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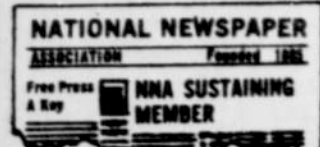
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Food Prices Lower Than Ever

In recent weeks we have heard attacks on the high cost of food, and may times the attack is on the farmer. Food prices have gone up, partly in response to higher prices at the farm, partly due to increased marketing costs. But food is one of the nation's best bargains. In relation to other costs, food prices have gone up less. In relation to the American's income, food prices have gone down. And in relation to other nations, the American homemaker enjoys the best food bargains anywhere in the world. This comes from the pamphlet, Facts About The High Cost Of Food, presented by Banking, Journal of the American Bankers Association.

Senator Mark Hatfield told farmers and businessmen at the Farm-City Dinner last Thursday evening, sponsored by the Farm Bureau, that food expense takes about 15% of the average American's take-home pay. This seems to be about right, according to the bankers.

Yes, food prices have gone up. But the average American's pay check has gone up faster. Result: you spend a smaller percentage of your pay check for food than ever in history. In 1947 Americans spent 25% of their take-home pay for food. By 1950 this had dropped to 22.2%, by 1959 to 20%, and in 1971 food expenses took just over 16% of the average pay check. That's amazing progress when you consider that many people of the world spend over half of their income for food. And, it's the best quality food in history.

Americans pay far less for food in relation to the amount of work required than do most other peoples of the world. For instance, it takes 6 minutes to earn a pound of white bread in the United States. It takes 11 minutes in France, 12 minutes in Russia, 27 minutes in Japan and 46 minutes in Brazil. Take sirloin steak, for instance. It takes 24 minutes to earn a pound of sirloin in the U.S., 110 minutes in France, 132 minutes in Russia, 118 minutes in Brazil and 269 minutes in Japan. No wonder the Japanese eat rice!

One big reason for the increase in the "grocery bill", according to the bankers, is the change in merchandising techniques. Today's supermarkets offer a wide range of products from bread and butter to charcoal, and including many non-food items such as pet food, garden supplies, toothpaste, baby powder, nylons, light bulbs and a score of other items.

You can buy "out of season" items all year long. You don't want to spend as much time in the kitchen, so you buy pre-cooked foods, freeze-dried products, packaged dinners, ready-made desserts, canned hams and potatoes in at least 50 prepared versions.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture home economists estimate that this built-in maid service has added 25% to the cost of food. And, don't forget, the farmer does not share in the profit of this extra preparation.

In the last decade, annual expenditures for food in the U.S. have risen \$35.8 billion, but only \$11.4 billion of that went to the farmer. This means the farmer's share of the food dollar dropped to just 38% in 1971.

Meanwhile farm costs have continued to rise, so the farmer's profit margin is much smaller than it was 20 years ago. Farmers are now paying two to three times more for help, machinery is nearly twice as high, and production costs have doubled in the past 20 years.

In many underdeveloped nations of the world, most of the population is tied up with the chore of food production. But in the U.S. every farm worker provides enough food for himself and 48 of his fellow Americans, freeing them to provide other goods and services which improve the quality of life. This is a dramatic increase in farm efficiency since 1950 when a farmer provided for himself and 15 1/2 others. Yet, farmers have not made excessive profits in providing the nation's food.

The farmer? He's not responsible for your big grocery bill. He's doing more than his share in keeping food prices low and benefiting the nation.

He's the main reason food is the country's biggest bargain today.

Food prices high? Banking Magazine indicates that food prices are the lowest in history for actual time worked. We salute the American farmer.

NAZARENE CHURCH NOTES

SUNDAY - Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Gospel Hour, 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY - Young Women's Bible Study, every Tuesday, 9:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY - Bible Study, Caravans, and Teen Group Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Choir practice, 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY - Church Schools Rally and workshop for S.S. teachers and Caravan lea-

ders, 7:30 p.m.

Work on the Fellowship Hall continues every day.

