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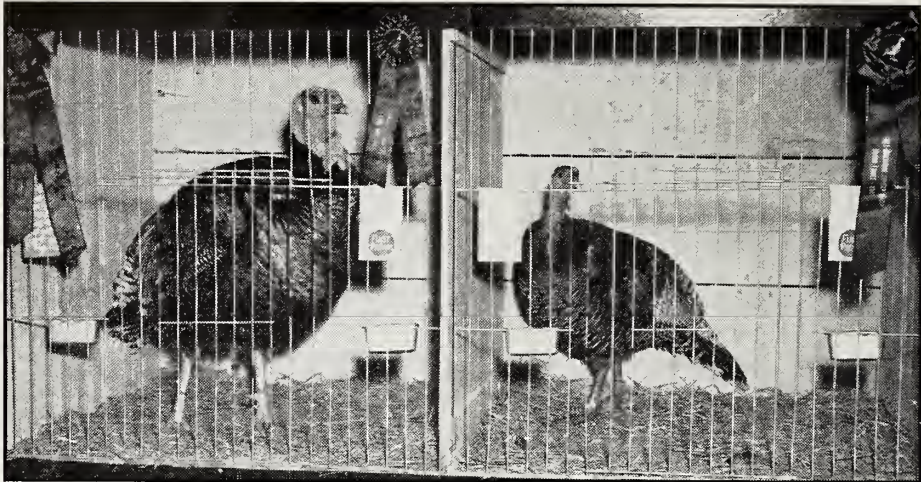
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Whether one keeps a breeding flock or buys his poults his success will depend, most of all, on the efficiency of his brooding equipment and on his competency in the operation of it. It is not an overstatement to say that brooding is the one most important phase of turkey raising and particularly so when poults are brooded in large numbers.

There are many devices in equipment and as many different methods of brooding and to select any one as being the BEST would find agreement only with those using that particular method. It would be useless and confusing to attempt to describe all the approved methods but there is another way of getting at this important function in turkey raising that will always be found a safe basis to work on and the individual grower can select the system or method he feels is best adapted to his needs. Poults from immature stock or poults which have been poorly hatched are a problem under the best of conditions, but well hatched poults from strong, mature stock will thrive and develop rapidly if brooding conditions are right and they are well fed.

The Brooding Room

The shape, proportion or kind of building is not important. In many instances an unused room in the barn or other farm building may be made to serve as well as a building constructed for the purpose if provided with the following essentials: it should be well insulated for economy in operation and to effect good ventilation. Good ventilation without drafts is very important. The source of heat must be sufficient and easily controlled in the immediate brooding area. It is best if the area away from the hover is cooler and it may vary considerably if the poults can always get back to the heat at will. There should be plenty of light and direct sunshine available on the poults on mild days. Dry litter of the right kind is very important but humidity should be provided in the brooding room. A well insulated floor does much toward keeping the litter dry and a small bucket of water suspended near the heater will take care of the humidity in the room. With these essentials provided for, and with ample feeder and water space kept well supplied brooding poults becomes a pleasure and success assured.

Brooder Heaters

Brooder heaters are of varied kinds running from the old kerosene canopy, the coal and the wood burning stoves, the combustion type of fuel oil heater and the "canned" gas and the electric hover. The latter two

are the most up-to-date and easiest to operate. Any or all of these devices are good and will do the job with varying amounts of labor and attention. There is also the feather board hover which is very efficient when operated under right conditions. Many would use no other.

Learning at the Turkey Shows—and How?

By MRS. JNO. O. ALLEN,
Radium, Minn.

While reading write-ups of turkey shows quite often we come upon this phrase: "Friendly rivalry and good fellowship prevailed throughout," and so we usually credit this to the good people who exhibit—the ones who, so to speak, we may call the spokes of the wheel. But no wheel can be completely made up of spokes alone, and no show could be complete with exhibitors only.

Perhaps we can call a show a school where we come to learn by comparisons—a place where we bring the choicest birds from our flocks to be compared with other choice select birds. Here we watch our gains, discover where our birds fail, go back home with new ideas for improving the quality of the next flock. And so coming back from year to year, seeing — learning more each time, we can constantly improve. Turkey raising will never become a path of roses, but the work is fascinating and interesting. And looking back — say the past twenty years, we can fully realize what a big part the show has played toward improving the quality and beauty of the American turkey—the bird of such glorious plumage that it well deserves the title—A National Bird.

Throughout these years of promoting the improvements of the Standard turkey, we must give due credit to the judge of turkeys, our teacher and faithful counsellor. A good judge makes it a good show, where we can gain much information and learning, with due rewards for merit. Always my biggest thrill at any turkey show comes at the judging table, when I can hold my own bird, watching the judge at work. It is a delicate job this, and not too easy, for it takes skill plus, to compare all birds on the table, balancing up for all sections—credits and discredits—not just back, tail and wings, for turkeys are covered with feathers all over. Then to keep in mind that this is only a

count of 32%. The other 68% is on body type and conformation.

How very exciting, as we wonder about this and that, but when the placings are all over, the congenial judge offers to give his reasons for placings, yes, it's sometimes fun to find out what you don't know. He will tell why the top bird is placed there, what he has over the second place, why the second wins over the third, and so down several top placings, inviting any questions. When I can find why my bird failed, I am very much satisfied about his placings. Then I can afford to show good sportsmanship, because after all, didn't I come here to learn? How about a good hand for the judge who can prove his placings?

On the other hand, after working hard all season, we bring birds to the show, confident we have good turkeys; only to find them sent back to the coops — no explanation, nothing to be gained from notations on score cards. I cannot really blame the exhibitor who says "Oh, what's the use? It costs me plenty to bring my birds to this show, and I never get anywhere, and what have I learned?"

There is no danger of exhibitors learning too much about their turkeys, for it's only by learning that we find out how very little we know. We can then become more critical of quality, and try to improve our flocks. It is then that we can begin "Going to Town," not only producing better turkeys, but helping make better turkey shows.

