

# TRAPPERS ASK LONGER SEASON FOR MUSKRATS

TULELAKE—With only fifty per cent of the annual normal muskrat catch in the hands of local trappers due to the long cold winter and ice accumulation on the lake an extension of the trapping period is asked by the Northern California Trappers association. The request, forwarded to the California fish and game department is favored also by the Tulelake-Butte Valley Sportsmen's association and the bureau of reclamation.

The 15 day extension will reduce the muskrat population here sufficiently to prevent extensive damage to drains and irrigation ditches during the next few months.

Rats at the present time according to Bernard C. Schultz, president of the Trapper's association, are leaving water areas and are traveling overland to new locations and unless trapped will scatter to all parts of the basin in larger numbers than ever before. The animals are more numerous than in other years and unless more are taken a new crop of young will boost the population to a new high before another trapping season.

Early indications were that 36 trappers operating on the lake could take 1000 rats each, but with the continuing cold weather the number of those who kept trap lines open dropped to 12. With the return of better weather the take was raised to 2000 and the number of trappers has increased slightly. Only trapper to take his quota of 2000 was Lester Pring, Tulelake.

Prices according to Schultz who returned Friday from Portland and Seattle are excellent. Prime skins bring \$2.00 each. Quality of the fur taken this year is also first class and the market is holding steady. No large surpluses are evident.

Quality of furs taken until April 1 would not be effected by the lateness of the season.

Fifty per cent of the local catch is taken by the federal government in return for trapping privileges and furs taken here this season have as yet not been marketed by the government according to reports. Too few rats have been taken to date to warrant an auction and trappers are selling individually.

## INVESTIGATION OF AP SUIT ASKED

WASHINGTON, March 8 (AP)—Rep. Harness (R-Ind.) asked the rules committee today for clearance on his resolution calling for a house committee investigation of circumstances surrounding the government's suit against the Associated Press, charging violation of anti-trust laws.

Harness wrote Chairman Sabbath (D-Ill.) of the rules committee that circumstances in the action "so directly touched the constitutional guarantee of a free press that they should quite properly" be investigated immediately.

The government suit, charging that the Associated Press was a monopoly, sought an order directing it to open membership rolls to any newspaper willing to pay its proportionate share of the cost of gathering news.

The Associated Press, non-profit cooperative news-gathering organization, asserted in its answer that "a free press requires that newspapers shall be free to collect and distribute news . . . and that they shall be free to choose their associates in so doing."

## MARATHON DANCE

ST. LOUIS—The De Soto hotel guests smiled approvingly as the laughing couples entered the hotel's ballroom to dance Saturday night.

They frowned in bewilderment as cheerful couples, apparently as fresh as ever, swung about on the ballroom floor Sunday morning. They threw their hands up in an "I-give-up" attitude when the dance was still going strong that afternoon. Then came the explanation.

The dance was sponsored by the AFL Machinists' union for all war workers on all shifts. . . . It was a three-shift dance lasting 20 hours. Five orchestras played—also by shifts.

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# Midland Empire News

## Langell Valley

Mrs. Mike Dearborn visited on Sunday with Mrs. Reg Thomas and family.

Mrs. Elliott House spent last week at Medford with Mr. and Mrs. Irwin House.

Mrs. Frank Pepple and son Bob spent Wednesday in Klamath Falls and visited her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Olive Pepple and Katie Pepple.

Olive Pepple has been ill with influenza.

Mrs. Mary Dearborn spent several days last week with her son Albert and family.

Staff Sergeant W. E. House has been in the hospital at his station at Deming, N. M., suffering from arthritis.

Mrs. Myrtle Johnson spent Thursday with Mrs. Madge Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bramwell

## Spring Lake

Alvin Cheyne and Charles Drew returned a few days ago from a trip below Red Bluff where they put their cattle in pasture. While there they attended the bull sale at Red Bluff. The best bull sold for \$2100.

