

TRUMAN ASKS \$4 BILLION IN NEW TAXES

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



MRS. RUTH E. PALMER is school nurse for District No. 4, comprising the Senior and Junior High Schools and Benson, Rose, Fullerton, Riverside, Edenbower and Sylmon Valley grade schools. In the picture above she is shown bandaging the arm of 11-year-old Joe Lowe of Fullerton, sixth grade, whose arm really wasn't hurt at all but who most obligingly acted like it was when told a patient was needed.

Mrs. Palmer, whose routine calls for spending a day at each school in rotation, is occupied chiefly in the testing of the pupils' sight and hearing. Her headquarters are at Junior High School.

Truman's Message Will Be Broadcast Tonight

President Harry S. Truman's "State of the Union" report to Congress, which was broadcast at 10 a. m. today, will be rebroadcast at 10 o'clock tonight, over KRNK, announced Iris Helliwell, station manager.

Since many persons were not able to listen in during the morning broadcast, the decision was made to record the talk for rebroadcast, she said.

BURNS PROVE FATAL

PORTLAND, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Mrs. Edith Davis, 78, died last night of burns received when her clothing caught fire from a heater at her home here Sunday.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The crystal-ballers have been busy and as these words are written they are sounding off. Among other things, they say:

"The American consumer—and that describes most of us—may find 1949 MORE COMFORTABLE than the record boom year of 1948."

MAYBE the "record boom year of 1948" will prove the hollowiness of the ancient fable that high earnings and HIGH PRICES constitute prosperity.

As long as this writer can remember the notion has been current that the way of the gold camp—big wages and eggs at a dollar apiece—is the road to happiness. 1948 was a gold camp year.

But the general run of people weren't too happy. When they counted up at the end of the month, they were apt to find not much left in the old wallet.

If we could just learn, once for all, that real prosperity comes from the production of goods and services, we might be a little wiser.

RED CROSS SERVICE TOLD

Speakers Praise Work Done but Stress Pressing Need for More Personnel

"The Junior Red Cross is practically non-existent in Douglas County," Russell Stephens, executive secretary of the Douglas County Red Cross Chapter said at a Red Cross-sponsored program at Junior High School Tuesday night.

Other speakers included Fred Sears, assistant chief of recreation at the Roseburg Veterans Hospital; Miss Laura Patton, KRNK staff member, and Miss Pat Newman, Senior High student.

The program featured piano selections by Mrs. Sherman Plimpton and Mrs. Roy E. Hanford. Motion pictures on first aid and accident prevention, and slides depicting an international school children's art project terminated the program. Sid Fredrickson, local photographic supply dealer, operated the projection equipment.

Stephens lauded the work done in Douglas County by Mrs. Ruth Swinney, chairman of Junior Red Cross, in her efforts to promote youth interest in the organization. To date, 46 schools and 5,626 students in Douglas County belong to the Junior Red Cross, but,

Stephens pointed out, "this is not nearly enough for a county this size."

Money collected by the Junior Red Cross is for the exclusive use of that group, Stephens said, and can't be diverted to the Senior Red Cross.

Work at Hospital Told
Sears told of the work done by the Red Cross at the Veterans Hospital. "In the two years I have been at the hospital, I have developed a warm spot for the Red Cross," he said. "They minister to 600 patients there—a big job, al-

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The Weather

Partly cloudy today and Thursday. Little change in temperature.

Sunset today 4:52 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:45 a. m.

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The News-Review

Blizzard Slightly Abates

Middlewest Digging Out Of Heavy Drifts

Trains Stalled, Business Paralyzed; California Fruit Crops Threatened

(By The Associated Press)
The winter season's worst blizzard abated over parts of the western plains today, indicating some relief from the paralyzing effects of the three-day storm. The Dakotas and western Nebraska still battled the snow. In Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Idaho and Utah the monumental job of digging out of the huge drifts was started.

But as the blizzard subsided, federal weather officials said the storm would blow out of the Dakotas and Nebraska within 24 hours.

