Fresh Cranberries Prices Fixed In OPA Ceiling

Fresh cranberries for home consumption were brought under price control for the first time today whenthe Office of Price Administration named price ceilings at all levels from the country shipper through the retail seller.

Under the new ceilings, to be announced shortly by OPA, it is expected the retail price for cranberries will range from 40c to 43c per pound in this area, according to H. E. Sandberg, food price specialist.

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Fern Avenue Enrollment Reaches 458

The enrollment at Fern Avenue school has reached the record number of 458. This is a gain of 48 pupils or 11 percent over last year. The school also has four new teachers, Mrs. Ina Burge, grade B2-A2; Mrs. Olive Boring, A1-B2; Miss Rena Barnett, A4-B5; Miss Rebecca Hurst, B1-A1.

Also new to the school is Mrs. Ellen Phair, who is supervising the playground every afternoon after school from 2:40 to 4:40.

Mrs. Olive Boring, chairman of the War Bonds and Stamps committee, reports that the purchases made by the students have been fairly satisfactory to date. The school is very anxious to raise the Minute Man Flag. In order to do this every child will endeavor to buy at least one stamp a month. The cooperation of the parents will be appreciated. If, when a war bond is purchased, the receipt is brought to the school, the school will receive credit for the sale.

Fifth and sixth grade classes are now studying the Fire Prevention Program as prescribed for Junior Firemen. Very soon boys and girls will be making home inspections. It is asked that homes be cooperative as the whole program is planned to assist in the prevention of fires which cause a very high annual loss of property and life in our country.

Parents and visitors are always welcome at Fern Avenue. When you visit this fall ask to see our new pictures. We have purchased 12 new prints for our halls and offices with money received from paper drives and pay entertainments.

ILLINOIS PICNIC

The "American Plan of Roosevelt and Truman" will be the subject of James A. Lang, president of the Missouri Asociation of Southern California, and "The American Plan of Dewey and Bricker" will be the subject of Harry B. George, president of the Ohio Association of Southern California, in non-political patriotic talks at the annual fall picnic reunion of former Illinoisans at Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles, Saturday, Oct. 21. The program will begin at 2 o'clock.

Churchmen Hear of War Prison Life

A meeting of the Young Churchman's League was held in St. Andrew's Episcopal church parish hall Sunday, Oct. 15, 1944, at 6 p.m. Twenty-two members were in attendance. Miss Doris Church, president of the league, presided.

In keeping with the study of war prisoners, which is the assignment for the month of October, Miss Church arranged for a speaker to tell the group of the conditions prevailing in the prisoner of war camps in the various enemy countries.

Lieutenant Richard C. Kline, 20, who is home on leave for 30 days, who was recently released from a Romanian prison camp where he had been interned since July, detailed his experiences and those of fellow fliers who had been prisoners of war. Shot down on the seventh bombing mission over Romanian oil fields on June 6, the young flier was based with the 15th Army Air Forces in Italy. He has been awarded the Air Medal and served seven months overseas, completing 16 missions for a total of 72 combat hours. A graduate of Wilson High school in Long Beach, Lieutenant Kline attended Loyola University before entering the air forces in 1943. His wife, Mrs. Marie Kline, and baby daughter, Dixie Anne, have been making their home with her parents in Detroit.

Lieutenant Kline stressed the need for athletic equipment and reading material in the prison camps, pointing out that it was pretty difficult to keep minds occupied 24 hours a day, so to speak. Speaking of his own experiences, he assured the group that conditions in the Romanian prison camps were not too bad, owing to the different outlook of that nation compared with the Nazis and Japs.

The packages received through the Y.M.C.A. and American Red Cross really are appreciated, however, the route is so roundabout that it takes too long to reach the recipients. All packages are sent through Geneva and thence by neutral ships. During his imprisonment, Lieutenant Kline stated that the boys only received one package.

The prisoners naturally feel that they are forgotten by those back home and that they are no longer cared about.

The feeding of the prisoners is entirely inadequate, the main bill of fare being black bread, water, sheep's head stew and the like. Medical attention is also inadequate, a lot of the boys having lost limbs which could have been saved if proper medical aid and supplies had been available.

Bed bugs and body lice are also prevalent in the prison camps, some of the men being so badly bitten by these pests that they were unable to walk. Conditions generally, while not being intolerable, are certainly not to be desired. It is unbelievable what a human being can bear under these condtions. If, concluded Lieutenant Kline, your wonderful little group, and others of the same pattern, can send medical kits, food supplies, recreational equipment and reading material to the various prisoner of war camps, the boys will be eternally grateful.

"The offering you are making through your Bishop's Fund is truly a fine gesture and one which the boys will greatly appreciate," Lieutenant Kline said.

REPRESENTATIVES

Walteria Civic Organization has decided to send representatives to the Walteria Community Service Association, which is composed of groups from the three Walteria churches, the Parent Teachers Association, the Fidelis club, and now the civic organization.

VEGETABLES

Procurement of approximately 155,000,000 pounds of dehydrated vegetables for overseas troops will be made during the 1944-45 fiscal year, the Ninth Service Command Quartermaster at Fort Douglas, Utah, was informed today by the War Department.

GERALD DAN MOSHER . . . son of Mr. and Mrs. Granville D. Mosher of C.C.M.O., is completing boot camp training at San Diego Naval Training Center. He expects to arrive here about Nov. 1 to visit his family and a host of friends.

Becker Loses Suit for Long Board Term

Roy J. Becker, San Pedro realty man representing this area on the Los Angeles City Board of Education, has lost his suit for a four-year term on the board.

Mrs. Marie Adams Monday was named winner of the four-year term on the board by a ruling of Superior Judge Alfred L. Bartlett.

Becker, who won the greatest number of votes in the primaries and so was elected, had contended that he was entitled to the long term, but Judge Bartlett ruled in favor of Mrs. Adams, as she polled the greater number in the general election.

The city charter provides that the long term shall go to the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes, the section reading thus:

"The three members of the Board of Education receiving the largest number of votes cast at the election (primary or general) at which they (or either of them) are elected shall be elected to the four-year terms and the other members elected to the two-year terms."

K. C. Wilkerson Is Sergeant In Army Air Force

Aircraft inspector for a troop carrying unit in the China-India-Burma theatre, Kenneth C. Wilkerson, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilkerson, 24200 Frampton ave., Harbor City, has been promoted to sergeant in the Tenth Air Force.

Sgt. Wilkerson has been nine months in that area. A graduate of Narbonne High school, he was a mechanic at the Douglas Long Beach plant until entering the Army Air Forces two years ago.

The common measurement of railroad freight service is the ton-mile, representing the transportation of one ton of freight one mile.