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### FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS

MEATS	
Very best Pot Roast the lb.	22c
Pork Loin Roast the lb.	32½c
Native Flank Steak the lb.	25c
Very Best Rib Roast Beef the lb.	45c
California Hams the lb.	15½c
Leg Spring Lamb the lb.	37½c
Lamb Patties the lb.	35c
Front Leg Veal Roast the lb.	25c
Shoulder Veal Roast the lb.	19½c
Veal Breast the lb.	15c
Fresh Calf Sweet Breads, the lb.	65c
Fresh Spareribs the lb.	19½c
Pure Lard 2 lbs. for	33c
Fresh Lake Superior White Fish, the lb.	38½c
Fresh Lake Trout the lb.	36½c
Halibut Steak the lb.	40c
Salmon Steak the lb.	40c
Fresh Perch the lb.	35c
Fresh Herring the lb.	20c
Filet of Haddie the lb.	42c
New Dry Onions 5 lbs. for	25c

JONES SAUSAGE	
Links, lb.	Meat, lb.
39c	35c
Eastmore Nut Oleo, lb.	22½c
Dixie Oleomargarine the lb.	24½c
Good Luck Oleo the lb.	27½c

**VERY BEST ELGIN CREAMERY BUTTER** the lb. **53½c**

**Jonathan Apples** the bushel ..... \$3.49  
**Cooking Apples** the bushel ..... \$2.45

**FOR FRIDAY ONLY**  
**Fancy New Potatoes** the peck **69c**

Malted Milk Tasties the lb.	46c
Pure Milk Chocolate Tasties, the lb.	49c
Greening Apples the peck	60c
Little Buster Popping Corn, 2 pkgs. for	45c
Sweetheart Chili Con Carne, 3 cans for	45c
Clisquot Club Gingerale 24 bottle case	\$4.40
Lomax Gingerale 12 large bottles net	\$1.57
Canada Dry Gingerale 12 bottles	\$2.75
New Sweet Cider the gal.	65c

TURKEYS ..... 55c
GEESE ..... 29½c
DUCKS ..... 34½c

Frying Oysters the quart	90c
Stewing Oysters the quart	80c
Blue Diamond Tiny Peas the dozen	\$3.38
Blue Diamond Ex. Sifted Peas, the doz.	\$2.75
Blue Diamond Sifted Peas, the doz.	\$2.13
Blue Diamond Sweet Wrinkled Peas, doz.	\$1.81
Blue Diamond Select Peas, the doz.	\$2.00
Sweetheart Tiny Super-fine Peas	\$3.63
King Bird Peas the dozen	\$1.40
Sweetheart Bantam Corn, the doz.	\$2.45
Sweetheart Maine Corn the dozen	\$2.45
Sweetheart Little Kernel Corn, dozen	\$2.18
Sweetheart Evergreen Corn, doz.	\$2.00
Aloha Corn the doz.	\$1.80
Sweetheart lge. Tomatoes, doz.	\$2.45
Sweetheart No. 2 Tomatoes, doz.	\$1.88
Aloha Tomatoes the doz.	\$1.80
Gulf Creek Tomatoes the doz.	\$1.40
Peach Creams, lb.	46c
Pineapple Creams, lb.	46c
Cherry Preams, lb.	52c

### Dollar Sale, Wednesday, Dec. 9

Good Luck Margarine 4 lbs.	\$1
Early June Peas 8 cans	\$1
Fancy Sugar Corn 8 cans	\$1
Fancy Tomatoes 6 cans	\$1
Good Luck Milk 12 large cans	\$1
Fancy Pink Salmon, lb. can 5 cans	\$1
Pork Chops 5 lbs. for	\$1
Red X Macaroni and Spaghetti, 12 pkgs.	\$1
Ripe Olives, large cans, 2 cans	\$1
Woodcock Egg Noodles 4 pkgs.	\$1
Pure Lard 6 lbs.	\$1
Apricots 5 cans	\$1
Pork and Beans 10 cans	\$1

POTATOES, Fancy New, the peck 69c

Yellow Cling Peaches 3 cans	86c
Sweetheart Chili Sauce 3 bottles	\$1
Sweetheart Shrimp 5 cans	\$1
Sweetheart Golden Bantam Corn, 4 cans	\$1
Blue Diamond Extra Tiny Sifted Peas, 3 cans	\$1
Little Green Peas 4 cans	\$1
Select Early June Peas 5 cans	\$1
Fancy Prunes 4 lbs.	\$1
Plate Corned Beef 10 lbs.	\$1
Pears, 3 large cans	\$1
Sweetheart Spinach, No. 3 can 4 cans	\$1

