

Many Favorite Stocks Manage to Post Top Yearly Figures

Gains Well Distributed Near Close

New York—(P)—Stocks wrestled with profit takers in today's market but casualties were minor in most cases and a wide assortment of favorites managed to post top figures for the year or longer.

Breadth and activity continued during the greater part of the proceedings although there were frequent slow-downs after a speedy start. While gains were well distributed near the close, a number of recoveries appearing in the final hour, small losses were plentiful. Transfers were around 1,800,000 shares.

Stocks ahead most of the day included Consolidated Edison, Public Service of N. J., North American, Bethlehem, Southern Railway, N. Y. Central, Goodyear, Kennecott and Standard Oil (N.J.). Intermittent decliners were Chrysler, Southern Pacific, United Aircraft, U. S. Rubber, Anaconda, Lockheed and American Smelting.

Secondary railway bonds again were up selectively. At Chicago wheat was unchanged to up 1/2 of a cent a bushel. Cotton, approaching the finish, was 20 to 45 cents a bale higher.

Those leaning to the conservative side stressed the fact that the Associated Press 60-stock average, as of Monday, had come back 18.4 points from the bottom touched last April to a peak since May 9, 1940. The 15-rail composite was up 10.4 points at the best mark since October, 1937.

A batch of earnings statements, both pleasing and displeasing, brought faint response from stocks concerned. Increases in 1942 net over the year before were announced by American Airlines, Lockheed and Standard Oil of Cal., among others.

Grain Futures Hold Within Narrow Range

Chicago—(P)—Grain futures trading held within a restricted range today although the undertone of the market was firm. Most trading interests focused attention on developments in Washington and seemed reluctant to take a position on either side of the market. Rye and oats followed wheat and corn was held at ceiling levels.

Receipts were: corn 104 cars, wheat 25, oats 19 and soybeans 10. Wheat finished unchanged to 1/4 cent above the previous close, May \$1.45, July \$1.45 1/4; rye gained 1/4 to 3/4, May 85 1/2 July 87 1/2-88; oats were unchanged to 1/4 cent ahead and corn was unchanged at ceilings.

Chicago Cash Prices

Chicago—(P)—Cash wheat no sales.

Corn No. 3 yellow 1.00-1.00 1/2; No. 4, 99 1/2-1.01; No. 3 white 1.23; No. 4, 1.08-1.20.

Oats No. 3 white 65 1/2; No. 4, 64 1/2; sample grade white 60-63 1/2.

Barley malting 90-1.07 nominal; feed 80-90 nominal.

Field seed per hundredweight nominal: Timothy 4.75-5.00; alsike 21.00-25.00; fancy red top 7.25-7.75; red clover 20.00-25.00; sweet clover 7.50-9.50; alfalfa 32.50-33.00.

Lambs 16.00-25; fair to medium 13.00-15.00; shearlings No. 1 & 2, skin 15.00-50; ewes cull to good 5.00-8.00.

Produce

Milwaukee Market
Milwaukee—(P)—Wholesale ceiling prices: butter grade AA 50 1/2; grade A 49 1/2; grade B 49 1/4; grade C 48 1/2.

Cheese American full cream (current make) 25 1/2-26; brick 29 1/2-30; limburger 31 1/2-32.

Eggs grade AA large USDA 43-44; A large 41; grade B large 39-40. Grade C 36-4.

Cabbage new southern crate 6-00-15; 50 lb sacks 3.45-65.

Potatoes Idaho Russets utility unchipped 3.75-90; Colorado McClures U. S. No. 1 washed 3.85-90; No. Dakota cobbler seeds 3.75-4.00; Nebraska triumphs No. 1 seed 4.25-50; Wisconsin cobbler 2.75-85; Chippewa 2.85-3.00.

Onions domestic yellow U. S. No. 1, 1 1/2 inch and up 1.85-2.00; 75 cent 2 inch and up 2.00-15; broilers 1.25-40.

