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Mr. Wilson stated that in arranging the list of employes for the market, he had endeavored to pick out men with families and had given them preference over single men. Mr. Wilson promised to furnish a list of the personnel on the following day.

Mr. Wilson stated they had started operation of the boilers and that fuel oil was to be delivered by the Liberty Coal and Ice Company in small quantities on a "hand to mouth" basis, at \$1.30 per barrel.

Mr. Wilson stated that the market would be tendered to the City on December 15th, the day the market opens, as he considered on this day the market would be a going concern.

Commissioner Bean asked Mr. Wilson what his definition of a going concern is.

Mr. Wilson replied that when a concern opens its doors for business, it then becomes a going concern.

This definition was not entirely satisfactory to Commissioner Bean, who said that there is some question relative to this matter and that it would have to be decided later.

There was a brief discussion of approval of the Council required in connection with extras and the purchase of supplies and materials and it was decided that these should be presented at one time to the Council, the chairman suggesting that a good time to do so would be after the market is full and doing a good business.

Mr. Wilson informed the committee that inasmuch as the Yamhill Street market is not to be closed on December 15th, it had been decided by the directors of the market company that no rent is to be charged the farmers for their stalls for December and that the rent of the stalls for the months of January, February and March should be reduced to 60¢.

Commissioner Riley said it is probable that the Yamhill Street market will not be closed and the stalls removed until about January 4th.

Mr. Grant stated that an ordinance has been prepared repealing all ordinances creating the Carroll market on Yamhill Street, which ordinance requires favorable action on the part of the Council. Mr. Grant further suggested that an ordinance or resolution should be passed by the Council requiring Yamhill Street to be cleared, as the ordinance previously referred to did not cover this point. Mr. Grant mentioned that another ordinance changing the traffic on Yamhill Street from one way to two way, was to come before the Traffic Committee for its consideration in a day or so.

Mr. Wilson stated that the Yamhill Street property owners are trying to get the farmers who have been occupying stalls on the Carroll market to come into their buildings, but that he did not think this offer would work out satisfactorily.