

Growing Meat Shortage May Bring Rationing By Winter

EXPECT PINCH WILL CONTINUE DURING 1947

Average American to Get 15 to 20 Pounds Less This Year.

By GRANT DILLMAN
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WASHINGTON, June 1.—A possibility that meat may be rationed again appeared likely today following an agriculture department warning that meat supplies may become increasingly scarce.

Well informed department spokesmen pointed out, however, that even if meat rationing does come it probably will not be before next December or early in 1947. They said the real meat pinch will not come before that time.

The department said meat production this year would be about 2,000,000,000 pounds less than the record output of 24,700,000,000 pounds in 1944. It said pork would be somewhat more plentiful and beef and lamb more scarce.

Next year, it added, smaller production and a continued downward trend in beef and lamb production may result in a total output at least 1,000,000,000 pounds less than this year.

145 Pounds Per Capita
The result will be that the average American will eat about 145 to 150 pounds of meat this year, or from 15 to 20 pounds less than he would like.

Economic Stabilizer Chester Bowles already has said he is ready to recommend rationing if the food situation does not improve within the next few months.

Chester Davis, head of President Truman's famine emergency committee, while not ready to recommend rationing believes that the meat situation should be watched.

Most food experts agreed that possible meat rationing hinges on the amount of livestock feed that is available. The government's present policy is to discourage livestock feeding so farmers will sell their grain for food.

Feed Plantings Heavy
According to industry reports, however, many farmers, alarmed at the prospect of feed shortages again next year, have planted record oats and corn crops. There are some reports that the corn crop will top even the government's 3,000,000,000-bushel goal.

In that case, there may be enough grain both for livestock and tables. That would rule out the possibility of an acute meat shortage that would make rationing necessary.

The agriculture department said hog producers already had indicated a tendency to market their pigs. It said about 10 per cent more hogs would be marketed this year but they would weigh less because farmers are not feeding them to heavier weights.

There is no such trend in cattle slaughterings yet because pasture generally has been good. If there should be a drought or if feed remains scarce this fall, growers probably will begin marketing their cattle.

MAGENHEIMER IS SELECTED SHERIFF

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Commissioners last night on today's decision. But this morning, he said the meeting was not "cut and dried." Last night, the following persons in addition to Capt. Magenheimer and Mr. Russell were discussed as possible interim appointees: Jesse Rutledge; Clifford Becker, former city police chief; George Heine, secretary of the Republican county committee; City Councilman R. C. Daus and Mrs. Pett.

Before running for sheriff this year, Capt. Magenheimer was safety director of the Indianapolis police department for 13 years and a member of the force for 19 years. He attended Indiana university and is a graduate of the Northwestern university safety school. He is married and the father of Robert Magenheimer, who recently returned from army duty in Japan.

County Attorney Victor Jose cleared a legal path for Mr. Magenheimer by ruling he could accept a "fill-in" appointment and still succeed himself in 1949, if elected to the regular term as sheriff next fall.

CHINESE JUDGES STRIKE
NANKING, June 1 (U. P.).—Judges of the Chinese supreme court went on strike today, demanding a 1000-fold increase in base pay for civil servants. They also want a monthly living allowance of 100,000 Chinese dollars—about \$66 American.

DEATHS OF CRASH INJURIES
MARION, June 1 (U. P.).—Mrs. Ward Harell, 56, Marion, died in Marion hospital last night of injuries received in an auto-truck crash May 27. Her husband, who was driving the car, recently was discharged from the hospital. The accident occurred at the junction of State Roads 15 and 37 north of here.

Posvar No. 1 Cadet at West Point



Cadet Wesley W. Posvar, 21, son of Capt. Vladimir L. Posvar, Indianapolis Times staff member on military leave, is shown above welcoming his mother at West Point today as June Week graduation ceremonies begin. Cadet Posvar is this year's top graduate of the United States Military Academy.

WASHINGTON Calling

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gibes at lack of business experience, will start business of his own in Texas. Mr. Phelps is going back to industry.

At least six more resignations are in wind, all key men, division heads or technical advisers who can't be replaced easily.

C. I. O. and A. F. of L. are considering withdrawing labor representatives unless food controls are restored.

OPA relies heavily on labor support but C. I. O. and A. F. of L. are reluctant to give it to Mr. Snyder. It may continue passive support, withdraw from participation.

Mr. Bowles is committed in Connecticut to run on Democratic ticket either for governor or senator, friends say. He may stay a few weeks after July 1 to attempt salvage of OPA organization. But when he quits, James Brownlee, his deputy, will go with him.

Industry Trusts Small
YOU'LL HEAR more and more about John Small, civilian production administrator.

He has emerged as the administration's business spokesman. Industry trusts him because he is pledged to elimination of controls and has opposed all new ones. Also because of his recent proposal labor be forbidden to strike for six months.