Butter and Eggs
Chicago—(P)—Butter, receipts 684,515; firm; prices as quoted by the Chicago price current are unchanged.

Egg receipts 35,332; easier; fresh graded, extra firsts, local 37 1/2, cars 38; firsts, local 37 1/2, cars 38; other prices unchanged.

Potatoes
Chicago—(P)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Potatoes, arrivals 61; on track 180; total U. S. shipments 600; old stock; supplies light; track trading very light account of lack of offerings of table stock; new stock; none available today's market; Minnesota and North Dakota early Ohio commercials 3.40-45; Bliss triumphs commercials 2.95-3.00; cobbler commercials 3.00-10.

Poultry

Chicago—(P)—Poultry, live, 13 trucks; firm; market unchanged.

Many Iowans Missing In North African Area

Washington—(P)—More than 300 of the 814 American soldiers listed by the war department today as missing in action in North Africa came from a single state—Iowa.

The war department said many of the missing men were presumed to be prisoners of war.

Apparently most of the missing men were in units engaged in mid-February actions which began with a German drive from Faid and Sened in Tunisia during which German tank units cut off some American troops.

Subsequent counter-attacks drove the enemy back in the approximately 10 days of battling, but many casualties were suffered.

Among the 318 names of Iowans missing was that of Capt. Clyde E. Herring, son of former Senator Clyde E. Herring.

Vote Improvements at Waupaca Vets' Home

Madison, Wis.—(P)—The assembly today passed and sent to the senate a bill to appropriate \$500,000 for improvements at the state's Grand Army home for veterans at Waupaca.

The proposal, approved 85 to 0, would set aside \$200,000 for a new boiler house and boilers, and \$300,000 for a modern hospital unit.

It was sponsored by Assembly Speaker Thomson (Rep-Richland Center), Assemblymen Spearbraker (Rep-Clintonville) and Collar (Rep-Milwaukee).

BOMB BURMESE PORT

New Delhi, India—(P)—Liberator B-24 bombers of the United States 10th air force planted bombs in the dock area in a surprise attack on Tavoy in southern Burma, an American communique announced today. Tavoy is about 225 miles southeast of Rangoon along the coast of the Andaman sea.

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Boy Scouts—
At their meeting held at the schoolhouse last evening the Boy Scouts spent almost the entire two hours in a first aid contest between patrols. The problems were those of second class, first class and merit badge ratings. Judges were Scoutmaster Dick Grode, and Frank Coldwell and Cecil Parvin of the troop committee. The Blazing Arrow and Flying Eagle patrols tied for first place with an equal score.

Supper Guests—
Sunday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles White were Mr. and Mrs. George White and Mrs. A. W. White of Wisconsin Rapids.

Guests—
Week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Allworden were Mr. and Mrs. William Miller of Milwaukee. Additional guests on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jensen and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jensen of Pittsville.

Ladies' Aid—
For their regular April meeting, members of the Community church Ladies' Aid will meet at the church parlors at 3 p. m. on Thursday. Hostesses will be members or Circle Two. Friends are invited.

Chorus Rehearsals—
This week's rehearsals for the choruses of the Community church will be held at the church on Wednesday evening at the usual hour.

Sgt. Irvin Wilborn of New Jersey is spending a 10-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilborn and his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lom and family returned home yesterday after spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Whitman Hager, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lom and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Verhagen at Little Chute.

Sunday evening guests at the Sam James home were Mrs. Ray Passineau of Biron and Mrs. Quentin Hartjes and children of Wisconsin Rapids.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hamlin last Wednesday were Private and Mrs. Edwin Mathe of Tampa, Fla., and Mrs. Ed Hartman of Wilmette, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Helke visited with relatives in Rudolph on Sunday afternoon.

Russell Rodcock and Dale Holmes of Milwaukee spent Friday evening with Charles Leiser.

Sunday guests at the A. C. McKenney home were Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKenney and daughter Mary of Wisconsin Rapids.