A Reception in honor of public school teachers sharing the fellowship of the Church was held Sunday evening following the Church service.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Condon, Mr. and Mrs. Don Neufeldt, Elvin Bailou, Dan Martin, Leonia Anderson, Nora Bailou, Edith Aman, Russ Aman, Ruth Steinhilber, Ruth Fradenburg, Janice Wilson.

—Robert W. Manley, pastor.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NOTES THIS I BELIEVE

by Rev. Bob Hutchinson

This I believe. I believe in miracles. Our God is a miracle-working God. The songwriter wrote, "I believe in miracles for I believe in God." I believe in God, that is why I believe in miracles. Concerning the crossing of the Red Sea, a minister friend of mine said, "It was not the Red Sea which the Children of Israel crossed, but the Reed Sea and during that time of the year, the Reed Sea was a bog and the Children of Israel crossed it by leaping from bog to bog." To him, I said "Praise the Lord, that was a greater miracle than I thought, for the whole army of Egypt drowned in a bog." Why do so many people find it so important to their peace and contentment to reduce the miracle-working God to a God limited to natural means? If God found it necessary to roll back the waters of the Red Sea and allow the Children of Israel to cross on dry land, if he found it necessary to lead them by a pillar of fire by day and a cloud by night? If God found it necessary to stop the mouths of lions, give David the strength to fell a giant, allow the three Hebrew children to go through the fire of the furnace unharmed than why not believe it and thank him for it, worshipping Him for His mightypower? I believe people refuse to accept a miracle-working God because they realize that if they admit God does work miracles than they have no excuse for not respecting him, loving him, obeying him and worshipping him. To the Children of Israel God said, "But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the Lord which he did. Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day." To the Children of Israel God said, "You have seen my greatness, my mighty hand, my outstretched arm, my miracles, my acts, you have seen what happened to Pharaoh, to his whole land and to his army. You have seen the miracles of the Lord, therefore love him, keep his statutes, his judgments and his commandments. This I believe, I believe in miracles for I believe in God.

CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

THURSDAY: Work time at the church at 5:30 p.m. with a potluck supper after. Maranatha Circle will also meet during the evening.

SATURDAY: Young people will leave from the parsonage at 6:30 p.m. for fellowship with Weiser Conservative Baptist youth.

SUNDAY: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School with Bible classes for all ages including two classes for adults. Morning service at 11 a.m. Message, "Seed and Weed Separated," based on Matthew 13:24-30 and 36-43.

Evening service at 6 p.m. Message, "What We Can Do With The Name of God." This message is a study of Bible passages that relate the importance of the name of God in our lives.

TUESDAY: Second work time at the church at 5:30 p.m. with a potluck supper after.

WEDNESDAY: Bible study and prayer meeting at 7:30 p.m. A friendly welcome awaits everyone at this back-to-the Bible church.

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank Dr. Kerby, the nurses and staff at Malheur Memorial Hospital for the wonderful care during my illness. God bless all my friends, neighbors, organizations and relatives for visiting, cards, flowers and gifts.

—Love, Nora Snodgrass.

OBITUARIES

Anna May West

Anna May West, a long time resident of Nyssa, passed away on September 7, 1972 at McKay Hospital in Ogden, Utah at the age of 86.

She was born May 13, 1886, in South Weber, Utah. She lived in Nyssa for 22 years, moving from Utah in 1949. She and her husband fulfilled a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Florida in 1937 and 1938. She was married to Richard West in February, 1906, in Salt Lake City LDS Temple. He died in September, 1948. She spent three years working in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

She was an active member of the LDS Church and held many positions in the church auxiliaries.

Survivors include a son, Richard J. West of Ogden; and five daughters, Mrs. Ellis (Emily) Field, Nyssa, Mrs. Frank (Mabel) Skeen, Nyssa, Mrs. Ersel (Ann) Beus, Dandel, Arizona, Mrs. Jack (Elna) Clifford, Clinton, Utah and Mrs. Laura Bowns, Fountain Valley, California; 23 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Amy Eldredge, Shoshone.

She had eleven other brothers and sisters who preceded her in death. She was known in Nyssa as Grandmother West.

Services were conducted Saturday, September 9, 1972 in Ogden at Larkin Mortuary.

