

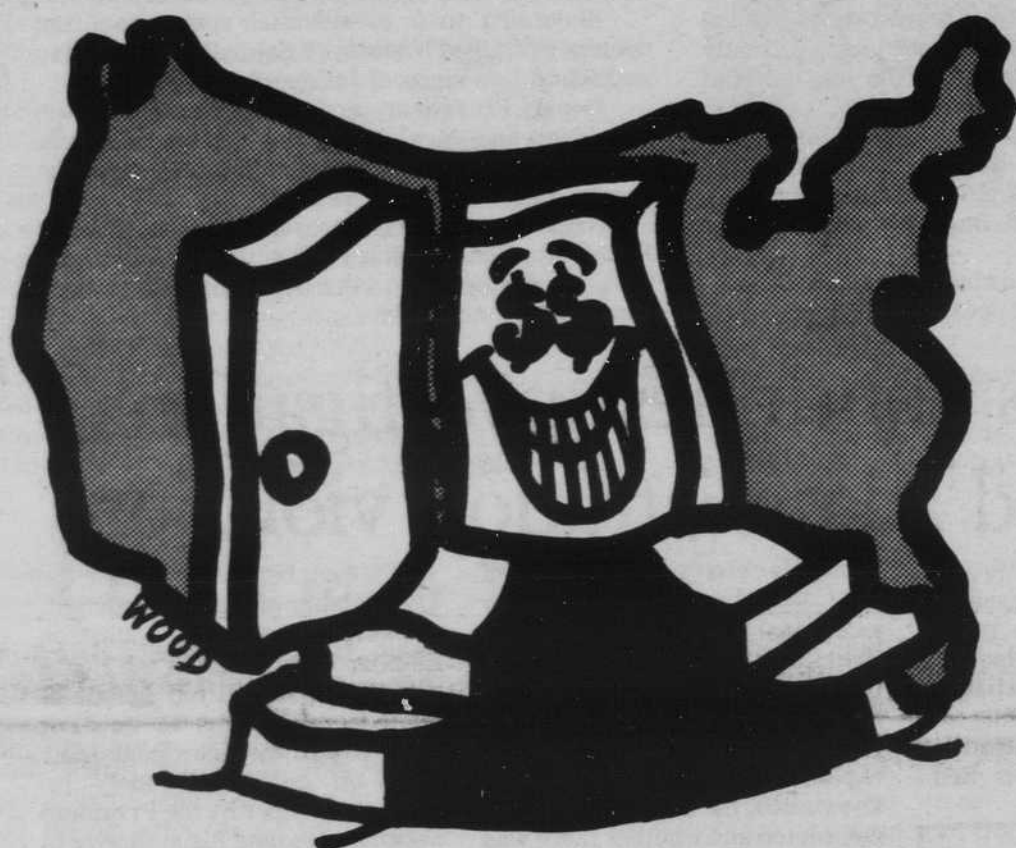
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They're visiting the U.S. while the price is right

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NEW YORK—When foreigners arrive at national parks these days, their ticket of admission is their passport.

In New York, the Warwick Hotel prints some of its menus in German and in San Francisco the St. Francis Hotel gives its foreign guests maps of the city printed in their native tongues.

In Washington, the White House has prepared brochures in seven languages, including Russian and Japanese, for walking tours of the executive mansion. For foreigners traveling by rail, Amtrak gives a 25 per cent fare discount, and for those traveling by air there are discounts of up to 50 per cent.

These are some examples of what the American government and the American travel industry are doing to welcome the burgeoning number of visitors from foreign lands. Such amenities aren't altogether altruistic. It is all part of an effort to reduce this country's balance of payments deficit by bringing the American dollar home.

A visitor spends an average of \$400 during a stay in the U.S. exclusive of transportation costs, according to the United States Travel Service, which promotes tourism for the department of commerce.

Two devaluations of the dollar in the past 18 months have contributed to the invasion of foreign tourists. As the dollar is devalued, foreign currency buys more here, making travel cheaper.

MORE THAN BARGAINS

But there are a variety of other reasons for the foreign tourist surge, according to travel officials.

"There's been a pent-up demand for travel to the United States by people from many nations," says Michael Miller, deputy assistant secretary of commerce for tourism. "Part has been released by higher spendable income, part has been released by relaxed currency restrictions in some countries and part has been stimulated by prices in the U.S. Foreigners are becoming aware of the bargain prices of U.S. travel."

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But says beef shortage coming

Butz rules out food rationing

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Agriculture Secretary Earl Butz Sunday ruled out food rationing by the government during Phase IV but conceded that "spot shortages" of beef likely would develop in the months ahead.

Another of President Nixon's confidants, Chairman Herbert Stein of the Council of Economic Advisers, said retail food prices would begin to climb this week, especially for eggs, poultry and pork.

But Stein said lifting the price freeze now and substituting the more flexible wage-price controls of Phase IV was "the only way to assure an adequate supply of food and less rapidly rising food prices a year from now."

With the incentive of higher prices expected to spur farm production, Butz said consumers could be confident of no government food rationing.

"I'll give them assurance," he said. "As long as we pursue the present policy we have of relatively free prices in the market, obviously there will not need to be rationing."

Beef prices, however, remain under ceiling rules until Sept. 12 and there are fears that cattlemen will withhold livestock from market as the deadline nears, creating a temporary shortage followed by a boom in supply at higher prices later.

Butz said, "we may have some spot shortages of beef and some cuts of beef may be in short supply in some locations in the months ahead."

And Stein, asked if he expected housewives to begin hoarding beef, said, "it depends on how full she's already got the freezer . . . and whether she thinks it's better to invest in steak than in the stock market."

Labor Secretary Peter Brennan, meanwhile, said the 5.5 per cent guideline on wage increases would be administered with flexibility in Phase IV.

Stein also implied that poultry raisers had contributed unfairly to consumer hysteria during the price freeze by publicizing the drowning of thousands of baby chicks.

Male chicks are routinely destroyed since they don't produce tender meat, he said. But he acknowledged that high feed costs during the freeze undoubtedly resulted in the destruction of more chicks than would normally be the case.

Butz took issue with a fellow Cabinet member, Treasury Secretary George Shultz, who said last week that rising food prices meant that "farmers were crying all the way to the bank."

Even with recent sharp increases in agricultural prices, average per capita farm income is still only 80 per cent of the non-farm citizen's income, Butz replied.

Grape hassle arrests reach more than 1700

FRESNO, Calif. (UPI) — With some jails jam-packed, more farm workers were arrested Sunday in a labor fight that one county sheriff described as like "sitting on a powder keg."

But in two of three central California counties sheriff's deputies gave up trying to enforce court orders limiting picketing by Cesar Chavez' United Farm Workers Union (UFW) after arrests reached 1700 in five days.

Melvin Willmirth, sheriff of Fresno County in the heart of the lush San Joaquin Valley, said a half-dozen arrests were made Sunday, bringing to about 600 the number of farm workers and supporters locked in his jails.

"It's a volatile situation," he said. "We're sitting on a powder keg."

Willmirth said his deputies had orders to arrest violators of court injunctions that limit pickets outside farms to one or two every 100 feet.

The arrests were made after Chavez addressed a group of about 250 of his followers, urging them not to engage in violence in defying court orders. Chavez labelled the court rulings unconstitutional.

Arrests in the three-county area seemed to taper off over the weekend when hundreds of Chavez supporters arrived from San Francisco, Los Angeles and other cities to join farm workers in a rally at Delano, birthplace of the tiny AFL-CIO affiliate. Among the supporters were some Teamsters who back the UFW in the fight with their own parent organization.

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