

Beef Prices Decline With Cattle Market

Drop 20 Cents Per Pound From Peak In November, 1951

Retail beef prices have declined an average of 20 cents per pound from their peak level of November, 1951, a report prepared by the National Association of Food Chains shows.

Declines of individual cuts—ranged from seven cents per pound for rump roast and 14 cents per pound for T-bone steaks to 22 cents for boneless round steaks and 25 cents for ground beef.

The report, based on a survey of over 7,000 retail food stores, showed that retail prices have closely followed the downward trend in the cattle market. Taking a 1,000-pound U. S. Choice grade steer as an example, the report showed that the on-the-hoof value declined \$110 from the 1951 peak to mid-October of 1953, and that the value of retail cuts and salvage declined \$102.25.

A study just completed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture confirms this trend. The USDA said "it appears that retail prices of beef have generally reflected the declining prices of live cattle in 1952 and 1953. Prices of retail beef, wholesale beef carcasses and live cattle generally followed parallel trends."

The food chains report pointed out that while fancy steaks may be priced over a dollar a pound, such steak actually comprises only 30 pounds of the total weight of a 1,000 pound steer. The average price of all the products from a 1,000-pound steer is 30 cents.

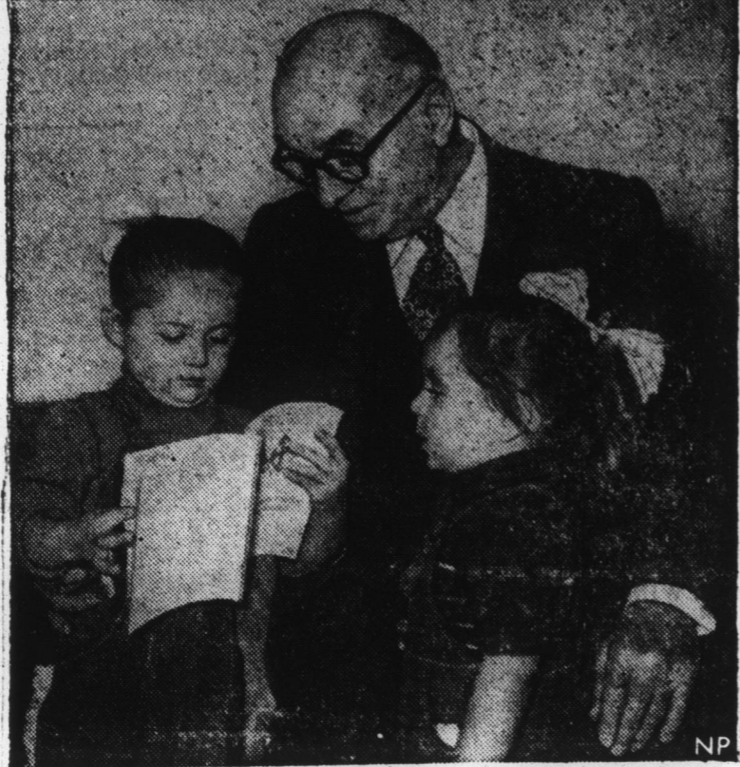
The report shows that America's retail food stores are currently spending more than \$12,500,000 annually in promoting the sale of beef and veal. Aggressive advertising and promotion resulted in a 51 per cent increase in the sale of beef during the first nine months of 1953, as part of a two-fold drive by chains to help cattle producers market their heavy production and at the same time, provide good beef values for the shopping public.

"As retailers, our job in the present beef crisis is helping America to eat its way out," the food chains report said. "And, we believe we have helped Mr. and Mrs. Consumer take good, firm strides in that direction." "We pledge ourselves to continue these efforts... to continue doing our job as food retailers in selling still more beef in America."

H. B. (Bo) Thomas Dies In Kecoughtan Hospital

H. B. (Bo) Thomas, 48, until recently proprietor of Hotel Joseph

Children of Turkish 'White House' Send Greetings to United States



TWO LITTLE GIRLS bid a sad goodbye to Grandpa-President Celal Bayar of Turkey, just prior to his U. S. visit this month. Sending greetings to the children of this country, they are heartened by their grandfather's promise to bring them back real American dangerees. The first businessman-president of Turkey, Mr. Bayar has three other "firsts" to his credit. He was the first Minister of Economy under the Turkish Republic, the founder of the first private bank, and the first Turkish Head of State ever to visit the U. S. A. He will travel from one end of the country to the other as guest of President Eisenhower and 160 million other Americans.

