

# Department Gives Crop Estimates For Nation in 1944

WASHINGTON, July 10 (AP)—The agriculture department today forecast this year's corn crop at 1,126,117,000 bushels and the wheat crop at 1,132,105,000 bushels.

The corn estimate compared with a forecast of 2,980,136,000 bushels a month ago.

This year's crop was 3,076,000 bushels and the average production in the ten years preceding it was 3,369,384,000 bushels. The record corn crop was 4,184,000 bushels in 1942.

The wheat crop estimate is a record. A month ago

## WULP NEEDS ADVANCE TO NEW POINT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (AP)—Military requirements for pulpwood production are expected to rise even further, says the department today.

The pulp and paper industry is making explosives and ammunition in the third quarter of 1944 as in the first quarter, declared. Present estimates are that fourth-quarter demands will continue upward. Also increasing are military demands for pulpwood for making high-explosive rayon for tires, and for overseas packaging.

The result of these developments and of the near depletion of pulpwood and pulp stocks in 1944, said Boeschstein, is that the pulp and paper industry is operating on a "hand-to-mouth" basis.

He said pulpwood production and waste paper collections substantially increased in the first half of 1944, but not enough to meet the soaring demands.

"If anything went wrong with pulpwood production," he said, production of paper would drop quickly below actual needs, because mills now are receiving pulpwood at a rate approximately equal to the current level of requirements.

## 29 PRODUCTION NEEDS WORKERS

SEATTLE, Aug. 11 (AP)—Production of B-29 Superfortresses, the Boeing company's Renton plant, was listed today as an industry in vital need of additional workers.

Brig. Gen. D. F. Stace, commanding the western procurement division of the material command, army air forces, issued the following statement:

"I want to emphasize to all Pacific coast aircraft plants, their subcontractors and vendors and all their employees—the workers on the production front—that the element from Washington commands the fact that there is in respect to threat to their jobs.

"The material command needs every airplane that can be produced by Pacific coast plants. Our schedules out here, projected into the future, call for 90 per cent utilization of the production facilities of the seven aircraft companies in Washington and California."

## Workers in State School Receive Salary Boosts

SALEM, Aug. 11 (AP)—Employees of the state school for the deaf here had salary increases today of \$5 to \$20 a month each, the raises being awarded by the state board of control to meet increased living costs. The increases total \$400 a month.

A request that prison guards who do not live at the penitentiary be given an additional \$25 a month was made by Warden George Alexander, the board taking it under advisement. Guards receive \$100 a month minimum plus board and room, but no additional compensation is given them if they provide their own board and room.

production was estimated at 1,127,822,000 bushels. Last year the crop was 836,208,000 bushels, and the ten-year average is 760,199,000 bushels.

Winter wheat production is estimated at 780,124,000 bushels, compared with 703,086,000 a month ago, 529,600,000 last year, and a ten-year average of 570,765,000.

The spring wheat crop is estimated at 345,981,000 bushels, compared with 334,736,000 a month ago, 306,692,000 last year, and 189,524,000, the ten-year average.

Durum wheat, included in spring wheat, is estimated at 36,090,000 bushels, compared with 30,051,000 a month ago, 36,204,000 last year, and 27,413,000 the ten-year average.

The indicated oats crop is 1,187,309,000 bushels, compared with a forecast of 1,183,236,000 a month ago, 1,143,867,000 last year and a ten-year average of 1,028,280,000.

The potato crop is indicated as 385,295,000 bushels, compared with 399,116,000 a month ago, 464,656,000 last year, and 362,912,000, the ten-year average.

Tobacco production is indicated as 1,610,498,000 pounds, compared with 1,484,494,000 indicated a month ago, 1,390,935,000 last year, and a ten-year average of 1,388,967,000.

The production of other crops indicated from their condition August 1, with comparative figures for a month ago, and production last year, follows:

Barley, 283,703,000 bu., compared with 301,811,000 a month ago, and 322,187,000 last year.

Rye, 27,565,000 bu., 29,362,000 and 30,781,000.

Buckwheat, 9,045,000 bu.; blank and 8,830,000.

Flaxseed, 26,462,000 bu.; 26,541,000 and 52,008,000.

Rice, 68,858,000 bu.; 70,052,000 and 70,025,000.

Sorghums for grain, 147,084,000 bu.; blank and 103,168,000.

Hay (all tame), 83,453,000 tons; 85,524,000 and 87,264,000.

Beans (dry edible), 19,754,000 bags of 100 lbs.; 19,358,000 and 21,123,000.

Soybeans (for beans), 178,558,000 bu.; blank and 195,762,000.

Peanuts, 2,331,895,000 lbs.; blank and 2,199,960,000.

Sweet potatoes, 65,253,000 bu.; 66,393,000 and 72,572,000.

