

## Best Food Buys Listed For December Shoppers

(The following guide to the nation's best food buys for this week-end was prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Departments of Agriculture and Interior.)

Washington—(UPI)—Early December food shoppers won't have much trouble finding a fairly good variety of this week-end, and prices for a number of items will generally favor the family food budget.

Among the protein foods, pork and broiler-fryers continue to share the spotlight with supplies ample for most demands. Smoked hams and picnics, pork loins, chops, bacon, and sausage will be plentiful.

Eggs of all sizes are in good supply, and cheeses and other dairy products offer excellent values.

Apples from this year's big crop—a fifth greater than average—lead the parade of fruits, while oranges and grapefruit are arriving in increasing quantities. And luscious winter pears are another good buy.

Vegetable bins will see a smaller variety as colder weather reaches many areas, but there are still good supplies available in potatoes, turnips, cabbage, radishes, lettuce and celery, snap beans, tender sweet corn, cucumbers, cauliflower, onions, carrots and tomatoes.

The nation's fish markets will offer plentiful supplies of such items as shrimp, fish sticks, and canned tuna.

These are the week-end's best food buys, generally speaking. Now here's a closer look at the food situation in this particular area:

West—Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming: Beef, pork, fryer chickens and eggs are in good supply in most markets this week.

During the holiday season, supplies of red meats accumulated. Pork loins are down half a cent a pound in most markets and beef prices are mostly steady. Calf, veal and lamb supplies are light, but ample for the demand, and prices are steady.

Large and medium size eggs are in better supply and 2-3c a dozen lower than a week ago. Ample supplies of fryer chickens are down mostly 1-2c a pound.

Among the fresh fruits and vegetables, consumers will find plentiful supplies of apples, tangerines, oranges, cabbage, cauliflower, celery and lettuce. In good supply are grapefruit, winter pears, carrots, onions, russet potatoes and tomatoes.

In fish, best buys include dungeness crabs, rockfish, salmon, oysters and halibut.

### Dance Planned By Hilltoppers

A square dance will be held Saturday, December 6, in the Old Wagner Creek school. The dance is sponsored by the Hilltoppers and all square dancers are invited.

Potluck refreshments will be served during intermission. Francis Cronin and guest callers will call the squares.

### Card Party

Fraternal Order of Eagles auxiliary has planned a public card party for Saturday, December 6, at 8 p. m. in the lodge hall, 217 West Main street. Refreshments will be served.



### Cellist to Play Portland Concert

Portland—Roman Dukson, principal cellist of the Portland Symphony orchestra, will be the soloist December 8 when the orchestra gives its last concert before the holidays. Conductor Theodore Bloomfield has also programmed the Handel-Beecher suite, "The Faithful Shepherd," and Franck's well-known "Symphony in D Minor."



### Louis Clayson To Be Soloist In Walla Walla

Ashland—Louis O. Clayson, member of the Southern Oregon college music staff, is one of four outstanding Northwest vocalists who will serve as guest soloists in a performance of Handel's "Messiah" in Walla Walla, December 6-7.

Brunetta Mazzolini, Portland lyric soprano who has sung with major symphony orchestras both on the coast and in Chicago; Myung Soon Woo, brilliant young contralto from Korea who is doing advanced degree work at Lewis and Clark college; and Boris Mishel, Seattle baritone, who was born in China and who has more than 30 operatic roles in New York, Italy, and Germany; are the three soloists being featured with Clayson.

Sung with a chorus of more than 200 voices from the Whitman College choir and accompanied by the Walla Walla Symphonic orchestra, the performance of this stirring oratorio is regarded as one of this year's outstanding Northwest musical events.

Now in his second year at SOC, Mr. Clayson, a graduate of Whitman college, has held a graduate assistantship in opera at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y. At Whitman he was a student for four years of Professor Kenneth Schilling, under whose direction he will be singing in the "Messiah." He has sung with the Rochester Symphony orchestra and has had major roles in several operas.

Southern Oregon residents will have an opportunity to hear the "Messiah" Sunday, December 14, in the SOC gymnasium at 8 p. m. in a performance conducted by Dr. Herbert Cecil. Director of the chorus is Oscar C. Bjorlie, also of the college music department.

### Sylvia Morris Named to Office

At the semi-annual election of officers of Bethel 14, International Order of Job's Daughters, Miss Sylvia Morris was elected queen. Miss Sharon Blickenstaff, retiring queen, presided.

Also named to office were Miss Mieke Noble, senior princess; Miss Marion Parson, junior princess; Miss Carla Borough, guide; Miss Barbara Morton, marshal.

