

MAILS NEXT WEEK

By request of the Navy Department no mention of movement of vessels will be made in future in the MAUI NEWS.

Maui News

LATEST SUGAR QUOTATIONS

	Cents	Dollars
	per lb.	per ton
Today's Quotation . . .	6.055	\$121.10
Last previous	6.005	120.10

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Fair Food Prices Is Aim Of Food Board

How Administration Is Working To Check Profiteering Among Retail Merchants—Newspapers And Public Asked To Help

Washington, Aug. 1—In the absence of authority for direct control over retail dealers in food products, the U. S. Food Administration is planning to limit retail prices by means of standardized "fair price lists." These lists are to be furnished to the press in every city, town and county in the country and when published will serve as a guide to consumers in judging the fairness of prices asked for food.

Basis For Prices
In every community the Food Administration is now establishing price interpreting committees composed of representatives of consumer, retailers and wholesalers. These boards will ascertain fair retail prices on the commodities which comprise a large part of the diet.

The published lists will give the range of selling prices—showing a reasonably low price which will reflect charges that should rule in "cash and carry" stores and a higher price, representing a fair charge at "credit and delivery" shops.

Newspapers Are Asked To Co-Operate
Each board will have detailed reports actual wholesale prices and

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Japanese Suicides On Woman's Refusal

Well Known Blacksmith Dies In Jail From Dose Of Muriatic Acid—Was Supposed To Be Only Drunk

Suicide by a dose of muriatic acid, taken while in a fit of drunken dependency, was the finding of a coroner's jury which investigated the death of Kisuke Mayahara, which occurred in the county jail at an early hour last Monday morning.

The deceased, who for many years has been employed by the Iao Stables as a blacksmith, and was very well known in Wailuku, had been arrested on upper Vineyard Street sometime after midnight Sunday night apparently in a drunken stupor, and was placed in a cell in the jail. In the morning he was found dead when the jailer went to arouse the prisoners.

Inquiry developed the fact that the deceased had been drinking heavily the day before and had made several trips to the house of a Japanese woman on Vineyard street named Umeno in an effort to persuade her to marry him. She refused, and the man had gone to the stables and there sold a bottle of the poison and told Ishizu, a clerk in the Maui Dry-goods store, that he intended to kill himself. Ishizu managed to take the acid from him, being painfully burned in doing so when the cork came out of the bottle in the struggle.

Mayahara then declared he could get more, and presumably did so. He went to the woman's house about midnight and renewed his suit and was again refused, and when he threatened to break in the door the woman slipped out and went for a policeman. When the officer arrived Mayahara was lying apparently in a drunken stupor, and was taken away and locked up as a drunk. It was later learned that he had mixed a dose of acid with some soda water which he had with him and swallowed the contents after the woman's last refusal of him.

BEACH PARTY AND A FISH STORY

A most delightful beach party was enjoyed at the Kahului beach on Monday evening by a number of friends. The most exciting part was landing a tremendous big mullet which took two men and a long net to pull in out of the water. Mr. Berg of Puunene displayed his ability at crab fishing when he came out with a couple of crabs clinging to his toes. Anty Emma and Mr. Murray were guides. Among those who enjoyed the party were Mr. Geo. Murray, Anty Emma, Mr. and Mrs. Skag, Mr. J. A. Hannon, Mr. and Mrs. Costa, Miss Lewis, and Mr. Berg.

MADE TRIP AROUND WEST MAUI

A party of Honolulu teachers, who have been spending the summer in the Kula ahomestead district, made the trip around west Maui this week by way of the Kahakuloa trail. They report a very delightful outing. In the party were—Miss Kirwin, Miss Welsh, Miss Mitchell, Miss Spry, Miss Farwell, Mr. Reamy and Mr. Bartlett.

Grand Hotel Bought By Mortgage Holders

Objection To Sale To Be Appealed To Supreme Court—Property Brings But \$25,000—Sale Up For Confirmation Monday

The Grand Hotel of Wailuku was sold at noon last Saturday, as advertised under order of the second circuit court by Commissioner E. R. Bevins, being knocked down to C. D. Lufkin, trustee, for \$25,000. Mr. Lufkin was bidding on behalf of the holders of the first mortgage of \$20,000, to satisfy which the sale was made. The matter of confirming the sale by the court will come up next Monday when it is understood that objections to such confirmation will be entered by E. C. Peters, attorney representing the unsecured creditors and the trustee in bankruptcy.