The public eye is a mirror, reflecting the general spirit and mutual satisfaction of active show patrons. Keeping this reflection undimmed is our duty as participators. We can not afford to lose interests already gained, but must keep striving toward our mutual success. A working together for a mutual success is indeed the true meaning of our democracy.

BRONZE AND NARRAGANSETT BREEDERS ADDRESS A. P. A.

The following resolution, which is self explanatory, was unanimously approved at Grand Forks, N. Dak., during the All-American Turkey Show; first by a general meeting of about 50 turkey breeders and adopted by both the All-American Bronze Turkey Club and by the International Narragansett Turkey Club. This action is referred to in an editorial in this issue.

COMMITTEE REPORT to the ALL-AMERICAN BRONZE TURKEY CLUB

Your Committee on Recommendations, appointed at Alexandria, Minn., Dec. 11, 1940, beg to report the following resolution and move its adoption. It is recommended, that: inasmuch as it is proposed that a new breed of turkeys be admitted to the American Standard of Perfection, under the

usurped name of Bronze, with the added prefix, "broad breast," and whereas the usurpation of this name and title is obviously detrimental to the well established, standard Bronze Turkey, and to all other standard turkeys as well, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the All-American Bronze Turkey Club, in Annual Meeting assembled, does hereby petition the AMERICAN POULTRY ASSOCIATION that this name be disapproved, discouraged and not accepted, for reasons as follows:

- a. That this new turkey does not qualify as a Bronze turkey under the Standard of Perfection and; that the term "broad breast" is a phrase used by the Standard in describing shape in all standard turkeys and therefore cannot be properly used or accepted as part of the name of a turkey.
- b. That we believe this new turkey to be a distinctive breed as is claimed by some of its promoters and, that as such it should be provided with appropriate color description and weights, consistent with the standard for other breeds of turkeys and; further, that it should follow the regular procedure prescribed by the A. P. A. for admission to the Standard.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That it is the unanimous opinion of this Club, that for the best interests of the turkey industry, the American Poultry Association should not depart from its present plan of standards for turkeys, whereby a single scale of points and a single shape description shall apply to all breeds, thereby making judging consistent as between the application of color handicaps.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the foregoing action does not reflect either antagonism or criticism of any breed or any group of turkey breeders but rather in a spirit of fairness to all breeds and breeders; to preserve the beauty and the utility with which the turkey is peculiarly endowed and to preserve the achievements of master breeders past and present, and to proffer the unstinted services of this club in co-operation with all who seek to improve the GREAT TURKEY INDUSTRY.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. O. ALLEN
M. J. ALBJERG
CLEVE ANGEN

Committee.

OMISSION IN ALL-AMERICAN DRESSED SHOW REPORT

In the report of winnings of the 18th annual All-American published in our February issue the following classification was omitted inadvertently: Dressed Division, Bronze, Old Toms: B. Nyholt, Columbus, Mont., 1st; Wright's Turkey Farm, Aitkin, Minn., 2nd.

Watertown Has Finest Show

South Dakota Turkey Exhibition Getting Better Every Year. New City Auditorium Provides Fine Setting.

The turkey exhibit at Watertown is an adjunct of the South Dakota State Poultry Association show but is gaining so rapidly in popularity and with greatly increased entries and interest so it bids fair to become another case wherein the "tail wags the dog."

This year there were about 140 turkeys entered in the live classes and 60 in the dressed exhibit. Quality in both departments was very high and, staged in the splendid new city auditorium, the whole show was a beautiful thing. In the turkey exhibit Bronze are always far in the lead in numbers at Watertown but this year found greatly increased entries in Narragansetts and Blacks and more White Hollands than have been shown there the past two years.

Even in these smaller classes the quality was high, as was shown in the sweepstakes awards. Neither Bourbon Reds or Slates were shown. All six classes in Bronze were well filled, all winning birds being of the highest order and competition very keen. A class of 6 adult toms were grand birds, as good as will be found at any show. The first in this class, belonging to Howard Tanner, won Grand Champion of the Show. There were 10 yearling toms of uniformly high quality and 35 young toms, nearly all good ones, but the 10 top birds were excellent and of the first five they could have exchanged places without ground for much criticism. The 1st bird was not the best colored bird but his type was near faultless, the kind breeders of standard Bronze must cater to if they are to meet popular demand. This bird by Earl Tanner was champion young tom of the show.

There were 5 adult hens and 10 yearling hens all fit for the best of competition. There were 21 young hens in which there was plenty of size, excellent type and near standard in color. First young hen was a "dinger" and awarded champion young hen of the show. She was exhibited by Mr. and Mrs. Don English.

Narragansetts were the largest entry and best quality ever shown there. G. C. Lampe of Huron, Geo. Gilbertson of Garfield, Minn., and Jim Martinson and Son were the exhibitors. The winners were all fine specimens, Martinson's adult hen winning champion adult hen of the show. The above mentioned exhibitors were all present.

There were 17 Black turkeys exhibited by Oakdale Turkey Farm, Kensington, Minn., and Lloyd Grasse, Naples, S. D. Quality was excellent and the entry the largest ever seen at Watertown of that breed. Two notable winnings: champion yearling tom and

champion yearling hen over all breeds, were credited to Oakdale's tom and Grasse's hen. There were several other very fine birds in this class.

There were but 6 White Hollands entered and of only fair quality. In years past there has been some excellent quality in large entries at this show.

The Show Dressed Up

The stage in the fine new auditorium furnishes the setting for the "Court of Honor."



Show room scene at the South Dakota State Show held at Watertown in January.

It was beautifully decorated, with coops well arranged and labeled for all sweepstakes winners, both turkeys and chickens, and the beauty of the winners served as the main factor in the setting as well as serving as a living demonstration of what is meant by the term, "standard" turkeys and poultry.

Weather during the week was ideal but roads were icy, which probably cut down the attendance somewhat. There were no commercial booths this year and they were missed. They are needed to round out the show. The management ran short of turkey coops and some late entries had to be refused and birds returned. This was regrettable but will be overcome before next show time.

