

# PRODUCTION OF FOOD AT HIGH LEVELS

By WILLIAM FERRIS  
CHICAGO, Dec. 18 (AP)—America entered its war against the axis powers with production of nearly all types of food at or near record levels, a survey of grain, dairy products and livestock showed today. In many cases, output next year is expected to be substantially higher than in 1941.

America's great Central plains, richest productive area in the world, have presented the country with bountiful grain harvests in recent years—more, in fact, than the country could export or consume, and there is a large surplus of wheat, corn, oats and other cereals.

Dairy states are shattering all previous production records with scientific feeding and care, stepping up output of milk per cow and eggs per hen. Milk, cheese, butter and eggs—vital commodities for a nation at war—flow from farms in an unprecedented stream.

Large numbers of hogs, cattle and sheep—the meat in America's diet—are being fattened on farms and ranches. Producers are particularly anxious to put weight on swine, and the average hog coming to market today is a much chubbier fellow than his predecessor of a year ago.

Reduced to statistics, America's food wealth shapes up in this fashion:

Wheat production this year is estimated by the government at 961,194,000 bushels against last year's 816,698,000. Corn output is expected to total 2,675,373,000 bushels against 2,449,200,000 and oats 1,138,843,000 against 1,235,628,000.

Even these figures however, do not represent America's grain wealth accurately because of a carry-over of unused grain from previous years. On July 1, this amounted to 387,000,000 bushels of wheat and 219,000,000 bushels of oats and on Oct. 1 there were 632,000,000 bushels of corn in this carry-over.

On dairy and poultry farms, hens and cows appear to have signed up for the duration. They are giving mightily to the victory program.

Egg output in the first 10 months was 4 per cent over 1940 and at a new record for the period. Production next year is estimated at 10 per cent above 1941. Milk production this year is expected to exceed the previous record by about 5,000,000 pounds. Next year's goal is set even higher.

## SUPPORT PLEDGED BY AFL COUNCIL

The Klamath Basin district council of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL) has pledged its full support to the country and President Roosevelt in the war effort, it was revealed Friday.

In a resolution passed at the last meeting of the council it was moved that the "loyal sons and daughters of the American Federation of Labor are the loyal sons and daughters of the United States of America and in this hour we pledge our all to this nation that we love and that has proved that it loves its people."

The resolution further stated that the council "pledges its full support to the president of the United States who, we believe, did everything possible to keep us out of war, and to the governor of Oregon."

*Brandy satisfaction*

Eight-Forty Brandy is proof... that good brandy need not be expensive!



**ROMA PROOF**

**EIGHT-FORTY CALIFORNIA GRAPE BRANDY**

PINTS \$1.05  
FIFTHS \$1.65

ROMA WINE COMPANY, Inc.  
FINE WINE, CALIFORNIA

## Commander Kimmel



Rear Admiral Husband Kimmel, above, has been relieved of command of the U. S. fleet and replaced by Admiral Chester V. Nimitz, the navy department announced Wednesday.

## JURY SELECTED IN CITY'S LAND SUIT

A jury was selected Thursday for the trial of the condemnation suit brought by the city of Klamath Falls against C. H. Kelly and J. F. Kelly, owners of land wanted for municipal airport expansion. Circuit Judge Ralph Hamilton of Bend is sitting on this case.

Members of the jury are Levi McDonald, Perry Wilson, Byron Teed, Lewis Kalina, Bert R. Albert, Arthur W. Porter, Nelson Reed, John C. Hartzler, August W. Nieman, J. C. Wright, George R. Lindley and Ralph B. Eatherton.

The city offered the Kelly brothers \$2752.50 for the 36.7 acres of land and they countered with a claim for \$14,037.50.

H. E. Perkins is representing the city and J. H. Carnahan is attorney for Kelly brothers.

## COPCO LINES IN AREA REPAIRED

California Oregon Power company lines which were temporarily out of service due to Tuesday's and Wednesday's storms have all been repaired and are again in operation, company officials said Thursday.

## F. R. Cites Flier As Hero in Note To Successor

(Continued from Page One) struggle which was thrust upon us by the perfidy of a professed friend.

