

# USBR Crop Values Soar

BOISE, Ida., May 20 (AP)—Crops valued at \$223,235,236, highest on record, were produced last year on 15 federal reclamation projects in the Pacific Northwest, the bureau of reclamation's regional office reported Monday.

The average yield per acre also reached a new peak of \$120.18 as compared with \$114.55 in 1946. High price levels were credited with the record totals.

Returns were from 1,674,118 acres in Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Western Montana which receive full or supplemental water from reclamation facilities.

Major crops were hay and forage, vegetables, fruit, sugar beets and seeds.

The highest per-acre return was from the 3763-acre Okanogan project in North Central Washington with \$398.14.

Projects with the highest total gross returns included Yakima project, Washington, \$56,516 acres under cultivation, gross value \$71,678,587, and the Owyhee project, Oregon-Idaho, 105,615 acres, gross value \$14,175,999.

## Farm Labor Camp Burned To Ground

KENNEWICK, May 20 (AP)—Firemen have completed the task of burning down all outbuildings and shacks which dotted the farm labor camp on the banks of the Columbia river, Fire Chief Herb T. Malchow said Wednesday.

The area, which has housed some thirty "squatter" families, was or-



**15 Butter Samples Below Standard**  
SALEM, May 20 (AP)—The state department of agriculture said Wednesday it has made 40 tests this month of butter which was labeled grade A. And it found 15 of them should have been scored grade B.

In the March scoring, it tested 80 samples graded A, and found 18 of them really were grade B.

It said only two of the samples were low in butterfat content, compared with eight in March.

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