Temperatures generally were above the zero mark over the snow and wind swept plains states. Forecasters said no severe cold blasts were in prospect immediately. The citrus belts of California and Arizona had more snow-freezing weather today.

The punishing blows from the raging storms across the plains states left many segments of business and industry staggering. Thousands remained marooned in trains and autos. The Red Cross' Midwest headquarters estimated 8,000 were stranded by the huge snow drifts in parts of Wyoming, Colorado and Nebraska.

Rail Traffic Stalled
There were another 2,500 travelers stranded in parts of Utah and Idaho. The Union Pacific Railroad said eight trains in the two states were halted by the heavy, drifting snow.

Trains also were stalled over the plains of Nebraska, Wyoming and the Dakotas. Snow plows were sent out to clear the blocked tracks. Travel in many areas was virtually impossible because of blocked highways. Planes were grounded. Schools remained closed in scores of communities and in nearly all rural areas. Many factories were idle and business in some towns was at a standstill. Communications were disrupted and scores of towns and villages were isolated.

Despite the intensity of the winds and the heavy snowfall only two deaths attributable to the storm were reported—both in Colorado. However, an undetermined number of persons suffered from exposure.

At Lockport, Colo., 465 persons were stranded, with more (Continued on Page Two)

Butter 'Arrested' On Federal Court Of Underweight

School at Willamette Razed by \$300,000 Fire

WILLAMETTE, Ore., Jan. 5.—(AP)—A grade school was destroyed by fire today at a loss of \$300,000, just as the pupils were starting from home to their classes.

No one but Janitor Minor Davidson—who discovered the fire—was in the building at the time. The cause of the blaze was not determined.

The building was built only 10 years ago. It housed eight grades and a gymnasium, and had an enrollment of 225 students.

Trucker Killed in Crash On Sexton Mountain

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Jan. 5.—(AP)—A Portland trucker was killed and three other persons injured last night in a truck-automobile accident on the north slope of Sexton Mountain.

State Police Sgt. C. R. Borgman said the truck in which Glenn Otto, Portland, and a companion, Frank Hall, were riding crashed into the rear of the car.

Hall and those in the car—Robert and Evelyn Martinsen, of San Mateo, Calif.—were treated at Josephine General Hospital. Otto died there an hour after the crash.

The truck, owned by Westerlin Lines of Portland, was loaded with oranges from California. Details of the mishap were lacking.

SCHOOL PROBLEMS TALKED

Need of More Financial Aid Told to Legislators By County District Heads

By JEROME SHELDON
More financial aid for the schools "within the framework of existing legislation," to meet rising administrative and construction costs, is considered to be the "minimum recommendation" to meet the needs of Oregon schools.

Douglas County's school problems—largely brought about by an ever-increasing population—and ways to meet them were told to the county's legislative delegation who met with members of the county's school boards at the Junior High School Tuesday night.

Traffic Court To Operate at Night

All traffic violators up to midnight tonight will be cited to appear in the Friday night traffic court, which has been established for the city of Roseburg, announced Police Chief Calvin Baird.

Municipal Judge Ira B. Riddle, who has just returned from a trip to California, will conduct the court from 7 to 9 p. m. each Friday night.

According to the plan, all citations after midnight Wednesday will be placed on a docket made up each week to appear on the Friday night of the following week. In other words, said the Chief, all citations issued after midnight tonight will be cited to appear on Jan. 14.

Since the plan went into effect Monday, this will be a short week, so fewer cases will come up, Baird said.

The night traffic court will have the advantage of having each offender visit the judge at a convenient time. In the past it has been in convenient for violators to come in at the regular 10 a. m. Municipal Court hour, so many fines were settled by a telephone call from the Police Department to the judge.

Out-of-town violators will be permitted to post bail on a traffic citation, so as not to require them to return. Folks living in the city or immediate vicinity, however, will be required to come in to court.

Two Unhurt in Auto Upset Near Sutherlin

Considerable damage was reported to the car of F. L. Ceradsky, retired Navy chief petty officer, which turned over after striking a large bump and going out of control six miles east of Sutherlin on the Nonpareil road Tuesday, according to information received here.