There is no question but what this can be made one of the leading turkey shows of the country. That Watertown is an important poultry center is shown by the fact that four of the leading produce buyers of the country have large plants there and ship out hundreds of cars of dressed poultry each season. The cash income for poultry at this point is very large and it is for that reason the agricultural committee of the Watertown Chamber of Commerce is actively back of this show. The whole city appreciates the economic value of this show and support it in many ways.

The management of this show is to be congratulated on the progress they have

made. The secretary, Mr. Elwin Grow, took this work on a few years ago when he hardly knew a turkey from a goose, but he has followed a well blazed trail and with the support of such old timers in poultry show experience as Paul Pitt, Jack Kinsley, T. Babcock and T. E. Cope, has "learned the ropes" very well and has made a record by handing out premium checks before the close of the show. With Howard Tanner and his brother Earl in charge of the turkeys, things ran very smoothly with no delay in getting classes to the tables when called. The fact that there were 35 Bronze young toms in the class, and with no lack of holders, indicates the attendance and interest.

The Dressed Exhibit

Entries in this division of the show were about double that of last year and the average quality fully 50% better. All the top birds would have stood up well in the very strongest of competition in larger shows. Grand Champion went to a 16¾ pound young non-standard hen, all breeds competing together. This bird was not of the flat breasted, squat type but fitted the description in the Standard of Perfection so perfectly that it was used in a lecture by Judge Hackett to illustrate the perfect type. This bird sold at auction following the banquet on Thursday night at the all time record price of \$4.75 per pound or \$79.56. Twenty of the top winning birds sold at this auction brought \$4.47—which is also a record price.

Watertown always puts on a splendid banquet with an interesting program of music, entertainment and short talks, with emphasis on "short" insisted on. The attendance this year was the largest we have seen there. This included a group of Minnesota turkey folks: Mr. and Mrs. Ole Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martinson and Emil Johnson, of Kensington, and George Gilbertson and Cleve Angen of Garfield.

Howard Tanner was elected president of the South Dakota State Association; T. E. Cope, vice president; and Elwin Grow, secretary. Dates for next year's show were set for Jan. 6-10.

Exhibitors

Bronze: Grace Baxter, Hazel, S. D.; Mrs. Don English, DeSmet, S. D.; Mrs. Fred Grasse, Watertown, S. D.; G. C. Lampe, Huron, S. D.; Geo. Lamm, Philip, S. D.; Rex G. Hunt; Mrs. J. C. Lobdell, Rapid City, S. D.; Emil Johnson, Kensington, Minn.; H. C. Stevens, Clark, S. D.; Howard Tanner, Gettysburg, S. D.; Earl Tanner, Gettysburg, S. D.

Narragansetts: Geo. Gilbertson, Garfield, J. Martinson & Son, Kensington, Minn.; Oak-

dale Turkey Farm, Kensington, Minn.; G. C. Lampe, Huron, S. D.

Black: Oakdale Turkey Farm, Kensington, Minn.; Lloyd Grasse, Watertown, S. D.

White Hollands: Mrs. August Anderson, Watertown, S. D.; Ivan Miller, Watertown, S. D.

Awards

BRONZE

Adult Tom: Howard Tanner 1-3, Mrs. English 2nd, R. G. Hunt 4th, G. C. Lampe 5th.

Yearling Tom: English 1st, H. Tanner 2-3, Emil Johnson 4th, Lampe 5th, Grace Baxter 6th, Stevens 7th, Lamm 8th, Lobdell 9th, Mrs. F. Grasse 10th.

Young Tom: Earl Tanner 1-3-4-15-24, E. Johnson 2-10-21-22, H. Tanner 5-12-17-18-19-20, Lamm 6th, English 7-8-9-23, Baxter 11-13-14-16, Hunt 25th.

Adult Hen: Stevens 1st, Lampe 2nd, English 3rd, H. Tanner 4-5.

Yearling Hens: H. Tanner 1-6, Lamm 2nd, English 3-4, Lampe 5-9, Mrs. Grasse 7-8, Hunt 10th.

Young Hens: English 1-2-3, Earl Tanner 4-14, H. Tanner, 6-7-10-13, E. Johnson 5-8-9-12, Stevens 11-15, Lampe 16-19, Hunt 18-20.

NARRAGANSETTS

Adult Tom: Lampe 1st.

Yearling Tom: Lampe 1st.

Young Tom: Gilbertson 1-3-4-5, Martinson 2-6, Lampe 7th.

Adult Hen: Martinson 1st, Lampe 2nd.

Yearling Hen: Gilbertson 1st, Lampe 2nd.

Young Hen: Gilbertson 1st, Martinson 2-3-4, Lampe 5th.

BLACKS

Yearling Tom: Oakdale 1st, L. Grasse 2nd.

Young Tom: Oakdale 1-2-4, Grasse 3-5-6.

Adult Hen: Oakdale 1st.

Yearling Hen: Grasse 1-2, Oakdale 3rd.

Young Hen: Oakdale 1st, Grasse 2-3-4-5.

WHITE HOLLANDS

Adult Tom: Mrs. A. Anderson 1st.

Young Tom: Anderson 1st.

Adult Hen: Ivan Miller 1-2.

Young Hen: Miller 1st.

CHAMPIONS

Champion Bronze and Grand Champion of the Show: Howard Tanner's Adult Tom.

Champion Yearling Tom: Oakdale, Black.

Champion Young Tom: E. Tanner, Bronze.

Champion Adult Hen: Martinson's Narragansett.

Champion Yearling Hen: Lloyd Grasse's Black.

Champion Young Hen: Mrs. Don English, Bronze.

APPOINTED COLONEL

The many friends of Chas. L. Davidson, the affable President of the Stone Mountain Grit Company, Lithonia, Georgia, will be pleased to learn that he has been appointed Colonel on the staff of the new Governor of Georgia — the Honorable Eugene Talmadge. As this honor is limited to one in each county of the state and none granted to outsiders, we feel certain that Colonel Davidson will adequately represent not only his county but the poultry interests of Georgia.

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ALL THEY ASK IS FAIR PLAY

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the copy of a resolution which is the report of a committee from the All-American Bronze Turkey Club, prepared for action at the annual meeting of the club during the All-American Turkey Show at Grand Forks. It was first brought before a general meeting of turkey breeders preceding the meeting of the Bronze Club. It was unanimously adopted by the general meeting and later by the Bronze Club and concurred in by action of the Narragansett Club at their annual meeting held later.

