

Best Food Buys Hunters Influence Meat Prices

The small game hunting season is underway in Pennsylvania and game is reported in good supply. This fact is having an influence on retail meat prices, reports Tom Piper, Penn State Extension Marketing Agent, who reminds shoppers to look for several good buys in meats at local food markets this week-end.

The popular hindquarter cuts, sirloin, porterhouse and round steaks promise to lead the parade of values at the meat counter this weekend. Many markets will feature chicken at bargain prices and pork loins will likewise be reasonably priced. Bacon is priced lower while lamb, veal, and smoked pork items appear at slightly higher prices.

Turkey prices are firmer with the approach of the holiday season. Good buys in seafood include bass and rock fish.

The produce industry is currently experiencing a lull with prices, demand and quality generally unsettled; this is the result of the seasonal shift from local to more distant growing sections as a source of supply for fresh fruits and vegetables.

Mushrooms, chestnuts, parsnips, turnips, cranberries, bunch radishes, pomegranates and avocados are plentifully supplied at bargain prices.

Bananas, grapefruit, Emperor grapes, and apples are considered good buys in the fruit line.

You Can Make A Feather Hat

Preserving pheasant feathers for use on hats may be easily done at home. To preserve skin and feathers, clean the skin well removing all fat and flesh. Place skin feathers down, on several layers of paper, and sprinkle generously with powdered borax. Rub the Borax gently into the skin. Let the skin stand about four days so borax will penetrate the tissues and dry out

the skin. Then shake skin and brush it and feathers gently to remove borax. Rub the skin to soften it for easy shaping. If strips of feathers are desired, cut them with a razor blade on the inside skin.

To preserve feathers, remove oil from quill ends with carbon tetrachloride or other nonflammable cleaning fluid. Dust feathers with borax and leave it on three or four days, then brush lightly to remove borax.

Crinoline hat forms or felt hats make good bases for making feather hats. You may glue the individual feathers directly on to the felt or crinoline. Some milliners get more satisfactory results by covering the crinoline forms with a thin cotton jersey, stretching it firmly over the base and anchoring it in place. Then they glue the feathers to the jersey. Feathers may also be hand-sewn to a foundation of net, muslin or ribbon.

White And Bronze Turkeys Gain Same In State Test

Harrisburg — At the end of 12 weeks, there is a difference of only half a pound between the average of all white birds and all bronze birds in the Pennsylvania Turkey Meat Production Test.

The average weight for all bronze birds is 85 pounds and the average for all white birds is 8 pounds. The bronze toms average 94 pound and

the hens 76 pounds. White toms average 87 pounds and the hens 72 pounds.

There are 947 bronze birds (10 entries) and 764 white birds (eight entries) in the test which is supervised by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Markets.

Mortality for the bronze entries has been 3.48 percent and 3.8 percent for whites. Feed conversion ratios for all entries is either 2.2 or 2.3.

Heaviest average weight for toms is 101 pounds for a bronze entry. However, a white entry shows an average of 100 pounds for toms.

FERTILIZER GOOD INVESTMENT

Don't skimp on fertilizer use, says James H. Eakin, extension agronomist, because soil fertility represents one of the best investments farmers can make today. Farmers who try to save money by buying less fertilizer can reduce their income faster than they cut out of pocket costs.

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Farm Women 6 Plan Party

A family night Christmas party will be the next meeting of Farm Women's Society Number six. The meeting will be held in the Eliza bethtown fire hall on December 3 at 8:30 p.m. Members are asked to bring a covered dish and there will be a gift exchange.

The last meeting was held last week at the home of Mrs. Paul H. Brandt. Mrs. Ada Shoop was in charge of devotions. Hostesses were Mrs. Paul H. Brandt, Mrs. Martin Hoffer and Mrs. Ada Shoop.

The group voted to give donations of \$20 each to the Needlework Guild and the United Fund Drive, and \$10 to the Lancaster County 4-H.

It was reported that six of the members helped the Lancaster Tuberculosis society ready Christmas seals for mailing. Those helping were Mrs. Elvin Keener, Mrs. Bertha Keller, Mrs. Milton Eberly, Mrs. Elmer Brill and Mrs. C. R. Frey.

Future Farmers (From page 1)

work of the two state Future Farmers who held a training session on chapter ritual for the officers. Done Trimble, State Reporter from Quarryville R1 and Charles Cooke, State Secretary from Dover, York County, were moderators of a panel dealing with closing and opening ceremonies.

One of the most interesting features of the program from the standpoint of the Future Farmers was the panel of the four Chapter Sweethearts discussing their preferences in dates with boys. The girls, Corinne Rohrer, Pequea Valley Chapter; Janet Esbenshade, Garden Spot Chapter, Julian Gross, Dover Chapter, and Lois Osborne, Susquehanna Chapter, were led in their discussion by Mrs. Marsh, Penn Manor High School.

A welcome was extended to the boys by A. Norman Rank, Supervising Principal of the Penn Manor School.

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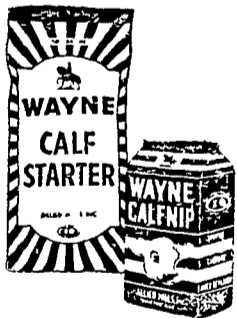
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