Other officers will be appointed by the queen-elect, and installation is planned for December 30. Coming events for the Bethel also include go-to-church Sunday, December 7, with members to attend services at First Methodist church in a group, and formal initiation December 17.

### Polish Damages Fabric

University Park, Fla.—(UPI)—A nail polish stain on clothing may ignite or burn when it is ironed, a clothing specialist warns.

Mrs. Mae B. Barton, of Pennsylvania State University, cautioned against removing nail-polish stains at home. Some fabrics, such as acetate, may be ruined when polish remover is applied.

### Department Head Visits Tent Here

Mrs. Oliver Plumer, Roseburg, department president of the Daughters of Union Veterans in Oregon, was a guest of Elta Deuell Hubbs tent for the last meeting, held in the courthouse auditorium. Mrs. Plumer spent two days in Medford, and in addition to attending the tent meeting, also made a tour of the Camp White Veterans' Administration domiciliary.

Mrs. Plumer spoke to the group about the present work of the organization, and plans for the future. The department head is putting emphasis on membership this year.

During the meeting, conducted by the president, Mrs. James Cech, plans were made for a rummage sale to be held in the near future, and for preparing candy boxes for shut-in members of the group for Christmas. The tent members will also help with Christmas preparations at Camp White.

Mrs. Cech was recommended for VAVS chairman for the next two years, and will work under the national VAVS chairman, Mrs. Georgia Bone, New York.

Officers were nominated, and election will be held at a meeting set for Tuesday, December 9, at 8 p. m. in the courthouse auditorium.

### Bellview Grange Sponsors Dance

Ashland—Bellview Grange will sponsor a square dance starting at 8:30 p. m. Saturday in the Grange hall, just south of Ashland.

Floyd Workman and Byron (Buzz) Dibble, both of Medford, will call squares, and all square dancers are invited. Potluck refreshments will be served.

### Chapter Slates Tea and Ritual

Coming events of Alpha Rho chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, include a preferential tea Sunday, December 7, and a pledge ritual Thursday, December 11.

The tea will be held at the home of Mrs. Marie Sleeter, 1715 East Main street at 2 p. m. The pledge ritual is planned for 7:30 p. m. at the Medford hotel.

### Housewife Wins Bridge Tourney

Detroit—(UPI)—A Detroit housewife has become the first woman in 23 years to win bridge's most prized individual championship.

Mrs. Harry Stein topped 112 contestants in taking the National Bridge Tournament's life master championship Thursday night.

Mrs. Stein, who also is a second place co-holder of the 1958 mixed pairs title and ranked high in the women's individual competition, is the first woman to take the life master trophy since Miss Eleanor Murdick, Birmingham, Ala., won it in 1935.

Mrs. Stein totaled 730 points, 34 ahead of the second place life master winner, John R. Crawford, New York City.

Ahead by 16 points going into Thursday night's final round of the four-session tourney, Mrs. Stein increased her lead steadily throughout the evening. Her concluding total was considered unusually large for the tense, tightly-played event.

Following Crawford into third place was Eric Murray of Toronto with 693½ points. R. Norman Miller, Austin, Minn., won first prize in the senior master competition. By scoring 735 points, 29 ahead of second-placer Herman Tann, Detroit.

Participating in the games were Marilyn Smith, Donna Johnson, Kathy Bottel, Dorothy and Dick Bush, LeVonne and Renae Decker, Anna and Laurie Finck, Kelly Cushing, Robert Terry Sager, Mrs. Robert Bottel and Mrs. Willard Decker.

### Hawaii Theme For Unit Party

Hawaii was the theme for a Christmas party held by Medford Parents Home Extension unit Tuesday evening. The party took place at the home of Mrs. M. H. Scott, 601 West Tenth street, with Mrs. Charles D. Chitwood, and Mrs. Arthur R. Johnson acting as hostesses.

The unit officers, Mrs. Glen Stewart, chairman, Mrs. M. E. Weaver, vice-chairman, Mrs. William Thompson, secretary, and Mrs. Lee Johnson, treasurer, as well as the hostesses, wore the popular muu-muu gowns in keeping with the Hawaiian decor. A punch bowl with floating gardenias graced the serving table and leis were given to all attending.

Highlight of the evening was a series of slides shown and narrated by Mrs. L. E. McConnell and taken during her recent trip to Hawaii.

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### CALENDAR

Friday 8 p. m. — Central Point American Legion and auxiliary, Legion hall.  
2 p. m. — AAUW, Girls Community club.

