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'Food for the Gods'

The most curious, elaborate and costly books to be published on the subject in this or any other country, in recent times is "Mushrooms, Russia and History," by Valentino Pavlovna and R. Gordon Wasson. Three hundred and fifty copies of this lavishly printed and superbly illustrated two volume work are being offered to the public by Pantheon Books at \$125 a set.

Mr. Gordon is an American and vice-president of J. P. Morgan & Co., investment bankers and his Russian-born wife, Dr. Pavlovna, a practicing physician in New York. Since their marriage in 1927 they have spent their vacations in all parts of the world hunting, collecting and classifying wild mushrooms and studying their history through the ages.

opposing Senate Bill 10 for fear that Governor Holmes would appoint Democrats regardless of qualifications.

Well, the Governor would just have to be trusted in that respect. All else being equal, it is more important that the court have its needed judges than is their political affiliation.

RAY TUCKER

Devices Save Us All Money Today

WASHINGTON—The cost of living is not much higher today than it was before World War II, in view of the time and money-saving devices that have lifted American standards to undreamed-of levels. These gains can be measured in actual dollars and cents, according to government experts on human living. They disagree entirely with the slide-rule economists who warn of a depression that "will curl your hair."

They hope that the House agriculture Subcommittee, which is headed by Representative Victor L. Anfuso, of the Brooklyn farmer, will include these factors in its current investigation of living costs, especially food. Otherwise, they will present only one side of the picture, and that, a dark and distorted canvas.

MORE FOR THEIR MONEY
According to this theory, it is not noly the customers' demand for grocery parking lots, trading stamps and luxuriously packaged goods that have boosted all retail prices. American families are getting more for their money on every product they buy, from vegetables to television sets and automobiles. They actually save money in the long run, when the advantages in human comfort, leisure, health and enjoyment are weighed against their investment in living.

It will require a more authoritative body than a Congressional Committee to study and explore all the implications of the post-war revolution in living costs and standards. Chairman Anfuso should call as witnesses some of the unknown and minor officials from Agriculture, Commerce, the Public Health Service and the Bureau of Standards, if he wishes to present a true balance sheet of American life today.

REVOLUTION IN LIVING
However, a few examples will suffice to explain and even to itemize this theory:

An electric icebox, for instance, costs about \$400, as against \$50 for the old-fashioned wooden thing of long ago. But the operational cost will run about \$1 a month instead of \$8 to \$12 for melting ice. And there is no comparison between the service rendered—ice cubes versus icebergs.

With the modern equipment, however, the housewife can buy prepared foods of all kinds, obtaining them at bargain sales and preserving them in her freezer. She can prepare meals in minutes instead of hours. Instead of a winter diet of root foods—potatoes, turnips, beets, carrots—which will have lost their vitamin content from long storage, a family enjoys the finest and freshest of nutritious vegetables every month of the year.

Both greater leisure and possible longevity, two of life's most valuable assets, result. Other contributions to ease and enrichment of living are all the other seemingly expensive household appliances—electric vacuum cleaners, washing machines, mechanical dishwashers.

ALMOST MAIDLESS ECONOMY

Thanks to these gadgets, the United States has become almost a maidless economy. And maids now earn from \$30 to \$40 a week at Washington for an eight-hour day. Their salary, allowing for other costs, exceeds in a year the investment in all these maid-saving devices. And that is without any allowance for the value of a housewife's time!

Television and radio sets come high for their initial cost, although they last for several years. But the money saved in 12 months on free home viewing of World Series and Bowl Games, the best of actors and actresses, operatic stars, educational and travel films more than balances the expenditure. Broadway has been brought to Main Street.

Automobiles are costly. But the shift to pleasant and healthful suburban living makes them a relatively inexpensive form of transportation. Without them, there could be no eight-hour day or five-day week, or the extended vacations which contribute so much to national unity.

These are only a few of the actual dollars-and-cents benefits of the economic revolution which no mere Congressional inquiry can measure.

For Quick Reading If at First . . .

Clare Boothe Luce says, "I fail generally the first time I try something. I was a columnist in 1934. They sent me to Europe to write gay, frothy, international set stuff, and I wrote that world war was coming.

"They wanted chit-chat and I gave them Cassandra. So they fired me. My first play, 'Abide With Me,' was a catastrophe.

"I tried out once for the Olympic diving team and sprained my back on the first dive. I was talked into believing I could figure skate in front of a large crowd. On the first spin I lost my petticoat."

—Bob Considine.