Harry Allworden of the Great Lakes naval training station was a week-end visitor at the home of Mrs. Florence Mosher.

Barbara James of Pine Grove was a Sunday afternoon guest at the Carl Schauer home.

First Letters from Sisters in Two Years

A Wisconsin Rapids woman has received letters through the international Red Cross from sisters in Denmark from whom she had had no word in two years.

Mrs. C. C. Knudsen, 999 Second avenue south, said today the letters from Copenhagen each contained 25 words, and bore the message that the families of three of Mrs. Knudsen's sisters are safe.

Details of the family of a fourth sister, whose home is on Mols island, some distance from the city, were not given.

Milladore Residents Give \$304 to Red Cross

Town of Milladore residents have donated a total of \$304.18 to the Red Cross war fund in the North Wood County chapter, James W. Feit, town chairman in charge of the collection reported today.

Mr. Feit's report given to chapter headquarters showed collections of \$75.58 credited to himself, and other collectors turned in the following amounts: Frank Witt, \$74.85; George Thompson, \$58; Henry Grube, \$45; Joe Wilfahrt, \$35, and Clarence Hosis, \$15.75.

Chinese Gain Upper Hand on 3 Fronts

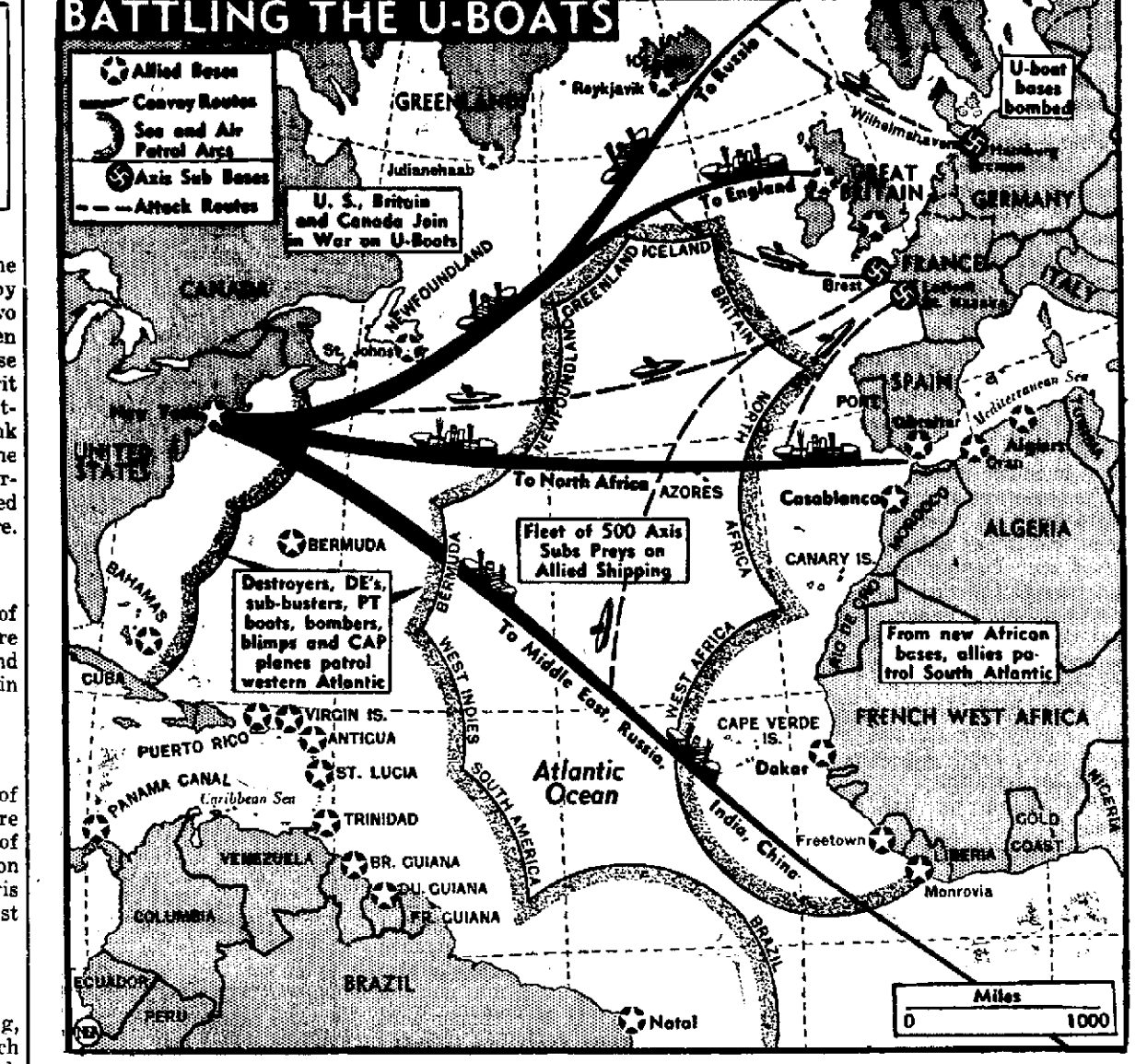
Chungking—(P)—The Chinese have gained the upper hand in fighting in the Burma-Yunnan border region, in the southern province of Kwangtung and far to the northeast of Kiangsu province, the high command said in a communique today.

