

Coat Hangers Now Require Deposit At Dry Cleaners

Value of the lowly but necessary wire coat hanger came in for OPA attention today when the price agency ruled that dry cleaning establishments furnishing such hangers to their patrons may charge a 2-cent deposit.

The fee must be refunded to the customer if and when the hanger is returned.

Effective today, the charge was allowed because of the acute shortage of the wire product making it difficult for cleaning shops to maintain an adequate supply.

Cherry Prices To Be Lower This Year, Says OPA

Local consumers will pay less for early California sweet cherries this year.

Herbert E. Sandberg, OPA food price specialist, released this bit of cheering news to housewives today, when he announced lower grower ceilings this year should reflect a reduction of from 2 to 3 cents per pound at the retail level.

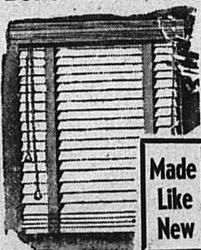
Sandberg declared that the initial maximum price for California produced cherries should be 34 or 35 cents to local consumers up to the middle of June. He pointed out that later in the year, when importation from the north started, retail prices would range from 37 to 39 cents per pound.

MAY CLOSE MARKETS

Possibility that Los Angeles meat markets may close to allow meat supplies to accumulate was revealed by Phil Melnick, business manager of the Retail Meat Dealers Association. Dealers will meet this week to consider the proposition.

A recent survey of a large city's hospitals showed 10 percent of its beds occupied by accidentees.

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Victory Gardens

There will be 1,800,000 fewer men in the Army by next winter. This would seem to reduce the Army's food need on a per man basis by 11 per cent. But as the millions now in Europe pass through this country en route to the Orient they'll have to eat. When they reach the Orient, their food requirement per man will increase because of the greater distances involved. Therefore, much of the apparent 11 per cent reduction in need will be offset.

Backyarders can assure their own food supply and can help make up the national deficits not only in vegetables but in meat and eggs. A trip to the market is all you need these days to be impressed with the growing shortages of food.

Backyard Poultry

Eight to ten well-managed hens, replaced with pullets as soon as they falter in egg laying, will produce all of the eggs needed by a family of four. A cheap battery hen coop made of lath or narrow strips of wood—total material cost less than \$2—will house the birds. Each hen has her own compartment with her own individual can for water and for feed. The birds are easily kept clean. A daily egg record gives an automatic check on every hen. If she doesn't lay an egg for four weeks, eat her, put in a new pullet!

Last year one backyard flock in coops of this kind, with an average of ten hens throughout the summer, produced an average of 248 eggs per hen. At retail value the eggs paid for the coops, the hens, and their feed, and gave a net profit of \$5 per hen. Plans for building coops and for management of backyard flocks are available at the farm advisor's office, 808 N. Spring st., Los Angeles 12.

Rabbits for Meat

Two rabbit does producing two litters each should make possible the production of 200 pounds of meat a year. A small hutch for two does will cost but a few dollars. They can be fed prepared pellets and grass cuttings and garden trimmings. They're actually less trouble and easier to care for than ten chickens. Plans for building hutches and circulars on rabbit care are available free at the farm advisor's office, 808 N. Spring st., Los Angeles 12.

Pest Control Substitutes If you can't buy nicotine sul-

phate (Black Leaf 40) and are having trouble with aphids, use a pressure spray from your garden hose and wash the aphids from the plants, turning the leaves over with your fingers to assure a thorough job. After washing them on the ground, be sure to bury them in dirt so they'll stay off the plants. This same treatment will help on red spider and to a certain extent on other pests. Persistence will permit the growth of garden plants with little or no insecticides.

Onions The development of the bulb depends upon a healthy top. Breaking over the tops will injure them and will reduce the ultimate size of the bulb. Maintain adequate water supply and let them grow. Use a side dressing of fertilizer in June or July.

When the bulb is two and one-half to three inches in diameter stop watering. They'll mature naturally and the tops will begin to break over of themselves. When onions have started to go to seed nothing will stop the process. The best solution is immediate use of the onions for creaming or for seasoning. They will not make dry onions for storage. Onions grown from dry stalks or "bolts" than when grown from green stalks. Green stalks will bolt, however, if cold weather occurs following their planting.

Fertilization It's good business to apply nitrogenous fertilizers to the garden rows as side dressing in late spring if the garden wasn't fertilized before planting or by mid-summer under any condition. Watch the rate of growth. Apply about one pound of ammonium sulphate or three pounds of Victory Garden Mix to each 100 feet of row. Put it in a shallow trench four to six inches from the plants at the side of the irrigation furrow. Cover with soil and then irrigate.

Information A special Victory Garden guide for Los Angeles County is available at the Agricultural Extension Service office—your county farm advisor—808 N. Spring st., Los Angeles 12, telephone MTUral 3388. At the same office are circulars on backyard poultry and rabbit care, canning, dehydrating, and freezing vegetables and meats and storage of dried foods. These circulars are free.

Food Preservation Increased quantities of canned vegetables and fruits will go to armed forces and other Government use in 1945. This fact coupled with reduced sugar supplies will put added emphasis on fruit dehydration. Some vegetables are adaptable to dehydration also. Plans for home made food dehydrators are available at 808 N. Spring st., Los Angeles 12.

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D. Manniski is the chairman of the Ukrainian Socialist Soviet Republic delegation to the World Security Conference in San Francisco.

