

# Pre-Pearl Harbor Plans Of Pacific Fleet For Scouting Gilbert Island Group Vetoed By Navy Department

By JACK BELL  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP)—Pre-Pearl Harbor plans of the Pacific fleet for scouting an island chain where the marines later had heavy losses were vetoed by the navy department, congressional investigators were informed today.

Admiral Husband E. Kimmel said he wanted to survey the Gilbert group which includes Tarawa, but Washington instructed him not to take fleet units "anywhere near" those islands in pre-war days.

Tarawa and other islands in the Gilberts were taken by U. S. amphibious forces in hard fighting during November, 1943, as the western offensive across the Central Pacific was launched. A British possession, the Gilberts were seized by the Japanese after the outbreak of the war and strongly fortified.

Kimmel said the reason given by the navy department for vetoing the projected survey was "that we should not give any interest in the Gilberts because the Japs might find out that we were interested."

**Testimony Examined**  
The former Pacific fleet commander's recital came to light as senate-house committee members examined testimony Kimmel gave in three previous inquiries as a prelude to his personal appearance before the congressional group next Tuesday.

Kimmel's testimony about the Gilberts was before an army inquiry board in 1944. Three years earlier he had complained to the Roberts commission that pre-Pearl Harbor intelligence he received from Washington was "ineffective and inaccurate."

In his testimony before the Roberts commission, Kimmel rated Japanese espionage in Honolulu excellent in comparison with the information he said he received from the navy department.

He mentioned that on December 19, 1941, the director of navy intelligence then Vice Admiral T. S. Wilkinson had issued a bulletin saying there were strong indications of a Japanese attack on Thailand, but that "major (Japanese) ship strength remains in home waters."

**Enemy En Route**  
Actually the enemy task force was then at sea en route to attack Pearl Harbor, previous evidence shows.

Kimmel said that from January 20, 1941 on he periodically received messages from Washington which indicated a "grave situation." The messages in the weeks just before the attack, he declared, appeared little different from earlier ones.

In his opinion, a study of correspondence would show the navy department did not expect an attack (on Hawaii) or that "hostilities were unduly imminent," he said, adding: "If the president, the state department and the navy department at any time gathered a more alarming viewpoint regarding possible Japanese military action against the fleet I was never so informed."

**Icy Roads Cause Minor Accidents**  
Portland, Jan. 12 (AP)—A series of minor accidents, many in or near Washington county, resulted from icy pavements in yesterday's fog and cold wave, state police said today.

## January 15 Tax Questions Answered By U. S. Experts

By J. W. MALONEY  
Collector of Internal Revenue, Portland, Ore.

1. If I am required at this time to make a declaration of estimated tax for 1945 (or amended declaration), when must it be filed? January 15. The tax due at this time must be paid in full.

2. Where do I file? At the office of the collector of internal revenue in your district. In this district, address your declaration to "Collector of Internal Revenue, Custom House, Portland, Ore."

3. Do I also have to file an income tax return by March 15? If you file your regular 1945 return on form 1040 by January 15, it will serve both as a declaration and as a return, and no further filing on your 1945 taxes will be necessary. However, if you file a declaration (form 1040-ES), you must also file your regular return not later than March 15.

4. Do I have to file an estimate for the new year, 1946? For 1946, the rules will be the same as last year. You will have to file a 1946 declaration if you expect wages subject to withholding to exceed \$5000 plus \$500 for every exemption except your own, or if you expect more than \$100 of other income (assuming your overall income is \$500 or more).

5. When do I file my 1946 estimate? March 15 if you are not a farmer; January 15, 1947, if you are a farmer. But do not confuse these dates with the deadline this January 15 for completing your 1945 estimates.

6. Suppose I don't want to change my 1945 estimate, but have an installment left to pay. When is it due? Also January 15. In this case, too, if you file your annual return by January 15, you may pay the amount called for by the return instead of the installment.

