

Retail Price of Food Decreases

Housewives in Southern California are paying less for food today in supermarkets than they were paying a month ago, William Tormey, executive vice president of the Southern California Grocers Association, said today.

Food prices dropped in September while prices on clothing, tobacco, gasoline, and most other items went up, Tormey said. A reduction in overall food prices occurred despite the fact that the nation is in a period of spiraling inflation, he added.

Tormey blamed government spending and increased price supports for wheat and dairy products for the inflation.

"Our efforts to feed the world," Tormey said, "has disposed of much of our wheat reserves. Grain farmers, with their mounting expenses cannot produce wheat for \$1.25 per bushel; consequently, the federal government has guaranteed them a \$2 price which flour millers have to pay. The result, of course, is higher prices for bread."

A similar pattern, he said, affected the price of dairy products.

Tormey said supermarket operators in Southern California are among the most efficient in the nation. Net profit on each dollar, he added, is about one cent and any arbitrary reduction in retail food prices would result in a loss to supermarkets.

STAFF NEEDS INCREASE
For every physician now practicing, there are approximately 12 persons working in careers allied to medicine, the Los Angeles County Heart Association points out. Hand-in hand with the growing need for more doctors goes a mounting demand for man and womanpower to staff the hospitals and laboratories providing medicine services for our growing population.

HUNT REQUIRES CHECKUP
Another hunting season is at hand. The Los Angeles County Heart Association notes: time to renew your hunting license from your doctor. Get his okay before you risk the stresses and strains of the hunt.

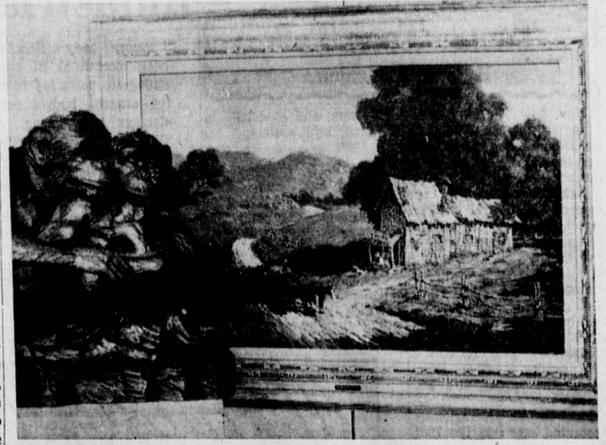
Hampton Players To Open

Hampton Players will open a five-week run of "You Can't Take It With You," a comedy by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, Friday evening. Neal Reek directs the production.

Performances are scheduled each Friday and Saturday through Dec. 10. Curtain is 8:30 p.m.

The play is about the Sycamore family and its strange activities. A second family, whose son is in love with Alice Sycamore, is invited to dinner and arrives on the wrong day—only to add to the confusion of the strange household.

Reservations may be secured by calling the Hampton Players box office.



ON DISPLAY . . . Two of the award-winning works of art from the 1966 Los Angeles All-City Outdoor Art Festival to be displayed at Home Savings and Loan Association's Torrance office are pictured here. They are Henry Van Wolf's wood sculpture, "Happy Family," and "Country Store," an oil painting by Lloyd Mitchell. The exhibit will open next Thursday and continue through Tuesday, Nov. 15. Home Savings' office is located at 1511 Cravens Ave. Hours are 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday.

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Trip to Largest Planets Slated

A simulated journey to explore the two largest planets in the solar system is featured in the current show, "A Trip to Jupiter and Saturn," at the Griffith Park Observatory's planetarium theater.

Shows are scheduled daily, except Monday, at 3 and 8:30 p.m., with added matinees at 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. on weekends, Veterans Day (Nov. 11) and the Friday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 25), it was reported by Dr. Clarence H. Clemminshaw, Observatory director.

The new astronomy show will continue through December 11 at the Los Angeles City Recreation and Parks Department's scientific center.

JUPITER and Saturn are both in the evening sky now, the former rising in the east just before midnight and Saturn setting in the west a few hours later. The rings of Saturn are nearly invisible in the telescope, as they are now in edgewise position, Dr. Clemminshaw explained.

He added that Saturn's present position in the sky, with the rings hardly visible, occurs at intervals of about 15 years.

DURING the presentation spectators experience the sensation of being flown from earth to the distant



Scholarquiz Team Named From West

Five West High students have been selected to represent the school on a television quiz program, Scholarquiz.

The show, which features two high school teams, will be taped and aired Dec. 3 at 5 p.m. on KNXT, Channel 2.

The West High team includes Stephen Pearlston, Neil Campbell, Wayne Sabo, and Thomas Pretorius. David Forbes is the alternate member.

The Big Vodka Caper

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