The resolution is self explanatory and its purpose is self evident. From first to last the resolution seems to savor of a fairness entirely relevant to the general characteristic of the great majority of turkey breeders and growers. After the meeting which adopted the resolution a prominent breeder of the new turkey and widely known turkey authority was heard to remark that he was highly pleased with the evident fairness of the specifications named in the resolution.

During the following days at the show several other growers of the new turkey expressed the wish that the club promoting this new turkey would see fit to adopt a different name and provide color specifications suitable to the breed, thereby putting them on the same basis in the shows and elsewhere as all the other breeds of turkeys. To us that seems like an entirely reasonable, even if belated, action that would solve an unhappy situation, and without the slightest injury to those most vitally concerned. It is highly probable that those who proposed and helped in selecting the name: "Broad Breasted Bronze" had no thought of infringement or unfairness to standard turkeys. If they sincerely believed they had a better turkey the world would be sure to find it out without the encroachment on the obvious rights of the breeders of standard turkeys.

Surely there are many names which could be adopted that would signify this turkey just as well. We have heard several names suggested, any one of which would seem appropriate. Among these is "Cornish" which would have significance on two accounts: first, because they somewhat resemble the Cornish fowl, and second, because the foundation stock is reputed to have come from England. Then why not honor the man who probably first introduced this new turkey, by calling it the "Throssell" turkey. Some have suggested the Oregon as appropriate, or to spread the honor why not make it Washorgon. This is only passing along suggestions we have heard.

In adopting the name they did it was probably not understood that under A. P. A. regulations it is not permitted that any variety of poultry can be divided under the one name. There is no question but what the use of the Bronze name with the "broad breast" prefix, and thereby obtaining the prestige of the most advertised and most popular of all the breeds, has been of untold advantage to this new turkey but the ethics and fairness is another question.

The only recognized breeds of poultry in the United States and Canada are those which have qualified and been approved by the American Poultry Association through its near 70 years of service to what has become one of the greatest branches of agriculture. All the standards which have been adopted and continuously revised are the accomplishments of far sighted men of brains and integrity. We can't think of a better way of making standards that will serve the best purposes of so great an industry. It is also the recognized right and duty of the promoters of new breeds to propose and to secure, as far as possible, standards satisfactory to the majority of those interested in such new breeds, but these should be formed in a way that would be consistent with

existing standards and in conformity with the recognized processes of standard making. But when finally adopted let it represent the will of all standard breeders, subject to further improvement by revision. Is there anything unfair or unreasonable about any of these requirements? Surely there is some color scheme which is consistent and desirable for the breed. Just what that shall be is largely up to the majority of those breeding them. So far as standard type is concerned the very best carcasses we have seen exhibited in this class in dressed shows still fall a bit short of the standard description of shape, so why do we need a different standard by which to judge this turkey, and thereby put judging out of joint and make consistent sweepstakes awards impossible.

Whether the promoters of this new breed know it or not, the great majority of the new breeders of this turkey are desirous that a color designation be adopted and that they also adopt the present standard scale of points, at least until an adjustment can be made in regular form. On the simple basis of FAIR PLAY all differences should be satisfactorily settled and a united turkey industry can then reach heights which, up to the present, have only been vaguely visioned. It is certain that every breed and kind of turkey will have to stand or fall on its own merits and undue promotion of any will serve its purpose only temporarily.

TURKEY SHORT CUTS

By THE EDITOR

A vigorous young or yearling tom can safely be mated to 12 to 15 hens. In larger matings three toms are more successful than two. Proven yearling toms are best.

It pays big dividends to provide turkey hens with protective saddle aprons. Don't delay in putting them on.

Egg size has been checked and results observed at several experiment stations. Yearling or older hens lay larger eggs than their young daughters. The ideal size is about 3 ozs. per egg. Those over 3 1/4 ozs. or those under 2 1/2 ozs. are not desirable for hatching. Size of poul compares closely with egg size but growth and development is not affected.

Day old poults should weigh not less than 12 pounds net per 100. Some weigh as much as 14 pounds per 100.

Poults learn to eat readily with little training. Put starter mash in open, small troughs and sprinkle a little chick scratch on it. The poults take to it quickly and others will follow the leaders.

"Utility" classes and "Utility only" turkey shows have been advertised in recent years, and yet one such show in the west which advertises as having the staggering sum of \$9,000 for expense and prizes is said to have shrunk considerably in entries and attendance this year. It takes the standard breeder, with his enthusiasm and his birds possessed of both utility and glamor, to make up a real show that will endure.

During the Utility Turkey Show at Hemet, Calif., in December, the services of a noted chef were secured to run tests to prove the relative values of roasted carcasses after deducting shrinkage and waste of every sort. It took the form of a contest with prizes

awarded. Such tests are educational, and are commendable, but it appears that in using birds of different sizes, of different stages of fattening and particularly in the selection of specimens for the test it only opens up another avenue for publicity and propaganda which would need considerable checking to prove its actual worth.

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Sunday morning at Oakdale Turkey Farm, Kensington, Minn., where Mr. and Mrs. Ole C. Nelson raise a superior quality of Standard-bred Narragansetts and Blacks. This attractive rock garden, with Mr. Nelson and sons Omar and Vernal looking things over, is typical of everything on the Nelson Turkey farm. An up-to-date, modern farm, with all of the modern improvements, attractively landscaped and kept in the best of condition, does this not suggest the quality of turkeys produced under such conditions?

The Standard Breeder

The show season is over with its uplifts and its reverses. Competition, always strong at the good shows, seemed closer than ever. Each studious breeder has his ideal fashioned in his mind and is striving hard to fulfill it in the perfection of his birds. There seems to be considerable variance in judges' ideas or in their interpretation of the new standard scale of points and that causes disappointments. Birds of the finest type and good color are being discarded in favor of birds of less desirable type but of exquisite color markings. It would be too much to expect that all judges would progress uniformly in applying the changed scale of values but such inconsistencies as now exist are inexcusable.