"In the conviction that the service and example of Captain Colin P. Kelly Jr., will be long remembered, I ask this consideration in behalf of Colin P. Kelly, III."

It was the second time in as many days that the president has cited the heroism of the army aviator.

Addressing the labor-industry conference to curb war-time strikes yesterday, he applied the word "must" to them as individuals in urging a quick agreement, and added:

"A boy, the other day, was out in a plane. The government did not tell him he had to dive on a battleship and lose his life. That was his 'must'; his own personal 'must.' There was nothing in his orders that told he had to dive his plane into a Japanese battleship. That was young Kelly's own personal 'must.'"

## President Signs Big Appropriation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP)—President Roosevelt today signed into law the bill carrying \$10,077,000 in appropriations and contract authority to expand the already huge production program for the army and navy.

The measure, providing funds for huge increases in ordnance equipment, essential supplies for an army of 2,000,000 men, and funds and contract authority for 800 naval patrol vessels, reached the White House only late yesterday.

It provides \$9,283,000,000 in cash and \$794,000,000 in contract authority.

The Hoangho, with a length of 2600 miles, is the eighth longest river in the world.

Read the Classified page.

# NEW HAWAII COMMANDERS TAKE CHARGE

(Continued from Page One)

and Major General Henry H. Arnold, chief of the army air forces, were added to a list which, in its first announcement, included Secretary of War Stimson, Secretary of Navy Knox, General George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, and Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations.

Nimitz, a forceful Texan and proud of it, was ordered to sea from his post as chief of the bureau of navigation, where he was rated in service circles as second only to Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of naval operations.

Able in Action  
By reputation a man able and sure in action, Nimitz succeeds Admiral Husband E. Kimmel, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, who with two other top-ranking officers of the Hawaiian area was relieved of command, pending the outcome of the investigation which President Roosevelt ordered on the Pearl Harbor sneak attack.

The navy and war departments acted simultaneously last night in removing the officers whose responsibility for the lack of alert preparedness will be subject to examination by the president's investigating board.

Army Shakeup  
Kimmel was the only navy man affected. The army relieved Lieutenant General Walter C. Short of command of the Hawaiian military department, and Major General Frederick L. Martin of command of the air forces in Hawaii.

Lieutenant General Delos C. Emmons of the air combat force already has reached Honolulu and replaced Short. General C. L. Tinker, of the air corps, is en route to take over the air command.

The appointment of Emmons marks the second time the army has given the top command of a vitally important military department to an air force man. The first instance was when Lieutenant General Frank M. Andrews was put in charge of the Caribbean area defenses.

Secretary of War Stimson said the task of the new Hawaiian commanders was "to expedite the reorganization of the air defenses in the islands" and he concurred in the preliminary report of Navy Secretary Knox that "the United States services were not on the alert" when Japan struck at Pearl Harbor.

Neither the war nor the navy department undertook to pass judgment on the superseded officers. Stimson explained that the army's action was taken to avoid "a situation where the officials charged with responsibility for the future security of this vital naval base would otherwise at this critical hour also be involved in the searching investigation" ordered Tuesday by President Roosevelt.

## Snow Ties Up Highway Traffic in Chemult Area

Heavy snows in mountain areas tied up traffic in the Chemult district, according to more than one motorist held overnight at the little town on the Dalles-California highway. Snow fell so fast that the huge snow-goes and plows were unable to keep the roadway open and 300 travelers were forced to spend the night there. Fifty beds were made available, it was said.

Leon N. Lefebvre, Portland businessman, said that at least "150 cars were piled up at the foot of Sun mountain, including a large busload of passengers en route north."

Communications to the north were down and state highway offices were unable to supply any figures. It is thought that several feet of snow fell.

Minimum temperature in Klamath Falls was 32 degrees, the US weather bureau reported. The storm since 8 a. m. Wednesday to 8 a. m. Thursday brought the precipitation figure up .60 of an inch, making a total for the stream year to 5.07 inches. Normal is 3.74 inches.