HAL BOYLE

Average Man Shrinks Some During Day

NEW YORK (AP)— Things a columnist might never know if he didn't read his mail:

That people who say they're hungry enough to eat an ox probably don't realize it's more than a weekend job . . . Johann Keizler, a methodical German, decided in 1880 to see just how long it would take to eat a whole roast ox . . . it took him 42 days, from tip to tail.

That of the 80 billion phone calls Americans are said to make each year, 15 million are from people in distress.

SHRINKAGE OF MAN

That the average man shrinks about $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch between breakfast and sundown . . . even on days when his boss is tolerant.

That the wearing of silk is taboo in some religions because it is the product of a worm. (Try to get your wife to join one of these cults if she's running over her clothes budget.)

That two hoppers visited the Grace Downs air hostess school and were shown the school's \$5,000 link trainer, which pitches, rolls and turns just like a plane in flight. "Man," said one, "dig that crazy cocktail shaker!"

That Kings College in Wilkes Barre, Pa., has its chapel, the only altar of coal in the world. . . it was made from a single block of anthracite weighing 4,200 pounds.

A PESSIMIST

That comedian George DeWitt defines a pessimist as "a fellow who goes on a picnic with Anita Eckberg and worries that there may be ants in the food."

That the planet Jupiter is 317 times heavier than the earth and "light" and there's no sign that inflation is abating. In fact the government may have to pay higher interest rates to attract lenders and this in turn may force the whole level of interest rates up another few points.

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TOP DRAWER REQUEST

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)— The Convention and Tourist Bureau received a letter from Oklahoma which read: "Please send me your tourist bureau."

URGENT TO TAKE PLEDGE

About the same time, I asked readers who might know if instances to tell me, confidentially, of course, whether pastors or spiritual leaders anywhere urge young people to take the pledge.

I'd be too disheartened to carry on if I didn't know that materialism goes before morality in Yankee land. I'm still trying to tell myself that people just didn't believe I'd keep such communications confidential, and so they were afraid to answer the questions.

The pastor doesn't want to lose his pulpit. The merchant doesn't want to drive away his best customers. The eminent physician doesn't want to risk his wealthiest patients. This health column conductor NOW realizes that it may

could be that the situation is temporary but, if it isn't, the treasury will have no choice but to follow the procession.

ONLY GETS HALF

It may be asked how long the inflationary trend will continue and why interest rates keep on going up. It shouldn't be forgotten that corporations aren't really getting four per cent when the government offers them a bond at that rate. This income is subject to a federal corporation tax of more than half. So money in such a case is really being loaned by corporations at a net return of something less than 2 per cent.

As for individuals they, too, in many instances, aren't receiving the net income they used to get in the 1930's when interest rates were lower than they are today.

If members of Congress enact a tax reduction without a big drop in spending it may paradoxically enough make matters worse. For the inflationary trend isn't halted merely by cutting "appropriations." The government actually

DAVID LAWRENCE

Unless Both Spending and Appropriations Are Cut, Inflation Trend Will Continue

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HELD RATES DOWN

Under the new deal and the fair deal the treasury never had to worry about whether its new issues would be undersubscribed. The federal reserve board, being dominated by the treasury at the time, simply held the rates down knowing that the treasury with the cooperation of the banks would merely "print some more money," as it was often described, and buy up the available bonds. By supplying an abundance of credit, money rates were kept low.

In the closing days, however, of the Truman Administration there began a policy which has been materially strengthened under the Eisenhower Administration whereby money rates are honest rates and the federal government issues its new notes, "printing presses" to hold interest rates at artificially low levels.

MUST TEST MARKET

The treasury now must test out the market just as any other borrower does. Last week the treasury offered its new notes, officials knew in advance that a quarter to a third of them would not be accepted for exchange. This was because in the first four months of 1957 two billion dollars more securities were sold by corporations, states and cities than for the same period of last year—a record at that time. All these securities were bought by the lenders at rates 1 1/2 higher than what the treasury has been offering.

The treasury may be forced to put its rates up to attract borrowers but it is disinclined to do so because, once the federal government goes up a point or two, it pushes upward the whole range of interest rates in America. It

He's Unfriendly!



REG-MANNING

Quotes From the Day's News

GETTYSBURG, Pa.—President Eisenhower on the state of his golf game: "Since I've been sick, I have never had a really good golf game."

NEW YORK — Former model Judith Morgan, 50, on stabbing a salesman she mistook for a federal judge against whom she had a grudge: "I'm sorry I hit the wrong man."