Just who is right and who is wrong is up to the exhibitors and the progressive breeders to decide. Fortunately, many of the higher placed birds have had both type and color, which points the way to possible achievement, yet there are exceptions which should not exist, but as long as these exceptions can be pointed out the gap between honest "utility" and Standard turkeys will remain. It is up to the breeder-exhibitor.

A well known western turkey judge is quoted as having stated at a public meeting that there has been "no improvement" in Standard turkeys in many years until the advent of the "Broad breast"—which is the

same as admitting that he has not been handling birds in our better standard flocks in recent years.

A good illustration of what actually has taken place is found at the All-American and Northern States turkey shows where, in the dressed division improvement that is not easily described has taken place and where standard birds have held their own in competition with "Broad breasts." But let it not be overlooked, that the standard breeders who are successfully competing in dressed exhibits are applying the full 68 shape points of the new standard in the selection of their breeders and for exhibiting in both live and dressed divisions of the shows.

In this issue will be found quotations from a letter written by a well known breeder of standard turkeys, Mr. A. D. Hudson of Oregon. Mr. Hudson is a man of honor and integrity and his statements can be relied on. No doubt there are others whose reports would show favor on the opposite side but that would in no way disprove Mr. Hudson's statements. What it does prove is that utility values are not so one-sided an argument as it has been represented to be and further, it shows up the negligence of the standard breeder in proving his ground both for himself and for public consumption to offset the much unfair propaganda which has been broadcast.

The trend of the times is unquestionably

for the best possible type of turkey carcass, of the **right size**, that can be produced economically. The standard breeder is certain he has the bird which meets these requirements. He has, but he can't sleep at the switch. He doesn't have to sacrifice standard color to do it but he can't be too fussy about it.

DISCUSSES FEED COSTS

The educational meetings at the Hemet, (Calif.) Utility Turkey Show provided some fine up-to-the-minute information for those able to attend. One of the highlights was the following:

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MR. L. E. CLINE, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA: Experiments conducted during the past year between "Broadbreasts" and "Small" turkeys show there is no difference in cost per pound of gain — that is, the feed necessary for a pound of gain in both types is the same. It was pointed out that it is difficult to fix type rapidly and that many "Broadbreast" strains have wide variation in bird conformation within the strain. Mr. Cline predicted that the "Broadbreast" type would be eventually fixed in all breeds of turkeys due to: 1) buyer eye appeal; 2) birds do not have to be so fat to dress prime; and, 3) they can therefore be killed nearly two weeks earlier than ordinary turkeys. In feeding, Mr. Cline stressed the necessity of plenty of protein right from the start. They use 26% of protein starters at the University of Nevada. "It takes so much protein to make so much turkey, so if he doesn't get enough today, he will wait until he gets it." The use of lots of green feed was also stressed.

In the discussions that followed, Mr. L. E. Cline again pointed out that both the big and small birds took the same amount of feed to make a pound of weight, (Riverside County Turkey Cost Studies show that feed is about 2/3 of the total cost) and that most of the turkeys are consumed at home where a relatively small bird is wanted. He pointed to the wide spread in prices between heavy toms and light toms and hens at Thanksgiving and said that 86% of the turkeys are marketed in a four-month period and only 14% in the other eight months.

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National Turkey Federation Gains Momentum

A Record of Progress!

The National Turkey Federation, which was formed during the 7th World's Poultry Congress, Cleveland, Ohio, in 1939, has been very active in working to further the interests of the turkey industry.

Hardly had the doors of the Congress closed when turkey growers of the United States were threatened with the spectre of having turkeys sell in New York City at prices ranging from 12 to 16 cents per pound.

The governments of the United States and Argentina started trade negotiations in which consideration was being given to the idea of removing or greatly reducing the tariff of 10 cents per pound on dressed turkeys from Argentina. The Federation officials immediately went into action. With the assistance of turkey growers, commercial organizations, turkey magazines and other agricultural associations, the Federation was able to bring enough pressure to bear to cause the break-down of these negotiations.

Many other things have been accomplished since that time, but of immediate interest are the things that have been done during the past year.

Low turkey prices and the threat of still lower prices that might result as the largest crop of turkeys on record started to move to market caused the Federation officials to take action on this problem. The first step was to sponsor a campaign to get the public to eat more turkey. The assistance of the Poultry and Egg National Board, of which the Federation is a member, was enlisted. Kathryn Bele Niles, nutritionist, and Homer I. Huntington, managing director, immediately went to work on a campaign. Mrs. Niles immediately went to work in her laboratory kitchen preparing new turkey dishes and old. Large photographs of exceptional quality were made by a professional photographer. Next, the recipes were made up and news stories were written. This material was then placed in the hands of the food editors of the leading newspapers throughout the land. Radio programs were prepared and sent out and the story of "delicious turkey" was circulated to the eating public throughout the land. The campaign was paid for by the Federation and carried out by the Board.

The campaign did not end there — in fact, it never ends. Cooking and carving demonstrations, new recipes and cooking secrets, leaflets on turkey recipes, posters and other turkey promotion work is being done constantly.

The most recent promotion work was in connection with National Turkey Day (February 22, Geo. Washington's Birthday). This day has been promoted by the turkey industry for several years. The same type of pro-

motion program was followed as previously described.

Government Support Obtained

A plea was made to the government to get more turkeys used by the Army, Navy and government institutions. The plea was given consideration and large quantities were moved through this outlet.

The Surplus Marketing Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture was asked to purchase heavy toms for use on school lunch programs. After considerable study of the problem during which the Federation supplied information and assistance, the government announced its intention to buy turkeys. It was anticipated that as much as 20,000,000 lbs. might be purchased if necessary.

Just previous to the date that the first government purchases were to have been made, the devastating storm struck the north central states, leaving destruction in its wake. It is estimated that more than 2,000,000 turkeys were killed, which was a far greater number than the government had anticipated purchasing. The distress situation of the market was somewhat relieved by the storm loss and the price improved a few cents. For this reason, no purchases were made early in the season.