## Invaders Shoved Back at Vigan On Luzon Isle

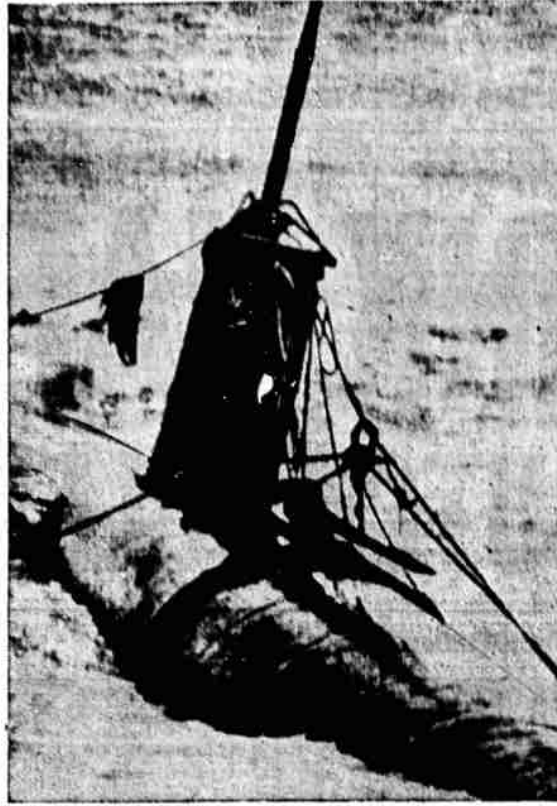
(Continued from Page One) hardly been seen, apparently having developed a respect for American anti-aircraft fire.

Bombs fell on Nichols and Zablan fields but caused light damage, a communique said, and no casualties were reported.

"Enemy activity today has been confined to the air," said the afternoon U. S. communique.

The communique also announced amalgamation of the entire Philippine army with the United States army in the far east.

## Closeup View of Japan's Sea Hornet



This first picture, an official navy photo shows a closeup of Japan's new submarine type, one of the small submarines used in the Hawaiian attack. It is operated by two men, and this was beached by U. S. defenders.

# TURNING POINT LOOMS AS AXIS FACES DEFEAT

(Continued from Page One)

... (Libya) are now in full retreat... The enemy front has everywhere been broken... Yesterday our troops relentlessly pursued the enemy for a distance of nearly 30 miles...

Near End  
Thus, in staccato sentences, the British command foretold the apparent beginning of the end of the African campaign, while on the Russian front, the story of axis disaster was even greater.

Premier Joseph Stalin was quoted as describing the ill-clad, fleeing Germans as "resembling the forces of Napoleon" in the bloody retreat from Moscow in 1812.

Havas (French News agency) dispatches said the German withdrawal in the Ukraine had brought the great industrial city of Kharkov, the "Russian Pittsburgh" in the battle zone once more, and on the central front, Russian cavalrymen were reported to have chased German troops to within 19 miles of Orel, 200 miles south of Moscow.

Everywhere along the 1200-mile front from Leningrad to the southernmost Ukraine, the Germans were declared to be falling back in a retreat unparalleled since Hitler sent his armies smashing through Belgium, Holland and France more than 18 months ago.

## MARSHALL APPEALS FOR LOWER DRAFT

(Continued from Page One)

strength, bringing to 1,840,934 the total for whom appropriations were made. It also included funds for 27,095 additional commissioned officers and 5765 more warrant officers.)

Stimson also announced: All reserve officers not yet called to active duty have been ordered to take physical examinations, but he said this step did not mean they necessarily would be called out immediately.

After Jan. 1 all graduates of officer candidate schools will be ordered to duty immediately. Previously those so desiring have been awarded certificates of capacity and permitted to return to their former enlisted ranks.

Commanders of the four air force interceptor commands in the United States have been charged with ordering blackouts, air raid alarms, all clear signals and silencing radio signals.

## January 5 Set For Arbitration Meet in Weed

January 5 has been set as the date for a meeting in Weed, Calif., of a department of labor arbitration board which will make recommendations for a final settlement of the recent Long-Bell Lumber company strike, it was disclosed Thursday.

