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Were you one of the shoppers who took advantage of a "bargain" on 2-lb cartons of boned turkey at a New Bern supermarket last weekend?

Attached to the item, bearing the label of a nationally known meat packer, was a coupon supposed to be worth 50 cents if returned with a portion of the cover to the firm that turns out the product.

Not until the package was undone at home, and the securely attached coupon could be removed, did the purchaser learn the sad truth that somebody wasn't talking turkey when they displayed the weekend special.

Printed in small letters on the reverse side were the exasperating words—"offer expires July 1, 1965." Seeing as how it was then August 6 or August 7, 1965, even Mr. Zip couldn't have gotten the coupon there in time.

As long as we're on the subject of food, we might as well take note of the fact that this year marks the 7th anniversary of peanut butter's arrival on the American scene. It had never occurred to us that the stuff is this ancient.

Less surprising, especially if you have kids around the house, is the revelation that in the Land of the Free alone a half billion pounds are eaten annually. Your share is five pounds, but don't worry about it. Junior will gladly consume any you have left over.

St. Louis had the very first peanut butter, back in 1890. Originally grocers here in New Bern and elsewhere ladled it out of large tubs and in some instances ground their own.

What does peanut butter contain? Nothing but peanuts, except for a small amount of salt and a homogenizing agent. And unlike a lot of things your small fry crams, it's wonderfully wholesome.

New Bernians who remember Albert Suskin as a brilliant High school student regret his death in Chapel Hill, at the age of 55. Certainly his name belongs on any list of local boys who made good.

Albert was first and last a scholar. No one who knew him had cause to be surprised when he chose teaching as a profession and in due time became a distinguished professor at the University of North Carolina.

Living in Chapel Hill must have been deeply satisfying. His interests centered in things cultural, and you don't have to search for this sort of environment at Carolina.

Several years ago The Mirror did a front page story on Suskin. It was a case of handing him flowers before he died, and now that he is no longer among the living we are doubly glad we didn't wait until it was too late.

Our own recollections of Albert, who was a grade above us in school, inevitably associate him with James Dawson, Mary Mitchell, and Gerlad Colvin. In the modern vernacular of teen talk, they were brains. Understandably, the four were close friends.

Another death during the week, the passing of Nancy Carrol, likewise invoked personal memories. In our day, every male juvenile old enough

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WEREN'T TOO YOUNG—Debbie and Cindy Godwin, 11 and 12 years old respectively, of Bayboro, participated in their first 4-H Club demonstration this year. Pamlico and District winners in Rural Civil Defense, they went to Raleigh and became State champions.

Pictured with them are Dr. Carlton Blalock, State Assistant Extension Director; Ernest Stallings, Extension Agricultural Specialist; their proud mother, Mrs. Troy Godwin; and Earl Lemons, Assistant Pamlico County Agent.



ANOTHER WINNER—Sue Hollowell, also of Bayboro, brought further 4-H fame to Pamlico County in William Neal Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh when she also won a State crown. Her specialty was fruit and vegetable marketing. Seen with her are Mel Kolbe, Extension Horticultural Specialist at N. C. State; Earl Lemons, Assistant Pamlico County Agent; and Dr. Carlton Blalock, State Assistant Extension Director.

Who said Pamlico is a backward area?