On December 2, National Turkey Federation representatives, including Charles W. Wampler, president, M. C. Small, executive secretary, and Herbert Beyers, member of board of directors, met in Chicago with Surplus Marketing Administration officials, J. W. Kinghorne and Robert Osborne. Due to the fact that the market was sluggish and some distress situations existed, the Federation recommended that purchases be made, although they might be quite small. It was their opinion that the presence of the government on the market at that time would help to establish prices to growers on a higher level.

On December 4, immediately following the meeting, the SMA purchased 35,000 lbs. of dressed turkey in Oregon and Idaho, at prices ranging from 16 to 17½ cents per pound. Prominent market men state that market prices immediately improved about two cents per pound and gave credit for this increase to the psychological effect exerted by the presence of the government on the market.

Survey of Storm Damage Made

Following the November storm, the Federation made a survey of the loss. Government loan agencies were asked to investigate the possibilities of making loans to turkey growers who lost heavily. This was done, and it was reported that loans would be made both for emergency purposes and for financing the 1941 crop.

Application for Membership in the **NATIONAL TURKEY FEDERATION**

I would like to become a member of the National Turkey Federation and join with other turkey growers in supporting this fine work. Enclosed are my dues calculated on the basis of market birds sold (at \$1 per 1,000); poults sold (at number 50 cents per 1,000); and hatching eggs sold (at 12½ cents per 1,000).
number

Name

Address
(Mail to M. C. Small, executive secretary, National Turkey Federation, Mount Morris, Ill.)

Thanksgiving Date Set for 1941

Due to the fact that turkey growers must plan their turkey growing operations far in advance of the market season, the Federation requested President Franklin D. Roosevelt to indicate the date which he planned to proclaim as Thanksgiving in 1941. The date has been set for Thursday, November 20.

Federation Has Many Types of Membership

The National Turkey Federation has many types of membership. The Federation is primarily an organization of turkey growers, breeders and hatcherymen. Dues for this type of membership is based upon ¼₁₀ cent per bird marketed (\$1 per 1000); ½₂₀ cent per poult sold (50 cents per 1000); and ¼₅₀ cent per hatching egg sold (12½ cents per 1000).

Turkey associations may become affiliate members by paying dues of \$10 or more, depending upon the nature of the association and volume of business done.

Commercial organizations may become associate members with dues of \$10 or more, depending upon their volume of business with turkey people.

The governing body of the Federation is made up of a board of directors elected or appointed by the states. Each state is entitled to one director for each million turkeys produced. This board meets annually to transact the business of the organization. The 1941 Convention is scheduled to be held in Kansas City, Mo., July 22-25. Officers and directors for 1940-41 are: Charles W. Wampler, president, Harrisonburg, Va.; R. O. Weidemier, vice president, Woodland, Calif.; A. H. Trask, central vice president, Black River Falls, Wis.; E. W. Norris, southern vice president, Montgomery, Ala.; M. C. Small, executive secretary-treasurer, Mount Morris, Ill.; F. A. Bolles, Bellows Falls, Vt.; Chas. W. Wampler, Harrisonburg, Va.; A. C. Smith, Watertown, N. Y.; Herbert Voorhees, Skillman, N. J.; Mrs. Homer Price, Newark, Ohio; Thomas J. Duncan, Vicksburg, Miss.; O. E. Shear, East Lansing, Mich.; T. L. Jones, Havana, Ill.; O. C. Ufford, Fort Collins, Colo.; E. W. Norris, Mont-

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The National Turkey Federation is an organization of, for, and by turkey growers. There are no paid executives in the Federation, and every officer is giving of his time and creative effort to help promote better things for turkey people. For this reason, every turkey grower and hatcheryman, turkey association and commercial organization deriving an income from the turkey industry should support the Federation by becoming members.

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HUDSON WRITES ON B. B. AND STANDARD

By A. D. HUDSON, Tangent, Ore.

Dear Judge Hackett:

Received your kind letter of the 17th and was indeed glad, for the reason we read you had been sick and when we received the letter knew you were coming out of it.

Now at our house, and many more we have contacted, the dark meat from a turkey is always cleaned up first, with just too much breast meat to come out even. Am writing of Standard breeds of turkeys, therefore, for what reason should turkey producers try to have $\frac{2}{3}$ breast on what they produce; further if the Standard adds any more to the

breast at the expense of other sections, will we not have to increase our weight standards? We would then have broadbreasted Standard varieties of turkeys, with all the grief their breeders have had and are still having and a bird so large nobody but the restaurants, hotels, dining car service, etc., could handle them and there are already too many turkeys raised for them to absorb. So far as their being a popular sized bird, they are not and can never be. It is the same proposition as a customer going to a meat market after a couple of pounds of steak and in order to get it is obliged to buy the whole beef.

Now for a feeding example: In 1939 we raised 450 of the Broad Breasted Bronze and 700 Narragansetts. Fed separately, the Broad Breasted Bronze consumed 450 pounds daily, the Narragansetts 300 pounds daily. Now then, the Narragansetts did not have to be quite half as heavy at market time to come out even on the feed bill, but the hens lacked only 4 pounds of being as heavy as the Bronze Broadbreasted hens and the toms lacked 6 pounds of being as heavy as the Broad Breasted Bronze toms. With hens and toms equal in number in both breeds, we produced 5 pounds more turkey on the Narragansetts on the same feed.

The Broad Breasted Bronze hens are not so bad, but those monstrous toms are real gluttons and consume more feed than they assimilate. For an experiment we shut up a few of the Broad Breasted Bronze toms after feeding and weighed them next morning; they had shrunk an average of 3 pounds per bird. The feed figured was used in finishing them, however we did not put on much of a finish, for as soon as we felt they would get by we hustled them off to market.

Judges should demand a good breast, but it is wrong to expect growers of Standard varieties to come out with Broad Breasted Bronze breasts on Standard turkeys, for Standard breeders do not want them and what goes with them, and when Standard breeds are competing with Broad Breasted Bronze judges should keep in mind such breasts as they deem the most perfect representative of the breed they are comparing.