The same three-man panel which earlier attempted to end the shutdown will compose the January group.

Both Long-Bell and the Lumber and Sawmill Workers union (AFL) have agreed to be bound by the findings of the board.

# REFUNDS SENT BY ASSESSOR TO TAXPAYERS

Refunds on personal property taxes collected by the assessor's office last summer, running into generous sums, were received this week by Klamath taxpayers.

County Assessor Charles H. Mack said the total collected on unsecured personal property taxes was \$29,031.77, and the refund amounted in aggregate to \$11,843.91.

Size of the refunds is explained by the fact that in 1942 a new fiscal year law goes into effect and budgets are being figured on a half-year basis for that year.

The assessor, making his collections last summer, had no way of knowing the tax rates for 1942, and therefore based the personal property taxes on the 1941 rate for 12 months. When the budgets were made up on the half year basis, it was possible for Mack to make refunds of all excess collections.

After July 1 of 1942, all public financial operations will go back on a 12-months basis, extending from July 1 to June 30, inclusive.

## WOMEN'S WORK IN DEFENSE STUDIED

Mrs. Saldie Orr-Dunbar, director of the board for the mobilization of women, will be here Friday, December 19 at 1:30 p. m. to meet with representatives of all women's clubs and organizations in Klamath and Lake counties in preparation for the taking of an inventory of the "woman power" available for defense purposes.

This meeting is to be held at the Elks temple, Third and Main streets, and all groups are asked to be represented, also any interested person is welcome.

## Air Force Head Reported Lost On Hop West

(Continued from Page One)

Fort Collins, Colo. Last home address, Twin Falls, Idaho.

General Dargue, whose headquarters are at Mitchell field, Long Island, took off from Phoenix, Ariz., at 5:35 p. m., Friday, December 12, for Hamilton field, Calif.

Stimson said the 55-year-old general was on an inspection flight. The route was by way of Blythe, Calif., and the ship was checked there about 6:50 p. m. the same evening. Dargue requested permission to change his flight plan to permit him to fly by way of Palmdale.

The war department said the plane had passed safely over the rugged San Bernardino and San Jacinto mountains, between Blythe and Palmdale, and apparently was flying northwestward up the San Joaquin valley, with generally clear skies north through the valley. Rain, at times heavy, was falling along the coast, however.

March field and Fourth air force headquarters had no immediate comment on the disappearance or the search.

## Australians Bomb Japanese Island

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 18 (AP)—Australian planes have successfully bombed Japanese installations on Greenwhich island, a communicque announced tonight.

The island is one degree north of the equator and is the southernmost of the Japanese mandated Caroline group in the Pacific.

## BUY TICKETS NOW For the GALA NEW YEAR'S EVE MIDNIGHT SHOW

Wednesday, Dec. 31st  
Doors Open 11:30 P. M.  
Show at 12 Midnight

FREE! NOISEMAKERS SERPENTINE BALLOONS HORNS

TO EVERYONE! LAUGH THE OLD YEAR OUT! SCREAM THE NEW YEAR IN!

A Great Screen Show Just Made to Make You Happy and Gay!

ESQUIRE

## Editorials on News

(Continued from Page One)

leadership willingly and intelligently.

Remember that in the present emergency civilian leadership is being provided by your state and county defense councils. Be tolerant of mistakes they may make in the beginning. Give them all the help you can.

## SCHOOL VACATION TO BEGIN MONDAY

City and county school children, including Klamath Union high school students, will have one week's vacation starting Monday, December 22, and continuing until Monday, December 29. They will then resume their studies having one day off for New Year's day.

In class rooms on Friday there will be Christmas programs and treats for the children.

Students of Sacred Heart academy will continue their studies until Tuesday afternoon, December 23. They will not return to school until the Monday after New Year's day, or January 5. On Tuesday morning they will enjoy the annual Christmas party, tree and treats.

## MERRYMAN WINS IN HIGH COURT

Former Circuit Judge Edward B. Ashurst has been affirmed by the state supreme court in the case of Harold Merryman versus the Colonial Realty company, it was learned Thursday.

