

Scots who have their turkey stuffed themselves the day may not be celebrating Thanksgiving at all. This is also St. Andrew's day, consecrated to the patron saint of Scotland.

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WEATHER
Tacoma: Rain, with southeasterly winds.
Washington: Rain.

Fred Boalt Interviews Thanksgiving Turkey

BY FRED BOALT.

Mr. Turkey Gobbler was pacing the narrow confines of the death cell, which is a large packing case in our back yard.

"Have you," I asked, "anything to say why the sentence of death should not be carried out?"

"Gobble!" said Mr. Turkey, crossly.

"Tut, tut," I chided. "It's tough, I know. But it'll be over so quickly you'll hardly know what happened. It'll scarcely hurt at all."

"Gobble, gobble, gobble!" cried Mr. Gobbler, furiously, rushing and pecking at me.

"Oh, very well!" said I. "If you're going to be unreasonable about it, I shan't bother. Gobble as much as you like."

When he saw how imperturbable I was before his anger, Mr. Gobbler controlled himself by an effort, and said, more calmly:

"I would not have you think that my vocabulary is limited to one word 'gobble.' When I said 'gobble' I meant 'gobble.' Gobble, gobble, gobble!"

"Oh, come!" I protested. "It isn't as bad as that."

"It is. You can't fool me! You're going to chop my head off, and you and your wife and that boy of yours are going to eat me—STUFFED."

"With gravy and sweet potatoes and cranberry sauce," said I.

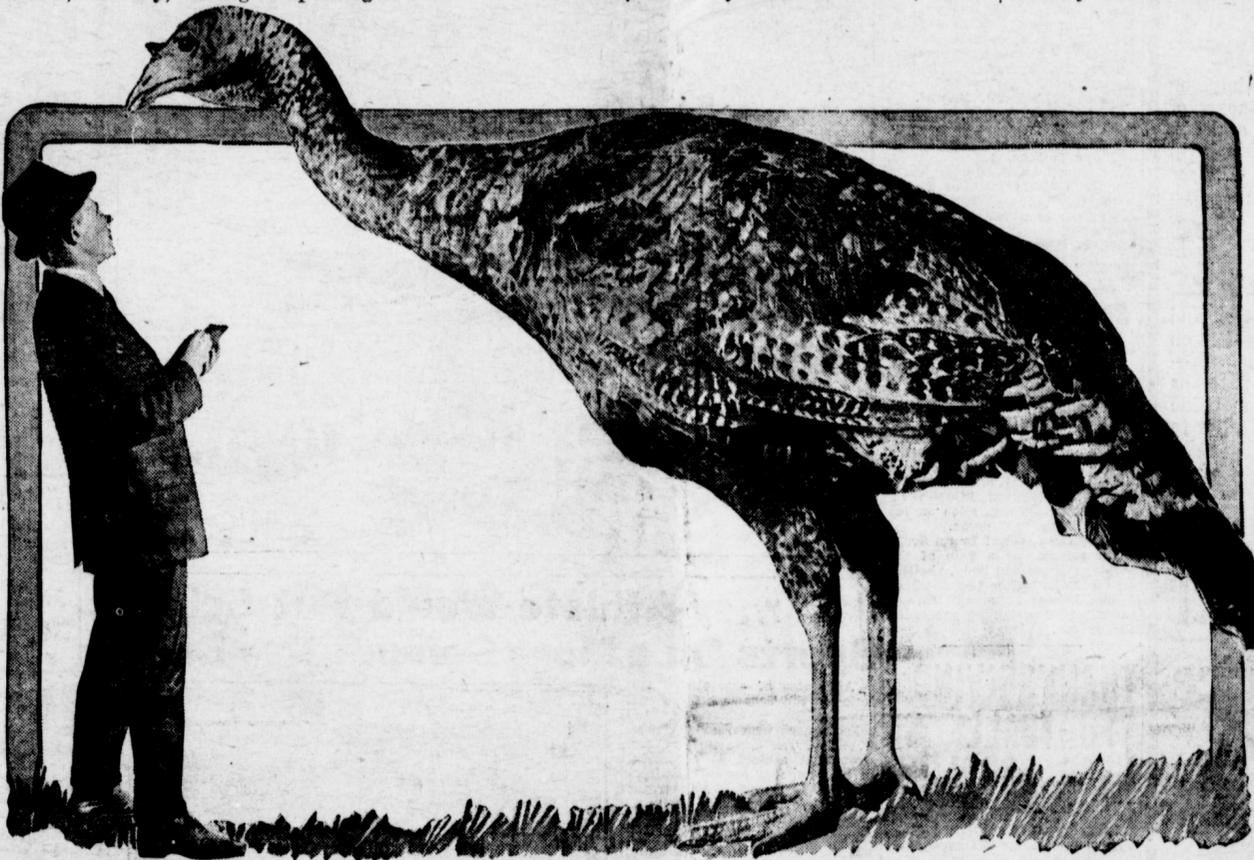
But when I saw the poor fellow wince, I apologized.

