

Turkey Better Because President Knows He Need Not Make Speech to Earn It.

FAMILY ONLY IS PRESENT

Wickersham, His Companion in Outing, Confesses to Strenuous Two Hours' Tramp-Knox Attends Nicaraguan Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3 -- Sated with the 'possum dinners and elaborate banquets he was forced to face in his recent trip from Coast to Coast, President Taft sat down this afternoon to a family

Thanksgiving dinner. The piece de resistance was a mam-moth turkey that had been raised in Rhode Island and boked almost moun-tainous. Mr. Taft smiled when the

Rhose Mann and tot smiled when the tainous. Mr. Taft smiled when the dessert was served. "Thank goodness," he said happily. "I've had a dinner at which I haven't been compelled to make speeches and where my reception committee lurked in where my reception committee lurked in the background. Eve enjoyed food-real food-and I haven't had to work to get

Tonight the White House chef is the roudest citizen of the District of Colum-ia, while his assistant shedy reflected Tride

No Guests Present.

The President had no guests; only the Taft family were present, including Mrs. Laughlin, sister of Mrs. Taft. Miss Helen and Charley Taft had dome from their

When dinner was over and the family When dinner was over and the family had apent some time in the drawing-room. Mr. Taft decided that he needed, exercise. Accordingly a White House at-tache called Attorney-General Wicker-sham on the telephone and he arrived in a half hour. "Let's take a walk, Wickersham," said the President. "I've got to do something

the President. "I've got to do something to settle my dinner. I hope you enjoyed your turkey as much as I did mine."

Walk Lasts Two Hours.

The President and the Attorney-General then struck off on a walk that lasted more than two hours. They left the White House grounds by the rear gate and their course took them over the wind-swept stretch of Potomac bottoms, well down toward Alexandria, Va. When they returned Mr. Taft looked as fresh as when he started, but Mr. Wicker-sham, who is not quite so voluminous physicially, appeared to be somewhat weary. The two separated at the White House gate. "Good-bye, Wickersham," said the President, waving his hand. "Fve en-loyed the stroll immensely." The President and the Attorney-General

President, waving his hand. "I've en-joyed the stroll immensely." "Good night, Mr. President," returned the Attorney-General. "You certainly out me through a strenuous two hours, but I've reliabed every minute of it." Secretary Knox was compelled to be at his office for some time because of the preseing nature of the Nicaraguan affair. All cabinet members, with the exception of Postmaster-General Hitchcock, dined with their families. The Postmaster-Gen-eral is a bachelor.

HIGHEST WATER DUE TODAY (Continued From First Page.)

low Oswego, went out with a terrific This was the same heig new bridge will be, 30 feet, and the loss is reported as close to \$10,000.

in which they were reported, beginning with last Saturday:

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VOTING TRUST DEFENDED

Independent Telephone Companies Confer to Resist Dissolution.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 35 - A conference of the National Independent Telephone Association regarding legal proceedings to be instituted against a reported attempt to dissolve the voting trust of the independent companies will be held in Chi cago Saturday, according to an announce ment made here today by Attorney Sam B. Jeffries, formerly Assistant Attorney-General of Missouri and who is repre-senting minority interests in the Ohio, Indiana and Michigan companies. Attorney Jeffries will apply to the Cir-court Court here tomorrow for an order on the New York courts, requesting the

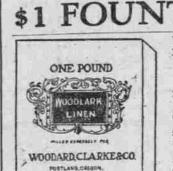
appointment of a commissioner to take the testimony of George W. Perkins, junior member of the banking firm of J. P. Morgan & Co.: Charles Vall, presi-dent of the American Telegraph & Telephone Company, and representatives of Harvey Fisk & Sons and R. L. Day & Co., New York concerns.

NO TURKEYS FOR I. W. W. They Still Feed on Bread and Water

Rather Than Work.

SPOKANE, Nov. 35 .- A general day of fasting, instead of Thanksgiving, has been proclaimed by the Industrial Workers of the World. Nearly 200 members of this order, who are in jail here for breaking the street-speaking ordinance. are being fed bread and water today, as usual, because they will not work on the city's rock plle. Accordingly, notices have been posted at the Industrial Work-ers of the World Hall, calling on members of the order who are out of jail to limit their Thanksgiving day food to aread and water "in sympathy with our fellow-





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Lake Labish Trestle in Danger.

Reports come in from through the state Reports come in from through the state of great damage sustained because of the high water. The Southern Pacific treatie over Lake Lahish, north of Chemawa, is reported as unsafe, and its fall is feared. For the past several days it has been steadily sinking and yesterday trains were compelled to cross at a shall's pace, with a track patrol accompanying them. Ten days ago crews started to fill in under the treatle, and 250 cars of gravel them. Ten days ago crews started to fill in under the crestle, and 350 cars of gravel were dumped in with no result. Piles driven to a depth of 37 feet have pierced nothing but coze. Lake Labish is the scene of the worst wreck in the history of the road, which occurred in the early '90s and cost the lives of over 30 passengers. There is a question as to whether the high water can be held responsible for the present sinking of the treatle.

high water can be held responsible for the present sinking of the treatle. Across the Willamette from Indepen-dence 500 bales of hops belonging to Isaac Pincus & Sons are submerged, with a loss of 255,000. The warehouse in which the hops were stored stands back from the river bank about half a mile, and the water is up to the caves of the building. At Peoria, U. G. Berry has lost 400 sheep and goats drowned when the river left its banks in the night and flooded the pasture where they were. Much stock in this vicinity has been drowned all along the river.

Railroad Yards Flooded.