The sale last Saturday attracted but little interest. The opening bid was made by J. Garcia, at \$15,000. Enos Vincent raised this to \$16,000 and C. D. Lufkin, trustee, to \$17,000. From that to \$22,000 the property was advanced by Vincent, Lufkin and Louis Distill by \$1000 bids, when Lufkin jumped the bid to \$25,000, at which the sale was made.

Before the sale began E. C. Peters through attorney served notice that an appeal would be taken to the supreme court on the ruling of Judge Burr denying the motion to intervene which was made on last Friday. Just what effect this appeal will have on the sale provided it is confirmed next Monday, seems uncertain, but it is likely that the property will continue to be handled by a receiver of the court until a final decision is rendered.

Hana Store Fined For Profiteering

Davies & Co. Owners, Say Employee's Raised Price Without Authority And Pay Up Promptly—Food Administration Looking For Others

Honolulu, August 12—Complaint was made that Hana Plantation Store was charging excessive profits viz:—Selling rice so high as \$13.00 per bag which cost them \$8.50 per bag.

Investigation was made which showed a selling price of \$12.00 on rice costing \$8.50 per bag.

Opportunity was given to explain and justify the profit made. Upon Hana Store offering to contribute to the American Red Cross any excess profits made and to watch more carefully in future their profits on food products and keep them reasonable no further action was taken. Investigation showed excess profits amounting to about \$200.00 which amount it was suggested be paid to the Red Cross.

Hana Store referred the matter to their owners, Theo. H. Davies & Co., Ltd., Honolulu, who promptly paid \$200.00 to the Red Cross, stating to Federal Food Administrator Child that the charging of excessive profits was not sanctioned by them, but that the sales were made by employees not familiar with reasonable profit rules.

Investigations of charges of excessive profits on rice are being made throughout the islands.

Pool Rooms To Close Owners Plan Fight

Beginning tomorrow all pool and billiard rooms on Maui will be closed for the period of the war except between the hours of 5 and 10 o'clock P. M. It is reported that the pool room owners plan to fight the new ordinance in the courts, but in the meantime the police have been instructed to see that every pool or billiard room in the county is closed and to arrest any owners who attempt to keep open except in the evening hours as permitted.

The ordinance was passed finally by the board of supervisors last week. It is designed to eliminate centers of congregation for loafers and gamblers and to make it more easy to keep laborers at work at useful occupations.

For the first time in a good many months the Puunene Athletic Club has host to Maui friends at one of its famous dances tomorrow evening. The dance promises to be enjoyable, though it will be simply carried out. Also for the first time a charge is to be made of 50 cents per person, the whole to be donated to the Red Cross. No formal invitations are being sent out this year.

Kula Road Building Gets Slammed Hard

Matter Of Responsibility For Condition Calls For Lively Debate—Committee To Take Matter Up With Supervisors At Next Meeting

Quite a lively discussion followed the reading of the report of the special committee on Kula roads, at the meeting of the chamber of commerce yesterday afternoon. The report, which was a rather lengthy one, took up various sections of the Kula district, told what had been done in way of road work, or had not been done, during the past several years, and criticized the board of supervisors and chairman of the board rather severely.

The chamber on motion of F. E. Baldwin instructed the committee to appear before the board of supervisors at its next meeting for the purpose of making such suggestions to improve the situation as seemed best.

Useless Engineer
The fact that a big fill on the new road in Kula has been washed out three or four times, and the committee expressed doubts as to its standing the next heavy storm, started a discussion as to where the responsibility for such engineering rested. It was stated that the chairman of the board had changed the plans of the county engineer, and that the county engineer who draws \$200 per month had little or no responsibility in the matter.

Suggestion was offered of bringing the matter of county officials responsibility before the legislature next winter with view to having changes made.

The matter will probably come up again following the conference of the committee with the supervisors.

Wailuku To Play At Lahaina On Sunday

Considerable Interest In Outcome Of Contest With West Maui Teams—Games Last Sunday Good—Proceeds Were For Red Cross

In order not to disappoint the Lahaina challengers Manager Joe Medeiros has accepted and is willing to play at Lahaina next Sunday afternoon. The two teams are lined up to bring home the bacon from the Lahaina side. The Captains of both teams are telling what they are going to do to them over there. Espinda for the Lahaina men on the other hand, says that he has a few new ones up his sleeve in the shape of a good pitcher, and the teams that he is going to spring are a pick from West Maui town. A collection is to be made for the Red Cross.

