



By Marvin Kamholz

Evidence that there is room for a lot of improvement in Columbia county as far as restaurants are concerned is contained in the report of the state department of health issued last week. A news item about the report appears this week on page 1.

The report pointed out that, of a possible average of 100 points for top rating, this county earned an average of 76.46 which exceeded the lowest county by just one point.

Further evidence of the need for improvement in Vernonia is contained in the listing of eating places here as the lowest of any in the county. Vernonia rated an average score of 73 while being credited with one restaurant that rated highest and one that rated lowest.

As explained in the report, considerable improvement has been evidenced here since work was started by the county sanitarian and the state board of health to better the food handling conditions of eating places.

Their work is definitely needed as the report shows, because people who patronize food dispensing places have the right to expect the cleanliness they are not getting in most instances.

By mid-December of this year, traffic deaths in Oregon had reached a total of 361, almost 100 less than the 460 reported for all of 1953 and the prospect was that the year might close with less than 380 deaths for 1953. This reduction can be attributed to increased efforts of law enforcement officers and other groups interested in traffic death reduction, principally the Highway Lifesavers Committee of Oregon Citizens, Inc.

The Highway Lifesavers Committee has had less than a year of existence, being organized in February 1953 to cooperate with traffic deaths, injuries and property damage, to bring down automobile insurance rates. Rates, because of losses, had gone dangerously high for the average man.

Citizen members of the committee have now been organized in 33 of the 36 counties of the state and the weight of this public group in cooperation with law officers is evident in the reduction of deaths and also in the first reduction in insurance rates which was announced in December.

To top off the committee's work for 1953, E. C. Sammons, president, has suggested a New Year's resolution for auto drivers and pedestrians and we present it as worthy of publication:

- "I resolve to stay alive in 1954."
- "Anything I can do as a driver to keep other alive I will do."
- "I will take care, but not chances."
- "I will keep my speed under control, and my temper."
- "I will be as polite in an automobile as I am in my office."
- "By courtesy I mean signaling for turns and stops and denial of the temptation to beat the light, steal the right-of-way or jockey for advantage on the highway."
- "I resolve that the automobile I drive shall be a safe vehicle and not a deadly weapon."

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**Word Received of Birth of Daughter**

RIVERVIEW — Word has been received of the birth of a daughter, Susan Elaine, to Mr and Mrs. Robert Beck of Anchorage, Alaska. Mrs. Beck was formerly Betty Ratkie.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schalock spent Christmas at the home of his father, Frank Schalock, at Walkon, Washington. On their return trip they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Corbaly at Cashmere, Washington.

New Years guests at the home of Mrs. Dewey Hunt were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunt and family, Pfc. Wesley Hunt of Fort Lewis, June Cunningham and Tom McLeod.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Potter visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Sexton, at Gresham Sunday.

**High Water May Cause Damage**

ROCK CREEK — Vern Dusenberry, Bob McDonald and Ted DeWitt spent some days replacing the supports on the DeVaney bridge. Now, very high water may endanger them again.

The Keasey extension unit meets at the home of Mrs. W. L. Dibben on Wednesday, January 13. All Rock Creekers are invited.

The VanWerts, with several cars of guests, spent both holiday week ends at their home and enjoyed some fishing.

Ralph Keasey spent his holiday with the Ted Keaseys. He has been working near Grants Pass. Mr. and Mrs. Chet Fugate spent the holidays with his sister in California.

**Grade Students Start Work After Vacation**

BIRKENFELD — Grade school started Monday after over a week vacation.

Shirley Armstrong of Oregon City was a New Years guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hopkins and Johnny.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Bellingham expect to leave next week end for Indiana after a new car. They plan to go on to Connecticut to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Elliott spent Sunday night and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Jensen at Yamhill.

Donnie Jensen of Yamhill spent last week visiting with Pat Sibel. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Udey had their daughter and family from Portland with them New Years day.

**Holiday Spent with Family in California**

ROCK CREEK — The Danz Brady family spent Christmas eve with the Larry Brady family and had Christmas dinner with the Terry Brady family.

**Young Son Home From Hospital**

RIVERVIEW — Mr. and Mrs. W. E. DeFord brought their 1 1/2-year-old son, George, home from the Doernbecker hospital Monday after he had been there for almost three months.

Pfc. Cedric Nelson of Fort Lewis spent New Years at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lindsley, the guest of Pfc. Kenneth Lindsley.

Mr. and Mrs. Derral Rose and family of Springfield visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rose, from Thursday until Sunday.

May Krieger and son, Billy, had Christmas dinner with Bud Krieger and family in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Westerberg drove to Roseburg in order to bring her mother, Eola DeVaney, home for the holidays.

The Ralph DeVaney family and the Darrell DeVaney family spent most of the holiday with the Ben Westerbergs.

During the holiday season the Herb Counts had a number of guests at various times. Among those staying there were Kathleen DeVaney, the twins Lorna and Linda DeVaney, the Don Hanson family and Gene Cleveland and small son, Allen.

**BEEF PRICES DOWN AT SAFEWAY!**

Much lower than a year ago - look at these comparisons

With 1953 Ceiling Prices

You've probably read in the papers how cattle prices have declined in recent months. The price comparisons listed here show that Safeway passes the savings along to its customers. Why not take advantage of these low prices to serve your family more beef? And remember, every cut of beef at Safeway is from top U.S. Government Grades—tender, juicy, full-flavored. Guaranteed to please you every time or your money back.

