

## Best Food Buys

## Weather Effects Food Prices

Adverse weather conditions at the beginning of the week have interrupted supplies of locally grown produce items, reports Tom Piper, Penn State Extension Marketing Agent. Supplies of tomatoes and cabbage have been especially influenced by recent weather conditions. With the interruption of scheduled har-

vesting, quality has deteriorated; prices are moving higher on reduced supplies. Local harvesting of sweet corn and peaches is fast approaching an end for the season.

A great fall crop of potatoes is in the offing and shoppers will note this item as a good food buy in the weeks ahead. Rains have influenced local harvesting of white potatoes; sweet potatoes remain in good supply at reasonable prices.

Harvest of the Smokehouse, McIntosh, Jonathan, Stayman and Delicious apple varieties is underway. Hurricane Donna has damaged an already small crop of apples so prices will be slightly higher than a year ago.

Look for the winter pear varieties, Bosc, D'Anjou and Fall Russet, at the market very soon.

Poultry meats and beef roasts will be getting the promotion play at meat counters this week-end. Broilers - fryers have been backing up in marketing channels while heavier supplies are arriving from producing areas. Prices can change frequently under these conditions and more chicken features are expected.

Mushroom supplies are plentiful. This delicacy will add new appeal to an economical beef or lamb roast for Sunday dinner.

### SOW FRESH SEEDS

Sow the seed of columbine, pansies, and poppies and of delphinium while they are fresh, reminds A. J. Gianfagna, Penn State extension floriculturist. Use flats or seed pans. Provide adequate drainage and fill with well prepared garden soil.

## County Boy

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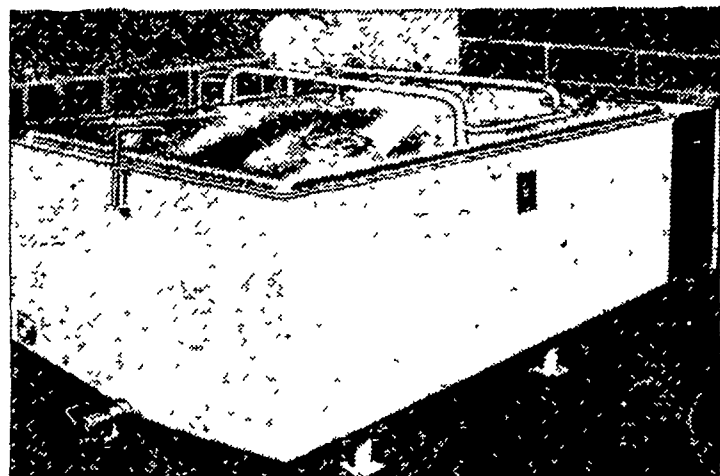
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