TICKET

ANTI-GAMBLING COUNCILMAN WILL SUPPORT CLUB.

A. J. Walker, Named by Good Government League, Will Protect Notorious Resort at Milwaukie.

In the municipal campaign in Milwaukie, which ends next Monday night, it appears that the Good Government League, which nominated three candidates for Councilmen in an effort to capture control of the city government, has got hold of a gold brick.

A. J. Walker, one of the men nominated on the Good Government League ticket, repudiates the very thing for which the league was started. In a signed statement Mr. Walker says:

"I am not in favor of attempting to abolish the Milwaukee Club, etc., so there will be no possible misunderstanding for the voter, and thereby lessening the chance for accusations of misdeeds committed in case of election."

I am not in favor of attempting to abolish the Milwaukee Club at the present time, and in the face of a National panic as it now exists, which would mean the canceling of a major portion of our revenues, which would necessarily create more burden to the taxpayer. Hot air is all right in its place, and talk is cheap, but it takes money to make the mare go.

But again, should other means of obtaining sufficient revenue be forthcoming in the near future, such as franchising the Southern Pacific Railroad, which seems quite probable from all indications, or other means of obtaining revenues, which I most heartily endorse the anti-club movement, for it certainly is in no wise grading our otherwise law-abiding city. Why further state I am opposed to granting any special favors to any big corporation, such as free right-of-way along, or across our streets, on the other hand, would obtain from them all the finances possible and expect no favors from them in return.

In marked contrast with this statement is the following plank of the Good Government League, which reads:

Every day of operation of the gambling house Milwaukee has lost and is losing some of the elements that go to make up a good, ordinary American community. We believe its evil is slight, but Mr. Milwaukee Voter, you OUGHT to vote against it and YOU KNOW IT. You OUGHT to vote out men who work so hard to defend this resort that they seem to have no energy left for improvement of Milwaukee.

If the Good Government League elects all three candidates it will not have control of the city government as far as the Milwaukee Club is concerned, in view of Mr. Walker's declaration. As there is one hold-over Councilman, there would be two for abolishing the club and two for retaining it. It is now too late to take Mr. Walker off the ticket.

FIREMEN ASK INCREASE

Petition for Pay Equal to That of Patrolmen.

A petition signed by practically every member of the Portland Fire Department was presented to the Council committee on ways and means yesterday, requesting an advance in the wages of these employees to an amount equal to that paid the members of the Police Department. The petition calls for the following increase in salaries: Lieutenants, from \$26 to \$310 a month; stokers, \$58 to \$100; hosemen, truckmen and drivers, \$50 to \$100. Action on the petition was deferred until the next meeting of the committee. Chairman Rushlight and Councilman Vaughn favored granting the increase without delay, even if only one month remained before provision had to be

SHIPPING GOLD BY MAIL

A THOUSAND POUNDS REACH SEATTLE FROM FAIRBANKS.

Cable Advices From Valdez State That \$1,250,000 Has Arrived Overland From the Placers.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special).—The steamer Yucatan arrived here today with 1000 pounds of gold dust, shipped from the Fairbanks country in the United States mails to Seattle.

This is the largest shipment of gold dust ever made through the mails on a single steamer coming from Alaska. All the dust was started after the Winter trail opened, and came through in mail packages under the new regulations.

According to cable advices from Valdez, there has arrived at that port \$1,250,000 in gold dust over the overland route, which is also coming out as soon as steamer facilities will permit. It is consigned to Seattle banks.

The snowfall near the coast is not yet heavy enough to permit the operation of sleds, and the gold dust has to be packed the last section of the trip on horses.

Work for Street Improvement. The Kenilworth Improvement Club met last night at the home of E. F. Moulden, on East Thirty-third street, and elected the following officers: President, Ira C. Clodfelter; vice-president, H. S. Harcourt; secretary and treasurer, J. R. Tomlinson. It was decided to take immediate steps for the improvement of all streets between East Twenty-sixth and the city limits eastward, and to secure water mains on the streets where needed.

An effort also will be made to secure the improvement of East Thirty-second street to connect with the improvement under way through the Waverly tract toward Division street. The next meeting of the club will be at the home of T. H. Compton, 1002 Gladstone avenue, Monday, December 2, at which time Mayor Lane and Councilman Rushlight will be invited to attend.

New York.—The postal clerk of New York city are organizing for the purpose of attempting to induce Congress to reduce the working hours in this department to 45 a week.

RETIRED BUSINESS MAN FAVORS NEW THEORY

E. H. Lambert, of Everett, Massachusetts, Believes Stomach the Seat of Life.

One of the most interesting statements made recently concerning the much discussed Cooper theory that has spread over the country during the past year, is made by E. H. Lambert, a retired business man, whose home is at 115 Francis street, Everett, Mass. Mr. Lambert has this to say in connection with Cooper and his medicine: "Some time ago I read an article about this man Cooper, in which he claimed that stomach trouble was directly responsible for most ill health. He went on to say that although his medicine did nothing but get the stomach in sound condition, it would, in many cases, remove kidney and liver troubles and various other ailments. He argued from this that the stomach was the main cause of sickness, and stated that the success he has had with his medicine was due entirely to this fact. 'I am now fully convinced that this theory is correct, and believe Cooper has a really remarkable medicine, judging from my own experience.'

WILL BE POSTPONED AGAIN

Thaw's Second Trial to Begin After New Year.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—The second trial of Harry E. Thaw, set for one week from tomorrow, will again be postponed, and there is little chance that it will be called until well along in January.

While District Attorney Jerome will probably move for an adjournment, owing to the difficulty of securing a jury before the holidays, Martin W. Littleton, counsel for Thaw, said today he had not agreed to a postponement, also that he did not intend to ask for a change of venue.

The expected postponement is partly due to the fact that the task of selecting a jury under the care of court bailiffs, and also to the fact that Thaw's counsel has applied to the court for permission to inspect the secret evidence before the lunacy commission during the first trial.

Thaw, in his cell in the famous old Tombs prison, which he has occupied since the night of the tragedy on Madison Square roof garden, June 25, 1906, is planning for his second trial with the same confidence of acquittal that he prepared for the first ordeal.

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