

Food Will Be Plentiful In '64, But Prices Are Going Upward

ON THE FARM FRONT
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WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Agriculture Department said today there would be plenty of food available in 1964, but at retail prices slightly higher than in 1963.

The price rise is not expected to be as large as the 1 1/2 per cent increase in 1963, the department said in a review of the national food situation. It added that any upward price pressures that may develop in 1964 are likely to be on foods from field crops, as was the case in 1963.

Retail prices of food from livestock products next year are expected to average about the same as in 1963. In fact, the agency said, some price de-

clines may take place next year for beef, eggs, and other products expected to be in large supply.

Highlights of the department review of the food situation: —Further strength in the demand for food is in prospect for 1964. Further expansion in consumer buying and increases in business investment and government spending are expected to contribute to increases in employment and income. Population is expected to increase about 1 1/2 per cent in 1964, the same as during 1963.

—The increase in food expenditures in 1964 is expected to exceed the \$76 billion spent in 1963 by about 3 per cent.

—Charges for marketing farm products are expected to continue rising in 1964. Both operat-

ing costs and profits of food marketing firms in 1963 are up from 1962.

The department said the per capita consumption of food next year is expected to be about steady with the high level of 1963. In 1964 declines in consumption per capita of eggs, processed fruits, and pork are expected to offset smaller increases for beef, chicken, and processed vegetables.

Consumption of all food this year is up half of 1 per cent since 1959, the department said. A substantial increase in beef consumption plus small increases in poultry, and several other foods are more than offsetting declines in consumption of eggs, fish, and fruit, mostly citrus.

The department said domestic use of farm products in 1964 is expected to exceed that of 1963, but the increase may be less than this year's 2 per cent hike.

State Fish Commission Draws Criticism From Walton League

SALEM (UPI) —Allen Kelly, president of the Oregon Izaak Walton League, has criticized the State Fish Commission for voicing opposition to the plan to bar the state's inland waters—including the Columbia River—to commercial fishing.

Kelly also is president of Save Our Salmon and Steelhead, Inc., which is spearheading a drive to

place the commercial ban fishing measure on the ballot next year.

Kelly praised the State Game Commission for remaining neutral and admonished it to "keep straddling the fence." He said the Izaak Walton League was not out of character in backing the initiative movement. He said "it is our job to protect the sport fishery. This resource is in jeopardy."

Angry Legislator Cuts His Own Pay

SALEM (UPI) —One legislator, angered because his colleagues refused to allow a bill to cut lawmakers' salaries to be voted upon in the House, took the matter in his own hands this week.

Rep. Edward Elder, R-Eugene jumped to his feet during debate on the pay cut issue and said "I guess if I want my pay cut, I'll have to do it myself."

He then took a pair of scissors and cut his expense check apart, and threw the pieces on the floor.

The self-styled economy move may not prove much of a saving, however.

The state treasurer's office said the check would be carried on the state's books for seven years, and at the end of that time if it was not presented for payment, the secretary of state would advertise that the check was to be canceled.

Officials were unable to estimate what it would cost to write off the check.

Planning Commission Secretary Resigns

Mrs. John G. (Margaret) Albuschie completed more than eight years service to the Douglas County Planning Commission Friday when she retired from the position she has held since Aug. 15, 1955.

Mrs. Albuschie became the first permanent secretary to the Planning Commission when the building inspection department was integrated with the planning department. The Planning Commission was organized in 1954 and the two departments were integrated the following year.

She and her husband came to Roseburg from Tillamook in July, 1955. They plan to return to Tillamook sometime early next month. Her husband has been employed by Zuck's Radiator Service.

Mrs. Albuschie will be replaced by Carolyn Jo Thomas as secretary to the Planning Commission.

GLIDE DANCE SLATED

The Glide Community Club will hold a Thanksgiving dance at the clubhouse on Saturday, Nov. 30, starting at 9 p.m. Jennie Amorde with her special organ will furnish the music. Sandwiches and coffee will be served. The public is invited.

PANTS BURGLAR

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Jewelry store owner Harry Treisman, 49, lost his pants in a robbery Thursday.

Treisman told police a gunman forced him to turn over \$250 from the store's cash drawer and made him take off his pants, using his belt to tie his hands behind his back. The robber took the pants with him.