NEW YORK — Field Marshal Lord Alanbrooke, Britain's World War II military chief, on President Eisenhower's ability as supreme commander: "Where he shone was in his ability to handle Allied forces, to treat them all with strict impartiality and to get the best out of an inter-allied force."

WASHINGTON—The Atomic Energy Commission on the precautions being taken to protect the public against radiation during this summer's nuclear tests:

LONG DAY'S JOURNEY
AUGUSTA, Ky. (AP)— Robert Workman doesn't mind spending eight hours a day on his job—the trip back and forth that hurts. He lives 35 miles from his office. For three years, he has been starting his day by rowing across the Ohio river to the Ohio side, where he is picked up by a car-pool driver. Two hours later Workman is at his desk.

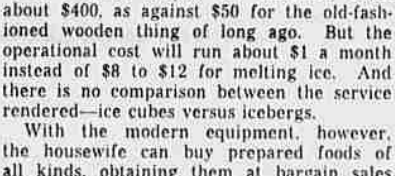
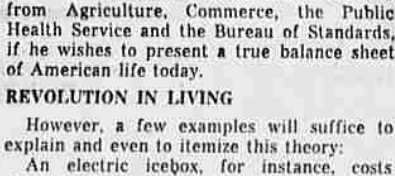
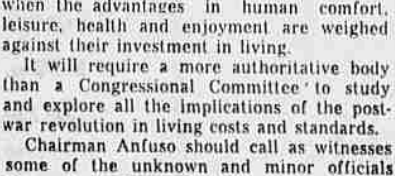
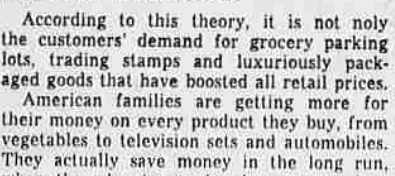
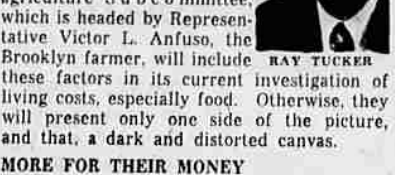
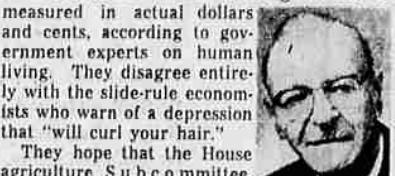
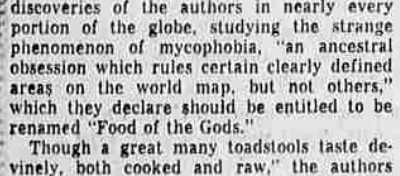
BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Dublin's Lord Mayor Robert Briscoe on the celebration marking the establishment of the state of Israel: "The Zionist Day celebration is the Jewish equivalent of St. Patrick's Day."

As a result of improved controls and procedures, radioactive fallout in the area around the test site is expected to be even lower than the levels which have resulted from previous tests in Nevada.

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Judiciary Legislation

The ways and means committee reported favorably Monday on Senate Bill 460, providing for the appointment of two commissioners to serve in the capacity of judges on the Supreme Court and help relieve the congestion in the high court.

It isn't too late even now to throw this bill out, and revive and pass Senate Bill 10, providing for two additional full-fledged justices.

This change is needed—perhaps needed more than anything else—to expedite the administration of justice in the Oregon courts. It has been more than 40 years since the court personnel was increased from five to seven.

In that time the state has undergone great growth in population, its economy and its occupational life have become more complicated, and court business has vastly increased. The additional justices are needed.

The commissioners called for in Senate Bill 460 would presumably have the same qualifications as regular judges. They would draw the same pay, so there is no economy in the bill. The measure is pointless because the court must have the two additional members, whether they are judges or commissioners, and under this bill if the 1959 Legislature failed to legislate more judges, the court would continue to have commissioners beyond that time.

Actually Senate Bill 460 is a stopgap for the next two years, during which time a Legislative Interim Committee on Judicial Administration, if it is created under Senate Joint Resolution 24, will study the court system of the state, including the number of justices who should serve on the Supreme Court. This is a good resolution and the interim committee can do good service, but the matter of Supreme Court judges should be deleted from the list of its duties and Senate Bill 10 passed instead. Among supporters of the bill is the Oregon State Bar, which is on record for it.

The Supreme Court is a nonpartisan body and exact party lines are not being drawn in court legislation. Yet politics is said to enter into it, with some influential Republicans

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