Chinese forces, the communique said, repulsed two Japanese attempts to enlarge their area of occupation on Luichow peninsula, Kwangtung territory that juts out toward Hainan island. Three hundred Japanese casualties were reported in this engagement.

The drive apparently was intended to cut Chinese communications in southern Kwangtung province.

POPE RECOVERERS

Bern, Switzerland—(P)—A Swiss Telegraphic agency dispatch from Vatican City said today that Pope Pius XII had recovered completely from his recent illness.



With Churchill's announcement that submarine warfare comes first in all U. S. and British plans, Atlantic waves churn with increasing violence in battle against the U-boat armada. More and more enemy submarines sweep out of European lairs to 'attack united Nations' supply lines, but allied planes and warships patrol the seas to blast the subs and their bases.

Patzer Case

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an organization with public duty to discharge and responsibility to maintain, and its feeling that the Patzer case settlement reflects on the competence and integrity of the commission to a degree not warranted or sustainable by the facts." All Members Participate

Participating in the action was the full membership of the commission—Supervisors Edward G. Gilbertson, Otto Zieher, Roy Lubber and William Rusk, and citizen members, W. A. Sprise and Ben Hanneman. Attending the meeting were Ralph Roberts, chairman of the county board, and Earl Wallace, county park superintendent.

Commissioners recalled that the outline of the case, especially the physical circumstances at the west Lake Wazeecha beach—where the accident took place—which the commission contends existed at the time, had been given the county board last year by Superintendent Wallace. It was the opinion of the commission at the time that the case should be tried.

The estate contended that the victim sustained head injuries after diving from a platform on the lake by striking a gasoline drum filled with concrete beneath the surface of the lake.

The commissioners disclosed today that they were prepared to present evidence showing that the platform was on the north side of a log boom extending east and west across the water and that the barrel was on the south side of the boom. At the closest, they said, the barrel was 31 feet from the platform.

The estate contended the barrel was in comparatively shallow water, while the commission asserts the barrel was in 10 feet of water.

A summation of the evidence, prepared by Superintendent Wallace, and which the commissioners said represented their contentions, contained in addition assertions:

"That the victim jumped from the platform at least once 'without hurting himself'.

"That after the fatal jump, witnesses agreed the swimmer came to the surface within a foot or two of the boom or almost directly under or a little to one side of the springboard, and deduced that if such was the fact he could not have struck the barrel 31 feet distant.

"That the park had not been officially opened to the public on the day of the accident.

"That the diving platform had been put back into the lake by 'persons unknown' after it had been hauled to the beach for repairs.