Among the visitors at the C. H. Young home this week were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grey, Lawrence and Myrtle Grey, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dutton from Midland, Mrs. Jerry Miller and Mrs. Anderson from Tulelake, Mr. and Mrs. Art Schriver, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bronduky, and Alvin Cheyne.

Eddie Young, Al Karger and Walter Ziemenzuk who spent several days at their homes have returned to Portland where they are working as welders in the Kaiser ship yards on Swan Island.

Miss Dolores Gill from Portland spent several days at the Ziemenzuk home.

The next few days will see the last of the potato sorting in this district.

Many of the children and a few older folks have been having mumps.

The roads are much better and the school buses are again making their regular route. For about ten days Jim Bunnell took most of the children from this district to and from school.

Ed Huffman has completed a new brooder house.

Mrs. Rose Burnett, Pearl Burnett, Katherine Burnett, Mary Havilin, Jimmie Hickman and Donnie Havilin spent Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. H. Young.

Among the farmers of Spring Lake who attended the irrigation meeting at the court house Friday were J. A. Bunnell, George Lamb, Ted Albert and many others. They were very well satisfied with the meeting as the county agreed to bring in a drag line and clean out the main ditch. Mr. Bunnell is to get a new ditch through his place.

Owing to the increased production of farm products, the irrigation system is one of the most important factors in farm production.

## NAVY GETS 80,000 ACRES OF NW LAND

WASHINGTON, March 8 (AP)—Nearly 80,000 acres of Pacific northwest land was acquired by the navy between July 1, 1940, and January 5, 1943, said Representative Maas (R-Minn.) during consideration of the navy public works bill (HR 1692).

A total of \$7,430,136.36 was deposited in payment for the 38 pieces of land, ranging in size from 16 hundredths of an acre to 66,666.89 acres, in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Utah.

The following sites were included: Oregon—Tongue Point N.A.S. 141.45 acres, \$12,852 (deficiency \$24,475); Portland plant expansion, 13.04 acres, \$65,200 (deficit \$24,800); Tongue Point addition 7.68 acres, \$12,852; Tillamook L.T.A. station 1596.07 acres, \$263,891.

## City-Owned Power Tax Bill Approved

SALEM, March 8 (AP)—The bill to compel city-owned power systems to pay a 3 per cent gross revenue tax was in Governor Snell's hands today, having won unanimous approval by both houses of the legislature.

The bill is a compromise for the Lane county delegation's bill to compel the city systems to pay property taxes.

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## Moving Day on Guadalcanal



With the Army on the job, U. S. Marines load up and leave Guadalcanal on the same barges that brought them, and from the very spot where they made first landings.

## Jo Lust, Louise Howie Win Honors At Armstrong School

The highest honor which can be awarded to an undergraduate student of Armstrong college in Berkeley, Calif., was given to Louise Howie, daughter of Mr.

to Eleanor Jo Lust, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Lust. This honor is membership in the Alpha Sigma Rho honor society.

Both girls are graduates of Klamath Union high school and are enrolled in the private secretarial course at Armstrong college. Miss Howie and Miss Lust have taken an active part in stu-

dent affairs and are members of the Dean's list.

Largest crowds at zoos are attracted by monkey's yet they are more like man than any other creature.

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## AG MEN OKAY SLICED BREAD FOR HOME USE

WASHINGTON, March 8 (AP)—The Agriculture department today agreed to remove restrictions on baker's slicing of bread for home use, it was learned authoritatively.

The action was taken after the paper and wax situation improved, it was said, and following consultation between agriculture department officials and the war production board.

Formal announcement of the removal of the ban is expected later today.

It was explained the ban was ordered primarily because of the paper and wax situation, sliced bread requiring a greater quantity of wax to keep it from drying out.

The ban went into effect January 18, applying to all bread. However, it subsequently was amended to exclude certain commercial types of bread.

Bakers were understood to have appealed the ban.

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