

HIGH QUALITY CAR OF TURKS SHIPPED EAST

Co-op Dispatches 30,000 Pounds Christmas Birds Saturday—Plan Cleanup After January 1.

A carload of Rogue River valley turkeys, approximately 30,000 pounds, was shipped by the Farmers Co-Operative Exchange last Saturday, consigned to the eastern market.

With the Thanksgiving pool, the Saturday shipment will make the total pounds of turkeys shipped from this valley this winter, close to 100,000 pounds.

The Farmer's Co-Operative Exchange plans to form another turkey pool shortly after the first of the year for eastern consignment.

There are quite a number of turkeys in the valley, that are not yet of the proper size, and many of the growers are holding back their birds, feeling that they should receive 30 cents per pound for the No. 1 grades.

As near as can be ascertained, the valley turkey prices have been as good, or slightly higher, than those received in other northwest turkey pools.

TELL IMPORTANCE NEW SCHOOL PLAN AT KIWANIS MEET

The importance of the \$266,000 school bond election tomorrow afternoon from one to seven at the junior high school building was stressed at today's regular luncheon of the Kiwanis club.

Speeches made by E. H. Hedrick, city superintendent of schools, O. C. Boggs, Glen Fabrick and John C. Mann, Adjutant Ben Turner of the Salvation Army was also a speaker during the luncheon.

The necessity of new buildings was pointed out by Mr. Boggs, who stated present conditions point toward a more economical construction and unemployment would be relieved thru the passage of bonds.

Misses Mann, Fabrick and Hedrick urged all voters to cast their ballots at the polls to assure Medford of the needed new buildings.

Property owners who have resided 30 days in the city are eligible to vote.

The history and work of the Salvation Army was reviewed by Adjutant Turner, who went back to the establishment of the army in London over 60 years ago and its gradual development.

Two vocal solos were sung by William Wavter and well received. Today's attendance prize was awarded to A. L. Hill.

CARELESS CAUSE MUMPS EPIDEMIC

An illustration of how the mumps, of which disease there are at least 200 known cases in Medford, spread was noticed this forenoon when a girl—she might have been from 15 to 18—entered the Liberty building elevator, and the operator remarked to her, "Why you're late today."

"Yes, replied the girl, who was quite pale, "I don't feel good today at all. Have been sick. Guess I have the mumps, and the swelling on this side (placing her hand on her face or neck) bothers me."

She then got off at one of the floors and went about her business or errand.

LITTLE JAPANESE GIRL IN RELAPSE

A telegram was received by Mr. Maru today stating that his little daughter, Teruko, had suffered a relapse in the San Francisco hospital, where she is receiving treatment for the sunstroke sustained in a recent accident in this city.

Mr. Maru will leave for the bay city on the Shasta this evening. The telegram states that the little girl is suffering from an infection. Mr. Maru said this afternoon he did not think it was directly caused by the bullet, which is imbedded in her spine, but from complications which have followed the wound.

HUNAN CITIZENS MASSACRED BY RED BESIEGERS

Two Towns Suffer at Hands of Communist Bands Thousand Held As Hostage by Marauders.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.—(P)—Details of the reported massacre of the inhabitants of Lichow and Tsingshih, Hunan province cities, by communist bands, and of the alleged capture of 1000 citizens of Ningtu, Kiangsi province, were sought by Chinese authorities today.

The Hunan massacres were reported yesterday by foreign ships plying the Yangtze river near the city Shasi. The advisers indicated the Reds planned to attack Shasi also.

Both Tsingshih and Lichow had been besieged for several days. Citizens of Lichow were reported to have manned the walls of their city, resisting the communists until the latter vowed they would annihilate the population once they entered the town.

Communists were declared to have routed government troops at Ningtu and then engaged to the mountains along the Kiangsi-Fukien border with 1000 citizens as hostages.

NAB ONE SPEEDER IN RACE FOR TWO ON CITY STREETS

For driving his car at an unreasonable rate of speed Sunday evening on West Main street, said by R. M. Baucum, the arresting officer, to be from 40 to 50 miles an hour, Edwin Anderson, aged 20, was not only fined \$15 and costs of \$4, but had his license suspended for 30 days in Judge Taylor's court this forenoon.