Returned Vets Will Be Used to Guard Prisoners

Returned overseas veterans, especially Americans liberated from German and Japanese prisoners, will be utilized to a maximum extent in guarding prisoners of war and administering camps within the Ninth Service Command, it was announced today by Major General William E. Shedd, commanding general, at Fort Douglas, Utah.

All reassignment and redistribution stations in the command have been instructed to carefully screen overseas returnees for selection of qualified Army personnel who desire assignment for duty at prisoner of war camps.

Commissioned and enlisted personnel selected will be thoroughly indoctrinated in the provisions of the Geneva Convention and the need for firm but fair treatment of prisoners prior to reporting for duty at the camps.

General Shedd also stated that a new policy regarding feeding of prisoners of war has been adopted. The revised menu, now being served at all internment camps, eliminates most critical and rationed foods from the daily diet, he said. The only meat authorized consists of varieties which are in least demand, such as feet, neck, heart, kidneys and tails.

The calorie value of the ration necessary for working prisoners will be maintained by use of plentiful vegetables and starch foods, with sugar and sweets virtually eliminated.

Prisoners who refuse to work are immediately placed on a bread and water diet.

County Votes \$350,000 For Beach Frontage

To acquire new beach frontage and rehabilitate existing beaches, county supervisors have voted \$350,000 into the 1945-46 preliminary county budget. Of this amount, \$250,000 was voted for beach acquisition and will be used to match sums put up by the state for this purpose. The remaining \$100,000 will be available for rehabilitation of publicly owned beaches, such as that at Redondo Beach, which have been washed out or otherwise damaged by wind and waves.

HOG FERTILIZER

A proposed county ordinance which would have prevented the use of hog fertilizer in its raw state within 50 feet of any residence, other than that of the owner of the property, today was defeated by county supervisors by a vote of 3 to 2.

Men are more accountable for their motives, than for anything else; and primarily, morality consists in the motives, that is in the affections.

— Archibald Alexander

Promotions in General Petroleum Organization Revealed by Dickey

Important promotions and appointments effective June 1 were announced today by S. J. Dickey, president of General Petroleum Corporation. A. H. DeFries, for several years vice president and director of marketing, has been named assistant to the president of Socony-Vacuum Oil Company with headquarters at 26 Broadway, New York City. B. Brewster Jennings is president of Socony Vacuum. C. S. Bessemyer, a director of General Petroleum and former president of the Gilmore Oil

Company has been appointed vice president and director of marketing to fill the post vacated by DeFries's promotion.

The position of general manager of the marketing department of General is to be filled by John C. Sample promoted from general sales manager. Appointment of DeFries to his new position marks another step in the varied oil industry experience of this young executive, still in his 40's. After serving in World War I, he entered the export school of the old Standard Oil Company of New York and upon completion of his training went to the Orient where he served in many localities and capacities. Returning to the United States in 1929, he transferred to General Petroleum. In that company he progressed steadily through many positions until the end of 1932 when he was sent to Japan for a year as assistant general manager of Socony-Vacuum. In 1934, he returned to General as vice president, which position he has held until his current move to New York. In his new position DeFries will devote his attention particularly to the coordination of Socony-Vacuum's distribution, and the general planning and programming of the company's various operations.

Bessemyer, the new vice president, is very well known, both in west coast and national oil circles. He is a native of Los Angeles and has spent his entire business career in the oil industry.

Officers and enlisted men from the various units will make up the various classes, assigned to limited active duty for the training school which will be under command of Lt. Col. Leonard A. Worthington, of the staff of Brig. Gen. Victor R. Hansen, the adjutant general. Various Army and State Guard officers will instruct in tactical, staff and supply subjects.

Other officers assigned to the school are Major Leon S. Winslow, executive officer and finance officer; Captain Robert C. Bolte, Jr., property officer; Captain Harold W. Hartman, mess officer; 1st Sgt. John H. C. Risdon, registrar; M/Sgt. Harold L. Hjelm and M/Sgt. Arthur C. Markworth, instructors.

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Col. Fish to Be Adjutant at C.S.G. School

Lt. Col. A. Milton Fish, commanding officer, Group 3, Southern California Area, California State Guard, with headquarters in Long Beach, has been named adjutant and instructor of the State Guard Training School for 1945 to be held in the State Armory, Los Angeles, opening on May 20, 1945, and continuing for several weeks.

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Western Steel Supply Subject Of Study Here

The problem of assuring Western manufacturers an adequate supply of cheap steel in the postwar period is under consideration by the newly formed steel committee of the Western States council, in its first policy making session.

Committee members from nine western cities attended the meeting in the Chamber of Commerce building, with Kenneth T. Norris as chairman. Reports from San Francisco and Los Angeles steel study groups, a discussion of the problems of steel plant disposals after the war, and drafting of formal policies and plans for action in the interests of maintaining a high level of western industrial activity were discussed.

RIE APPOINTED

Dr. C. C. Trillingham, director of Los Angeles County war services, has announced the appointment of Vern J. Rice as war services chairman for the Vermont area, succeeding Halsey K. Chamboise, recently resigned. Rice is principal of Leuzinger High school in Lawndale.

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NO MINIMUM BID

These properties will be offered for sale without a minimum bid restriction and will be sold to the highest bidder. The terms of sale will be net cash within three days after the sale. Conveyance will be made by QUITCLAIM DEED ONLY.

For further information concerning these properties, and maps showing the location thereof, prospective bidders should consult Mr. V. C. Packard of the Associated Assessment Engineers, who will be in the City Clerk's office at the City Hall each Monday morning, from 9:00 to 12:00.

A. H. BARTLETT
City Clerk