"That's what I was thinking of," said Mr. Gobbler, "when I said 'gobble.' You will eat and eat and eat. You will gobble twice as much food—yes, three times—as you do on ordinary occasions."

"And what," asked Mr. Gobbler, "is this occasion? 'Thanksgiving' day, if you please! 'Selfish' day it should be called. You eat and stuff and gobble until you can't wiggle. And you suffer from indigestion for a week afterward. You humans make me sick. If you'd listen to me, I'd tell you how to celebrate Thanksgiving day."

"I wish you would," said I, politely.

"I am," said Mr. Gobbler, "a great



admirer of the Chinese. I know that in the Western world the Chinese are looked down upon as a backward and decadent people. Nevertheless, they have in their philosophy and customs much that is sensible and praiseworthy.

"Take, for example, the Chinese manner of celebrating the New Year season. Do they overeat? They do not. They fast. And they forgive their enemies, renew friendships, pay their debts and start the year with a clean slate. It seems to me the Occident should observe Thanksgiving day in somewhat the same manner."

"My dear Mr. Gobbler," said I, "kindly bear in mind that the American practice of eating turkey on Thanksgiving day has persisted for many years. Neither you nor I can abolish the practice. For my part I wouldn't want to. I do not wish to hurt your feelings, but, personally, there is nothing I enjoy more than a slice of breast, and, perhaps, a second joint of turkey, with a trifle of sweet potato and squash with celery on the side."

"Oh," exclaimed Mr. Gobbler, "I am not blaming you. * * *"

"Moreover," said I, sternly, "I would remind you that all life is a struggle. You eat worms and I eat you. I ask you, Mr. Gobbler, have you ever turned a merciful ear to the pleadings of a worm which you were about to devour?"

Mr. Gobbler hung his head.

"I merely want you to get the point of view of one who is most directly and vitally concerned," he said. "I am not afraid to die. I knew all along that this would happen. It was the fate of my father and mother. Ah, well, if I must go through with it, I wish you'd do it quickly. And please, please don't make a mess of it!"

I promised I would exercise care.

Obediently, Mr. Gobbler laid his head on the block.

"You'd better close your eyes," I said. "I can't do it while you're looking at me."

He closed his eyes. Chop!

MOTHER NOT YET ADVISED

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Tossing on a bed of pain, Mrs. Joseph Roberts did not know today that her baby, born into the world deformed, is dying. She believed it had undergone an operation and is recovering.

Physicians withheld the truth, fearing the shock would kill her. Relatives who at first declared that both parents consented to let the child die without surgical aid, as did Mrs. Anna Bollinger's deficient child in Chicago last week, admitted today that the mother had not given her permission.

"Something is a little wrong with the baby," the doctor told Mrs. Roberts. "I'll take her to the hospital and make everything all right."

"I wouldn't think of operating on the child for several months yet. An operation now would cause death."

COMMISSION NEGLIGENT?

OLYMPIA, Nov. 5.—Accusations of negligence on the part of one or more of the industrial insurance commissioners who signed at least 10 of the 13 forged claims against the insurance fund, were in circulation here today.

This grew out of the discovery that the commissioners, when the fraudulent claims came to them for signature, did not notice the absence of an initial which always appears on claims, when they signed them.

The initial is that of Dr. J. W. Mowell, resident physician for the commission, and it is claimed that it was missing on 10 of the claims filed.

SCARES OFF BURGLAR

Burglars broke into the home of William A. West, 510 South 60th street, early this morning and were beginning to ransack the house when West awoke. The burglars clambered through the window by which they entered and made their escape.