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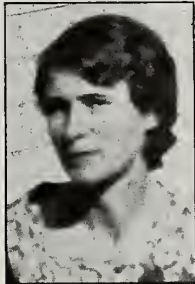
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TURKEY CLUB NOTES**

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Dear Friends: Sorry to have skipped notes for a month or two past, but for one reason or another it has been impossible to prepare them.

So, some of the news may be a bit outdated, but I know you enjoy hearing from each one so long as the allotted space holds out. I've surely appreciated hearing from so many of you, and the help given for this column.



Sadie B. Caldwell

Mrs. G. L. Smith, Hunnewell, Kan., sent us her thanks for the Club's "Special" as awarded her White Hollands last November. Thanks, Mrs. Smith, for that latching string that's always hanging out. My Bourbons commenced laying early in January, about three weeks later than your Whites, but I hope you had more, much more, sunshine down south than we've had this winter. It certainly hasn't reminded us much of our usually "Sunny Kansas."

Martha Walker, after a special study course, in addition to her long years of practical experience, has become a Missouri State Inspector, and has handled several turkey flocks during the winter as well as caring for her own. She greatly regretted having to miss the last American Royal, due to disablement of her regular help. And, as Martha asks, "What has become of our Round Robin Letter"? Can anyone tell us? We greatly enjoyed meeting the Freeman's, Glen Bidleman's, Farm and Home Week at the College.

Mrs. Fuller of First View, Colo., sent a picture of their new home, which, combined with a knowledge of the hospitality of her family, makes us all wish we might drop in on them. They enjoyed several trips to the mountains in their new car the past season. Naturally her Bronze Turkeys are, as usual, doing fine. We missed you greatly, Mrs. Fuller and Lloyd, at the Royal but hope you had a most pleasant visit with your daughter in Seattle.

Had a surprise call from the Turners of Ottawa over the holidays. They hadn't much time to stay, but we covered a lot of ground in that short hour.

According to a letter from Odell Dyer's they have been gathering early eggs and the first ones are now incubated. They've increased their capacity, so all are very busy, but well and happy.

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**NATIONAL BOURBON
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CECIL LAUGHMAN - - - President
MRS. H. Y. BUTTON - - Vice President
MRS. EMMA SNYDER - - Sec'y-Treasurer
 Perrysburg, Ohio

Club notes were received from Land Bros., Elmstead, Ontario. They write, "We got our first egg from a yearling hen Dec. 26. Our young hens came into production January 27. We are now getting better than 50 production from 67 hens. We put our first eggs, 171, in the incubator Feb. 13. Next week we will put in approximately 250. Our turkeys are a month in advance of what they were last year.



Mrs. Emma Snyder

"We have been very busy, and have just now completed our new breeding pen and hatchery room. We wish all Club members a successful turkey season.

Thank you, Land Bros., for your most welcome notes. We do appreciate your letter.

I believe I mentioned in a previous club section that we visited these young men's home last year. It would be well worth the cost of the trip to see their "set-up." It really takes these "modern" young folks to show us "older" ones how to save steps and energy.

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Our Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Button, of Glasgow, Ky., sent in her Club dues, and some club notes. She writes us:

"Our weather has been cold enough for winter, but it has not been so severe as usual, so no doubt the turkeys will be nesting sooner this season. Of course the ones that have been housed early are laying now (Feb. 18) but we prefer to have our breeding stock out, especially when winter is rather open. The eggs seem more fertile, and we have better hatchability and livability. Last season was a good one with us as to hatching and raising our birds. However, our market in our county was not so good.

"We have our pens mated up, and have some real blocky hens and toms. We think they are the best we have ever had, and hope to see this fall that our hard work in selecting and penning has not been in vain."

Here is another breeder, like many of us, that are not content unless we try to see what we can produce in the way of "type" plus "feathers." I am sure Mrs. Button will not be disappointed when fall comes to see the results of this extra work. Every one will be busy gathering eggs by next club note time, but hope some will write in and tell us all about their old or new ideas.

EMMA SNYDER.

Many growers make the mistake of putting matings in pens that are too small. Crowded pens do not work out well, as a general rule. Birds should have ample room to get around the feeders and waterers without undue crowding.

NARRAGANSETT CLUB NOTES

A. C. Payne, President - - Towner, N. Dak.
Mrs. Wm. Eddle, Vice Pres., Northwood, N. D.
Mrs. Ole Nelson, Sec'y-Treas., Kensington, Minn.

I received the following letter from Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Quam of Beltrami, Minn., the first part of February: "We want to thank the Narragansett Club for the fine trophy and ribbons we won at the All-American Show at Grand Forks. I am attending the Farm Crop Show at Crookston this week. There are Black and White turkeys shown here this year for the first time. This being the second day, no judging has been done. The weather has been ideal so far and the show has been well attended. Our best wishes for a successful season."



Mrs. Ole C. Nelson

(Thanks for your letter and here's hoping you received the lion's share of prizes on your fine Narragansetts at the Crookston show.)

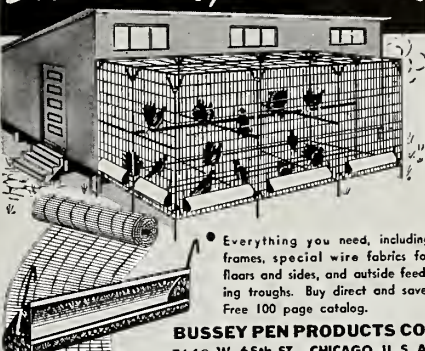
I also had a letter from our Vice President, Mrs. William Eddie, shortly after the All-American Show. She stated she stayed over until Wednesday and still the roads were blocked when she went home so she had to go 7½ miles by team.

About a week ago the weather was quite springlike so we began to pen our turkeys, and we even found a couple of eggs out in the snow. But this week we have had quite a change in the weather, as it had been close to 20 below every day, so now I imagine it will be awhile before we need to look for very many eggs. We got our special matings in their respective pens during the mild weather so we have only our utility or flock matings to pen as soon as the weather gets a little warmer.

