

# Food prices down half point in month

Food prices in Kentucky supermarkets dropped one-half percentage point during September, ending the nine-month streak of price increases.

A selected market basket of 10 food items cost \$54 this month, down from the August average of \$59.27, according to Kentucky Farm Bureau's monthly food price survey. The September figure was just .8 of 1 percent above the July level, and .11 percent over the \$57.17 price average of a year ago. Raisers and decliners split evenly, 18 of each, during the month with four of the 40 items unchanged in price. All five beef cuts increased in price an average five percent since August, but bacon and sausage, as well as frying chickens were down.

Eggs gained from 6 to 15 cents a dozen and cooking oil was higher. But five of seven dairy products came down in price as did four of five fresh fruits and vegetables. Apples showed the biggest drop, down 22 cents a pound as local orchards boosted supplies of the fruit for shoppers.

All even dozen food items are currently lower in price than they were

In September 1980, the survey has shown that the 12 grain beef, shank and brisket, end of poultry, whole and cut-up fryers and chicken breasts), ice cream, Idaho potatoes, apples, tomatoes, whole bread, four kinds of rice, vegetable oil and potato chips.

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# Ky. to administer eight of nine block grants

Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. announced last week that Kentucky will administer eight of the nine federal block grants recently passed by Congress.

Total spending on these eight block grants could amount to approximately \$120 million a year - about 10 percent of the state's annual federal funds that state government receives. This represents a decrease of 10 percent in the money Kentucky received for these programs last year.

But President Reagan has proposed further budget cuts, which will probably mean even less money for the states in the federal fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

Gov. Brown and Secretary of Human Resources Grady Stumbo notified the federal government last week that the state will accept six block grants. These grants, which will be administered by the Department for Human Resources, are:

- Preventive Health, Maternal and Child Health Services, Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health; Social Services; Community Services; and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance.

Kentucky also plans to accept the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant and the Education Block Grant, which will be administered by

# NEWS...

## Environmental project undertaken by Mr. Winkle's Geography class

By Brian Hill and Lisa Gilvin

An environmental educational project has been started in the Geography class taught by Mr. Wilbert Winkle. The class is clearing out an old livestock spring located behind the elementary school's main building.

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**— Notice —**

The City Office will be closed Monday, October 12, 1981 for Columbus Day. Council meeting will be held the following Monday, Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

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Let's all get out to vote. Thanks for past support.

### Earl Lee Planck

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## Random thoughts...

basily searching each leaf and bark crevice for insects every moment of their stay. Today fashions of lemon yellow, of chestnut, perhaps the flaming orange of the tiny restiart may be noted in the trees of your yard. Tomorrow these little pilgrims are gone on another lap of their journey from the

deep woods of the far north to the tropics. Perhaps we may yet have a belated season of summer-like beauty, for the trees still hold their leaves valiantly on this morning a wren sang — "cheerily, cheerily, cheerily —" to the coming of an October dawn.

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increase from \$28 million last year to \$31.4 million this year. Funding for the Education Block Grant could increase from \$5.3 million to \$8.5 million. But whether Kentucky will receive more money will not be known until Congress completes its appropriations process.

Pursuant to the reauthorization act, the block grant is expected to be no more than \$44.5 million.

Though these eight block grants will be administered by the Department for Human Resources, the Department of Education, and the Commerce Cabinet, they will not begin administering the Education Block Grant until next year.

Due to funding formula changes the state could receive more money under the Small Cities CDBG and the Education Block Grant than it finding for these programs last year. Proceeding for the Small Cities CDBG could

## Computer science full at WKU

Despite the fact that computer science is the fastest-growing program in Western Kentucky University's academic catalog, 49 percent of beginning class of computer science majors this fall were turned away from taking the entry-level courses.

Reasons students were delayed from taking the classes were "a need for more faculty and not enough equipment," says Dr. William Lloyd, dean of WKU's Ogden College of Science, Technology and Health.

According to reports compiled by the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, 178 WKU students could not register for computer science classes this fall.

Dr. Chester Davis, who heads WKU's math and computer science department, explains the department last three faculty members last year and only two were hired this year. "We simply can't pay them as much as industry, so we just can't compete," he says.

There is a request for three additional faculty in the University's 1982-84 biennial budget, says Davis, who has his fingers crossed in light of the state's higher education budget picture.

This year's Western had a 41 percent increase over last year in computer science entry-level students and a 63 percent growth in enrollment in upper-level courses. Currently there are 400 majors in the computer science program.

The biggest improvement this fall has been new terminals," says Davis. The department added seven IBM video terminals to the computer laboratory which is located in the Thompson Complex Science. These new machines are connected to the University's Computer Center in Westbury Administration Building, and the equipment will assist upper-level students, Davis says.

"We have literally had to scrounge for equipment," he says.

One machine, a Heathkit 19 terminal, is his own which Davis brought from his home for faculty and staff to use. "The students were always needing to use the terminal and we couldn't get to them," he explains.

Faculty in the department last year helped to build four similar kits at a cost of about \$700 each. Assembly units are priced at nearly \$1000 each.

Davis says the last eight phone kits with a system to support 20 terminals across campus simultaneously. "We need a sharing system to support 50 or 60 simultaneously," he said.

In addition to the computer science curriculum, the computer lab gives assistance to other classes in undergraduate science education.

## New England Ragtime groups at University

It's 1900 and the plinkety-plinkety-plinkety ragtime music cuts through the University's study base and the carefree laughter in the school. No, it's not 1901 in the Queen's University of Kingston in the beautiful city of Kingston, Ontario, Canada. For the arts and art residents; boy are you in it on Wednesday, October 14 at 8 p.m. in the Concert Hall, the New England Ragtime Ensemble will perform the happy, irrepressibly positive, delightful music of Scott Joplin, Jelly-Roll Morton, Eubie Blake and many of the other original jazz and ragtime greats.

The New England Ragtime Ensemble is a 16-member group of New England Conservatory of Music graduates who are some of Boston's most sought after free-lance artists. Formed in 1972 by Gunther Scherler, past president of the New England Conservatory of Music, the ensemble in all phases of jazz, and the author of the book Early Jazz. The ensemble has received universal acclaim.

In 1974, the Ensemble received an invitation to perform at the White House for a state dinner honoring Italian president Giovanni Leone. In 1977, the Ensemble was invited by the National Endowment for the Arts to perform part of the concert series prepared for the inauguration of President Carter. In 1978, it toured the Soviet Union, sponsored by the state department. In addition, the New England Ragtime Ensemble has played to enthusiastic, sell-out crowds at the Tanglewood, Ravinia and Waltrap summer festivals, as well as the Lincoln and Kennedy Centers and at Carnegie Hall. The ensemble has also recorded an album honoring Scott Joplin, entitled "Red Back Book," which was a Grammy Award and topped the sales charts.

Hastings was all right, bright from that helped to brighten the gloom of the 1960-1971, unlike past and the bluesy, ragtime had a cheerful vivacity that helped to brighten a downworld public after an economic depression. Usually written for piano, ragtime was characterized by syncopation and accents on normally weak beats in the right hand accompanied by a march-like steady beat in the left hand. The melodies originated from folk tunes and march-like themes, but the melody appeal is less obvious than that of the ragtime.

Tickets are \$14 and \$8 for University of Kentucky students, senior citizens and children under 12.

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