## Bosworth Gives Rotarians Picture Of AMG Activities

Harlan Bosworth Jr., who is in charge of public service works for the allied military government mission to the Netherlands, Friday gave the Rotary club a picture of AMG activities in relieving the armies of civilian administration and preventing disease and unrest.

Bosworth, a former president of the Klamath Falls Rotary club, was commissioned a major in September, 1942, and was promoted to lieutenant colonel before he left the Netherlands last November. He has just been released from service and has resumed his former position as district manager of Copco.

The AMG governed the Netherlands, a country twice the size of Klamath county containing nine million people, with the consent of the Dutch government in exile, Bosworth explained.

**Suffer Damage**  
The Netherlands suffered the worst damage of any country in western Europe, he said. During the last winter of the war 100,000 Hollanders died of starvation and 650,000 acres of land were flooded. More of the country was saved from flooding because the allied armies had bottled up Germans there.

One example to show the magnitude of the job done by AMG pumps with a potential capacity of 10 million U. S. gallons per minute were assembled for use in de-flooding Dutch lands.

**Main Problems**  
The main problems in working with the Dutch were to induce them to use modern American methods of construction and to adopt temporary expedients for the sake of speed, Bosworth reported.

When Bosworth had terminated his work in Holland last November, public utility facilities were sufficiently restored to keep the country going.

With the political problem of half a million Dutchmen charged with collaboration, and the economic problem of the loss of the Netherlands' four main sources of income—shipping, Rhine river traffic, European industrial investments and the colonies—"the future for the Netherlands presents a dim picture," Bosworth said.

He was introduced by Walt Beane, who was chairman of the day.

**Discount Offered On Pressure Canners**  
Owners of Victory model pressure canners may get a discount of one-half the purchase price of a new pre-war aluminum model pressure cooker, simply by returning the lid of their Victory canner to the manufacturer, provided the cooker was made by the company making this offer, according to work received by Mrs. Winnifred K. Gillen, Klamath county home demonstration agent.

The complete cover of the Victory canner should be returned to the manufacturer, shipping costs prepaid, and the cost of the new canner, half price, enclosed in a letter to the service department. More information for homemakers who would like to bring their canning equipment up-to-the-minute is available from Mrs. Gillen's office, room 208, Federal building.

## Flashes Of Life

**BAD NEWS**  
SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 12 (AP)—Stanley Hedrick, head bellman at a Spokane hotel asked the Oregon vital statistics department for a copy of his birth certificate so he could take out a life insurance policy.

But he figures the document sent him won't be much help. He received the proper statistics—recorded on a death certificate.

**CHIEF RECOMMENDS BUFFALO**  
SADDLE MOUNTAIN, Okla., Jan. 12 (AP)—The chief of the Kiowas—wearing the blue and gold of his army scout days with General Custer—will ride a horse and show his skill with the bow and arrow when he celebrates his 100th birthday Tuesday.

Chief Hunting Horse Jokingly attributes his long life to the annual buffalo barbecue which highlights the day of games.

"Eat buffalo every year," he says, "and you'll live along time like me."

## Klamath Basin Men Released From Service

More veterans are returning to the Klamath basin each day with honorable discharge from service with the armed forces. Among those most recently receiving their discharge certificates from the U. S. army are the following:

Sgt. Jesse A. High, Dorris, Calif. and S/Sgt. Charles Blake, Malin, discharged at the separation base in Camp Beale, Calif.; S/Sgt. Byron K. Diskin, Klamath Falls, discharged at Portland.

Discharges were issued at Fort Lewis, Wash., to William L. Lee, T/5, and Cpl. Delbert I. Ray, Merrill; S/Sgt. Charles R. Fanning, T/Sgt. Gerald J. Gordon, PFC. Axel D. Petersen, Alfred M. Thompson T/5, S/Sgt. Raymond K. Paxton, Pvt. Herbert C. Cook, Lakeview.