Neither Veradsky nor a sailor companion were injured, aside from being shaken some. The car was brought to Roseburg by Billy Mohr's wrecker.

Ceradsky, who has just received his discharge from the Navy, plans to live in Washington.

Roseburg Temperature Around 23 Last Night

Roseburg's Weather Bureau thermometer hovered down around the 23 mark last night, the official report shows. This was one degree warmer than the 22 degrees above zero recorded Dec. 24. Predictions are "little change in temperature," though the sky will be partly cloudy today and Thursday.

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Farm Price Support Has Truman O. K.

President, in Message, However, Fails to State How Far Aid Should Go

By OVID A. MARTIN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(AP)—President Truman today endorsed anew the policy of supporting farm prices, but stayed clear of a dispute over how far such aid should go.

In his message on the state of the union, Mr. Truman told Congress the national farm program should be improved for the benefit of the nation as well as farmers.

Farm price supports, he said, are necessary to reach the goals of abundant farm output and "parity of income" for agriculture.

"Standards of living on the farm should be just as good as anywhere else," he said.

He added that supports should be used to (1) prevent farm price declines which "are out of line with general price levels," (2) make easier the adjustment of farm production to consumer demands, and (3) promote good land use.

The president also asked Congress to restore the government's authority to provide storage for farm products.

The Republican-controlled 80th Congress took away that power. The Democrats made much of this during the campaign, claiming it weakened the

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Joint Board For Airport Favored

County Judge D. N. Busenbark announced today the County Court will probably adopt a resolution establishing a joint airport zoning board with the city of Roseburg.

The announcement was made following a meeting of the court Tuesday afternoon in the Court-house with City Manager Matt Slankard, City Attorney Paul Geddes and a representative of Mayor Albert G. Fiegel.

Purpose of the meeting was to study more thoroughly the proposal, which has already been approved by the City Council. The judge said there were a few legal angles to be cleared up, although the court has been generally in favor of such a joint board.

Members of the board will not be appointed until the court has adopted a resolution calling for final approval. The board would consist of five members, two each to be appointed by the city and the county, and the fifth to be chosen by the four members.

Law Changes Suggested
Several suggestions were made for changes in the Rural School Law, particularly concerning budgets and administration of the second and third class districts. Arthur Marsh, member of the County Rural School Board, said five districts in Douglas County are "on the verge of becoming first class districts." To aid the board in determining its levy and expenses, he suggested that these districts be given until July 31 to decide whether to remain under the rural board, or to advance to first class status if their school population so justifies.

Elliott pointed out that in the counties with only second and third class districts, the office of county superintendent is subject to appointment by the rural board. In counties with first class districts, the office is elective. In

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Meeting Set to Plan March of Dimes Drive

Plans for the forthcoming March of Dimes Campaign will be formulated at a meeting called for Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. in the Rose Hotel, announced Al Henninger, county chairman.

Henninger said that committee heads will be named and work designated. Del McKay will again be Roseburg chairman. The Kiwanis Club will take over the business section solicitations.

Message to Congress Also Seeks Price Control Power, Repeal of Taft-Hartley Law

Extension of Rent Control, Higher Housing Goal, Civil Rights Program Legislation Likewise Requested

By ERNEST B. VACCARO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(AP)—President Truman today asked the new Democratic Congress for \$4,000,000,000 in new taxes, sweeping authority to impose economic controls and a broad program of social legislation.

Mr. Truman ranged far, calling for Taft-Hartley law repeal, aid to farmers, civil rights laws, universal training. Broader social security, and federal programs in the fields of education and pre-paid medical insurance, plus 1,000,000 new public housing units in the next seven years.

He made his recommendations in the annual state of the union message before a joint session of the Senate and House under circumstances vastly different from those of 1948.

With his own party in control and many of its new senators and representatives regarded as "New Dealers," the President's advisers feel that prospects are now favorable for enactment of many of the proposals the GOP-dominated 80th Congress rejected last year.