Only 25 shopping days until CHRISTMAS
TOO MANY DAMES STOP EARLY INSTEAD OF SHOPPING EARLY

UNFORTUNATE FOLKS WELL CARED FOR

Tacoma is taking good care of her hungry ones this Thanksgiving.

More than 200 baskets crammed full of food, were distributed yesterday afternoon by the Associated Charities, and are forming the holiday dinner today for the city's unfortunate.

The baskets may not contain turkeys, or cranberry sauce, or pumpkin pies, but they are filled with the necessities of life—and plenty of it.

Each Thanksgiving basket contained meat, flour, vegetables, canned goods, coffee, tea, milk and everything needed to provide a "square meal" for a hungry family. Most of the families that received baskets are under the daily care of the Charities. Today's dinner was in the nature of a special event.

Among other organizations that are aiding the poor today are John A. Logan circle, Our Savior's Evangelical church congregation, Salvation Army, City Rescue Mission and Volunteers.

HURL INSULTS AT U. S. TROOPERS

NOGALLES, Ariz., Nov. 25.—Insults hurled at U. S. troopers by Villa navalynen at the international boundary late yesterday, resulted in orders placing the entire 12th infantry under arms. While the soldiers were clearing the streets on the U. S. side of the line, reports were received that saloons on the Mexican side had been closed and all Americans driven from them at the point of guns.

FRENCH POUND PRILEP

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 25.—Hoping to relieve the pressure on their Serb comrades, French artillerymen are pounding Prilep, in south central Serbia, heavily today.

They have withdrawn from Vadar enough forces to enable the southern Serbians to move northward. It is believed the Bulgarians will stand on the defensive until the central allies can come to their aid.

Farther southwest the Bulgars are reported to have been badly beaten with enormous losses.

What the Serbians, nearly hemmed in on the plain of Blackbird, are doing is a mystery. Sofia dispatches said these forces are so badly disorganized by recent captures that there can be no great battle.

Reports that the Montenegrin and Serbian capitals have been transferred to Scutari are taken to mean that the forces of the two countries will consolidate.

MORE GERMANS ARE INVOLVED

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—The scope of the government's action against officials of the Hamburg-American Steamship company, charged with violations of customs regulations in supplying German commerce raiders, appeared likely to broaden today to include possibly officials of the North German Lloyd line and other prominent men.

The trial was adjourned over today, but federal officials and attorneys for the defense applied themselves to reviewing the evidence thus far presented.

Evidence given in the late afternoon session yesterday gave indication of possible inclusion of North German Lloyd officials.

PASSENGER TRAIN JUMPS THE TRACK

GLENDALE, Mont., Nov. 25.—Two persons were injured yesterday when the N. P. North Coast Limited passenger train hit a defective switch and jumped the track in the yards east of here.

FLASHES

Free soup at the Broadway market attracted more than 400 men and women today. The early supply was exhausted by 10 o'clock, and a new supply was immediately prepared. In addition to the soup, Manager N. A. French gave away 200 loaves of bread, rolls, doughnuts and cakes.

BERLIN—Under cover of a snowstorm yesterday, Russian warships in the gulf of Riga drew close to shore and shelled German positions in northern Courland for five hours. Shore batteries responded, after the storm had partially subsided, and damaged three ships.

OLYMPIA—The widows of 20 of the 31 miners who perished in the Ravensdale coal mine disaster will receive aid from the state compensation bureau, as will 36 orphans. The widows will receive pensions of \$20 a month with \$5 added for each child.

Weather Man Cover says look out for storm tonight.

Russians Winning

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Despite desperate efforts, the Germans are steadily losing their scattered holdings in the Riga district, Petrograd claimed officially today.

BROWN A BATTALION

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 25.—Bombarding the ice on which the Austrians were trying to cross the Styx river, the Russians recently drowned a battalion of soldiers, according to unofficial advisers today.

- Talk o' the Times -

As we walked down to work this morning we met another man; must have been a street car conductor.

The safest bet is always the one you did not make.

Sarah Bernhardt sends word from France that she sails for America in December, "unwrinkled and undaunted." Although Sarah

VATICAN'S PEACE PLANS CHECKED

ROME, Nov. 25.—The vatican's peace plans up for consideration in the December consistory have met with a check, it is believed today.

Cardinal Mercier has abandoned his trip to Rome, for fear, it is reported, that Germany will prevent him from returning to Belgium if he participates.