Sugar cane (for sugar and seed), 6,166,000 tons; 7,227,000 and 6,522,000.

Hops, 48,430,000 lbs.; 48,960,000 and 42,297,000.

Apples, 125,643,000 bu.; 122,268,000 and 89,050,000.

Peaches, 71,316,000 bu.; 69,201,000 and 42,180,000.

Pears, 22,410,000 bu.; 27,733,000 and 24,585,000.

Grapes, 2,322,000 tons; 2,652,000 and 2,973,000.

Pecans, 132,763,000 bu.; blank and 128,049,000.

Sugar beets, 7,303,000 tons; 7,227,000; 8,522,000.

Truman Berg, former assistant manager at Sears Roebuck here, left recently for duty with the

# MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE



navy. He received a commission of lieutenant junior grade and is now attending school near Boston, Massachusetts.

Lt. Berg is with the supply division of the navy. He has been in Klamath Falls for the past three years. His wife and young son plan to remain here temporarily.

Crawling in shallow water along a beach in the South Pacific to reach a Japanese sniper who had inflicted numerous casualties on his troop won the Silver Star for Private Garvin P. Presler, a cavalryman, of Klamath Falls.

At the risk of his life, Pvt. Presler made his way along the beach in the shallow water until he reached a point where he could observe the sniper. He took accurate aim and felled the enemy, reducing casualties in his troop, aiding his comrades' advance.

Pvt. Presler, who is with the first cavalry division, received his training at the cavalry replacement training center at Fort Riley, Kansas. He is the son of Mrs. Josephine Presler of Rogue River.

AT A 12TH AAF BASE — Completing a 5000-mile flight from the United States to the Mediterranean area, Second Lieutenant James G. Gladwill, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Gladwill, reside at Fallon, Nev., has arrived overseas for combat duty.

Lieutenant Gladwill will serve as a pilot in a veteran B-25 Mitchell bomber squadron that has participated in the Tunisian, Sicilian and Italian campaigns. His squadron was the first medium bombardment unit to attack the Italian mainland, the first to operate from bases in Italy, the first to bomb the Balkans and played a major role in the recent offensive which paralyzed all enemy rail traffic.

Prior to entering the army air forces in January, 1943, Lt. Gladwill attended Malin high school.

Richard C. Colley Jr. is now in training at Camp Roberts, Calif. Richard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Colley of Keno. He attended school in Keno for several years. Young Colley left Klamath Falls to enter the army service July 13. He is in the infantry.

James Edward McHenry, aviation machinist's mate second class of 838 Walnut, Klamath Falls, has recently returned to this country after 11 months of action in the Pacific with navy air group 16. The pilots of air group 16 have accounted for 135 Japanese aircraft during the 11 months.

McHenry has participated in attacks on Tarawa, Wake, Kwajalein, Palu, Hollandia, Truk, Saipan, Guam and Woleai. He is a holder of the Air Medal.

Almost every member of the air group has shot down some enemy planes or scored direct bombing hits on enemy ships and ground installations, but

# NORTHWEST TO BE CENTER FOR HEAVY FREIGHT

SPOKANE, Aug. 11 (AP)—The Pacific northwest will become, in the next few months, the theater for the heaviest freight and passenger movements in the history of American railroading, Pres. H. A. Scandrett of the Milwaukee railroad said yesterday.

The big movement now is developing in lend-lease and war freight, he told a reporter, adding plans to expedite it with every resource of the railroads are ready.

Commenting on U. S. Attorney General Biddle's visit here yesterday, the chief of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific route said the department of justice "is the only department of government the railroads have not been able to work with in a highly cooperative way during this war."

Biddle said the department contemplated action against western railroads to halt "violations" of the Sherman anti-trust act.

Scandrett said he believed the situation would be "cleared up when all the facts are explored."

# STATE LEGION MEET ENTERS SECOND DAY

PORTLAND, Aug. 11 (AP)—The state American Legion convention entered its second day of conferences today, after hearing Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey declare that universal military training could make American boys "85 per cent healthy instead of 25 per cent."

The national selective service head recommended compulsory military training for 18-year-olds "to secure peace; to make our men mentally, morally and physically more complete, and to teach the solid fundamentals of democracy with military service as the great leveler."

"The necessary arrangements against the possibility of another war must be made now. With such a program I believe the rest of the world will choose to walk on the other side of the street."

Gov. Snell told the delegates of pending measures to help returning veterans, and E. C. Sammons, chairman of the Oregon war finance committee predicted "there is every possibility that we will have Germany out of the war long before Armistice Day of this year."

# Air Raid Warning System Change Eyed

SALEM, Aug. 11 (AP)—County defense coordinators of western Oregon met here yesterday with State Defense Administrator Jack Hayes to make changes in the air raid warning system.

Hayes said the changes were extensive, but they could not be disclosed.

all are agreed that their success was due to teamwork.

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