

Huge Oil Supply Is Hidden Away On Pacific Island

Honolulu (AP) — Safe from atomic bombs, the United States navy has a 250,000,000-gallon oil supply stored in its "Red Hill Underground," a vast Pearl Harbor "tank farm" buried under 200 feet of volcanic red ash.

This capacity, with 12 smaller surface tanks, can fuel the Pacific fleet for the next six years. Built at a cost of \$42,000,000 and the lives of 16 men, the "underground" was a war-time top secret project which some 4,000 men labored almost three years to build, but which the navy has now permitted a few outsiders to inspect.

The 20 tanks are each 250 feet high, or approximately the height of a 20-story building. Cylindrical in shape, they are steel with concrete lining. They contain 4,000,000 pounds of structural steel and 21,000,000 pounds of reinforcing steel. The project, lacking any precedent for design, was supervised by Lt. Comdr. Ben Rush, now Hawaii's territorial superintendent of public works.

Over 1,000,000 cubic yards of earth had to be moved for the project and much of the material was removed from a depth of 500 feet. The job was done by hard-rock miners from Colorado, Idaho and Nevada, and coal miners from Pennsylvania and West Virginia, aided by some 500 Japanese-Americans from Hawaii.

The nerve center of the "underground" is also buried deep beneath a lava ridge. Here, in a vault protected by massive bomb-proof doors, is the pump house. In this brightly-lighted command post technicians man elaborate control panels which check on the flow of fuel through a three-mile tunnel linking the "underground" with Pearl Harbor piers.

To facilitate maintenance of the huge fuel lines, a small railroad carries workmen and equipment through the tunnel and about the big tanks.

Leaks in the tanks, which are 100 feet in diameter and spaced 200 feet apart, and in the lines can be instantly spotted with scientific detection apparatus.

Ex-Congressman Enraged at Testimony



Former Rep. Ross Collins (D. Miss.) is grabbed by capitol police after he sent Robert Gandy, Jackson, Miss., insurance agent, sprawling from his chair where he was seated as witness before the Senate War Investigating committee, Washington, D. C. Gandy told the committee that some of the funds reportedly collected in behalf of the senatorial campaign of Wall Doves had been spent to obtain support of Collins.

The tanks are so big that when a leak in one must be repaired, the fuel is withdrawn and water is pumped in up to the level of the leak. Workmen descend in a small boat which is lowered from the tank's ceiling.

The last two fatalities occurred when a forced blast of air capsize a boat and the workmen drowned before aid could reach them.

Atomic Control Plan Accepted

Lake Success, N. Y., Dec. 21 (AP) — The United Nations atomic energy commission adopted the principles of the United States atomic control plan yesterday but Russia, objecting violently, refused to vote.

Soviet delegate Andrei A. Gromyko announced just before the vote that his government would have no part of a vote on the American proposals now. The vote was 10 in favor, with Poland abstaining and no vote recorded for Russia.

The decisive showdown paved the way for submission of the American atomic plan to the United Nations security council some time next year. At that time Russia would be able, if she desired to kill the plan with her big five veto power.

The matter was brought to a head by Bernard M. Baruch, who first accepted a Canadian compromise that enabled the commission to accept "the principles" of Baruch's proposals but left open the possibility of changes in their wording.

TREAT HER WELL
Washington, Dec. 21 (AP) — Allen Solada, national director of Arvets, expressed his feeling about the administration's new housing program with this advice to married veterans:
"Treat your mother-in-law well this Christmas, because you are going to be living with her for a long time."

Glamor Spots Note Slump As New Year's Eve Nears

(By United Press)
The price of gaiety this New Year's eve will be slightly higher, night clubs will be crowded but not jammed; and the nation probably will consume less aspirin when it awakens New Year's day.

Night club and cabaret operators across the country are expecting a less boisterous celebration than was occasioned by the birth of 1946. A survey showed that cover charges and food and liquor prices will be higher in some places, but will remain the same in many cities.

New York enjoyed one of its biggest binges last New Year's eve, but the city's fabulous night life has fallen off sharply in recent weeks and this New Year's celebration is expected to be less exuberant. But despite the recent night club slump, the after dark trade is anticipating a brisk volume of business to welcome the new year.

Manhattan's big glamor marts charge a flat price per person for New Year's celebrations, including dinner, breakfast, drinks and paper hats and horns. These prices in general will be the same as last year, with a top of \$20 per person. Smaller spots will charge higher prices for food and liquor.

Only one New York night spot, the Embassy, charged the \$20 top last year, but this New Year's there will be several, including the Diamond Horseshoe, the Carnival and the Latin Quarter. Last year only one place made the wearing of formal clothes mandatory. This year the Hotel New Yorker's Terrace Room, El Morocco and the Hotel St. Regis will demand soup and fish attire.

The highest priced spot in the nation probably will be Chicago's New Cameo restaurant, where the tariff will be a mere \$100 per person. That includes the evening's entertainment with all the pheasant you can eat and all the champagne you can drink. The average price in Chicago's better hotels and night clubs, however, will be about \$15 per person, plus 20 per cent federal tax.

Hollywood's famous night spots may be slightly less crowded than last year. Cabaret proprietors said the public seems to be economy conscious.

The recent night club slump has hit other cities hard, notably Detroit and Pittsburgh. A

spokesman for the Pittsburgh night club owners guild said that increased liquor supplies for home consumption, coupled with a tendency to stay at home and save money, probably will cut into the New Year's eve trade.

