

# Farmers Back White House Call for Food

By Tim Parker

DALLAS, Dec. 13—(AP)—A White House call for more food production won quick response Tuesday from the American farm bureau.

W. Averell Harriman, President Truman's foreign affairs assistant, said in a telegram to the bureau's 32nd annual convention: "Our farmers must increase production of those foods and fibers that are in world short supply." Food, he said, made possible our victory in the second world war and "the situation is similar today."

Allan B. Kline, Iowa hog farmer who heads the nation's biggest farm organization, said the job can be done despite manpower shortages.

In his annual address in the Texas state fair auditorium, Kline told delegates from 45 states and Puerto Rico:

"We farmers know that we are on trial. There is in my mind no slightest doubt that the farmers of America are ready to do their share in our armed forces and do the hardest kind of work, using out every resource and skill to produce the things needed."

But Kline interjected a warning—that the nation must not create a war machine now which it cannot support for ten or fifteen years or even longer.

"We need to think things through," said the slender Iowan. "One of the greatest mistakes we could make would be to assume this will be over in three or four years and spend and build accordingly."

Harriman was to have been a principal speaker today before the farm bureau delegates from 45 states and Puerto Rico. Unable to come, he sent a 700-word telegram.

**War Not Inevitable**

"In spite of everything that has happened, we must not accept the inevitability of another world war," Harriman said. "We must continue to strive with all our power to prevent such a disaster. Time is short—desperately short."

He said the Kremlin seeks to create disunity among the free peoples of the world. Because confidence in the United States "is the welding force" for such unity, Harriman declared, "it is a matter of the greatest urgency that we strengthen our military forces and help other free nations to build their defenses."

To sustain such a military effort "we must work on a world wide basis for an expanding economy at home and abroad," Harriman declared. "We must produce more—more of everything that is needed."

**Rising Production**  
Kline said America can produce what is needed because of rising per capita production and by resorting to longer hours, more machines, more research and use of more men over 65 and more women.

But, said the farm bureau head, this could be thrown off balance by price controls.

"The worst thing we might do in the present situation would be to step in with vastly extended political controls in the economic field," Kline said. "Of these political controls, no other is so far reaching as price control."

**Pennsylvania Joins**  
DALLAS, Dec. 12—(AP)—Pennsylvania is the 46th state to join the American farm bureau federation.

This leaves only Rhode Island and Maine unrepresented in the nation's biggest farmer organization. The federation has a membership of almost 1,500,000 farm families and claims to represent more than 5,000,000 farm people.

# Barges Move Ammunition To Umatilla

HERMISTON, Ore., Dec. 12—(AP)—Ammunition headed for the Umatilla ordnance depot now is moving by barge for the first time since the depot was established in 1919.

The company that got the barging contract said it would build a concrete dock on the Columbia river near here, hoping for more shipments.

Weight of paper used in the production of U.S. currency during 1949 totaled 1,792 tons. Ink used weighed 1,388 tons.



**U. S. ARMY TRAINS GERMANS**—Germans in a labor service battalion established by the U. S. Army drill in the field of a former fire department school in Berlin.

# Christmas Tree History Dates Back to Early in 19th Century

AP Newsfeatures

Christmas trees have become an indigenous part of the Yuletide tradition in America, but history reveals that their use in this country probably dates back no further than the beginning of the 19th century.

It is believed that the first Christmas trees were introduced in the United States around 1825 by Pennsylvanians of German descent.

The custom of decorating the Christmas tree probably started in Germany, where it is said they used to be hung from the ceiling instead of placed on the floor.

For a considerable period, research reveals, wooden devices known as "pyramids" substituted for trees, and at other periods greenery of various sorts was used instead of the Christmas tree.

A book of accounts kept at Strasburg in Alsace mentions the use of fir trees and boughs at Christmas time since 1539. An item dated 1605 reads:

"At Christmas, fir trees are set up in the houses, hung with paper roses, apples, wafers, metal foil, sugar, etc."

The first mention of lights still in the Strasburg record, is dated 1708:

"Tables decorated like altars, with gifts. On these tables, box-wood trees with a candle on each bough."

From these early beginnings have come the festive Christmas tree of today, festooned with tinsel and colored electric lights and hung with candy canes and gifts.

# Sam Rummel Slaying Poses 'Many Angles'

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 13—(AP)—Police Tuesday admitted "a hundred angles" to the slaying of Sammy Rummel, the lawyer who amassed a fortune representing members of the western underworld.

Chief among the angles to the ambush slaying of gambler Mickey Cohen's top counselor was the link to a current grand jury probe into alleged payoffs to sheriff's officers in the notorious guarantee finance bookmaking case.