Business will go along with him on requests it would view with suspicion if they originated elsewhere.

There's movement in congress to transfer any remaining OPA powers to CPA. And inside CPA some top executives are cheerful about growing possibility of OPA's demise.

Economic Stabilizer Bowles has recognized Mr. Small's growing prestige, has avoided crossing swords with him.

IF HE wants it, Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson will find some support among senators for his appointment as our delegate to United Nations security council, succeeding Mr. Stettinius.

Some of these same senators are suggesting to Mr. Byrnes and the President that permanent delegates to the assembly be appointed.

THERE IS speculation here that Mr. Stettinius may run for senator in Virginia to fill unexpired term of Mr. Glass. Mr. Stettinius has long held senatorial ambitions and the death of Mr. Glass offers a first-class opportunity to run. It is believed Thomas Burch, appointed to serve until election, will not run for unexpired term—two years.

Labor Wants Veto
SOME DEMOCRATIC senators have been calling President Truman and urging him to sign Case bill. They tell him he's more popular now than ever before as a result of getting tough with labor, that if he vetoes it, he'll lose out with all groups.

Look for organized labor spokesmen to pipe down in their criticism of Mr. Truman—for time at least. They want that veto, are afraid of results if they keep on hammering.

SAYS OPA MEAT CONTROL FAILING

Institute Reports Prices Are 30 Pct. Over Ceiling.

CHICAGO, June 1 (U. P.).—Most housewives are paying about 30 per cent more than OPA ceiling prices for round steaks, rib roasts and chuck roasts, the American Meat Institute asserted today.

The institute said it based this figure upon shopping surveys made in 11 cities by two independent research agencies.

This is evidence, the institute said, "of the complete failure of the OPA slaughter control program, which was presented as a cure for the black market."

A table said to show "fictional prices and actual prices" of beef was released by the institute. It includes peak prices for beef reached during the inflationary period after world war I. The table:

Cuts	OPA Ceiling	Actual Price	Peak After War I
Round Steaks	40.00	52.00	41.00
Rib Roasts	32.00	42.00	35.00
Chuck Roasts	30.00	39.00	29.00

Report Low Purchases
The meat institute also stated that in the week ending May 25 10 legitimate meat packing companies were able to purchase only one-third of the cattle they were permitted to buy under the government's control program.

This indicates, the institute said, "that the mere establishment of a quota does not necessarily permit a company to obtain this quota and stay within OPA compliance."

Meantime, Swift & Co., also charging that the OPA has failed to halt a "raging black market," reported today that its beef business has dropped to the lowest level in the company's 61-year history.

LEGION PLANS AERIAL ROUNDUP

Gen. Spaatz Coming Here; Stelle to Be Honored.

American Legionnaires opened a week-long series of committee meetings and special activities today at national headquarters, highlighted by an aerial membership roundup and the appearance tomorrow of Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, commanding general of the army air forces.

Gen. Spaatz speaks at the aerial membership roundup dinner, climaxing a day in which planes from all 48 states fly to Weir Cook municipal airport with Legion membership cards for 1946.

Legion officials expected 250,000 membership cards to arrive tomorrow, increasing the enrollment in the national organization to 3,250,000.

Hailed by War
The aerial roundup, an annual affair since 1933, was suspended during four war years.

Committee, commission and board meetings beginning today and continuing through Tuesday will be followed by a meeting of the national executive committee June 5-7.

The week's program will end with a homecoming June 8 at McLeansboro, Ill., home town of national commander John Stelle.

Mr. Stelle will be honored at a program, expected to attract 25,000 persons. Gov. Ralph P. Gates of Indiana and Gov. Dwight H. Green of Illinois will be speakers.

8-CENT PAY BOOST APPROVED AT RCA

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employees were granted only Christmas as a paid holiday.

The wage increase is in addition to 10-cent raises granted in October, 1945, and covers employees in the phonograph record, console radio and radio tube manufacturing activities.

Signed by Robert Erickson, manager of the radio plant; G. H. Ritter, manager of the tube plant, and R. O. Price, manager of the record plant, the contract was ratified 30 days before the expiration of the old agreement.

Louis Clark is business manager for the I. B. E. W.

RUSS LIFT TRAVEL BAN
LONDON, June 1 (U. P.).—The Moscow radio said today that special authorization to the travel about the Soviet union no longer was required except for frontier areas.

Memorial Marker



New Bethel cemetery monument to be dedicated Sunday.

Unveiling of a monument will feature the annual memorial service of American Legion here at 2:15 p. m. tomorrow on the grounds surrounding the New Bethel church.

Services, which will be attended by national American Legion officials here for the membership roundup, will be sponsored by the Bunker Hill Legion post.

On the monument are inscribed the names of 14 of the community's dead in world war II.