Hewes, died Wednesday night of last week in the veterans hospital at Kecoughtan, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas operated the Hotel Joseph Hewes here for three and one-half years and before that they operated hotels in various parts of the South.

Deceased was a native of Fort Motte, S. C., and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Caroline Thomas; a daughter, Mrs. Frank Drake of Lexington, Ky.; his mother, Mrs. Henry Thomas of Fort Motte, S. C.; two sisters, Mrs. Leon Williams of Hampton, Va., and Mrs. Red Thomas of Greensboro, and a brother, Eddie Thomas of Rocky Mount.

The body was removed to Cleveland, Tenn., where funeral services were held Saturday.

Growers Of Tobacco Using Gas To Combat Weeds And Diseases

Interest is being shown by several tobacco growers in treating tobacco beds with methyl bromide gas to control weeds and diseases in the plant bed area. Everett Ashley, of Advance community has been active in assisting

several farmers in treating their beds. The cold and very wet weather has halted bed treatments for the present time, but several other growers plan to treat their beds as soon as the weather permits. While the gas treatment requires the use of an air tight cover and is somewhat more expensive than treating with cyanamid and uramon, it has the added advantage of killing diseases as well as grass and weed seed.

Treating with cyanamid and uramon must be done at least 90 days before sowing the seed. Beds treated with gas will be under the cover two days, then the cover will be taken off and the bed aired for two days and then it is ready to sow. This means a four day period between the time of treatment and sowing of the seed, if the cover is removed as recommended.

AT FORT BELVOIR

A/3c John W. Griffin has recently reported to Fort Belvoir, Va., after spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffin. Airman Griffin will be in special training for three months before being transferred to another base.

Chowan Credit Union One Of Best In State

45 Per Cent of County's Negro Population Are Members

The Chowan Credit Union of Edenton has the reputation for being one of the most successful credit unions in North Carolina.

In observance of the 13th anniversary last week, the Rev. J. E. Tillet, secretary-treasurer, reported that 168 new members joined last year which brought the total membership up to 2,000. This is 45 per cent of the total Negro population of Chowan County.

The report further showed that the Chowan Credit Union has assets of \$232,747.49 and is therefore able to guarantee the security of any member of its organization. The Rev. G. E. Cheek, executive secretary of Shaw National Alumni Association, was featured speaker for the occasion.

N. C. Coastal Council Will Hold Meeting In Washington Friday

A call meeting of the North Carolina Coastal Marine Council was announced today by James A. Hackney of Washington and Axson Smith of Belhaven, co-chairmen of the council. Friday, January 29th was set as the date. The meeting will be held at the Rendezvous Restaurant in Washing-

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ton at 12 noon in the form of a dutch luncheon.

The purpose of the meeting will be to make reports of the progress of the council since its formation, also to discuss the inland ports survey which is now going on by the Department of Conservation and Development.

Members of the council include the 26 inland water counties of Coastal North Carolina. Membership is open to all interested people in the area who want to see Coastal Carolina developed from an industrial, commercial, agricultural and recreation standpoint.

County Agents Attend Tobacco Conference

County agents of the Eastern District and some counties growing tobacco met at New Bern on Friday for a conference on the latest tobacco recommendations. Specialist George D. Jones discussed the most effective and safest chemicals to use for insect control. He particularly emphasized the use of 5 per cent or 10 per cent DDT on tobacco plants for controlling midge and crane fly larvae, flea beetles and most insects. He stated that 1 per cent parathion dust is also highly recommended. Tobacco insect control