Pvt. Edward T. France, PFC. Jimmy D. Miller, Sgt. Elmer A. Seymour, Cpl. Ervin J. O'Neal, Bly. PFC. Wilbur W. Ferguson, Pvt. Howard L. Wade, PFC. Panther W. Reeves, Chiloquin. PFC. Richard L. Lane, Claude Crasner T/5, Bonanza.

Klamath Falls men: 1st/Sgt. Billie G. Dougan, Sgt. Harold W. Kasper, T/Sgt. Gene S. Revis, Pvt. Lloyd G. Reed, S/Sgt. Andrew W. McCullough, PFC. George B. Sanders, Walter S. Foster T/4, PFC. Louis B. Strid, M/Sgt. Sylvian V. Vick, Denver W. Decker.

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Cpl. Delmar N. Anning, Theo. W. Gelhaar T/5, Henry M. Mikkelsen T/5, PFC. Robert M. James, William J. Hall T/5, PFC. Earl R. Rambo, Mario Pisan T/5, Orville R. Huffman T/5, Roy E. Clark T/5, Harry H. Holton T/4, T/Sgt. Gerald M. Motechamber, James L. Sulton T/5, Harold A. Scherer T/4, S/Sgt. Frank E. Niles, Ira D. Walters T/5.

**DIES**  
ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Jan. 12 (AP)—Arthur H. McCullough died here Thursday night. He and his wife who was already dead, were found badly frozen in a cabin at Iliamna this week. No explanation of the tragedy has been obtained.

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## Fykerude Receives Bronze Star In Posthumous Award

Sgt. Norman L. Fykerude, at one time a Herald and News carrier, has received posthumous award of the Bronze Star decoration for heroic action October 6, 1944.

"On that date during the course of an enemy counter-attack, four American soldiers were trapped in foxholes when the walls caved in. Sgt. Fykerude was among soldiers who ignored heavy artillery barrage from enemy batteries and rushed to dig out the buried men, without cover or concealment. In full view of enemy positions they did not stop until rescue was completed." So the citation read.

The presentation was made at Fort Stevens to Sgt. Fykerude's 11-month-old daughter Lynn Marie.

Sgt. Fykerude lost his life on December 12, 1944, during heavy fighting in the Belgian Bulge. He was a member of the company A, 33rd armored engineer battalion.

He attended Fairview grade school in Klamath Falls and KUHS. He was a member of the Live Wire Sunday school class of the First Methodist church which presented him with a Bible. In 1933 he moved to Raymond with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kykerude.

His widow Arletha and his daughter also live in Raymond. His parents plan to return to this vicinity sometime this year.

## Fog Reported Road Hazard

SALEM, Jan. 12 (AP)—Fog was the worst highway hazard Saturday according to the state highway commission bulletin issued here. Fog was reported generally over the Willamette valley and in some sections of southern and eastern Oregon.

Conditions of the bulletin, which did not include Government Camp and Santiam junction, were:

Siskiyou summit—Roads in good condition with a few icy spots.

Klamath Falls—All roads sanded in good weather.

Odele lake—Total snow 103 inches with no new snow. Chains advised. One-way traffic between Oakridge and Summit.

Eugene—One-way traffic on the McKenzie highway at Blue-river bridge.

Astoria—One-way traffic on Oregon Coast highway near Manzanita. One-way traffic on Nehalem secondary at a slide east of Astoria.

John Day—One-way traffic north of Service creek.

Wilsonville Ferry—Opened Friday afternoon.

Burns—Packed snow on roads but all well sanded.

**ONCE OVER LIGHTLY**  
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 12 (AP)—A woman called The Desert News on the telephone and explained that on a crowded bus she accidentally brushed her lips against the shoulder of a man standing next to her, leaving a lipstick smudge on his light-colored overcoat.

"He seemed to be such a nice man," the voice said, "that I wouldn't want his wife to think there is another woman in his life. I do hope you'll explain that I'm awfully sorry about the lipstick, and I hope his wife reads the story."



Sgt. Norman L. Fykerude, who lost his life during the battle of the Belgian Bulge, has been awarded the Bronze Star.