Reports also say that Cardinal Hartmann of Cologne has also abandoned his trip here, though

he has actually started and is now in consultation with Prince Von Buelow and Prussian representatives of the vatican in Switzerland.

Diplomatic circles doubt that Germany will consider it expedient to bar Mercier, and, in fact, Berlin announced Germany would facilitate his journey.

The situation is so muddled that at present it is difficult to predict the outcome.

U. P. to Build New Line Into Tacoma

PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—That the directors of the Union Pacific system are planning the construction soon of the incomplete extension from North Yakima to Tacoma, was the report here today.

It is understood that this extension is one of the chief subjects under discussion at a conference of U. P. executive committee being held in New York and attended by J. D. Farrell, president of the O.-W. R. & N.

As a long tunnel must be built at the Summit of the Cascades and difficult grade construction will be necessary, it is estimated it will take three or four years to complete the work.

Harvard Grads' Howl Stops Jailbird Game

SEATTLE, Nov. 25.—The scheduled football game today between two teams of prisoners from the King county jail was called off by Presiding Judge Everett Smith.

Whether it was because of a fear that the game might develop material which might put the kibosh on Harvard's glory, or whether it was because of the announcement that a former Harvard star would play on one of the jail teams, Harvard alumni here raised a mighty howl.

And Judge Smith, although he is a Yale grad, heard their wailings from afar off and heeded them.

What's Doing

Today
St. Leo's parish dance for benefit of those who helped with bazaar; St. Leo's hall; evening.

Thanksgiving day football: Tacoma vs. Bremerton; Stadium; 1 p. m.

"Midnight Revue" by Tacoma high school alumni association; Tacoma theater; 8:15 p. m.

Membership meeting, Fern Hill Methodist church; 7:30 p. m.

Rev. S. S. Sulliger will speak, and plans for the year will be outlined.

ARSENAL ABOARD LAUNCH

JUNEAU, Nov. 25.—Edward Krause's launch, which has been sought since the disappearance of William Christie, of Treadwell, has been found.

That is the news that reached Juneau last night and if the boat located at Ward's cove, near Ketchikan, is really Krause's it is apparent that its owner did not destroy or remove evidence that might be used against him.

A deputy U. S. marshal reports that the launch has a regular arsenal aboard her, including high power rifles and a large supply of shells.

Close search of the vessel disclosed a gag, which the deputy says showed evidence of having been used lately.

Eleven Disappear.
The deputy also found a six-potteen-gauge shotgun, which is supposed to be the property of Capt. James Plunkett, who vanished Oct. 25 last, and whose disappearance, like that of Christie, is charged to Krause.

The arrest of Krause, of Petersburg, Alaska, on a warrant charging him with the murder of William Christie, amalgamator of the Tradwell mines, has resulted in a census being taken of men who have mysteriously disappeared in Alaska during the past two months.

The list now totals eleven, including the three men whose names are linked with that of Krause.

LONDON—General von Mackensen will soon quit Serbia to take charge of a mixed German and Turkish attack on Egypt, it was reported here today.

GREEK CRISIS AT END

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The Grecian crisis seemed to be at an end today.

Greece has satisfied the allies and will not interfere with them under any circumstances, and the allies think she has yielded sufficiently to guarantee the safety of their expedition into the Balkans.

An Athens message to the Exchange Telegraph said today: "Greece is friendly. It meets the allies' demands and gives all guarantee which are considered essential."

Other press reports declared Greece has agreed to allow the allies freedom of action on Greek soil, and particularly not to disarm or intern any allied forces compelled to retreat across the Greek boundary from the Balkan fighting.

In their turn the allies are stated to have agreed to restore any Grecian territory they might occupy and reimburse Greece for this occupation subsequently.

AUTO SKIDS; DOCTOR HURT

D. W. M. Karschner, Puyallup doctor, was badly hurt just before noon today when the auto he was driving skidded on the slippery pavement at 25th and Portland avenue and crashed into a Portland avenue street car. He was trying to avoid the street car when the auto skidded and he lost control of it.

He was taken to the Tacoma General hospital suffering from a badly cut face and several broken ribs.

The machine was badly smashed.

JIT AND AUTO CRASH

Although one of the cars was badly smashed, no one was injured when an automobile and a jitney collided at 11th and Broadway at 12:45 this morning.

The auto was driven by Sam T. Lucas, 1014 So. 6th, and the jitney was owned by W. B. Bates, 2616 So. 7th.