

# Calif. Jobless Reserve Fund Hiked \$165,000,000 In 1943

California's unemployment reserve fund grew by \$165,000,000 during 1943 and on Jan. 1 amounted to \$451,000,000, the state employment commission said today in a year-end review.

In addition, the commission said, \$7,000,000 in interest was credited to the fund during the year.

The number of persons who drew one or more unemployment insurance checks was cut nearly 75 per cent from 1942 to 1943, the commission reported. Only 53,000 individuals collected benefits during this year, compared to 209,000 in 1942.

**Benefit Checks Issued**  
The department issued slightly more than 500,000 benefit checks during the year, the commission said, a decrease of 82 per cent from 1942. The total averaged between nine and 10 checks for each unemployed person while the maximum which can be drawn is 24, indicating that the work was much speedier than in the past. Approximately \$7,500,000 was paid out in benefit claims, 85 per cent under the 1942 total.

California's payroll for unemployment insurance purposes—that is, employers hiring four or more persons and on wages up to the first \$3000 earned during the year, totaled \$5,200,000,000 in 1943, the commission said, compared with \$3,900,000,000 in 1942, an increase of more than one-third. The increase was accounted for largely by heavily increased employment in war industries, according to this commission.

### Experience Ratings

Experience rating provisions of the unemployment insurance act, whereby employer by heavily increased employment in war industries, according to this commission.

These 12,000 employers, as a result of reduced rates, paid \$20,000,000 less into the fund than they would if the tax had been paid at the highest rates of 2.7 per cent of the taxable payroll.

### California Students Purchase 3,215 Jeeps

Students of Southern California schools invested \$6,487,660 in War Bonds and Stamps during the 60-day "triple-threat" jeep campaign which ended Dec. 7, establishing a new high record for a similar period.

The 906 participating schools bought 3,215 jeeps, exceeding the original quota by 2195. The work was termed "a remarkable achievement" by Avery J. Gray, liaison officer, treasury's "schools-at-war" education committee, who made public the figures.

Gray revealed that 812 public schools bought 2914 jeeps, 80 parochial schools bought 271, and the remaining 30 were financed by the 14 private schools. The purchases were subdivided as follows: 1261 Army jeeps, 972 Navy "quacks" and 982 air force "grasshoppers."

### Sheriff Biscailuz Has \$50 Dollar-a-Year Men

Some 650 members of the various emergency services of Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz soon receive \$1 per year for their services following action to this effect by the board of supervisors, according to the office of County Supervisor Oscar Hauge.

The number includes some 500 members of the Emergency Reserve, 50 in the sheriff posse and 100 in the aero squadron. They are expected to keep the wage checks to display as evidence of their service to the county rather than cash them for their one-dollar value. The matter was referred to Supervisor Hauge for further study.

# Four Botulism Deaths in L. A. County Bared

Four deaths, contracted from eating home-canned vegetables in recent weeks have been reported by Dr. H. O. Swartout, county health officer.

The latest victims were: Jacqueline Raffie, 11, of 28 Sunset ave., Venice, and her sister, Barbara, 7. Their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Solofsky, 56, was reported at the General Hospital in a critical condition. They had eaten canned beets.

The other two cases reported were: Mrs. Hendy Wong, 51, of 2349 Hoxie ave., Norwalk; Mrs. Loma Berry, 34, of 2640 Single ave., Garvey. Mrs. Berry's mother was also stricken, but recovered.

Mrs. Wong, while preparing a recent Sunday dinner, opened a jar of home-canned asparagus. Because the food appeared macerated she called her daughter, who with her husband was spending the day with Mrs. Wong and her son, and asked her what she would do with it. The daughter advised throwing it, as well as other still unopened jars away. The lot was dumped into an open field. While none of the family actually saw Mrs. Wong taste the poisonous food, she had apparently done so before calling her daughter. She died three days later.

Mrs. Berry and Mrs. Battis ate suspected home-canned string beans while preparing an evening meal. There is significant evidence that Mrs. Berry tasted the food after opening the can and before adequately boiling, as occurred in the case of Mrs. Wong. Mrs. Berry and her mother began to have symptoms of illness about 1 o'clock the next day.

**DR. MERLE E. FISH, Pico Heights Christian Church, L. A.**  
—We have war, unhappiness, destruction and chaos today because men have made their spiritual experience secondary to their selfish desires.

# India's Famine Victims



Starving Indians in Calcutta greedily thrust food into their mouths, as they fed on sidewalk. Homeless army of 100,000 roamed the city, while an estimated 1,000,000 more died of starvation.