Gile & Co., wholesale grocers, and the Salem Flouring Mills Company kept crews of men at work all Tuesday night crews of men at which an obtain the second the reach of the water. The yards of the Salem. Falls City & Western are completely submerged, and the new West Salem depôt has had to be abandoned.

Stage traffic is crippled out of Eugene, and no stages left the city Tuesday. On the McKenzie line mail was sent out by horseback.

Other rivers than the Williamette have been on a rampage. All the bottom lands in Tillamook County are flooded. Waler over the Wilson River country had been and the second se lands in Tillamook County are nooded. Waler over the Wilson River country precludes communication between Bay City and Tillamook. On the dock where the Elmore discharges a quantity of freight just taken off had to be rushed to higher ground to prevent its loss. The same was true of the Argo's dock. The Tillamook Lumber Manufacturing Com-pany's lumber yard, engine and boller-rooms are under water. At a bridge crossing the Hountron Slough a log jam had formed and so great was the current in the usually peaceful slough that, although tied and chained, one end of the bridge lifted. No mail can be taken in or out of Tillamook. From Kelso comes news that the Cow-lits has fallen a foot and danger there is thought to be about past. The Metcalf Shingle Company has recovered part of its sheer boom that was washed away. Damage in Various Sections.

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Damage done by the present storm is believed to be greater than has resulted from any storm since the great Winter flood of the Winter of 1859 and 1850, when the river flooded the lower streets of the city and destroyed goods in basements. In addition to damaging seriously many

workers in jail.

The tables in the I. W. W. dining hall are provided only with plates of unbut-tered bread and pails of water; but the five leaders of the order, awaiting trial in the County Jall, will enjoy a turkey dinner today

ITO'S SUCCESSOR OPPOSED

Yamagata as Head of Military Party May Arouse Suspicion.

VICTORIA, Nov. 25-News was brought by the steamer Cceano, which arrived in port from the Orient today, that considerable opposition prevailed to the appointment of Prince Yamagata as successor to the late Prince Ito, on the cessor to the fitte Prince 1to, on the ground that, owing to Yamagata's being the recognized leader of the military party, his appointment to the post would probably cause suspicion among the

powers. It was urged that the predominance given the military party might embar-rass Japan's diplomatic relations. Many newspapers suggest the appointment of Premier Saionji. Marquis Matsukata. Marquis Inouye or

ST. VINCENT'S ENJOYS DAY

And Best Part of All Is Raid on Pantry at Night.

nurses and patients enjoyed Boin Thanksgiving at St. Vincent's Hospital. In honor of the day special services were held in the chapel in the early morning and many visitors made a point of going to the hospital to see their friends and take cheer with them.

The crowning glory of the day was, of course, the dinner, which included tur-key, cranberries, plc, cake and all the accessories. Perhaps the best part of the dinner, however, was the cold lunch at night enjoyed by the night nurses, who made the time-honored raid on the pantry at the end of Thanksgiving day.

BREAKS JAILBREAK FAT

His Comrades.

MINOT. N. D .- "Lean" Smith, alias Carford, one of the fattest and smoothest crooks in the country miscalcu-lated the width of a hole in the jail here, after his pai had aswed his way to freedom, and wedged so tightly that he could neither go on or withdraw. When the eight men finally pulled Smith out of his predicament, they found his clothes had been torn off by the other prisoners in a frantic effort

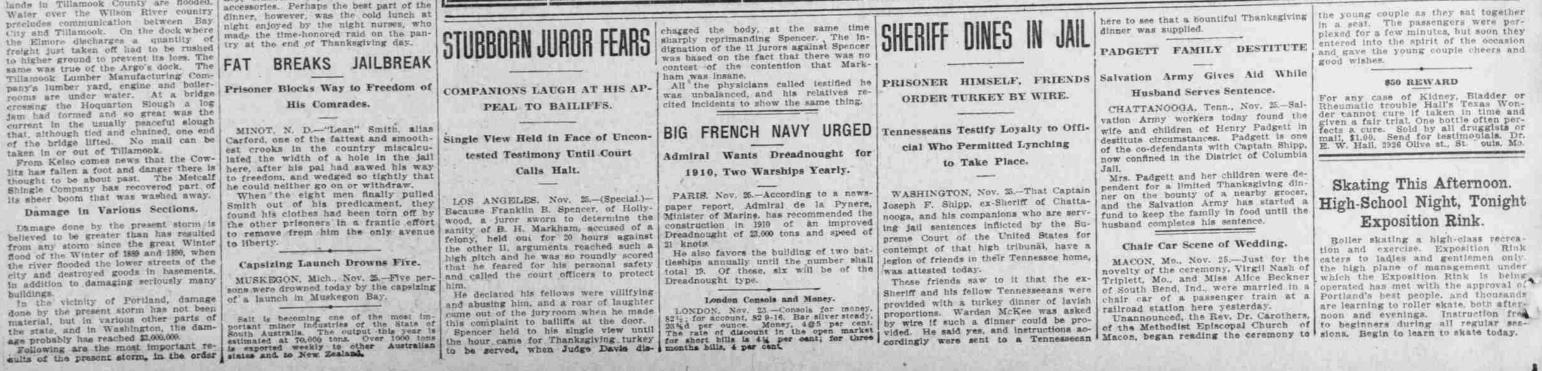
remove from him the only avenue to liberty.

Capsizing Launch Drowns Fire.

MUSKEGON, Mich., Nov. 3.-Five per-sons were drowned today by the capsing of a launch in Muskegon Bay.



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Skating This Afternoon. High-School Night, Tonight