

HIGH PRICE CAUSE IS FOUND COMPLEX

Federal Officials Divide Blame Between Combinations and Natural Conditions.

REASONS DEEPLY HIDDEN

International Balance of Trade and Amount of Currency in Circulation Have Effect, Though Little Understood.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Information gathered from many sources by Government officials conducting the National inquiry into the high price of living commodities...

Every Federal agency with even a remote relation to the situation was called on today to play its part in the great machinery of investigation...

Coal Shipments Investigated. United States Attorney Anderson, of Boston, in charge of the inquiry...

EGG PRICES ARE DEFENDED

Poultry Breeders Say Boycott Effect Will Be Limited.

The boycott on eggs at present being carried on by housewives in Chicago and other cities of the country is not considered seriously by poultry breeders...

I. ARONSON'S TRIAL ON DEFENSE DENIES CHARGE OF DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING.

Prosecution Contents Cuff Links Advertised as Solid Gold Were Really of Base Metal.

Trial of the case against I. Aronson, proprietor of Aronson's Jewelry store, charged with deceptive advertising...

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A. H. Averill, president of the Averill Machinery Company, who has been named by Mayor Albee as the new member of the Commission of Public Docks...

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Attractions in California—U. of O. and U. of P. football and Tournament of Roses in Pasadena Jan. 1; New Year's celebration in San Francisco.

NORTH BANK TICKET OFFICE—5th and Stark. Phones: Broadway 920, A 6671.

HUSBAND IS TRAILED FAR

EASTERN WOMAN AT SALEM RE-SUMES CHASE.

Mrs. Franklin Coon Starts for San Francisco, After Procuring Warrant for Spouse's Arrest.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Pursuit of her husband, which led across the continent from Richmond, N. Y., to Salem, was started again today by Mrs. Franklin Coon...

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