

Safety Council Offers Tips For Halloween Fun

Roasting marshmallows over a bonfire, bobbing for apples in a tub of water, trick-or-treatin' at the neighbor's house and hoping you won't be asked for the "pay"—a dance, song or poem—for the treat.

All this is Halloween, a once-a-year occasion when Johnny and Mary can fill their paper sacks with a collection of goodies even the heartiest of appetites can barely dent.

Halloween . . . a night when bedtime is moved back an hour (or two, if you protest enough), a night when small spooks slither through the streets of Pumpkin Center, California, Skull Creek, Colorado, and Treat, Arkansas—and most places in between.

The originators of the observance of All Saints Day probably never realized how the eve would be marked in the 20th Century.

And for sure, they never realized the dangers of Halloween hijinks.

The holiday, the National Safety Council points out, can be full of fun for youngsters if a few simple precautions are followed.

No one wants a repetition of the tragedy in Seattle, Washington, when a youngster's Halloween mask slipped, blinding his view of an onrushing auto.

How can parents make this October 31 safe from Halloween hazards?

By buying their children light-colored costumes, for one, the council says. They're easier to see at night.

For another, by making sure the outfits aren't tripping hazards and that they are flameproof.

Other tips:
1. Masks are dangerous because they restrict vision. They're also hot and scratchy, so kids will welcome a painted false face. A little rouge, eyebrow pencil and moustache stick can make children miniature ghosts, goblins, pirates or clowns—but with the added safety factor of allowing them to see danger in time to avoid it.

2. Use a flashlight instead of a candle in jack-o'-lanterns.

3. Remind children that on Halloween, as during the rest of the year, safety precautions should be observed. No dashing from between parked cars, no playing in streets, no crossing streets without first looking both ways.

4. To make doubly sure motorists can see costumed children, put reflectorized tape or bands on their outfits. A Cleveland, Ohio, radio station came up with a novel idea

that drew praise from parents everywhere — a reflectorized paper pumpkin for pasting on trick-or-treat bags. The pumpkin gave off a yellow glow in auto headlights.

Farther, grownups can help make October 31 accident-free, the council says, if they will:

1. Light porches so trick-or-treaters won't trip in the dark.

2. Watch out for disguised dangers in the streets—logs, barrels or piles of leaves, for example—that may conceal pranksters.

3. Tie white strips of cloth on wires or ropes surrounding newly planted trees.

4. Take indoors any objects that may tempt vandals and be turned into safety hazards. In this category are barrels, trash cans, lawn mowers and bicycles.

5. If, despite your precautions, your car windows get soaped, take time out before driving to clean them.

Most of the autumn antics, the council agrees, are good for laughs. But many can lead to accidents.

"Have fun, but don't let your guard down," it advises.

THE COVER

The cover picture for this week's Herald and News Magazine Section of Klamath Basin Living was taken by staff photographer Don Kettler and features Gail Campbell in a Halloween mood. A 4 x 5 Crown Graphic was used set at f 32 and 200th of a second with extension flash.

EXCHANGE PRISONER

Henry Laurens, American statesman captured by the British while on a mission to negotiate a treaty with The Netherlands, was the prisoner exchanged for Lord Cornwallis.

TASMANIAN CROP

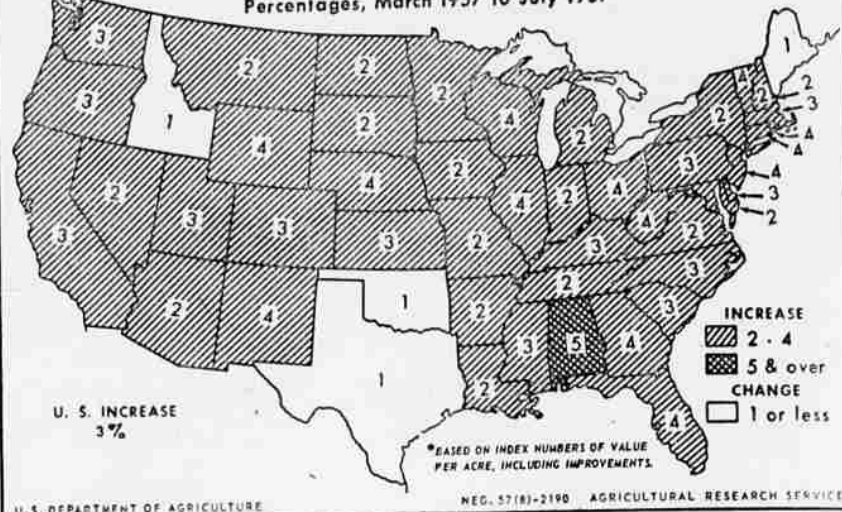
The apple is Tasmania's second most important export crop. Captain William Bligh, of H.M.S. Bounty, brought the first few apple trees to this island off Australia.



