

Coffee Continues Rise as Pork Drops During Week

Retail coffee prices continued their long climb upward this week, top grade eggs turned higher after last week's step price decline, and pork dropped several cents a pound in many stores. Most other foods held about unchanged pricewise. On the produce shelves the only item generally a little higher was tomatoes, most of which were reaching the big marketing centers from California and Mexico. Celery was down slightly.

The coffee markups this week amounted in some cases to five and six cents a pound on top of last week's five to six cents. Spokesmen for large coffee roasting concerns said their wholesale selling prices were still several cents a pound behind their coffee bean buying market. The increases usually show up quickly on retail price tags.

Despite assurances in the trade that coffee supplies are adequate to meet this country's needs for many months, shoppers in some sections of Chicago and elsewhere were reported starting buying runs.

The price spiral of recent weeks resulted from production difficulties like drought, floods, hurricanes and political disturbances in the various growing countries, coming on top of heavy world consumption.

Several cuts of pork dropped from four to 14 cents a pound. Beef was mostly steady to a few cents a pound higher, and veal, lamb and poultry prices wavered uncertainly.

Best grade eggs bounced upward a few cents a dozen in some places after skidding more than 10 cents last week. Trade spokesmen said a slow seasonal price decline was expected to be resumed shortly.

Cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, kale, spinach and beets all continued low-priced and good in quality. Big-city markets received their first shipment of Texas eggplant this week, and Louisiana was sending northward the new season's first shallots—green onions smaller than scallions.

The agriculture department forecast lower apple and pear prices for this month and next, but predicted that grapefruit prices would average considerably higher than last fall because the crop is estimated about 27 per cent smaller.

The Dun & Bradstreet wholesale food price index this week declined to \$5.60, three cents below last week and 10.5 per

1000th Person To Give Blood

The donor giving the first pint of blood at the visitation of the bloodmobile here next Tuesday will be the 1000th person to volunteer blood in Marion county since the program began eight months ago, it was announced at the Red Cross office Thursday. The mobile unit from the Portland regional blood center will be in operation between 2 and 6 p.m. next Tuesday in the former Sears, Roebuck and company store building on State street.

sign up, those who gave when the unit first came here will be called upon to donate again.

All blood taken here is processed in the Portland center, then returned here to be on hand at the hospitals when the need arises, there being no charge for the blood.

Mayor Asks Pay Cut
Piquette, Miss., Nov. 4 (AP)—Mayor Claiborne McDonald, Sr., took a 33 percent pay cut today after telling the city board of aldermen that he thought he was being paid too much.

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