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BY A WISE OWL

Editorially . . .

Good News! Gobble, Gobble!

There's good news a coming, especially for these parts where turkey dinners already are underway to continue until well after the holidays — and turkey raffles, shoots, etc., hit you straight in the pocket-book everytime you meet a fireman, lodge brother or companion.
 Yep, turkey farmers hereabouts tell us that the price of gobblers this year is going to be from three to five cents a pound cheaper than last year. All as a result of the fact that this year's crop in the nation is 59,000,000 birds, the biggest the country has ever known.
 It used to be that the turkey was the high-priced item on the Thanksgiving table but today the thing has been reversed and we find the comparatively cheap turkey surrounded by foods which have skyrocketed in contrast.
 Yep and the idea of reserving the turkey for festive occasions is one passing for with turkey meat available at cheaper prices, you're going to find turkey on the menu every time the gang gets together.

Ike's Korean Trip

Already a move has been launched by Former Kansas Governor Alf Landon and others to demand that President-elect Eisenhower send a substitute to Korea. They point out that his going to Korea is too great a risk at this critical time and that it might even tempt aggressor influences to try to kill him.
 They also argue that his time should be spent on his government and on both foreign and domestic matters. That all may be true but we still think that President-elect Ike, pledged to make that trip, will do exactly that!

Saving Money

Here in this section of the Garden Spot the old-fashioned virtue of saving money always has been a popular one. Ask any local banker and he will tell you that more and more money is going into savings accounts, pensions and trust funds.
 Yet, because of the inflation there is less buying power in the bank book. For example, it is estimated that liquid savings in the nation have increased some \$70,000,000 in the last seven years, or a jump from \$219 billion in 1945 to \$290 billion today.
 But if you consider only purchasing power that \$290 billion is equal or worth only about \$198 billion on the 1945 level. So the effect is a drop of approximately \$21 billion in the past seven years instead of a gain.

Then, too!

Take the argument advanced in the above editorial one step further and you will see that the thrifty fellow who seven years ago decided he would save his money and not buy his new home until he had it all together so that he could save interest, probably would be firmly planted behind the proverbial eight ball today.
 For right here, homes went up a lot more than that amount of interest in the last seven years.
 Looks as though in these days, after you save a few pennies for a rainy day, you better keep the rest of that folding stuff in action.

Folk-Lore and Facts

The old belief that farmers toiled in their fields from sunup to sundown was deflated by figures released recently. In the old days, it seems, farmers spent considerable time working off the farm while in modern times long hours in the fields are more of a reality.
 Department of Agriculture figures show that in 1939 only 62 cents of every dollar earned by farmers was earned on the farm. The balance was presumably earned by odd jobs or part-time employment elsewhere. By 1945 the income from crop sales jumped to 73 cents of every farmer-earned dollar and last year this rose to 78 cents.
 Best guess as to the reason for this trend is that farmers have less need for outside income because of increased profits on increased farm output. The average farmer who could just break even in 1939 by taking outside work probably finds now that he is putting money away just hoeing his own row.

Everybody has his or her own conception of Heaven. Ours is: 1952 wages, 1926 dividends, 1932 prices and 1910 taxes.

Just to save my scalp, I'll not tell the names. I'll just call them Black and White. — At a recent meeting of the Ladies Aid Mrs. Black swept in a huff with daggers popping from her eyes as she stormed across to Mrs. White. "Did you tell Mrs. Blue I was nothing but a gossip?" demanded Mrs. Black. Mrs. White's eyebrows raised in mild surprise "Why, no," she answered. "I thought Mrs. Blue knew it."
 — That took the wind out of her sails.

I still contend you can't beat our kids of today. A fourth grader had difficulty pronouncing the letter "R" correctly. Recently, the teacher thinking to improve his speech asked him to repeat this sentence after her.
 Robert gave Richard a rap in the ribs for roasting the rabbit so rare.
 Sammy was not to be stumped, he said, rapidly: "Bobby gave Dick a poke in the side for not cooking the bunny enough."

TONGUE TWISTER

Betty Barter bought a bit of butter
 The butter Betty Barter bought was a little bitter.
 So Betty Barter bought a bit of better butter
 And that made Betty Barter's bitter butter a little better.

A Mount Joy Township Farmer

A stream that flows through the property of an insane asylum was restricted from fishing — reserved for the inmates of the institution. As they quietly loitered, some of them with no hooks on their lines and some of them with no lines at all, Joe slipped among them with his flyrod.
 He had just started fishing when he saw the game warden coming through so he quickly coiled his line out in the field and stood watching it. The warden glanced idly at him and went on.

This sign can be seen outside Shatto's Barber shop on Saturday nights only: Reduced prices for bald-headed men. Free Shines.

Last night I dreamed I saw Eisenhower and Stevenson walking down the street arm-in-arm — both were broken, of course!

(Hourly rates as stated by a baby-sitter in our neighborhood.)
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Colonel: "Tell me now, why do you refuse this opportunity for officer's training?"
 Sergeant: "Well sir, I've been in this army long enough so I don't mind saluting officers — but I'll be darned if I'm going to associate with them as equals."

The guest watched with dismay as the small boy of the family amused himself by driving nails into the furniture. Recovering himself, he exclaimed to his host. "Isn't that an expensive pastime your son has? How can you afford to let him do it?"
 "Oh, it's not bad," said the father easily. "I get the nails wholesale."

An R. D. 1 youth went to New York for the first time and wandered into a high class restaurant.
 "How much for a good T-bone steak?" he asked the waiter.
 "Five dollars and a half, sir."
 "Well, maybe some pork chops."
 "Three dollars and seventy-five cents," said waiter.

"Er, how much for a hamburger?"
 "We don't serve hamburgers," said the sniffling waiter. "but a sandwich will cost you a dollar and twenty-five cents."
 The country boy arose from his chair, handed the waiter a quarter and started out.
 "But what's this for?" asked the waiter. "I haven't served you yet."
 The boy answered over his shoulder. "A tray of food passed my table awhile ago and I inhaled twice."

A six year old girl went into a local bank and asked to see the president. A courteous clerk showed her into his private office. She explained that her girl's club was raising money for a new house, and would he please contribute?

The banker laid a dollar bill and a dime on the desk and said, "Take your choice, Miss."
 She picked up the dime and said, "My mother always taught me to take the smallest piece." Picking up the dollar bill also she added, "But so I won't lose the dime, I'll take this piece of paper to wrap it up in."

All right — — — so they all are lousy — — — That's what you'll read from now on, if you don't send something in to fill this column up — — —

A WISE OWL

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