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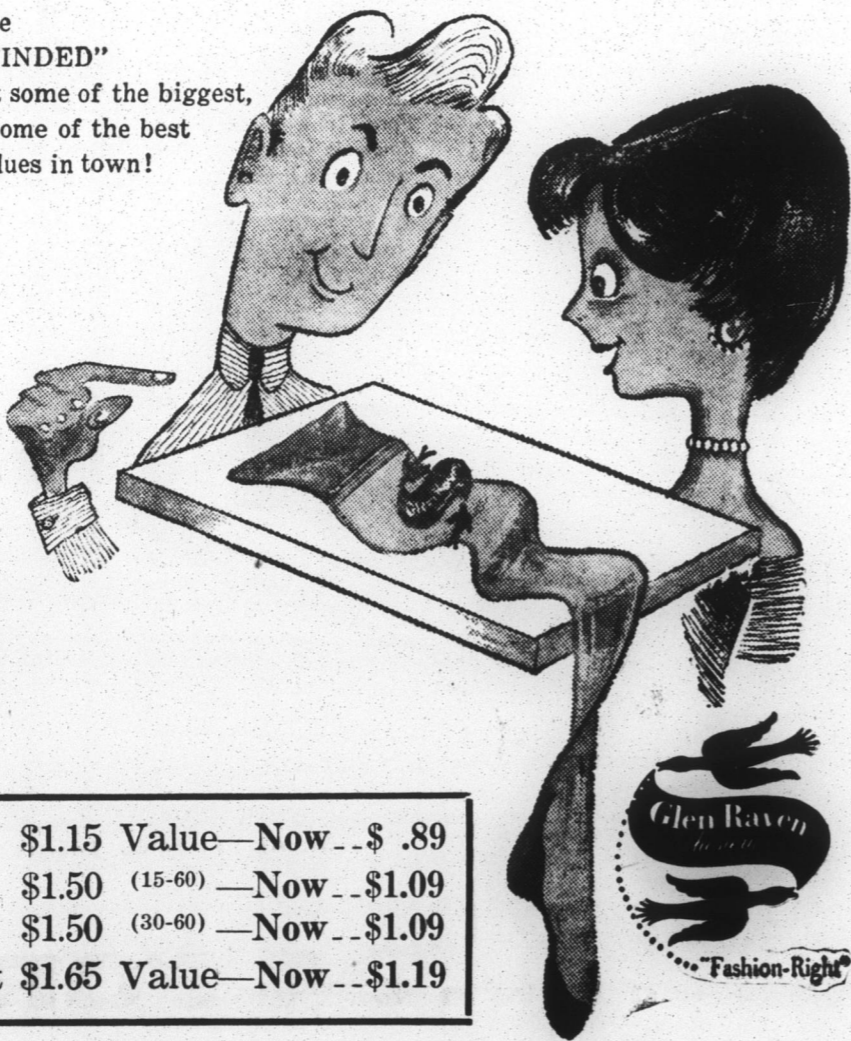
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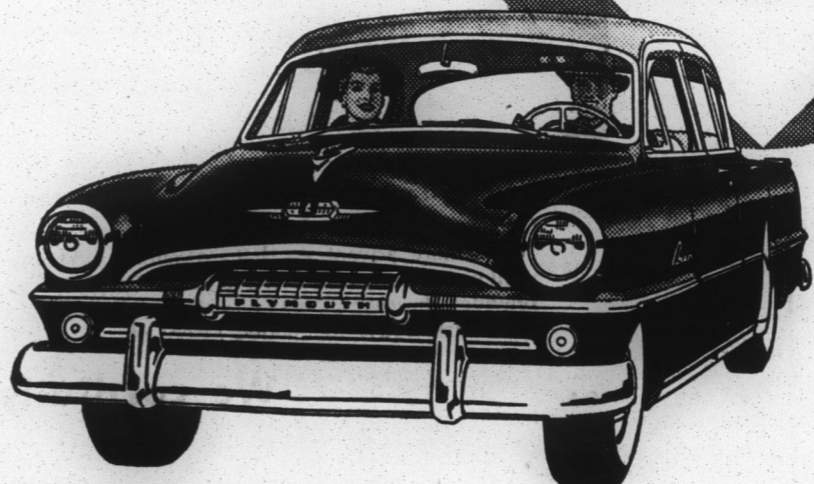
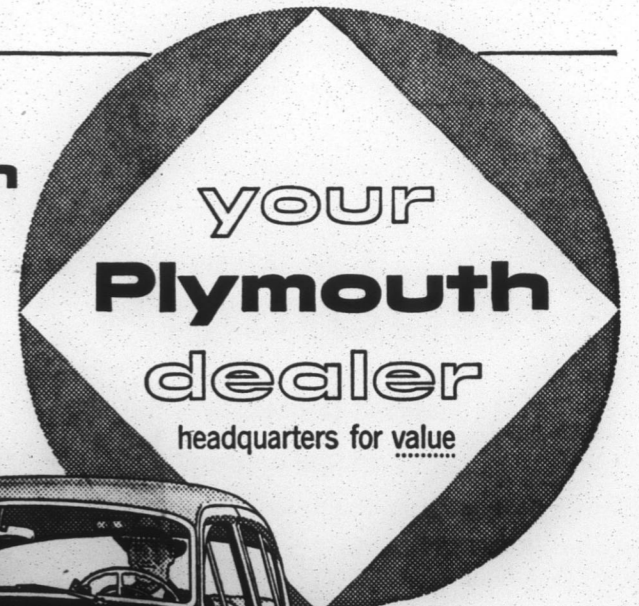
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