Guest speakers of the services will include Elbert H. Burns, assistant national adjutant of the Legion, and Fred LaBoon, national vice commander of the Legion, and a hero of the Bataan death march.

Confusing, Huh? Down Is Going Up

WASHINGTON, June 1 (U. P.).—Down is going up. The price of down in pillows, that is.

The OPA today allowed makers of feather and down-filled pillows a price increase that will cost the store buyers 25 cents a pair of pillows.

HUSBAND SHORTAGE IS THE BUNK, GIRLS

PRINCETON, N. J., June 1 (U. P.).—The husband shortage is imaginary, girls.

Dr. Hope T. Eldridge, population analyst of the bureau of census, told the 12th annual meeting of the Population Association of America in session here today that the number of women of marriageable age exceeded the number of men by only 200,000.

And some women don't want to get married.

THEY'LL HAVE THE CURTAINS UP SOON

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 1 (U. P.).—A "not for rent" sign hung today in a curtainless window of a freshly painted house here. The tenants said the sign became necessary when they were plagued by home-seekers to whom the lack of curtains indicated a vacancy.

EXPECT RECORD ENROLLMENT
HENSELSAER, June 1 (U. P.).—Work began on St. Joseph's college campus today to increase present facilities for a record enrollment in September. School officials said 616 students could be accommodated at the opening of the fall term. The highest previous enrollment was 485 in 1942.

ANTONESCU PLEA DENIED
BUCHAREST, May 31 (Delayed) (U. P.).—The Romanian high court of justice today rejected an appeal by Ion Antonescu, Fascist dictator during the war, from the death sentence he was given when convicted as a war criminal.

PARADE TRIBUTE TO AUTO TRADE

Event Is Climax of Golden Jubilee in Detroit.

DETROIT, June 1 (U. P.).—Threatening weather notwithstanding, 10,000 persons were scheduled to march down gold-painted Woodward ave. today in a giant Motor City cavalcade climaxing the automotive golden jubilee.

Jubilee officials estimated that 750,000 parade-lovers would line the city's main thoroughfare at the 2:30 p. m. starting time. But the weatherman's forecast of rain and colder probably will hold the figure down.

Nonetheless, the show will go on with 30 bands, almost 100 floats, and some 1000 motor vehicles—including 254 cars more than 30 years old.

Sharing honor places in the cavalcade with national, state and city officials will be 14 pioneer manufacturers, dealers and automotive workers honored at a special banquet and pageant last night.

3-Hour Pageant
The three-hour pageant depicted the history of the "horseless carriage" from the "it'll never last" stage of the late '90's to the present day.

The 14 pioneers were presented with the Charles Clifton automotive award—named in honor of the late president and board chairman of Pierce-Arrow Motor Co.—by Lt. Gen. William S. Knudson, general jubilee chairman and former chief of the war production board.

Plan Two Other Shows
Also on today's schedule are two shows—the golden jubilee revue at Olympia stadium tonight featuring an hour-long special broadcast by Fred Waring, and the jubilee jamboree, an outdoor spectacle on downtown Washington boulevard.

Pioneers honored last night were Henry Ford, J. Frank Duryea, Edgar A. Apperson, William C. Durant, George M. Holley, Charles B. King, Charles W. Nash, Ransom E. Olds, and Alfred P. Sloan Jr., veteran designers and manufacturers; former speedway king Barney Oldfield; dealers John van Benschoten and Charles Snyder, and veteran employees Frank Kwilinski and John Zaugg.

Mr. Durant and Mr. Sloan were unable to appear because of illness.

1946 CANCER DRIVE TOPS '45 BY \$106,000

With 38 counties exceeding their quotas, the 1946 state cancer drive has resulted in \$106,000 more being pledged than in the previous year.

It was indicated today final reports may boost the total to \$250,000 from its present \$234,000. Last year's pledges totaled \$128,000.

Harry V. Wade, state treasurer, Indiana Cancer society, praised county fund-raising groups at a meeting of district chairmen yesterday.

Rapid strides in the last two years have been made, he told drive workers, since a total of \$23,000 was raised in 1944. Presiding at the meeting was J. Perry Meek, Marion county president.

Honor guest was Lt. Clarence L. Forrer, Camp Atterbury separation center finance division. G. I.'s there contributed \$772 during April.

William H. Ball, Muncie civic and business leader, led both the 1945 and 1946 drives.

1,070,000 GI'S CALLED 'ROCK BOTTOM' ARMY

CHICAGO, June 1 (U. P.).—Secretary of War Robert Patterson believes any move to end selective service would "gamble with the nation's security."

"It is too early in the atomic age," he said, "to sound taps for large armies."

Mr. Patterson, addressing the reserve officers' association last night, set the "rock bottom" strength for the army at present at 1,070,000 men.

