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FOOD SUPPLY STABLE;
 SLOVAK POPULATION INCREASES

MARCH FOOD RATIONS -- Svobodne Slovo, No 46, 24 Feb 49

The food ration for March will be as follows:

The grain ration remains the same. Consumers over 12 years old will receive 500 grams of bread instead of 500 grams of white baked goods for the coupon formerly entitling the holder to 375 grams of flour or 500 grams of baked goods. The fat ration remains the same. The bread ration is unchanged.

The egg ration for children and teen-agers will be increased, so that children under 6 will receive 14 eggs, and boys and girls from 6 to 20, 10 eggs. Adults will receive eggs as before.

The milk ration remains unchanged. Children under 12 will receive 150 grams of curd. Children and teen-agers will receive 150 grams of cheese, but cheese will not be distributed to adults. Double quantities of Olomouc cottage cheese will be sold to those who want it.

The sugar ration remains unchanged. Candy will be distributed only to consumers under 20. Children and teen-agers will receive 100 grams of chocolate and 100 grams of other candy. Children and teen-agers who apply in February will receive 100 grams of chocolate in March. Children under 12 and pregnant women will receive 250 grams of fruit juice, as in February.

The issue of ration cards is unchanged.

FOOD SUPPLY -- Svobodne Slovo, No 44, 22 Feb 49

According to Ludmila Janakova, Minister of Food, on 20 February, the plan for the crop purchase of wheat in 1948 was not fulfilled, but the plan for rye was exceeded, and by 15 January 111,000 carloads of bread grains had been purchased by the crop-purchase agencies.

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During 1949, all children and young people under 20 will receive an extra half kilogram of marmalade or jam, and children under 12 will receive 2½ to 3 kilograms of fruit juice.

Candy, rice, fish canned in oil, prunes, butter, eggs, and ham are plentiful on the free market.

The Soviet Union pays well for Czech goods with shipments of meat, grain, legumes, and butter. A family of four working members with two children will receive almost 2 kilograms of butter in consequence of Russian shipments.

SUGAR FOR BULGARIAN CHILDREN -- Svobodne Slovo, No 44, 22 Feb 49

Seven carloads of sugar for Bulgarian children were collected by youth of the Czechoslovak Red Cross during their drive, which ended a month ago. The sugar will be sent within a few days. Donations were made by schools of all levels, by factories, and by individuals from all parts of Czechoslovakia.

POPULATION INCREASE IN SLOVAKIA -- Rude Pravo, No 50, 1 Mar 49

According to a report of the statistical office in Bratislava, the population of Slovakia was 3,445,881 at the beginning of 1948, and 3,470,619 at the end of 1948. This represents a population increase of 24,738 for the year.

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