Mr. Truman himself told Congress today: "In the months ahead I know that I shall be able to cooperate with this Congress."

The President recommended that the new taxes be levied principally against corporations, without specifying what he has in mind. He also asked higher estate and gift taxes and consideration of increased personal income taxes "in the middle and upper brackets."

The tax proposal was part of a series of proposed anti-inflationary measures including standby power to impose wage and price controls, passage of a strengthened rent control extension, continued control of consumer credit and enlarged powers to "control bank credit."

And he coupled recommendations covering a series of New Deal proposals with a call upon business to plan for "steady, vigorous expansion—seeking always to increase its output, lower its prices and avoid the vices of monopoly and restriction."

"So long as business does this," Mr. Truman said in a personal appearance before a joint session of the two houses, "it will be contributing to continued prosperity, and it will have the help and encouragement of government."

Mr. Truman laid before the new 80th Congress virtually every recommendation he made in the 351 speeches of his 31,500 miles of campaigning for the presidency.

Included were calls for farm price supports and adequate storage space for wheat and other crops—two items he hammered home in winning farm states which usually go Republican.

He asked, too, for repeal of the Taft-Hartley labor law, which he blasted across the country as un-

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Low Enforcement to Be Joyce's Forum Topic
"Problems of Law Enforcement in Oregon County Liquor Control Commission" will be the topic of the Junior Chamber of Commerce's next forum of the air. The program, announced Chairman Gordon Carlson will be broadcast over KRNK from 7 to 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Speakers, each of whom will take different views, will be: William Keith Day, Warrenton, Ore., forfeited \$125 bail and his driver's license was held, when he failed to appear in answer to his drunk driving charge.

Francis Junior Evans, Roseburg, re-arrested on a warrant, following his failure to appear in answer to a reckless driving charge, was fined \$35, Judge Riddle reported.

Copco Asks Approval For \$10 Million Credit Deal
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The California-Oregon Power Company yesterday asked the State Public Utilities Commission for approval of a \$10,000,000 credit agreement.

The money, to be obtained from the Chase National Bank of New York and three other banks, would be used to refund a \$4,500,000 note, replenish working capital and finance new construction projects. The company said the construction includes Toketee Falls and other North Umpqua projects.

Since the company has headquarters at Medford, Ore., as well as at Yreka, Calif., approval for the credit agreement also will have to be obtained from the Oregon State Public Utilities Commission.

Liquor Stores Given Extended Operation Right
All establishments licensed by the Oregon State Liquor Control Commission will be permitted to operate until Jan. 11 on receipts for license fees paid. This was announced by Alvin Hartley, local inspector for the liquor control commission.

According to a previous announcement made by the commission, he said, licensed establishments could not operate until they had received their 1949 licenses.

Some establishments may be authorized by letter from the commission's license division to operate. These will suffice for the period of time indicated by the letter, Hartley said.

If no application has been made nor fee paid by Jan. 3, such establishments must cease operations at once, according to the instructions received by Hartley from the commission.

Pacific Security Built, Admiral Ramsey Says
PEARL HARBOR, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Adm. Dewitt C. Ramsey said today "the security of the Pacific is in the hands of thoroughly integrated military organizations."

The Pacific fleet commander added that "significant strides" were made in the integration of Army, Air Force and Navy activities during the past year.

The admiral said the Pacific fleet "is ready to develop the full potential of what it has or may be allotted in whatever mission it may be called upon to perform."

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Reizenstein

Ought to be ashamed of yourself grumbling about Umpqua Valley weather, when it already looks like spring to the robins. Take a look at them hopping contentedly about the lawns. It was ever thus in Oregon's most favored spot.



NEW KIWANIS PRESIDENT—Earl C. Plummer, on right is pictured here taking over the position from M. M. "Red" Nelson, center, as president of the Roseburg Kiwanis Club Tuesday noon. On the left is Lieutenant Governor Allen Wheeler, immediate past president of the Eugene Kiwanis, who installed the new officers.