"That, although the barrel had been subsequently removed from the lake without permission of park authorities, its location had been marked by a stone and a post.

"That witnesses would testify there was no abrasion on the victim's head which would be caused by striking an obstruction such as the barrel.

The commissioners did not indicate what action they expected the county board to take. At the March meeting of the board, District Attorney Hosen informed the supervisors that a resolution previously adopted empowered him and Attorney Goggins, special counsel employed, to settle the case if they believed it to the advantage of the county to do so.

Will Be Easier to Obtain "Safety Shoes"

Washington—(P)—The office of price administration today made it easier for workers to obtain "safety" shoes.

Beginning April 5, employers may issue purchase certificates for such shoes to any employee who has spent his stamp No. 17. Under previous regulations, the worker had to obtain a certificate from a local rationing board.

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Nekoosa Homemakers—
Mrs. John Long will entertain the Nekoosa Homemakers' club at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday. The lesson is to be on slip covers and Mrs. George Martinson will present the "something different."

Lynn Creek Club—
Lynn Creek Homemakers are to meet Thursday at 1:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Richard Fitz. The lesson will be on slip covers.

Nine-a-Tyme Club—
After a seven-thirty dessert at Polzin's restaurant on Thursday, members of the Nine-a-Tyme club will play contract at the home of Miss Ann Buehler for Mrs. Louis Buehler is to serve as hostess.

Lutheran Aid—
The Ladies' Aid of the Bethlehem Lutheran church is to have a business meeting Thursday, April 1, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Herman Frieberg and Mrs. Arthur Frieberg are to serve as hostesses for the late afternoon lunch to which friends are invited.

Recreation Club—
Mrs. Joe Wipfli is to entertain the Recreation club Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Casey Keenan of Milwaukee spent the week-end at the Ed Ferkye home.

Second Lieut. Kenneth Sarver of St. Petersburg, Fla., is here on furlough visiting his family and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Sarver.

Staff Sgt. Burnell "Bub" Goodness, son of Mrs. William Hucht-hausen, is here on a furlough until April 20. "Bub" has just returned after eight months of service on Guadalcanal.

Mrs. John Powell, 71, South Burr Oak, Dies

Coloma, Wis.—Mrs. John Powell, 71, died at her home in the South Burr Oak community, four miles west of Coloma, at 12:30 a. m. today. She had been in ill health for some time.

Mrs. Powell was born Lizzie Ritzenhouse at Prairie du Chien on October 13, 1871. Her marriage to Mr. Powell took place on July 1, 1891, at Plainfield. They settled in South Burr Oak. Mr. Powell and one son, Harley of Watertown survive. She also leaves two granddaughters. One son, Burleigh preceded the mother in death in 1929.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pfc. and Mrs. Donald Zwicke, city, announce the birth of a daughter, Dorothy Eleanor, on Monday, March 23, at Riverview hospital. Private Zwicke is now stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala.

RIVERVIEW HOSPITAL

Admitted: Mrs. Donald Zwicke, city; Norman Seim, city; Master Herbert Dittman, city; Mrs. Lawrence Rogers, Route 1, Milladore; Mrs. Irvin Wilborn, Port Edwards.

Dismissed: Miss Shirley Coon, Port Edwards; Mrs. Harold Hackbarth and baby boy, city.

Claims Maritime Commission Is Guilty of Mismanagement

Washington—(P)—Accusing the maritime commission of seven alleged acts of mismanagement and collusion, Senator Aiken (R-Vt.) today said the senate today had "only scratched the surface of what is destined to become the most revolting scandal in the history of national expenditures."

Fighting against senate confirmation of President Roosevelt's re-nomination of Rear Admiral Emory S. Land to a six-year term as chairman of the commission, Aiken charged that:

"1. It has requisitioned ships for sale to the army and navy, and has reimbursed itself for certain costs from the funds of these departments in a manner not authorized by law. The total of such unauthorized augmentation of its funds is apparently over \$100,000,000.