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TOURNAMENT OF ROSES queen contest finalists are pictured at Pasadena, Calif. One will be named queen and the other six will make up her royal roses court. Seated, left to right, are Pamela Gibbs, Susan Talcott and Carol Otten. Standing, left to right, are Shan Williams, Suannah Carver, Nancy Kneeland and Diana Du Val. (UPI Telephoto)

Geneological Society To Meet In Eugene

The Oregon Geneological Society will hold its regular meeting Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. at the office of the Eugene Water and Electric Board, 500 E. 4th Ave., in Eugene. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Charles L. Greenwood of Salem, well known geneologist, will speak on the topic "History As It Is Related to Geneology." Also on the program will be an exchange of bulletins from other societies.

39'ERS GROUP TO MEET

The 39'ers of Roseburg Woman's Club will hold a potluck luncheon at the clubhouse at noon Monday, Nov. 25. Mrs. Alvia Wetherall will show slides of her recent trip to Europe for the afternoon's program. All members are urged to attend.

Extension Agent Sees Bright Future For U.S. Agriculture

Joe Cox, state extension agent from Oregon State University in Corvallis, sees agriculture as a challenging occupation with a bright future.

He told the Roseburg Rotary Club about it Thursday at its regular meeting in the Umpqua Hotel.

Cox, a former Glide farmer, said more knowledge and skills are needed by a farmer now than in years past, but the future is bright for those who do establish themselves as farmers.

His major reason for this optimism was hinged on the fact that United States population is expanding at the rate of 7,200 each day and "a good part of the world is looking to us for food and fiber." He noted that today each American farmer feeds 29 people, four of whom are foreigners.

He said he wouldn't debate the food surplus problem, but he said it was much preferable to having less than enough food. In case the cold war ever turns hot, he said, the surplus can prove to be "money in the bank."

Making a go in the field of farming, however, isn't the informal arrangement it once was, according to Cox. It is now a major investment business. He pointed out that it now takes \$50,000 to \$100,000 capital investment to get started. In addition, it takes a man with training in management, economics, personnel and other subjects. He said only one boy now on the farm will return to the farm as a man.

But beside having expanding markets in the regular fields of farming, Cox said he could see other potentials to broaden the field. He noted that in the Midwest now, people pay to take their vacations on farms. Farm forestry, he said, also is an expanding field.

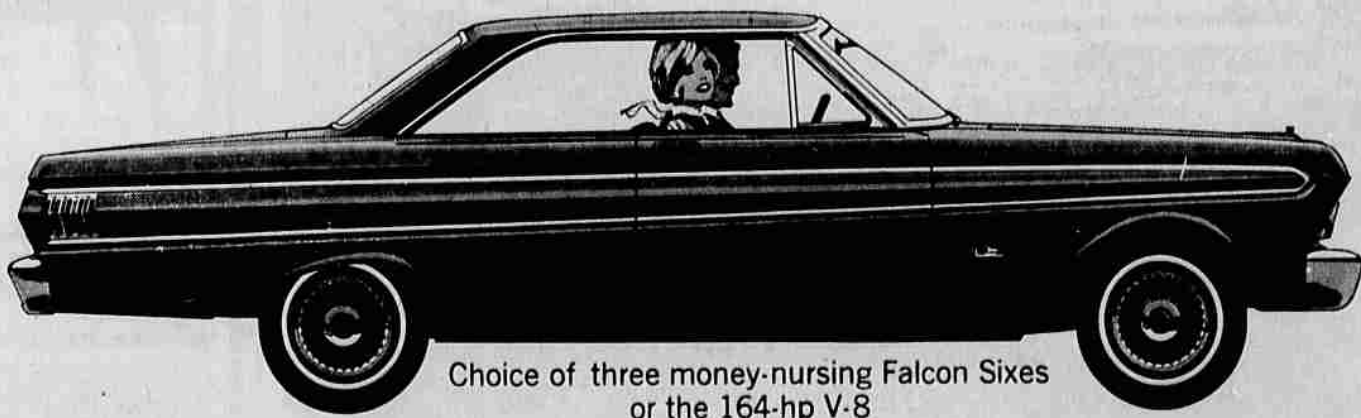
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