The testimony was that he cut in off Oakdale or South Newtown into West Main, and attained his greatest speed between Grand and Peach streets, and still proceeded so fast that Officer Baucum did not apprehend him until a point a mile west of the city limits was reached.

It also developed that another car was speeding so fast over West Main street at that time that the officer thought that the two cars might be racing, but this is denied by Edwin Anderson, whose case is separate from the other speeding car.

Baucum's efforts to capture the other speeder against whom he intended to prefer a charge of reckless driving, or driving while intoxicated, were ineffective, and he was only able to learn the license number of the car. Up to early this afternoon he had not located the alleged intoxicated driver.

Liquor had nothing to do with Anderson's arrest. In fact, it is said he was just coming from church attendance when his speeding attracted notice.

FATHER AND SON SLEW SIX, CHARGE

WILLISTON, N. D., Dec. 15.—(P)—A father and son today stood formally charged with first degree murder for the slaying of a family of six persons.

The son, Charles Bannon, 22-year-old farmer, was in the county jail here, confessed killer of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Haven and their four children at the Haven farm near Schafer last February.

The father, James F. Bannon, retired farmer, was held at Toledo, Ore., awaiting arrival of North Dakota authorities to return him here. He was arrested Saturday at a tourist camp at Waldport, Ore.

NEW AIR MAIL ROUTE FUND ADDED TO BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—(P)—A \$750,000 fund for establishment of an air mail line from St. Paul, Minn., to Seattle, Wash., operating through Fargo, N. D., was added to the treasury-postoffice bill today by the senate.

THE DALLES BAKERS CUT PRICE OF BREAD

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Why Santa's Mail Is Heavy



It's open season for letters to old Saint Nick, and these youngsters are doing their share to boost his always heavy Christmas mail.

Christmas Jumping Jacks Come From Quiet Village

EAST WEARE, N. H.—(P)—An army of 600,000 jumping jacks has swarmed out of this quiet village during the last year to gladden hearts of American youngsters this Christmas.

After the death of Paine, John A. White of Concord, N. H., took over the factory and introduced high-speed machinery to increase the output. A. A. White's death (George S. Daniels of East Weare bought the plant.

GALA CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR ELKS THURSDAY NIGHT

Thursday will be a red-letter day on the Elks calendar as Medford lodge No. 1148, R. P. O. E., will hold its usual Christmas celebration at the Elks temple in this city.

Since the need for assistance to the needy is greater this year than ever before, the members of the Elks lodge are planning to spread Christmas cheer on a more ambitious scale than ever.

The Thursday evening Elks' annual Christmas celebration will be held promptly at 8 o'clock and will last until after midnight.

Romance Wrecked



Vivienne Sengler, film actress, filed a \$50,000 damage suit in Los Angeles against four persons alleged to have wrecked her romance with Maurice Costello, former screen idol.

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 15.—(P)—A terrific blast early today wrecked the front porch of the home of Magistrate R. S. Ellis, about 400 yards from Schofield.

The explosion was believed by the magistrate to have been caused by a dynamite bomb.

Klamath Falls.—Bites being bandaged here for construction of new fire station.

ASK NO CHANGES IN MAJOR ITEMS BUDGET HEARING

At a public hearing held last Thursday, the 1931 budget as compiled by the county budget committee, V. O. N. Smith, Ashland, chairman, was read, without any major changes in its provisions.

The budget, as adopted, will be turned over to the assessor's office shortly after the first of the year for the compiling of the various levies.

According to the county assessor's office, the county levy will be about the same as last year—16.9 mills, outside high school districts, and 12.5 mills inside high school districts.

No forecasts are being made on the state levy, which is problematical, owing to the tangle in state finances arising from the intangible tax court decision.

WHOLESALE SUGAR CUT BY PORTLAND DEALERS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15.—(P)—Portland wholesalers grocers today announced a 10 per cent reduction in sugar quotations, to be in line with a like price cut made by sugar refiners.

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Press Comment Railroad Light Brigade. Railroads to the right of us, railroads to the left of us, railroads before us, volleyed and thundered.

Wall Street Report NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(P)—Unable to hold net advances of one to three points that had followed brisk early selling, the stock market closed heavy today.

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Portland Produce PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15.—(P) BUTTER—Steady. Cakes; Extras 34c; standards, 33c; prime firsts, 32c; firsts, 30c. Creamery prices: Prints 3c over cube standards.

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