INDIANAPOLIS CLEARING HOUSE
The Day
Clearings \$ 8,801,000
Debits 24,135,000

The Week
Clearings \$33,338,000
Debits 90,545,000

Good Short Wave Reception Seen

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Two weeks of excellent radio reception are in store for people listening to broadcasts from Europe, according to the latest report of the national bureau of standards here.

Because of the small number of sun spots and present lack of activity on the sun, radio experts predict that the recurrent series due tomorrow probably will not come back.

SENATE STUDIES NEW DRAFT LAW

Wide Range of Proposals to Be Considered.

WASHINGTON, June 1 (U. P.).—The senate, under service pressure to allow induction of teen-agers, today began consideration of a new draft law to replace a "stop-gap" measure which expires July 1.

Draft proposals now before the senate range from a house-approved bill banning a teen-age draft, to a measure sponsored by Senator Chapman Revercomb (R. Va.) which would suspend all inductions.

The army has been unhappy over the temporary measure which forbids drafting of teen-agers and fathers. The bill, the army contends, has eliminated its principal manpower source.

Three main measures to be considered by the senate are:

ONE: A bill approved by the military affairs committee to continue the draft law until May 15, 1947, induct teen-agers but limit their terms of service to 18 months, and release all fathers from the army. It would limit the army to a 1,070,000-man strength as of July 1, 1947 and increase the pay of enlisted personnel.

TWO: The house-passed draft bill forbidding teen-age inductions; establishment of a five-month draft holiday ending Oct. 15; a 50 per cent pay increase from \$59 to \$75 for privates; and continuing the draft until March 15, 1947.

THREE: The Revercomb bill would continue selective service until next May 15. Inductions would be suspended during the period with the understanding that the draft would start up again if congress declared an emergency. The bill also would release all fathers and men with 18 months service and increase enlisted men's pay.

TAFT IS RECEPTIVE TO GOP NOMINATION

WASHINGTON, June 1 (U. P.).—Senator Robert A. Taft (R. O.) indicated last night that he would accept the 1948 Republican presidential nomination if it were offered to him.

In a radio broadcast, Mr. Taft said he would not actively seek the nomination. He added, however, that he "never heard of anyone running away from the nomination if it were offered to him."

3 LOCAL VETERANS RETURN
En route to Camp Atterbury for processing today are three Indianapolis soldiers who landed in New York aboard the Haverford Victory yesterday. The veterans are Pfc. Kenneth R. Hancock, Pfc. George H. Badford and Pfc. DeForest Willard.

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MARITIME UNION RAPS PRESIDENT

Leaders Charge Truman 'Torpedoed' Peace Talks.

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The H. & M. was struck by engineers and trainmen Thursday, when it refused to pay the 18 1/2-cent hourly wage increase granted in settlement of the nation-wide strike.

Refuse Wage Increase
Elsewhere the C. I. O. potash mine workers representing 3000 miners at Carlsbad, N. M., filed strike notice with the national labor relations board in Washington. Operators have refused to grant an 18 1/2-cent an hour increase. The notice asked that a strike vote be taken within two weeks.

The President said yesterday that he thought he could handle the impending maritime strike much more effectively under the emergency powers he recently asked of congress.

He admitted that prospects of averting the strike look dark and said he would use the navy, coast guard and war shipping administration to keep ships sailing, if the one independent and six C. I. O. maritime unions walk out as scheduled two weeks from today.

Charge Prejudice
Spokesmen for the unions declared in a joint statement that Mr. Truman had prejudiced their case "in utter disregard of facts."

The statement was issued—for all seven unions—by President Harry Bridges of the C. I. O. Longshoremen and Warehousemen and Joseph Curran of the C. I. O. National Maritime union.

The unions are seeking wage increases ranging from 22 to 35 cents an hour, a 40-hour week and an eight-hour day at sea and in port, increases in overtime pay and retroactivity of all wage increases to Oct. 1.

Negotiations were scheduled to resume late today between union and shipowners' representatives.

CONFESSES MURDER OF SISTER-IN-LAW

CHICAGO, June 1 (U. P.).—A 230-pound piano mover confessed today that he crushed his sister-in-law's skull with a steel bar and added this postscript to the written confession:

"I owe all my troubles to gambling."

Raymond Stemmer, 37, confessed the murder of Mrs. Rose Vinicky, 41, after 18 hours of questioning under the glare of bright lights at police headquarters.

Stemmer said he killed her in an argument over money.

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But Delay Building

By Scripps-H

WASHINGTON million appropriations and public works started through

The house committee approved a bill authorizing construction of large-scale

Eagerness to get their program off the ground from the very beginning

Before sending the house floor committee chose the \$50 million recommended

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DEMOCRAT WORK O The platform tee of the Indi organization p gin work on week.

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