Judge Ashurst found for Merryman in the case, involving 130 acres of land in the Spring Lake district.

The Colonial Realty company and Merryman owned land in the same general district. Litigation with the government developed over the land, and, according to Merryman, he lumped his land with that of the Colonial company for purposes of the litigation. Later, he alleged, the company refused to give it back.

Merryman sued and won in the lower court, and the decision has now been affirmed by the supreme court. Merryman was represented by Evan Reames of Medford.

## 300 Auto Stickers Purchased Here Since Monday

Over 300 temporary automobile license stickers have been purchased since Monday by Klamath Falls drivers in the sheriff's office in the courthouse basement. This number is practically identical with last year's figures and the big rush is anticipated for December 30 and 31. Last year, approximately 700 licenses were sold each of the last two days.

## Machine Workers Enjoy Annual Employe Party

Employees of the Klamath Machine and Locomotive works had their annual party in the Pelican party room Wednesday evening. About 80 attended.

The party began with a steak dinner at 6:30. There was an entertainment program provided by the Buzaid orchestra with singers and dancers and dancing followed for the guests.

## Now Playing Complete Shows 2-7-9

LIVE... LAUGH... AND LOVE!

You'll live... you'll love... you'll laugh... with the most amazing people you've ever met

Fred MacMURRAY  
Mary MARTIN  
Robert PRESTON

NEW YORK TOWN

Posture at 8:10 - 11:00 - 8:15  
TED LEWIS MUSICAL  
GLIMPSES OF FLORIDA  
MICKY MOUSE CARTOON  
PARAMOUNT NEWS

TO EVERYONE! LAUGH THE OLD YEAR OUT! SCREAM THE NEW YEAR IN!

ESQUIRE

# NEW ATTACKS THREATEN TO TAKE PENANG

(Continued from Page One)

The island was still believed to be in British hands although the Japanese were moving into adjacent mainland areas in Kedah after the defenders fell back to reorganize their positions.

Within the curve of the Japanese arc of offensive lie the Philippine islands and to their northwest the important but isolated contest for Hongkong, where Britain's chief hope was a reportedly growing Chinese offensive at the rear and on the flank of the Japanese besiegers.

The latest direct word from Hongkong was that of Governor Sir Mark Young, who telegraphed London, "We are going to hold on."

## Suburban League Christmas Party Scheduled Friday

The Suburban league will hold a Christmas party for residents of the Klamath suburbs Friday night at Shasta school.

All residents of the suburban area, whether members of the league or not, are invited to bring their children and enjoy the entertainment. An extensive program has been arranged, according to Everett Metler, president of the league.

The party will begin at 8 p. m. and there will be no charge.

## SUICIDE

PORTLAND, Dec. 18 (AP)—The coroner reported that Alexander P. Roub, 42, city policeman, committed suicide last night by shooting himself through the forehead. He was in ill health. The widow and a son survive.

Looking for Bargains? Turn to the Classified page

SHOWS TONIGHT AT 7 & 9

**5 TOWER**

Hurry! Hurry!  
LAST DAY!  
UNPARALLELED... in the world of human tenacity!

**TOWER OF LONDON**

Basil RATHBONE

at 7:10 and 10:41

2ND ACE HIT!

**ARNOLD**

Silver Gold

At 9:00 Tonight

**NEW TOMORROW!**

ON OUR STAGE  
At 8:40 P. M.  
A YULE TIDE STAGE REVUE  
featuring students at Isa Doroh Moldovan Dancing Academy

ON THE SCREEN—  
WAKE UP AMERICA!

THESE FACTS ARE TRUE!  
THEY'RE TAKEN FROM THE COURT RECORDS OF THE GREATEST CITY IN THE WORLD!  
See this great case declared OFFICIAL LAW OF THE CITY!

**RACKET BUSTERS**

THE HURPHY BOAT  
GEORGE BOYNT  
ALLEN FEATHERS

1st  
2nd  
3rd

JOE PENNER  
MARTHA RAYE

**BOYS FROM SYRACUSE**

BRANDY... the most amazing people you've ever met

ESQUIRE

ESQUIRE