Last Sunday's game between the Cubs and Orientals was fine from every standpoint. The game between Pala and Wailuku in favor of the former by a score of 4 to 1, was A-1 baseball from start to finish.

The Maui Band deserves a great deal of credit for its playing and those in a position to know are aware that a great deal of hard work must have been put in by the boys since they last played. They have improved all the way through.

The attendance was somewhat better than usual and the proceeds, to an out \$25 was turned over to the Red Cross.

Plantation Brakeman Crushed By Cars Dies

Manuel Campana, an employee of the Maui Agricultural Co., was run over by a train loaded cane cars, near Keahua, on Thursday morning of last week, and so badly injured that he died about 5:30 o'clock the same day. The accident occurred shortly before noon.

The unfortunate man was employed as a brakeman and was engaged in switching cars when his foot caught in a frog on the track and a number of cars passed over him severing both legs. A coroner's inquest held last Sunday before Deputy Coroner Manuel S. Deponte returned a verdict of accidental death.

Campana was 29 years of age and a native of Spain. He was married and is survived by a widow and 3 children.

Arthur Berg, president and manager of the Bishop Insurance Agency, of Honolulu accompanied by Mrs. Berg, was a visitor in Wailuku this week.

Islands To Go Dry After Next Tuesday

Licence Board To Control Liquor For Medical And Other Purposes—Ice Cream In Bar Rooms—Booze Supply Partially Gone Now

Those who have not had the forethought, like the little busy bee, to lay in a supply for future needs, are certain to be very much up against it after Tuesday. That is those who have a chronic thirst. For all signs point to an awful dry spell.

But according to all reports there are a number of quite formidable private reserve stocks stowed away, which may quite considerably defer the fatal day to these forchanded ones.

The Shepard bill goes into effect after August 20, or next Tuesday, from which time the only alcoholic liquor that may be purchased in the territory must be for medical, scientific or mechanical and sacramental purposes.

Ice Cream Now
The two Wailuku hotels which now have bars, will probably turn their bar-rooms into ice-cream parlors. The Maui Hotel has already planes perfected for installing an up-to-date soda and ice cream making plant, to be put to use very shortly after King Alcohol retires. The bar room will be fitted with tables, and ladies will have the privilege of sipping soda and eating ice cream in this heretofore forbidden precinct, if they so desire.

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Civic Convention Is Formally Called Off

Whole Territory Except Part Of Honolulu Either Indifferent Or Opposed To Meeting This Year—Chamber Passes On Matter

There will be no civic convention this year. This was finally determined at the meeting of the chamber of commerce held yesterday afternoon.

The committee which had had the matter in hand read communications from Hilo, Kona, Kauai and the Japanese Merchants' Association, of Honolulu opposing the holding of the meeting this year on account of the shortage of labor, and the difficulty of sending a satisfactory representation under the circumstances.

The Honolulu chamber of commerce, Ad Club, and Rotary Club had each voted to hold the meeting, although letters were read from members of these bodies expressing the opinion that, while the writers believed it a mistake to postpone the convention, at the same time it did not seem probable that a really representative gathering could be secured. Practically all of the organizations which replied to the inquiry of the local body, expressed the view that the next convention, whenever held, should be in Maui.

After hearing the report of the committee a resolution was adopted that no civic convention be held this year.

Prisoners May Be Made Small Farmers

Sheriff Crowell has asked the supervisors to make arrangements with C. E. King, owner of the vacant lot just south of the county clerk's office, for the use of the of the property as a garden by the county prisoners. He also asked for authority to purchase a number of small pigs to be distributed at different jails throughout the county to utilize the refuse from the jail kitchens.

The matter was turned over to the chairman of the board. If the plan is carried out the sheriff believes that the prisoners will be able to produce a considerable portion of their own food, and in the matter of the King lot convert an overgrown thicket of weeds into a place of considerable attractiveness.

LAHAINA RESIDENTS MAKE HALEAKALA TRIP

A mountain party from Lahaina made the trip to the summit from D. T. Fleming's Kula home last Tuesday, returning the following day. They report a fine view of the crater but an extremely unpleasant ascent on account of a heavy rain which continued most of the trip up.

In the party were—Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Fleming and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Capwell, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clark, and J. E. Gannon.

GERMAN RESERVES ARE OVER HALF USED UP

Allies Gain Steadily In Face Of Stubborn Resistance ---General Withdrawal In Picardy Expected Soon ---Bolsheviki Now Want War With Allies---Consul-General Poole May Have Left Moscow

(ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES)

1:30 P. M.

