

### Low Prices On Georgia Market

The general quality of Georgia-Florida flue-cured tobacco improved slightly during the past week but average prices by grades continued downward. Volume was fairly heavy with Statesboro and Vidalia blocked throughout the week. Statesboro has set Friday, September 3, as closing date. Tifton will operate through Wednesday. Baxley closed Aug. 25 and Douglas and Metter the 27th.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture reports gross sales for the week ending August 27 totaled 5,223,457 pounds and averaged \$24.58 per hundred. The average was \$3.87 below the previous week. Season sales through the same date were brought to 186,522,157 pounds averaging \$46.64. The season last year ran only 32 days which is comparable to the above selling period with sales grossing 192,717,668 pounds for

an average of \$51.09. Nondescript offerings were off generally \$2.00 to \$5.00 per hundred from the previous week. Most leaf grades declined \$1.00 and \$2.00. A few scattered gains of 10 cents were noted. A smaller percentage of nondescript and lower quality leaf was on the floors. However, these grades made up but less than 75 percent of total offerings. Growers turned over about 11 percent of weekly gross sales to the Flue-cured Stabilization Corporation for Government loan. Season receipts stand at around 4.3 percent.

### No Place To Hicough Unless You Are Buyer

Duncan, Okla.—L. D. Pryor, a furniture dealer, knows now that an auction is no place to be when one has the hicoughs. Pryor found that he responded involuntarily with a hic every time the bid was raised and became the bewildered owner of six Shetland ponies.

### East Germans Are Still Moving To The Western Zone

#### Stories Of Imprisonment Are Told Daily By Hundreds Of Refugees

Migration from behind the Iron Curtain goes forward daily in Berlin, and many of the refugees tell tragic stories of their imprisonment, according to the following story just recently out of the German city: Berlin—Some of them have come from concentration camps deep in Siberia. These are among those who were released by the Soviets in January and July in a sudden and mysterious amnesty. After questioning scores of these persons, West German officials still can find no logical explanation for these pardons. "The Soviets probably needed more room in the concentration camps," is their best guess. The pardons came unexpectedly, according to the refugees. They apparently were granted indiscriminately. Some with a life sentence were released, others with only minor offenses were left behind.

**Road Hand In Siberia** These former concentration camp inmates now are filtering into the western sector almost daily. It was hard to realize that the young woman who came in the door to seat herself before the Emergency Acceptance Board for East German Refugees was one of these.

She had been in Siberia since 1951, she told the board, one of 5,000 women who were put to work as road hands and in heavy construction work.

She was a slight woman, with alert brown eyes, and a spirit which obviously had not been broken. She told her story with forth-right fluency.

The crime for which she had been convicted by the Soviets was espionage, and her sentence was 25 years in prison.

She told her story to the examining board composed of two men and one woman—one of the 28 boards to whom the hundreds of refugees pouring into the western sector must make their appeal for government aid.

**Persecuted Get Aid** Only those who have had actual cause to seek safety in West Berlin because of political persecution by the Communists are eligible for assistance. If they can prove the necessity for flight, they are assigned to a job and housing either in Berlin or are flown out at government expense to some other part of West Germany.

The young woman was not a regular espionage agent, she said, but when working in a railway office in the Soviet sector had been approached by a former neighbor who asked her to supply him with the forms showing the movement of freight trains.

This neighbor was a member of the British Secret Service, although she did not know his exact connection at the time. But being strongly anti-Communist, she agreed to give him this data.

She, along with others, was apprehended when a disgruntled member of the espionage group reported the activity to the Communist officials. All members were arrested, five were sentenced to capital punishment and four, of which she was one, to 25 years in prison.

**Tragic Outcome** Upon her release, she was taken to East Berlin again, and went immediately to the home of her parents where she was reunited with her 10-year-old son. Her throat tightened and tears came to her eyes for the first time as she told of the boy's illness which

### THINGS TO TALK ABOUT

BY FRANKLIN J. FABINE  
From American Peoples Encyclopedia

WOMAN! SO WHAT'S THE IDEA PICKIN' FLOWERS IN CENTRAL PARK? GIVE OVER YERE!