Med. Red Salmon 4 cans	\$1
Hominy, large can 5 cans for	\$1
Good Coffee 2 lbs	\$1
Bread and Butter Pickles 3 for	\$1
S. H. Tomatoes, No. 3 can 4 cans	\$1
S. H. Kidney Beans, 7 cans	\$1
Fancy Peas, No. 2 can 4 cans	\$1
King's Choice Sliced Peaches 4 cans	\$1
Boneless Rump Corned Beef 4 lbs.	\$1
S. H. Grated Pineapple 5 cans	\$1
California Ripe Olives 4 cans	\$1
Lge. cans Sliced Peaches 3 cans for	\$1

Red Pitted Cherries 4 cans	\$1
Black Berries 4 cans	\$1
New Comb Honey 4 for	\$1
Royal Ann Cherries 3 cans for	\$1
Round Steak 2½ lbs. for	\$1
Sirloin Steak 2 lbs. for	\$1
Porterhouse Steak 1½ lbs. for	\$1
Red Cross Noodles 12 pkgs. for	\$1
Aloha Sliced Pineapple No. 2 can, 4 cans for	\$1
Imported Sardines 6 cans for	\$1
Flank Steak 4 lbs. for	\$1
Pot Roast 5 lbs. for	\$1

### MONDAY SPECIALS DECEMBER 7

P.G. Naphtha Soap, 10 bars	39c
Palmolive Soap, 12 bar	\$1
Am. Fam. Soap, 10 bar	59c
Lge. Ivory Soap, 10 bars	\$1.09
Fels Naphtha Soap, 12 bar	98c
Lux, 10 pkgs.	98c
SOS, 4 pkgs.	98c
Wash. Soda, 3 pkgs.	29c
Ivory Soap Chips, 10 for	98c
Am. Fam. Soap Chips, 4 for	98c
Argo Starch, 10 pkgs.	93c
25-lb. pails Soap Chips	\$3.95

### TUESDAY SPECIALS DECEMBER 8

HE Gran. Cane Sugar, 10 lbs.	59c
Fould's Macaroni, 3 pkgs.	25c
Fould's Spaghetti, 3 pkgs.	25c
Cooking Apples, the lb.	10c
Fresh Spare Ribs, lb.	18c
Sour Kraut, quart	18c
Dry Onions, 2 lbs. for	25c
Dry Onions, 3 lbs. for	25c
Frankfurts, lb.	20c
Corn Flakes, pkg.	8c
Shredded Wheat, pkg.	13c
Quaker Oats, pkg.	11c
Puffed Wheat, pkg.	13c
Cabbage, the lb.	6½c
Miller & Hart Bacon, 3 lbs.	\$1.19
Yellow Corn Meal, 1 pkg.	11c

### THURSDAY SPECIALS DECEMBER 10

Flour, all brands, ¼ bbl.	\$1.19
Plate Corned Beef, lb.	9c
Brick Cheese, lb.	35c
Lenfesty's Flour, 5-lb. sack	29c
Shoulder Lamb Chops, lb.	35c
Boneless Beef Stew, lb.	22c
Wet Shrimp, 4 cans	87c
Sweetheart Catsup, bot.	25c
Red Salmon, lge. can	38c

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## Re-discovering ILLINOIS

by **LESTER B. COLBY**  
ILLINOIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

One learns about ducks in Beardstown. That's where ducks swarm like bees. Old hunters tell me that ducks, in their migration, follow "air roads." These pathways are governed by streams, bodies of water and feeding grounds. It is apparent that several of these flight lanes converge near Beardstown, on the Illinois river, as the flights come south in the fall.

I have visited Beardstown; have seen ducks—thousands of them. An old timer, fingers itching for the trigger, said:

"I estimated 8,000 ducks in one hole today. Sometimes there'll be from 100,000 to 300,000 at a time in the holes of one gunclub."

"A 'hole' is a pond or lagoon down in the Illinois river bottoms. Once upon a time vast acres of marsh stretched along the bottoms up and down the river from Beardstown. In late years dikes have been built and these marshes drained. Rich land? Very.

Soil is Rich

You'll find long reaches almost as level as a floor, soil rich with the deposits of centuries of river silt dropped during periods of high water. I talked to R. H. Garn, veteran banker of Beardstown, who hunted these swamps as a boy. He said:

"We've got seven districts now. More than \$4,000,000 has been invested in the work. Close to 50,000 acres have been reclaimed. I can show you 8,000 acres of corn running sixty bushels to the acre, much of it eighty to ninety bushels."