	TODAY'S PRICE	YEAR AGO		TODAY'S PRICE	YEAR AGO
<b>T-Bone Steak</b> Top Grader	lb. 98c	1 <sup>20</sup>	<b>Boiling Beef</b> Plate Cut	lb. 29c	38c
<b>Sirloin Steak</b> Top Grades	lb. 95c	1 <sup>08</sup>	<b>Rib Roast</b> Standing Cut	lb. 75c	90c
<b>Round Steak</b> Top Grades	lb. 75c	1 <sup>08</sup>	<b>Chuck Roast</b> Arm cut	lb. 55c	79c
<b>Rump Roast</b> Fine oven Roast	lb. 79c	82c	<b>Chuck Roast</b> Blade cut	lb. 49c	75c
<b>Round Heel</b> Roasting or Stewing	lb. 75c	86c	<b>Beef Stew</b> Boneless	lb. 69c	82c

Fresh, Lean  
**GROUND BEEF**  
 Year Ago 65c Lb. Today's Price 39c

Ready for the Pan  
**Manor House Fryers**  
 Tender young birds \$1.29 Each Thoroughly cleaned

Pan-Ready  
**FRESH OYSTERS**  
 Select Sizes Pint 59c

Pan-Ready  
**FILLET OF SOLE**  
 Bumble Bee Lb. 39c

**DRY BEANS**

Small, White	Idaho Red
2-lb. 29c	2-lb. 29c
4-lb. 55c	4-lb. 55c



**Parade Detergent**  
 39-oz. Pkg. 47c

- Macaroni** Or Spaghetti Sunrise Brand 2-lb. Pkg. 29c
- Canned Salmon** Gold Cove Tall Can 29c
- Lunch Meat** Oscar Mayer 12-oz. Can 29c
- Tomato Soup** Campbell's 3 cans 25c
- Dog Food** Nip 'N Tuck 3 cans 25c

**Tomato Sauce**

TASTE TELLS  
 Dozen Buffet Cans 59c Each 5c



**TIDE DETERGENT** 47-oz. Pkg. 59c  
**WHITE MAGIC SOAP** 46-oz. Pkg. 35c

**MISCELLANEOUS VALUES**

- Old Dutch Cleanser 14-oz. can 2/27c
- Trend Detergent 12 1/4-oz. pkg. 19c
- Snow's Clam Chowder 15-oz. Can 27c
- Star-Kist Tuna Fish No. 1/2 Can 35c
- Deviled Ham Underwood 2 1/2-oz. Can 21c
- Snow's Minced Clams 7 1/2-oz. 32c
- Karo Syrup Red Label 1 1/2-lb. 25c

**BAND BOX FROZEN ICE MILK DESSERT** Qt. 33c

- Sunshine Cheez-its 6-oz. 19c
- Krispy Crackers Sunshine 1-lb. 28c
- Nob Hill Coffee 1-lb. 90c 2-lb. \$1.79
- Airway Coffee 1-lb. 88c 2-lb. \$1.75
- Edwards Coffee 1-lb. 95c 2-lb. \$1.89
- KOTEX Sanitary Napkins 48 Pkg. \$1.49
- Kotex Sanitary Napkins 12's pkg. 2/77c

- Suzanna Pancake Flour 3 1/2-lb. 49c
- Fleet Mix, for biscuits 40-oz. 44c
- Royal Satin Shortening 3-lb. 89c
- Honeybird Cherries No. 2 29c
- Westfair Prune Juice 24-oz. 29c
- Grapefruit Juice Townhouse 46-oz. 31c
- Vac Pac Corn, Highway 12-oz. 15c
- Country Home Corn No. 303 15c
- Highway Sweet Potatoes 303 19c
- Sugar Belle Peas No. 303 17c
- Duchess Salad Dressing qt. 55c
- Lunch Box Spread pt. 39c
- Edwards Instant Coffee 2-oz. 51c
- Grahams, Pirates' Gold 1-lb. 34c
- Mrs. Wright's Bread 1 1/2-lb. 24c
- American Cheese Dutch Mill 1/2-lb. 29c
- Pimento Cheese Dutch Mill 1/2-lb. 29c
- Fresh Milk, 3.8% qt. 22c
- Shady Lane Butter lb. 76c
- Sunsweet Large Prunes 2-lb. 53c
- Bord's Dates 1-lb. pkg. 39c
- Bel-Air Orange Juice 6-oz. 19c
- Bel-Air Strawberries 12-oz. 29c
- Peas and Carrots, Bel-Air 10-oz. 15c
- Bel-Air Sweet Peas 10-oz. 19c
- Bel-Air French Fries 9-oz. 19c
- Cottillon Ice Cream pt. 29c
- SnoStar Ice Cream qt. 45c

**Grapefruit** Arizona Marsh Seedless 8-lb. mesh bag 49c

**Navel Oranges** lb. 10c 5-lb. Mesh Bag 39c



**Avocados** Pre-ripened 2 for 25c  
**Onions** Yellow Toter Bag 39c  
**Pears** Golden Bosc 3 LB. 25c

- Parsnips** lb. 10c
- Rutabagas** lb. 10c
- Grapefruit** Florida Pink lb. 13c
- Turnips** lb. 10c
- Cabbage** Green lb. 5c
- Potatoes** Econ. U.S. No. 1 10 lbs. 33c
- Peppers** Green lb. 39c
- Potatoes** U.S. No. 1 25 lbs. 82c

Prices Effective Thru Saturday, January 9

<b>Pear Halves</b> Harper House No. 2 1/2 Can 35c	<b>Cling Peaches</b> Highway No. 2 1/2 Can 25c	<b>SAFEWAY</b>	<b>Sunnybank Margarine</b> 1-lb. 25c	<b>Slenderway Bread</b> 1-lb. 23c
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