THE OSTRICH is the largest of all living birds. Some are eight feet tall and weigh as much as 300 lbs. They are fierce fighters and they don't attempt to bury their heads in the sand.

Public parks in the United States date back almost 100 years. Central Park, New York City, established in 1856, was a pioneer landscape park. The first national park was Yellowstone (1872).

ORGAN PIPES VARY IN SIZE FROM THREE FOURTHS OF AN INCH TO 32 FEET IN LENGTH.

### State College Hints To The Housewife

**By Ruth Current**  
**State Home Demonstration Agent**  
Helpful Hints For Garnishing—A garnish should be edible—sweet garnishes with desserts, salad garnishes with salads, savory garnishes with soups, and fruit garnishes for jellied or fruited desserts.

Garnishes should be neatly formed and arranged to emphasize the main dish. A garnish that is too close makes a mold appear taller. A large or spread-out garnish makes a mold seem smaller.

Garnishes should always be fresh, natural, and simple. Consider the serving plate in arranging a garnish. The color of the plate is important and the garnish should hide it. Often a few small groups of garnish are more attractive than a continuous border all around the mold.

**Garnish Suggestions—Vegetables:** Slices of unpeeled (or peeled and scored) cucumber, cucumber cubes, green pepper rings, onion rings, tomato slices or wedges, carrot or celery sticks, cooked beet or carrot slices or cubes. Also, raw radishes, cauliflower florets.

**Fruit:** Slices of unpeeled apple, fresh or canned peach or pear, lemon, lime, or orange; sections of orange or grapefruit free from membrane and split, if thick. These may be grouped in fans.

### America Looks Ahead To 1975

America by 1975 will have about \$75 billion in investments in foreign countries. The National Association of Manufacturers cities predictions from a recent speech by C. Clifford Stark, vice president of McGraw-Hill International Corporation, which shows the tremendous growth in our foreign investments which can take place by 1975.

"By that time, according to best current estimates, our foreign investments will total about seventy-five billion dollars. Of this we will have put \$15 billion into Canada, \$5 billion into Australia, \$5 billion into Africa, and \$40 billion into Latin America."

Seasonally increasing marketings and declining prices are in prospect for hogs, particularly until the middle of October. Total 1954 United States milk production is expected to be 125 billion pounds, compared with 121.2 billion in 1953.

**Small Fruits:** Berries, cherries, grapes. Use with stems or in clusters if possible. Marshchino or milled cherries may be whole or sliced in rings.

**Cut Fruits:** Melon balls, oval diagonal-cut banana slices, pineapple wedges, rings of half-rings, quarter or half-slices of orange or lemon. Combine these with mint leaves or with other fruits. Stuffed Fruits: Prunes, dates, plums, grapes, cherries, peach or pear halves. These may be pitted and stuffed with cream or cottage cheese.

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### Things To Watch For In The Future

Meant for the milder winters we've been having, a lightweight snowsuit is made of nylon with Dacron insulation. Shopping cart sets, a real one for mother and a toy one for daughter, come with dummy packages in the junior cart. A new necktie, called the Cape Codder, is trimmed with real fishing flies. A six-inch plastic scale model of the White House will be offered the Christmas toy trade. A portable pocket-sized lock can be purchased to fasten hotel or motel closets, bureau drawers and other places the traveler might want secure.

They all are interviewed immediately by the western Allies for intelligence purposes and by the German police. After this they are transferred to another camp while they await clearance by the Federal Emergency Acceptance Board for East German Refugees.

Doubtful cases are referred to a special board. No one ever is sent back to the eastern sector, but those who cannot prove they actually needed to flee to the West are given a work permit. They do find jobs in these times of high employment in Germany, it is readily admitted, but they are not eligible for any of the various forms of government aid, and are considered a load on the economy.

**Forced March Related** She told of a forced march of 30 miles from one camp to another, without pause for rest, during which many fell from exhaustion. Her voice broke as she recalled this episode. The board gave approval to her applicant for aid.

**East German refugees still are crossing the border at the rate of 350 or more a day. They are directed immediately to the reception camp at Marienfelde near the outskirts of West Berlin. These camps consist of a block of apartment houses, accommodating 1,000 or more persons.**

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