"2. It has failed to recapture excess profits from shipbuilders, although required by law to do so.

"3. It has paid illegal and exorbitantly high prices for old ships.

War in Africa

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next stopping place could not be short of the mountainous region northwest of Sousse, 140 miles to the north.

Faces Loss of Air Fields
If his retreat was maintained to that area, however, he would surrender to the powerful American and British air forces a number of excellent air fields along the coastal plains from which they could blast the Tunis-Bizerte bridgehead with concentrated fury.

The whole operation was proceeding under a spread of allied fighters and bombers which bombed Rommel's fleeing transport and lines of communication north of Gabes and farther to the north between the ports of Sfax and Sousse, the communique said.

During the day 17 German and Italian planes were destroyed while 10 allied planes were missing, the announcement said.

Gabes, a city of 20,000 population, mostly native, was taken in a swift march by New Zealanders after the crumbling of the Mareth line and despite extensive mine fields and booby traps strewn in their path by the retreating Germans. Shortly before their entry allied naval forces bombarded the port heavily from the sea.

The city is the chief port in southern Tunisia and the next port is Sfax, 70 miles by sea to the northeast. Tunis is 195 miles by air to the north.

Destroy 50 Axis Vehicles

Fifty enemy vehicles were reported destroyed and nearly 300 damaged by fighter-bombers which had waited out bad weather and then blasted Rommel's line of retreat between Oudref, north of Gabes, and Sfax. This was one of the heaviest attacks of the campaign.

(The Italian communique said the allies have thrown powerful armored and infantry forces into the struggle in Tunisia, increasing their pressure, and the axis forces have "occupied new positions to avoid the enemy's attempt at encirclement."

(The German radio said Indian and New Zealand troops had bypassed German positions and had "reached the gates of El Hamma."

(One German broadcast declared that "latest American tanks of the pilot type are being used in the El Hamma sector."

(No explanation was immediately available as to what was meant by "pilot type" tanks.)

Naval Forces in Action

The entrance of allied naval forces into the picture was disclosed last night in an announcement that warships had slipped close in shore to bombard Gabes, 20 miles north of the Mareth positions.

Just north of Gabes is the 15-mile strip of land between the sea and the marshy extremity of the Djebel Chott, known as the Gabes gap, through which Rommel must funnel what is left of his armor and men.

If Rommel can slip through the Gabes gap, he must reckon with American forces forming spearheads in the passes of the Dorsal, the mountain spinal column winding northeastward to the Mediterranean.

Steelman, who yesterday intervened in a deadlock between southern appalachian coal operators and the United Mine Workers, made his announcement after a three-hour session with northern management and labor representatives.

Southern operators and the UMW yesterday reached a compromise agreement as a basis for continued negotiations after their present contract expires at midnight tomorrow, thus averting a threatened work stoppage in the Appalachian coal fields. Steelman yesterday announced they had agreed to continue contract discussions, if necessary, until April 30.

(Radio Morocco declared allied forces in the north had captured all of Djebel Abiod yesterday, and that American and French forces were converging on Kairouan. Americans, it was said, had made a new advance in the direction of Sfax.)

Meanwhile, the guns of the fleet can move northward to command the coast and keep pace with Rommel if the fox of the desert can slip northward.

Campbell Nominated for Regents Board

Madison, Wis.—(P)—Governor Goodland sent to the senate today the nomination of William J. Campbell, of Oshkosh, as a member of the University of Wisconsin board of regents to succeed Herman L. Ebern, of Madison, whose term expires May 1.

Campbell, long identified with the republican party, was one of the leaders in the coalition movement against the Progressives in 1938 when Goodland was first elected lieutenant governor.

He owns a lumber business at Oshkosh. He was the first chairman of the state Republican voluntary executive committee and was a delegate to the party's national conventions at Kansas City in 1928 and Cleveland in 1936.