It is interesting to note as we are reading the reports from the respective shows that there were more Narragansetts entered this last year than at previous shows. And in talking with the different breeders everyone seems to be quite confident that the Narragansett turkey will continue to grow in popularity, as it is a turkey that will mature earlier and it will dress out with a nice finish and a full broad breast at a smaller size than many turkeys on the market today. After all there are more turkeys consumed in private homes than in restaurants and hotels so there will always be a good demand for a "family sized turkey." So let us all join our club and help to boost the Narragansett turkey, which is, after all, the ideal family sized turkey.

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By MRS. A. C. PAYNE, Sec'y - Towner, N. D.

Sorry to have missed out on the notes last month, but time flew by so swiftly I couldn't get caught up. The time between the State Show and the All-American seems so short.

The All-American for 1941 is past and can well be recorded as another huge success, seeing the distance turkeys traveled to compete there again. I wish to congratulate the members of our Association who exhibited there. We can be justly proud of the North Dakota exhibitors as they kept many of the most coveted awards here in our own state. I was unable to attend but watched eagerly for daily show reports.



Mrs. A. C. Payne

Since our last meeting I have received memberships from Mrs. Carl Espeseth, Denbigh; Lars Lovig, Bantry; and Olaf Iverson, Washburn.

We are just enjoying a brief spell of winter. The past two days the thermometer has not risen above zero and has been down to 32° below, so you see we do have it cold but it doesn't last very long.

Reports of eggs from prominent turkey flocks from various parts of the state have been received. If these breeders aren't given special care these cold days I am afraid their production will be slowed down.

We had a fine number of exhibitors at the State Show this year, drawing exhibits from all parts of the state. There were at least a dozen new exhibitors this year and many more new members. It would be fine if we could each one get a new member this year. Let's try!

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I'm ashamed of you;
You are ungrammatical
In speaking as you do.
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Your Black friend, Mr. Turkey Tom,
May be greenish black, 'tis true,
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Martha B. Eckhardt, Wortham, Texas, writes a very interesting letter and sends her 1941 dues. "We have just moved our turkeys to our high-way farm and have moved back to town—farming by remote control—but not for long. Our hens are beginning to lay and as soon as they get into heavier production, I shall be right there bright and early to grab the eggs. It really gets too exciting and interesting to leave the pens. We believe we have the nicest breeders this year we have ever had, and are looking forward to our best turkey year."



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Mrs. W. T. Hall, Denton, Texas, writes they have been having very fine springlike weather and some of their turkeys are starting to lay. Also how proud they were of their fine winnings at the 1941 All-American show. Winning Champion Black is surely something to be proud of.

C. A. Christenson, Atwater, Minn., writes of his interest in Blacks. Sorry not to have any news in regard to our election for you this month. Hoping to next month. Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Feeney of Grand Rapids, Mich., in the death of their only grandchild.

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Geo. Lamm, Philip, S. D., was represented at the show by his brother Gus Lamm. They had a number of their fine South Dakota B. onze on display. A few years back, Mr. Lamm had the Grand Champion of the All-American.

Cleve Angen, formerly of Garfield, Minn., is now located at Portland, N. D., where he has purchased a hatchery which he will operate. We are sorry to lose one of Minnesota's boosters but am sure the people of Portland will appreciate having such a capable poultry expert in their midst. Mr. Angen is also a qualified A.P.A. judge.

Emil Johnson, Kensington, Minn., a former president of our club, is a real Standard Bronze breeder and booster. He suffered severe losses in the Armistice day storm but is still planning for a better flock this coming season.

Axel Hanson, Minneapolis, Minn., needs no introduction. Besides being our club's president, he is agricultural director of the Minneapolis Tribune Farms, including the Glendalough Turkey and Game Farm at Battle Lake, Minn.

Besides our actual breeder members, we have a number of associate members who take a great deal of interest in our turkeys. In fact, they work hand in hand with the growers in helping to produce better turkeys.

Parm Lystad is with the Red River Valley Produce Co. at Grand Forks. Mr. J. Vandersluis, Minot, N. D.; L. F. Schmidt, St. Paul; J. J. Moran, St. Paul, and P. A. Nordhaug, Marquette, Mich., are with the Railway Express Co. J. Jay Morlan, Minneapolis; Dr. Haney, Thief River Falls, Minn.; and L. A. Hansen, Grand Forks, N. D., can always be found in the Hubbard Milling Co. booth. They take an active part in all show room activities and are always on hand to give you advice on feeding problems. Paul H. Dudley, Crookston, Minn., is manager of the C. Roe Grain Co. They handle Sunshine Concentrate and Sunny North Turkey Feeds. Mr. Dudley is a turkey enthusiast.

Wm. Ferguson, Thief River Falls, Minn., is manager of the Thief River Falls Seed House. They handle Sunshine and Hardy North Turkey Feeds. F. C. Carson, Minneapolis, Minn., is one of the genial Archer, Daniels, Midland Co. feed salesmen. Last year, I believe, was the first year that they had a booth at the All-American. They made a host of friends and we hope they will be with us again next year. Charles Fry represented the Dr. Salsbury Laboratories of Charles City, Iowa. Their products are of great value in keeping our turkeys free of disease. C. A. Harvey is manager of the Feed Division of the North Dakota State Mill, Grand Forks.

One of the highlights of the All-American was the sumptuous turkey dinner given at the N. D. State Mill. About 80 turkey folks were invited. The turkeys served were raised by the mill. Besides turkey and all necessary trimmings, the men were treated to cigars and cigarettes, while the ladies were presented with white canvas aprons. All the food served was so delicious that it was hard to decide which variety really was tops. At our table, we decided that the salad was simply outstanding. Later we heard so many others remarking about it so right then and there I made up my mind to get the recipe from the cook. So here I am passing it on to all the growers present at the dinner and also to all the turkey folks who would like to try it.

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- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups boiling water
- $\frac{1}{2}$ lemon rind grated
- Juice from 1 lemon
- Pinch of salt

Mix sugar and flour. Pour on boiling water. Put in double boiler and add lemon and salt. Boil until it gets to the consistency of thick cream. When cold fold in 1 cup of whipped cream. Top each serving with a tablespoonful of this dressing.

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