# Church Services

NOTICE: Copy for Church Notices cannot be accepted after 10 a. m. Tuesday.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Harry Branton, pastor, El Prado at Carson.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning service, 11 o'clock. A nursery is provided for children.  
Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. A musical program will be presented by the choir. The public is cordially invited.  
Board of Christian Education meets Tuesday at 7:30 in the parsonage.  
Philathea class will meet at the home of Mrs. Bennett, 1724 Watson, Tuesday evening for potluck dinner.  
Prayer groups meet Wednesday morning in the different homes at 10 o'clock.  
Thursday evening, choir rehearsal at 7:30.

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
Rev. C. Miles Northrup, pastor, Carson and Marina.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.  
Morning service, 10:45 a. m. Topic: "Filled to the Brim." Special music.  
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Topic: "Samson and the Lion."  
6:30 p. m., training fellowship groups.  
Monday, 7:30 p. m., Britton Ross Bible class.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., prayer and testimony meeting.  
Friday, 9:15 a. m., child evangelism class.

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Frank D. Meichling, pastor, Ocean and Sonoma aves.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.  
Morning service, 10:45 a. m. Topic: "The Marriage of Cana."  
Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.  
Senior Catechetical class, Friday at 3:30 p. m.  
Junior Catechetical class, Saturday at 9 a. m.

**CENTRAL EVANGELICAL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Marcelina and Arlington aves.  
Rev. H. W. Jewell, pastor.  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning service, 11 a. m. Topic: "The Three Essentials to Victory."  
High School Christian Endeavor, 6 o'clock.  
Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Topic: "The Peril of Indifference."  
Midweek service, Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. in the parsonage.  
Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8 p. m. "Get Acquainted New Year's Dinner" at 6 p. m. in the Guild hall; potluck style.  
Choir rehearsal, Friday, 8 p. m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. W. W. Jewell, pastor, 1415 Engracia ave.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. C. E. King superintendent.  
Morning service at 10:45 o'clock. Topic: "The Vision."  
Evening service, 7:30. Topic: "The Guiding Eye of a Living God."  
6:30 p. m., Senior, Intermediate and Junior C. E.  
Monday, Jan. 27, teachers' and officers' meeting at 7:30 p. m. Kenneth L. Holst, director of Christian education will be present.  
Thursday, Jan. 29, Circle No. 3 meets with Mrs. Ray Phillips, 2161 Torrance blvd.

**MONETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
David F. Barnett, Jr., pastor, Gardena blvd. and Manhattan pl., Gardena (1 block west of Western) at 105th st.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning service, 11 o'clock.  
Evening service, 7:30 o'clock.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Paul H. Perry, pastor, 1741 Border at H.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 a. m.  
Christ Ambassadors service, 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

**LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
Woman's clubhouse, Wilford Newland, bishop.  
Sunday school, Relief Society and Primary, 10 a. m.  
Sacrament meeting, Sunday, 6:30  
Evening service at 7:30. Topic: D. M.  
Mutual improvement meeting, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.

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666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

# Lomita Church News

**COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN**  
Rev. John E. Orr, pastor, 2154 245th street.  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning service 11 o'clock.  
Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m.  
Evening sermon, 7:30. Topic: Prayer meeting, Wednesdays, at 7:30 p. m.

**NORMANT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ten a. m. sermon by Rev. Arnold Boat; Sunday school at 11 a. m. Mrs. Luttrill in charge. BYPU meeting at 6:30 p. m. Miss Marian de Spain, leader. Prayer meeting every Thursday at 7:30 p. m., led by Rev. W. Warren Glover.

**CALVARY CHURCH**  
Corner of 255th and Oak, Rev. James W. Taylor, pastor.  
Friday, Evangelistic service 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 10:45 a. m. Young people meet 6 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting in chapel Tuesdays at 7:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Thursdays at 9 a. m.

**WALTERIA FULL GOSPEL**  
Mrs. Charlotte Snook, pastor, 24132 Hawthorne avenue, Walteria.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Evening service 7:30 p. m. Christ's Ambassadors Monday, 7:30 p. m. Bible study and prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Christ's Ambassadors' Friday at church, 7:30 p. m.

**MISSIONARY CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Rev. Wm. H. Cox, pastor.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning sermon, 10:45 a. m. Christian Endeavor, 6:45 p. m. Evening sermon, 7:30 p. m. Women's prayer meeting at church every Thursday at 8 p. m.

**LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
Torrance Woman's clubhouse, Wilford H. Newland, bishop, 22330 S. Harvard, Torrance, 1966.  
Sunday school 10 a. m. Evening service, 7 p. m. Tuesday, 3 p. m. Relief Society, 2:30 p. m. Primary association, and 7:30 p. m. Mutual Improvement Association.

