

BEST FOOD BUYS

Wide Variety In Meats Seen

Food shippers will find a wide variety of meat values this week in beef, pork and poultry. Medium eggs lose much of their budget value appeal as prices narrow between the large and medium sizes. September is a banner month at fresh produce counters. Summer items are still plentiful and fall offerings are starting to come to market.

Heavy market receipts of livestock and poultry tumbled prices in most wholesale markets giving food men a wide choice of meat items to feature for the weekend. Many retailers who had pork sales last week are turning to beef this week with offerings of loin steaks or chuck roasts. You'll see features in both smoked and fresh pork, including fresh boston butt, smoked picnic shoulder, and Canadian style bacon Fryer chicken is back in the spotlight in a few area stores as supplies are seven per cent more than a year ago.

Which type of bacon do you prefer? There's more difference in bacon than thickness of slice. First, there's regular bacon which comes from the underside of the pig. You can buy it sliced or unsliced. Less expensive is the bacon square, called slab bacon. It comes

from the jowl of pig and tends to be very fat, with little lean. Tender lean meat with little fat is yours when you buy Canadian style bacon. It's made by curing and smoking the lean meat from the pork loin.

Practically all fresh vegetables are in heavy supply with prices at the lowest of the year. Outstanding buys this week include sweet corn, tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, peppers, and cabbage. Quality of both corn and tomatoes has been exceptionally good this year because of less insect and disease

problems than in other years. Tomatoes have been late in maturing so supplies will continue heavy, but commercial sweet corn production is practically finished for this year.

Grapes rate a spot in your shopping cart. California supplies of table grapes this year are about 10 per cent greater than last year. September is the month when many varieties are available. Thompson seedless,

• Farm Prices

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\$22.40 per cwt. Calves showed the only increase, from \$25.40 in mid-July to \$26.00 per cwt. in mid-August.

Generally, prices received a month ago, except for corn for field crops were lower than

and barley. Both were up a cent. Alfalfa hay increased \$2.50 a ton and all baled hay was up \$1.90 a ton. Wheat and oats were down 7 cents while rye, soybeans, and potatoes remained the same.

The index of prices received, a measure of the trend, and changes of prices received by farmers, was 219 per cent of the 1910-14 base. This compares with 220 a month earlier and 225 a year ago.

The index of prices received by United States farmers declined 1 per cent during the month ended August 15 to 242 per cent of its 1910-14 average.

Farm product prices dropped a little faster than prices paid by farmers from July 15 to August 15. As a result, the

parity ratio declined 1 to 78, the same as in February and April.

• Bloat Season

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wide-spread stance, a knot at the abdomen and breathing.

Two of the old preventive remedies are feeding coarse material before putting them on bloat pastures and maintaining pastures which contain less than 50 per cent legumes.

Although there is considerable disagreement concerning treatment, everyone agrees that the important element in saving the animal is to call local veterinarians as soon as they spot a bloat case.

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