Beardstown is a story of ducks, corn, watermelons and sweet potatoes. Wild ducks are fed corn here. Gun clubs flourish. And talk about investments in Florida lands or profits in oil strikes! The barber in the Park hotel, which they told me is 100 years old, remarked:

"One of my customers bought a membership in the gun club a few years ago for \$5. He sold it for \$2,100."

I was told that memberships in one club are fairly liquid at \$6,000 and that memberships in other clubs range from \$1,500 up. It is against the law to feed wild ducks to lure them to the guns. But wild ducks hang around much better if there's corn in the water.

Live Decoys

Most clubs own pens of live decoys. You must not starve a decoy. It's not kind. So the decoys are fed

It isn't in the law that you can't put out a bushel of corn or two a day to feed a live decoy. And if the wild birds horn in and get some—well, there's no law to make you keep them off with a stick.

One club last season, I was told, fed its live decoys 10,000 bushels of corn worth sixty cents a bushel and will feed more this year. Standing down in the feeding grounds with an old timer I watched the swarming ducks. Myriads of them, it seemed, were milling over the treetops and dropping down into the "holes."

"New Birds!" this gum-booted veteran of Duck Paradise remarked. Then he explained, "New birds fly high, in formation. They rush in swift. Look, they're comin' to decoy. See 'em drop. There's more new birds, over there, and there. Old birds fly low and just mill around. See that loon yonder."

"Folks come here every fall from the Atlantic to the Pacific to shoot ducks. Sanganis club has members in Maine and California. There are twenty-five clubs within five miles of Beardstown."

Thousands of Ducks

"Did you ever scare up a flock of 5,000 or 10,000 ducks? They don't leave the water all at once. A flight jumps up, then another and another and another until they're all in the air. Old hunters tell me that a big flock like this can't take the air all at once. Air pressure from thousands of wings would beat the ducks below back into the water."

"They have to wait until others get away. Ever see ducks playing leap frog in the pinoks in the spring-time? I've watched 'em. They jump around to fan the grass away from the acorns."

So I learned about ducks.

Watermelons Plentiful

Beardstown has another important story—watermelons. They tell you in Beardstown that unless you've eaten a Beardstown watermelon you have never eaten a watermelon at all. There's a district here where sand and silt and minerals are so blended by the waters of time that the melons are bigger and sweeter and the meat redder than anywhere else. The epicures of the nation pay fancy prices for Beardstown melons.

Then there are the sweet potatoes. Beardstown's alluvial soil sets a sweet potato along into a superior sweet potato. In Beardstown sweet potatoes are "bred," not merely raised. Seeds and soils are both dedicated to the better sweet potato.

City Owns Toll Bridge

Beardstown is also a city that's "in business." It owns a bridge across the Illinois river. The present bridge cost \$35,000; approaches, of dirt grade, \$20,000 more. It took in \$4,000 last month in tolls. It averages

to net the city, after maintenance, about \$3,000 a month.

The city of Beardstown also owns a farm; has owned it since the town was a pup. It is now planned to use it as a sort of seeding ground for factories and other industries. Beardstown wants industries.

Railroad Shops

Back in the year 1870 the city fathers of Beardstown raised \$50,000 by promoting a bond issue and established what are now the C. B. & Q. railroad shops. They employ from 1400 to 1800 men.

"We almost got lynched for doing it," said banker Garn, "but I guess it saved us from the fate of some other river towns."

Some river towns faded with the rise of railroading. Beardstown is now a bit cocky about its power. Plenty of coal, you know, and electric current coming in by "high-line" from three directions. And the city has not one dollar of bonded indebtedness. A \$50,000 country club has just been built.

Big Four Mills

Another veteran industry is the Schultz-Baujan flour mills which last year manufactured 347,000 barrels of flour and 22,000,000 pounds of bran and shorts. It's fifty years old and employs seventy men.

The old town hall still stands in Beardstown where Abraham Lincoln defended Duff Armstrong for murder and won an acquittal. The principal witness testified he saw Armstrong strike the victim with a club. He swore that he saw clearly because the moon was shining bright. Lincoln produced an "almanac" and proved that there was no moon that night.

When old Tom Board, fur trader, started a ferry in Beardstown back in the beginning of time,—well, probably he saw the advantage of plenty of ducks. "Used to be," said Fred Cline, "before the law limited the bag, a good hunter could average to bring in 300 ducks a day all through the season."

Some day I'm going back to Beardstown to learn some more about ducks.

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