### Cave Junction Bethel Elects

Cave Junction—Miss Carmel White was elected queen of Bethel 36, International Order of Job's Daughters, at the last meeting of the Bethel. Others elected were Miss Linda Prather, senior princess; Miss Sandra Piper, junior princess; Miss Beverly Sowell, guide; Miss Linda Larson, marshal. Installation will be in January.

The majority degree was conferred on Mrs. Wilma Downing Jones and Mrs. Linda Deaton Gates. Both are past queens.

The members planned a sale of decorated Christmas cookies December 13 at the Illinois Valley bank building.

The next meeting will be a Christmas party with exchange of gifts to cost no more than \$1.

## ILLINOIS VALLEY Holiday Parties Slated

By RUTH RAUSCH  
Cave Junction—The American Legion auxiliary met Wednesday in the auxiliary rooms of the Legion hall.

Mrs. Jack Spitz resigned as child welfare chairman and Mrs. Lloyd Harbour was appointed to replace her.

On Dec. 12, the Christmas party for the Illinois Valley Federated Women's club will be held at the home of Mrs. Earl Boyd.

Mrs. A. K. Smith of Kerby, arrived home from her southern California vacation in time to have grandsons Arthur and Walter Smith, students at Milo academy, for the Thanksgiving holidays. Mrs. Smith had been away three weeks, stopping at several places in California, visiting friends and relatives.

The Illinois Valley Garden club has announced that work days for making the annual Christmas swags have been set for Dec. 11 and 12 at the Masonic hall in Kerby.

Nine-year-old Laurie Sager was honored at a birthday party given at her home recently by her mother, Mrs. DeDee Sager, and grandmother, Mrs. Hugh Foster.

Participating in the games were Marilyn Smith, Donna Johnson, Kathy Bottel, Dorothy and Dick Bush, LeVonne and Renae Decker, Anna and Laurie Finck, Kelly Cushing, Robert Terry Sager, Mrs. Robert Bottel and Mrs. Willard Decker.

Holiday dinner guests at the Hugh Foster home were their son's family from Long Beach, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Foster, and daughters; their daughter's family, Mrs. DeDee Sager and children; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Akers and Ed Foster.

### Christmas Seal Booth Sale Starts

Booth sales for Christmas Seals will start Saturday, Dec. 6, the Jackson County Tuberculosis and Health association, which sponsors the sales, has announced.

Girl Scouts will be in charge of a booth at Mann's Department store starting at 10 a. m. Saturday.

Residents who have not received Christmas Seals, and who wish to have them, may contact the association office in the Leverette building, telephone SP 2-4818.

Those who wish to help make Christmas decorations for cottages at Fairview Home have been invited to meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Minear at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Mrs. Larry Allen is chairman of the group.

The gift shower for the nursery is planned for the Christmas meeting of the Immanuel Methodist WSCS Monday, Dec. 8, at 7:45 p. m. at the church. Mrs. Claude Reinohl and Mrs. M. C. Beem are in charge of the program.

The Job's Daughters guardian council will meet at the home of Mrs. Dan Piper, guardian, Monday, Dec. 8.

## Chamber Group Tour Bear Creek Orchards Plant

Some 72 members of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce toured Harry and David's Bear Creek Orchards yesterday, viewing the vast inner workings of the valley's largest pear-packing plant.

Currently in the midst of the Christmas gift-package rush, the plant is employing between 1,250 and 1,300 workers to handle as many as 6,500 daily orders.

The visit began with a lunch in the company's cafeteria. Afterward, the guests were escorted in six groups through the myriad phases of operation. Company executives led the tours.

The visitors saw deft fingers fashioning bows for gift baskets in one room, and equally quick hands sorting fruit in another. They heard piped-in music in the executive offices, and the click and hum of IBM machines processing orders in other rooms nearby.

They sniffed the aroma of pine boughs being clipped into small sprays to decorate the baskets, and the enticing scent of baking fruit cakes.

Appetites well satisfied by the lunch were inevitably aroused once more as the tours progressed. But just before departure each guest was offered a white box containing a chunk of fruit cake and a jar of fruit preserves.

### Plan Dinner

Degree of Honor Past Presidents' club will hold a Christmas dinner Sunday, December 7, at the home of Mrs. Matilda Dietrich, 939 North Central avenue at 2:30 p. m. Members attending are asked to take table service.

### Warm Up Cheese

New York—(UPI)—Before serving cheese, let it warm up for half an hour to develop the full flavor. Keep the cheese covered while it is warming to prevent drying. Refrigerated cheese should be covered to keep it fresh and moist. Try a cloth soaked in vinegar.




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