FDA Gets Food for Civilian Emergency

Washington—(P)—The army has turned over to the food distribution administration about 12,000,000 cases of canned fruits, juices and vegetables to be released later to meet emergency food situations.

In announcing this today, the agriculture department also said more than 2,000,000 cases of canned fruits and vegetables will be released soon by FDA to augment civilian supplies.

Farm Board Urges Full Powers for Food Leader Davis

Washington—(P)—President Roosevelt set up an informal farm advisory board today which urged in its initial meeting with him that Food Administrator Chester Davis should have "very full powers" on the questions of prices, farm machinery, and coordination of army and civilian food purchases.

With Davis and Secretary of Agriculture Wickard present, heads of four leading farm organizations went over the whole farm and food program with Mr. Roosevelt today and said they would come back again a week from tomorrow and periodically thereafter.

Those present were Edward A. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation; James G. Patton, president of the National Farmer's union; Albert S. Goss, master of the National Grange; and Ezra T. Benson, president of the National Council of Farmer cooperatives.

This quartet agreed that no definite understanding was reached on the extent of Davis' powers over farm prices. And they said there was no discussion of the future status of Wickard, all of whose powers over food production and distribution were transferred to Davis by the president last week.

The secretary when asked whether he had submitted his resignation or intended to do so replied: "Categorically, no, to both. We're in the war and I've enlisted for the duration."

Herbert Turner, 65, Dies; Rites at Almond

Almond, Wis.—Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 31, at 2 p. m. at Emmanuel church for Herbert Turner, 65, of Almond, who died at the Wisconsin General hospital in Madison on Saturday. He had been ill with heart trouble since last September. The Rev. C. H. Weisse will officiate at the service and interment will be in the Almond cemetery.

Mr. Turner was born in the town of Stockholm, St. Lawrence county, New York, on September 25, 1877, the son of Edmund and Harriet Turner, and had lived in central Wisconsin since he was 15. His marriage to Mary A. Johnson took place at Blaine, Portage county, in 1908.

Besides his wife and daughter, Edith, a registered nurse at Spooner, Wis., he leaves his father, Edmond Turner, age 94, of Plainfield.

Indict 3 Companies on Fraud Charges

Washington—(P)—Attorney General Biddle announced today that a federal grand jury at Trenton, N. J., had indicted three companies and five officials on charges of conspiring to defraud the United States and filing false claims in connection with the building of the Winfield housing projects near Linden, N. J.

Biddle listed as defendants in the first indictment, charging conspiracy: The Clifford F. Macevoy company, Park Avenue Storage company and Rockledge, Inc.; Clifford F. Macevoy, Elmer O. Goodwin, Jesse L. Conger, Milford A. Vieser and Wallace G. Hooper.

These men owned the stock of the three companies, the attorney general said.

Further Rationing May Lie Ahead—OWI

Washington—(P)—Rationing beyond that now in effect may lie ahead, the office of war information indicated in a booklet published today.

Three all-purpose ration books are to be printed, says the OWI publication, which adds: "With these books, it will be possible to ration things without advance notice."

The 128-page booklet expresses belief that simplified food ceilings now being worked out by the office of price administration will make it easier for the public to understand and help in enforcing price control.

Surrenders After 24 Hour Gun Duel

Lexington, Ky.—(P)—A farmer-preacher who barricaded himself, his wife and four children in their one-room shanty for more than 24 hours after a gun-duel with a Lexington contractor surrendered today.

The farmer-preacher had been sought by Fayette county police officers on a murder warrant issued after the contractor died.

He was taken in an ambulance to a Lexington hospital for treatment of a gunshot wound suffered in the battle yesterday. The man's wife and children were unharmed during the siege and after he was removed they remained in their home.

Rialto Theatre Nekoosa, Wisconsin

LAST TIME TONIGHT
Bob Hope Bing Crosby in
"ROAD TO MOROCCO"
One show only at 7:30 p. m.
COMING WED. - THURS.
"THE TUTTLES OF TORT"