## Hero's Award

## GOP Council Holds Meeting

Republican Women's Council of Oregon held a business meeting at luncheon in the Willard hotel dining room at noon Friday.

Frank Z. Howard, chairman of the republican central committee of Klamath county, was a guest and he outlined a number of projects in which the council could participate from now until after the completion of the congressional election in November this year.

Election of officers will be held this month. The date will be announced later. Those present were, Mrs. Walter Brown, chairman; Mrs. R. E. Wattenburg, secretary; Mrs. G. H. Merryman, treasurer of council No. 1, and Mrs. Robert Thompson, chairman; Mrs. Lloyd J. Goble, treasurer of council No. 2; Grace Wells, state advisory member and Frank Z. Howard.

## DRIVES MALES AWAY

Widows in New Guinea, during their lengthy periods of mourning, wear coconut shells filled with foul-smelling lard, hung about their necks. This is a warning to men that no marriage offers are wanted.

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## Lodge Installs New Officers

MERRILL—The officers of Merrill Rebekah lodge, No. 151, who will serve during the ensuing year were installed in regular meeting Monday, January 7, by Mrs. Geraldine Moore, deputy district president, assisted by Mrs. Eva Bowman, deputy marshal, four patriarch militants and four ladies of the auxiliary of Klamath Falls.

Installed were Mrs. Geraldine Cox, noble grand; Mrs. Mae Anderson, right supporter to the noble grand; Mrs. Pearl Harris, left supporter; Mrs. Sylvia Jones, vice grand; Mrs. Vivian Haskins, right supporter; Mrs. Ethel Hamilton, left supporter; Mrs. Mary Pope, recording secretary; Mrs. Anne Fruits, financial secretary; Mrs. Hazel McNeil, treasurer; Mrs. Dorothy Jensen, warden; Beth Robley, conductor; Ora Burkes and Marian Hummcutt, color bearers.

Lorraine Maharrey, inside guard; Edna Hancock, outside guard; Lena Buck, chaplain; Esther Geraghty, pianist.

**Committees**  
Serving on the various committees will be Mrs. Audrey Lewis and Mrs. Frances Andrews, finance; Mrs. Marian Hummcutt and Mrs. Hazel Dalton, flowers; Mrs. Leni Buck, press; Mrs. Eva Bowman, Mrs. Dovie Reeder and Mrs. Iva Kilpatrick, community; Mrs. Anne Fruits, Mrs. Hazel McNeil and Mrs. Mary Pope, condolence; Hazel Dalton, Geraldine Cox and Sylvia Jones, welcoming.

The retiring recording secretary, Mrs. Winnie Offield, who has held the office 16 years, was presented with a gift by the lodge. The organization meets twice a month and during those years, Mrs. Offield missed only 13 meetings.

Two candidates for initiation will be presented at the next meeting on January 21.

Mrs. Iva Kilpatrick, new drill captain, announced that drill practice is scheduled for Thursday evening, January 17, and anyone wishing to serve on the team is asked to be at the hall by 8 o'clock.

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## PTA Notes

The first meeting of 1946 for the Altamont PTA was held Tuesday, January 8, in the elementary gym. President Mrs. Ray Wanser was in charge.

The music department directed by Mrs. Luella Davison, presented the first grade, singing a group of nursery rhymes and "Little Teapot." The third grade sang "Oh Susanna" and "Old Folks at Home." One of the first grade boys, Neal Cujek, played two piano solos, "Sonatina" and "Elves in the Moonlight." Rev. Victor A. Schulze of the Zion Lutheran church was the speaker of the afternoon, "God Saved the Home" being his topic with special emphasis on the need of the home altar.

The business meeting was held following the program. A special fund of \$300 was set aside and approved to be held in the bank to assist in the improvement of the playgrounds of the two schools. Since PTA is sponsoring Brownie Scouts, \$25 were given to the Brownies this year. Immediately following the business meeting refreshments were served by the sixth grade room mothers.

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