Honolulu, August 16—A. S. Prescott, manager of Standard Oil Company here, taken ill suddenly at noon yesterday and died this morning. Cause of the death was a hemorrhage of the brain.

HOLLMAN MAY BE HEAD OF HOSPITAL

Dr. Harry Hollman, acting surgeon U. S. public health service, has been offered position as superintendent of the Queen's Hospital. It is expected he will accept.

PAPER MONEY LIKELY TO BECOME COMMON HERE

City and County employees will be paid in currency, Honolulu banks have adopted this mainland policy at request of Secretary McAdoo to use currency in order to build up government's gold reserve.

A Tokio cable to a Japanese paper tells of rice riots. Troops fired upon a mob in Osaka, where hundreds were injured and many killed. Troops killed 2 rioters in Kobe and wounded over 100. The homes of rice owners were burned and the situation is growing worse.

OF COURSE!

Amsterdam, August 16—Berlin official dispatch declares emperor Charles and Kaiser are in complete agreement.

ALLIES PUSH AHEAD IN PICARDY

French Army Headquarters, August 16—Allies occupied Villers les Roye and St. Aurin and reached old line of trenches at Armincourt yesterday, and now press towards Chauines-Roye line. Also took Damery woods.

GERMANS USING TIRED TROOPS

Canadian Army, August 16—Captured village Pasvillers this morning, took prisoners and machine guns. Artillery activity indicates German resistance is stiffening. Hostile aircraft also active. Thirty-four enemy divisions are engaged including 11 fresh and two tired ones.

GERMANS HAVE LOST 6 MILLIONS

Paris, August 16—Total German war losses are now placed at 6 millions by Paris papers. French advanced 2½ miles west of Roye.

BRITISH PRESSURE SHOWING RESULTS

London, August 16—South of Albert the British have slightly advanced lines northeast of Morelancourt. The enemy has made further slight retirement on the Lys salient, evacuating villages of Vieux and Berquin south of Merris and retiring between 1 and 2 miles on a 9 mile front.

BIG GERMAN RETIREMENTS EXPECTED SOON

Allies have effectively renewed the pressure against the Picardy lines in the region of Roye. Enemy is clinging to Roye determinedly as bulwark of defense, but the French and British have taken positions to make a prolonged retention of the town doubtful.

Roye is fast becoming the apex of a salient which invites a crushing Allied stroke. If Allies' pressure is effectively maintained apparently the enemy withdrawal on sector north of Albert must result. The completed extent of retirement not clear. Albert is still held by Germans but British are on the outskirts.

French have captured more high ground west of the Oise north-west Ridecourt.

OVER HALF GERMAN RESERVES SAID TO BE GONE

London, August 16—It is believed Germans have already used up 15 reserve divisions, and experts say enemy has only 16 fresh divisions on the entire western front.

Along the Vesle German artillery is lessening, while French-American pressure is being maintained.

On the Italian front situation is normal.

DAY'S CASUALTIES

Washington, August 16—Eighteen killed in action; 25 severely wounded.

Amsterdam, August 16—Don Cossacks cleared left bank of the Don of opponents and are now marching on Caragin.

10:15 P. M., Thursday.

BOOZE REGULATIONS APPROVED

Honolulu, August 15—Governor McCarthy has approved the liquor regulations framed by the liquor board, which will be printed throughout the territory and become effective on the 20th.

AMERICAN CASUALTIES

Washington, August 15—Twenty-seven killed in action, 7 died of wounds, 42 wounded, 25 missing.

CANADIANS TAKE TWO TOWNS

London, August 15—Canadians captured Damery and Parvillers, northwest of Roye. British lines southeast of Troyart advanced a short distance.

FRENCH ALSO GAIN SLIGHTLY

Paris, August 15—French gained between the Metz and Oise rivers near Ridecourt. Operations mostly minor.

HUN SPY CAPTURED IN SPAIN

Washington, August 15—Robert Say, who was convicted of having placed bombs aboard a war supply ship, and who later escaped, has been apprehended in Spain. He is being returned without extradition.

MORE MONEY FOR FRANCE

France has been given an additional loan of \$200,000,000.

BOLSHEVIKI ANXIOUS FOR WAR WITH ALLIES

Consul-General Poole, at Moscow, has informed the state department that Lenine declared repeatedly before official gathering of So-

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