Ada J. O'Neill

Services for Ada J. O'Neill, 85, Nyssa, who died Saturday September 9, 1972, of natural causes at Malheur Memorial Hospital were held Monday, September 11, at the Lienkaemper Chapel, conducted by the Rev. Rev. Arthur W. Coats of Nyssa Conservative Baptist Church. Interment was at Evergreen

Cemetery, Ontario.

She was born February 10, 1887, in Nebraska. Her husband Francis Patrick O'Neill, died on May 21, 1964.

Survivors include two sons, Gordon Montgomery, Nyssa, California; two daughters, Mrs. Lucille Reed, Delano, California, and Mrs. Flora Orton, Bowling Green, New York; two sisters, Mrs. Bell Troy, Owatonna, Minnesota, Mrs. Emma Jacob, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; 18 grandchildren, 55 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Herman E. Lowtrip

Services for Herman Eugene (Gene) Lowtrip, 50, Juntura, who died Saturday, September 9, 1972 at Juntura of an apparent heart attack, were conducted September 13 at High Funeral Chapel, Vale, by the Rev. Blaine Russell of the New Plymouth Assembly of God Church. Concluding service and interment were at noon Wednesday at the Juntura Cemetery. Military honors will be conducted by the Vale American Legion Post No. 96.

He was born Nov. 5, 1921 at Willow Springs, Mo., and he lived there until he entered the service during World War II. He married Ethel Beck at Willow Springs in 1945. She preceded him in death. After World War II, he moved to the Nyssa area where he lived until 1950, moving then to Juntura. He was a Union Pacific Railroad employee, and was a section foreman at the time of his death.

Survivors are four sisters, Mrs. Stanley (Gertie) Wonnell, Mrs. Claude (May) Bolerjack, Mrs. Sylvia Spurlock and Mrs. Goldie Ball, all of Willow Springs, Mo.; two brothers, Winice Lowtrip, Willow Springs,

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

On Sunday, September 17, the Rt. Rev. William B. Spofford, Jr., Episcopal Bishop of Eastern Oregon, will be in this area to make pastoral visitations to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Vale, X and St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Nyssa. Both of these Churches are served by the Rev. John K. Worrall of Nyssa.

The Bishop will be in Vale at 9 a.m. and in Nyssa at 11 a.m.

While in Nyssa, the Bishop will, also, admit into the full fellowship of the Episcopal Church, by the ancient Apostolic Rite of the Laying-on of hands, Eric Stunz who was in the class conducted for that purpose by the Rev. Worrall over the past year.

After the service in Nyssa there will be a pot-luck luncheon in honor of the new confirmed, and the Bishop, under the sponsorship of the Women's Guild of St. Paul's.

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you to all the friends and neighbors for the flowers, memorial contributions and food sent to us after the loss of our loved one. We especially appreciated the special attention given by Dr. Vanetti, the Malheur Memorial Staff and the Rev. Robert Manley.

—The family of George M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Newgen, and Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Wilson.

Mo., and Vernie Lowtrip, Darlington, Idaho; many nieces and nephews from this area.

Pall bearers were Jim MacDonald, Arley McCumber, Owen Coons, Gerald Allen, Leonard Cooley and Merle Vinson.

He was preceded in death by a sister Dollie and a brother, Rollo John Lowtrip who died in 1967.

—The family of Mrs. Mabel Bennett.

Grandma's Gone



GRANDMA'S GONE, BUT CERTAINLY not forgotten. Mrs. Nellie Whitehead passed away Monday, September 4, 1972 at the Malheur Memorial Nursing Home. A resident of this community for many years more people knew her only by "Grandma" than those did by her given name.

She knew no strangers and was a friend to all races and creeds. They knew her only as Grandma, and by no other name, so to those who knew her, Grandma is gone, but will always be remembered by those who loved her.

MARY KAY SCHOOL

Park Avenue Baptist Church

Morning Worship 11 a.m. —Rev. Walker

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown during the illness and time of the death of our beloved mother and grandmother. The prayers and grandmother. The prayers, cards, visits, flowers, food and memorials given in her memory were greatly appreciated.

—The family of Mrs. Mabel Bennett.



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