**FOUR SQUARE GOSPEL**  
Mrs. Geo. H. Piles, pastor, 25264 Balboa avenue, Harbor City.  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Crusader service, 6 p. m. Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. Thursdays, 10 a. m. prayer meeting. Services Wednesday and Friday nights, 7:30 p. m.

**WALTERIA BAPTIST**  
Rev. Walter Wagner, Park and Newton streets, Walteria.  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Bible message, 11 a. m. Young people's service, 7:30 p. m. Gospel service, 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Relief Club 4 p. m.; Boys' Club, 6:30 p. m.

**SOUTH LOMITA CHURCH**  
Rev. Urban W. Hall, pastor, On 255th near Pennsylvania ave.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 o'clock.  
Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Christmas program and instrumental music. Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Children's club, Thursday, 3 p. m. Choir practice, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
1918 Lomita blvd., near Walnut. Sabbath school Saturday, 9:30 a. m. Church service Saturday, 11 a. m. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Young people meet Saturday, 2:30 p. m. Tuesday evening, 7:30 p. m. Dec. 21, annual Christmas program.

**MEN'S BIBLE CLASS**  
Meets at 9:30 a. m. Sunday in their hall opposite public library on Cravens avenue. All men welcome.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST**  
2128 218th st. and Manuel ave. Sunday morning services at 11 Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Wednesday evening meetings, 8 p. m. Reading room at 1750 Manuel ave. 11 a. m. to 4 p. m., each week day. "Lito" will be the subject of the Sunday Lesson-Sermon in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, The Golden Text, chosen from I John reads: "This is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."  
According to a Lesson-Sermon passage from John, Jesus came to Bethany and found that his friend Lazarus "had lain in the grave four days already." "Take ye away the stone," he commanded. "And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I know that thou hearest me always; but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me. And he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes; . . . Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go."  
In "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" Mary Baker Eddy says: "Our great example, Jesus, could restore the individualized manifestation of existence, which seemed to vanish in death."

# 170,000 High School Boys In Army Training

The Ninth Service Command, Army Service forces headquarters at Fort Douglas, Utah, announced today that the majority of 170,000 16 and 17-year-old boys from eight western states, are now enrolled in one or more voluntary pre-induction training courses in high schools.

The announcement emphasized that the Army was not attempting to militarize the schools, but to work with the existing educational institutions in determining Army needs and prepare students for more effective service in the armed forces.

Courses available in most high schools include physical health and fitness, orientation to the Army, basic English and mathematics, fundamentals of electricity, shop work, radio, automotive mechanics and machines.

Vocational and trade schools offer training in various Army special courses including auto mechanics, machine shop practice, aircraft maintenance and electrical signal communications. Civilian training agencies offer driver education, Army clerical procedure, radio code practice and physics.

Pre-induction training will be recorded on the soldier's permanent record card and taken into consideration in making assignments to further training and Army jobs.

# Payments to Dairymen in Feed Adjustment Program Revealed

Payments to California dairymen under the Commodity Credit Corp. dairy feed adjustment program totaled \$405,265.58 up to Nov. 27, a report of the state office of the agricultural adjustment agency disclosed.

Participating in the payments were 3335 individual dairy producers whose product is under price ceilings set by the office of price administration. The average disbursement for the 42 counties reported totaled \$9,649.18 per county, Los Angeles county leading with \$79,795.60.

**WALTERIA GOSPEL TABERNACLE**  
3907 Newton ave. Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Markey, pastors.  
Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. with special singing and full gospel preaching.

**HARBOR CITY COMMUNITY**  
Rev. Paul A. Louisa, minister; Wayside Chapel, 390th and Cayuga. Early service, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Youth's fellowship, 6:30 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.

**ST. MARGARET MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Rev. Thomas Barry, pastor, Church, 2543rd place and Normandie ave.  
Sunday masses at 8 and 10 a. m. Daily mass at 8 a. m.

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# Torrance National Bank

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ss: I, R. J. Deininger, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. N. FELKER, JAMES W. POST, CHAS. T. RIPPY, Directors. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of January, 1944. Seal HOWARD G. LOCKE, Notary Public. My commission expires March 19, 1946.

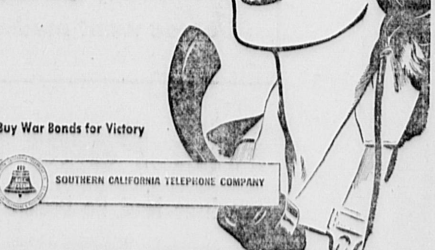
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