FOUR-TIME WINNER. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mathews of Huntley, Illinois, are understandably pleased as they groom their Holstein cow, which for the fourth year in a row was judged Grand Champion of its class in the Junior Livestock Show of the International Dairy Exposition in Chicago. The 7-year-old Holstein, which bears the proud name of "Model Ty Vic Lorraine," is owned in partnership by the Mathews' daughter, Audrey, 18, and son, Dick, 21. Brother and sister both attend the University of Illinois, and each has won two of "Model Ty's" four awards. Audrey showed the winner this year and last year.

CHANGES IN DOLLAR VALUE OF FARMLAND*

Percentages, March 1957 to July 1957



FARM REAL ESTATE VALUES ADVANCED in all states in the four months ending July 1, 1957. The index of average value per acre reached a new record high of 151 (1947-49 was 100), which was three per cent above March and eight per cent above a year earlier. This was the largest increase for a 12 month period since the year ended on July 1, 1951. In terms of the 1912-14 average, the current index is 253; this is 46 per cent above the 1920 peak.

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State	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Area 5	Area 6	Area 7	Area 8	Area 9	Area 10	Area 11
Ala.	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.2
Ark.	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.8	4.1
Calif.	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.4	3.7	4.0
Colo.	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6	3.9
Conn.	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.8
Del.	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.4	3.7
Fla.	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.6
Ga.	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.9	3.2	3.5
Ill.	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.4
Ind.	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3
Iowa	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.9	3.2
Kan.	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.1
La.	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7	3.0
Me.	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.9
Mass.	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5	2.8
Mich.	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.7
Minn.	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.6
Miss.	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.5
Mo.	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4
Mont.	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0	2.3
Nebr.	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2
Nev.	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1
N.H.	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	2.0
N.J.	-1.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9
N.M.	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.8
N.Y.	-1.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.7
Ohio	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6
Ore.	-1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5
Penn.	-1.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.4
R.I.	-1.7	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3
S.C.	-1.8	-1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2
S.D.	-1.9	-1.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.1
Tenn.	-2.0	-1.7	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.0
Texas	-2.1	-1.8	-1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9
Utah	-2.2	-1.9	-1.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8
Va.	-2.3	-2.0	-1.7	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7
Wash.	-2.4	-2.1	-1.8	-1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.6
W.V.	-2.5	-2.2	-1.9	-1.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5
Wis.	-2.6	-2.3	-2.0	-1.7	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4
Wyo.	-2.7	-2.4	-2.1	-1.8	-1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	0.0	0.3
U.S. Average	-2.8	-2.5	-2.2	-1.9	-1.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2

Farm Truck Total Talled

Farmers bought about a half million motor trucks (498,000) in 1955, according to estimates released recently by the Agricultural Marketing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and the Bureau of the Census.

About two-fifths of these trucks were bought by farmers in the North, nearly one-half by farmers in the South, and about one-seventh by farmers in the West. Country wide, two-thirds of the trucks were bought used. In the North seven-tenths of the trucks bought were used, in the South, two-thirds and in the West more than three-fifths. About three-fifths as many trucks were traded in or sold by farmers as were purchased. Farmers in the North traded in or sold one-half as many trucks as were bought, while farmers in the South and West traded in or sold almost two-thirds as many.

In the North and South about 10 trucks were bought by farmers for each 100 farms. In the West, farmers bought 16 trucks per 100 farms.

The estimates for 1955 are based on data obtained from 10,600 farm operators in February and March 1956 by enumerators working under supervision of the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. The estimates are subject to sampling errors. A more detailed description of the procedures used for collection and compilation of these data appear in Part II, Volume III of the reports for the 1954 Census of Agriculture, available from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D.C., price 40 cents.



STAR FARMER. Clarence J. Chappell, 21, has won the nation's most coveted farm youth award. The Belvidere, North Carolina youth was named Star Farmer of America by the Future Farmers of America at their 30th annual convention in Kansas City. Chappell, who farms 60 acres, received a check for \$1,000 with the award.

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