Meantime, two sheriff's officials—among the last to see Rummel alive—were suspended.

Sheriff Eugene Biscaluz suspended "until further notice" Capt. Carl Pearson and Sgt. Lawrence C. Schaffer for failing to report at once a pre-death conference with Rummel.

Police announced that both the officers would be questioned. The link to the grand jury probe into the \$6,000,000 a year bookmaking racket which the Guarantee Finance Corporation fronted with a loan business came from Foreman Carey S. Hill.

"Of all things! Imagine Capt. Carl Pearson, a public official, visiting the attorney for all the gangsters, on the very eve of the grand jury investigation," Hill told reporters.

Rummel was slain early Monday in the driveway of his palatial Hollywood Hills home by a shotgun blast.

Pearson, slated to be a key witness in the grand jury inquiry, disclosed that he had conferred with Rummel on the Guarantee case Sunday night and left him at 10:40 p. m.

Pearson, now head of the sheriff's records division, was in charge of the sheriff's vice squad in the day when the Guarantee set-up flourished in the county territory.

The Congo Peacock is not a peacock but a pheasant which hails from Africa.

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# Analyst Sees Prosperity For Northwest

PORTLAND, Dec. 13—(AP)—Pacific Northwest families can expect their incomes to increase slowly in future years, an economist told the Columbia River Inter-Agency committee Tuesday.

V. B. Stanbery, an economic analyst with the department of commerce, said in a report prepared for the committee that per capita income rose substantially in Washington, Oregon and Idaho in the past decade.

It rose sharply in the war years, then declined in the post-war period, but Washington and Oregon still emerged with incomes higher than the national average, he said.

He reported the national average was \$1330 in the latest year of report, 1949. For that year the figures were \$1469 in Washington, \$1448 in Oregon and \$1221 in Idaho.

Stanbery said the outlook was for continued growth of agriculture, lumber products, light metals, and trades and services in the three states. This means per capita income will continue to increase, he said, but then added:

"All in all, the prospects are for a somewhat slower rise of per capita income dollars in each Pacific northwest state than that which occurred from 1940 to 1949, unless prices and wages should spiral upward."

**Bunching of Incomes**  
"As in the nation, the trend is a closer bunching of per capita incomes among the Pacific northwest states. Income levels in Washington, Oregon and Idaho are now much closer together than they were before the war."

Stanbery advised the group that programs for conservation and development of natural resources would have a strong effect on dollar income for the region and for the individual.

Committee members, representing government agencies concerned with development of the region's water resources, were assured the region was in better condition for power supply than last year. **Reservoirs at High Level**

Dr. Paul Raver, Bonneville Power administrator, said the reservoirs for the principal hydro dams are at high levels. He said both Bonneville and Grand Coulee dams have been spilling water daily.

He spoke to the Columbia river inter-agency committee meeting here.

Private utilities are now having to generate some 170,000 kilowatts from steam stand-by plants Raver said to meet peak hour demands of the early dark hours. Raver said the standby output may have to be stretched to 220,000 kilowatts by February.

The Bonneville chief expressed belief the big power block users—such as the aluminum plants of the northwest—can be carried through the winter without interrupting deliveries from the public transmission system. The only foreseeable exception he said would be an emergency to handle breakdowns that might occur.

If there are interruptions Raver said they may be expected in the mid-winter months of January and February.

# Lyons Residents Leave for Iowa To Spend Winter

Statesman News Service

LYONS—Mr. and Mrs. Bob Romine left the last of the week for Des Moines, Ia. where they will

spend the winter with relatives.

Several relatives, old neighbors and friends went to Lebanon Sunday to attend the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Surry. The Surrys are old-time residents of this community, living for many years on a farm in Fox Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bodeker are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a grandson to their

daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson, of Salem. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gus Johnson of Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Heinbeck and children went to Olympia, Wash., over the weekend. They were guests at the home of Heinbeck's sister, Their little daughter, Carol, who had been at the home of her aunt for the past three

weeks, returned home with them. Mr. and Mrs. George Berry are being congratulated upon the arrival of a granddaughter, Deanne Georgett born to their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Berry of Stayton.

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# From where I sit... by Joe Marsh



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Could have gotten sore, I guess—or asked us to "fix" the ticket. But instead, he insisted on going

over to the Sheriff's Office and paying his fine.

From where I sit, it's good to know people, like that young fellow, who refuse to be treated any different than anyone else. City people and farmers—those of us who prefer riders and those who'd rather have a cool glass of temperate beer—we're all entitled to the same privileges. That is, so long as what we do doesn't conflict with the law of the land.

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