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CURB REPORTER

It is with a semi-dazed mind that many newspaper writers attempt to write about anything except the war this morning. Here in Polk County many of us have sons, brothers and fathers or close friends already on the scene of battle. Radios are turned on in nearly all stores and offices for those anxious to hear the latest news. The President is to speak at 12:30 and he is expected to ask Congress to declare war. It will be a formality because we are already at war. Japan has declared war against us. Japanese airships have bombed Hawaii and the Philippines, and have captured Wake Island. While Jap ministers were talking peace in Washington stalling for time Jap airplane carriers and warships were on their way to attack the United States. The attack is uniting America in a definite program to defeat the totalitarian powers. The government and the public in general will not tolerate those who try to hinder. We are all in the same boat now. We will have to work harder and lay up materials for the struggle ahead. The more we can buy and put up for the future the better will it be for all concerned. Polk County is already organized for Civilian Defense. Our farmers are planning for bigger crops. We must be

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Polk County Man Severely Hurt, Sheriff Hines States

Walker Steppe, about 30 years of age, continues in a critical condition at St. Luke's hospital, as the result of knife wounds at the hands of Ray Tumblin. The cutting of Steppe took place in the Jackson church community on Friday afternoon.

Sheriff Hines said Ray Tumblin was jailed for investigation in connection with the wounding of Steppe. Attendants at the hospital described Steppe's condition as critical, saying he suffered a wound in the left lung near the heart and severe cuts on the left side.

The Polk county sheriff reported he had been informed Steppe was knifed when he attempted to separate Tumblin and another man during an argument.

STATE OF WAR EXISTS BETWEEN U. S. & JAPAN

President Roosevelt today noon at a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives asked the Congress to declare that a state of war with Japan has already existed since Sunday, December 7th, 1941, as a result of the unprovoked dastardly act of the Japanese in attacking the United States islands of Hawaii, Guam, Midway and the Philippines.

President Roosevelt was given a great ovation of support from a united Congress. Republican members made speeches in support of his action. The U. S. Senate voted 82 to 0 in favor of

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