Tumalo

Tumalo, Dec. 20 (Special) — Hazel Nelson of Tumalo placed second in the national juvenile grange contest with her project on "home beautification and production," according to a telegram received by her the past week. Winning second place carries a \$50 prize, which, added to the \$25 already won by Hazel for placing first in the state, makes her a tidy sum. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson, Hazel is a freshman at Redmond union high school. Besides her work in juvenile grange, Hazel is also an ardent 4-H clubber, with several nice honors to her credit in this field, also.

Parents and friends from Tumalo attending the Future Farmers of America banquet in Redmond Wednesday evening, Dec. 11, included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Don Waddle, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allen, Mrs. C. L. Allen, Ralph Zeigler, James Nichols and J. A. Chamberlin. Don Waddle and Clifford McCulloch both received special prizes for outstanding work in the F. F. A.

Mrs. C. L. Allen has been doing substitute teaching at the Sisters school for the past several days.

Rev. Clayton Green and his mother, Mrs. E. E. Green, stopped off early Monday morning to see their sister and daughter, Mrs. Loren Bailor and family, while enroute from Washington to their home in California. Due to the flooded condition of the Pacific highway the Greens, who formerly lived at Tumalo, had to detour through Central Oregon.

Mrs. Anna Fitzgerald of Dana, Indiana, is here spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Martha Elder.

Susan Gedney, who has been in Salem with her mother, arrived at the Harry Windom home for a visit last week. Susan came over with her grandfather, F. A. Galloway, who was returning from Salem to his home at Enterprise.

Ray John Cowan and Don McDaniels returned last week from a four weeks' trip which took them through the southwest as far as Shreveport, Louisiana, then up to Kansas, on to Denver and home. The boys also visited in Arizona and New Mexico and went into old Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Miller and children, Carol Ann and Dickie, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Becker, Sunday. Miller is a nephew of Becker.

Tillicum study club met Wednesday, Dec. 11, at the home of Mrs. Fred Shepard, with Mrs. Margaret McGuire the assistant hostess for the noon luncheon. Two guests, Mrs. J. P. Crawford and Miss Fay Crawford of Bend, were present at the meeting which was attended by 22 ladies. Mrs. Mary Umbarger and Mrs. Margaret McGuire were new members recently voted into the club. Following a

Uncharted Range Found In Ocean

Aboard U. S. S. Mount Olympus With Byrd Expedition, Dec. 21 (AP) — Rear Adm. Richard E. Byrd's antarctic expedition steamed on toward the south pole Thursday with one discovery already to its credit—an uncharted mountain range on the floor of the Pacific.

Sounding equipment aboard the vessels located the underwater land mass while Byrd's "operation highjump" task force was moving through the temperate zone 1800 miles west of the South American coast.

Navigation experts estimated that the range rose more than two miles from the ocean floor, was roughly 15 miles wide and probably more than 30 miles in length. At its peak, the underwater mass was only 990 feet below the surface of the ocean.

Nearest Isle Distant
The exact location of the land mass was given at 26 degrees south latitude, 101 degrees west longitude.

The nearest point of land is little-known Salay Gomez island, which is some 1600 miles off the coast of Chile. The island itself is about 256 miles southwest of the underwater range.

AIR RECORD SET
Los Angeles, Dec. 21 (AP) — American airlines has claimed a new unofficial speed record of 421 miles an hour for commercial planes.

A DC-6 completed an Oklahoma flight test of 119 miles Thursday from Oklahoma City to Tulsa in 17 minutes officials said.

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Small Boy Dies Under Bus Wheel

Houston, Me., Dec. 21 (AP) — The Christmas shopping trip of three-year-old Dennis Nason ended in tragedy.

He was very excited Wednesday when he and his mother boarded a bus and he found that it was the one driven by his father.

When they got off, the boy told his father "I'm going to see Santa Claus, now."

His mother stooped to tuck his gloves as he stood on the curb. The bus started up. The boy slipped on the icy curb and was crushed to death by the rear wheel of the bus.

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business session, Mrs. W. D. Collins was in charge of the program which was on Christmas art. Prints of famous paintings were on display for the program. A gift exchange followed the program.

Mrs. H. A. Scoggin will be hostess to the Tillicum club in January, January 2 the club members will entertain their husbands at a New Year's party at the Carl Baker home.

Mrs. Fred Shepard accompanied her daughter, Joan, and Georgia Franks, to The Dalles Friday, where the girls attended a district meeting on Saturday of the Future Homemakers of America. C. I. Dunlap has engaged Glen Davis to remodel his house, work to commence at once.

E. A. Crawford has just completed building one of the finest stock trailers in the country.

Mrs. E. W. Putnam has accepted the chairmanship of the home economics club of Tumalo grange. Tumalo Christian Endeavor group will present a sacred program at the hall Sunday evening, December 22, to which the public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Glass who have lived in the community for the past two seasons, plan to return to the North Unit at Madras next month. Glass's land will not have water for another year, and while waiting for the water, he has raised two crops of potatoes here.

You'd Be Surprised!

THE CUSTOM OF GIVING PRESENTS ON CHRISTMAS IS NOT COMMON TO ALL CHRISTIAN COUNTRIES!

(In France, for example, children's gifts are distributed on New Year's Eve. The custom also varies throughout Mexico, Central America, and South America. — Encyclopedia Americana, Vol. 3, p. 442.)

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