

Plea To Congress To Permit Truman To Reorganize Govt. Ends Hoover Board's Work

By CHARLES MOLONY

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(AP)—The Hoover Commission today wound up two years of work with an urgent appeal to Congress to give President Truman the fullest possible power to reorganize the government.

"We cannot afford to lose this opportunity to put the operation of the Federal Government on a sound and efficient basis," the 12-man bi-partisan commission declared in its final report to Congress.

"The tremendous financial burden of government on our people today makes it imperative that full value be received for the taxpayers' dollar."

The group headed by former President Herbert Hoover asked the lawmakers to—

1. Let the President present plans for a thorough modernization of the huge federal establishment without hampering him by exempting certain agencies.

2. Let his proposals take effect unless the Senate and House both disapprove them within 60 days.

3. Take the hand of Congress out of administrative fields, thus freeing the executive branch of present restrictions.

In the past few months, the Commission—set up by Congress in 1947—has offered some 277 recommendations, with aid from some 300 "task force" experts. Hoover has estimated that the group's proposals might save the taxpayer \$3,000,000,000 a year.

"There is perhaps no time in history," the final report said, "when it has been more impor-

tant to evaluate the effectiveness of the executive branch of the Government in carrying out the will of Congress and the people."

Budget Bureau analysts figure about a third of the recommendations can be put into effect simply by presidential or departmental order, but congressional action is needed for the rest.

Nearly one-fourth of all the recommendations, they say, can be accomplished by a single congressional action—adoption of a bill to give the President additional reorganization power.

Each House already has adopted such a measure, but there remain these differences which a Senate-House committee now is trying to iron out:

The House voted to exempt a number of agencies, the Senate none. Under the House bill, Hoover's proposals would be killed only if both chambers agreed in opposition, while the Senate would let either the House or Senate alone veto them.

The Hoover Commission re-

Wheels Start Rolling for Operation Opportunity



Drucie Snyder, daughter of Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder, christens a genuine covered wagon, symbol of the big 1949 Savings Bonds Opportunity drive, on the steps of the Treasury building in Washington. Thirty similar wagons will tour the cities of the nation to dramatize the billion-dollar bond-selling campaign.



OREGON MENTAL HOSPITAL BURNS—Twenty-five patients confined in the treatment hospital of Oregon's Fairview Home for the Feeble-minded at Salem, were rescued as flames gutted the two-story structure. Doctors and nurses pushed some of the patients down escape chutes, after fire blocked the stairways. Two firemen were injured. Damage was set at \$250,000. (AP Wire photo)

National Forest Timber For Sale

Oral auction bids will be received by the Regional Forester or his authorized representative at the office of the Forest Supervisor, Post Office Building, Roseburg, Oregon, beginning at 2:00 p. m. Pacific Standard Time, June 27, 1949, for all the live timber marked or designated for cutting, and all merchantable dead timber located on an area embracing about 948 acres within Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 35 and 36 T29S, R1W, W. M. surveyed, Umpqua National Forest, Oregon, estimated to be 26,166,000 feet B.M., more or less, of Douglas-fir, 5,301,000 feet B.M., more or less, of sugar pine, 311,000 feet B.M., more or less, of ponderosa pine, 2,286,000 feet B.M., more or less, of white fir, 657,000 feet B.M., more or less, of western hemlock, 1,613,000 feet B.M., more or less, of California incense-cedar, and an unestimated amount of white pine and other species of sawtimber. Sealed bids accompanied by required payment received by the Forest Supervisor prior to 2:00 p. m. Pacific Standard Time, June 27, 1949, will be considered the equivalent of an oral bid and posted for the information of all bidders. The appraised value of the timber according to long-term, normal market and operating conditions is \$3.50 per M feet for Douglas-fir, \$10,000 per M feet for sugar pine and white pine, \$4.00 per M feet for ponderosa pine, \$1.00 per M feet for white fir, western hemlock, California incense-cedar and other species of sawtimber. No bid will be considered which is less than these rates as a base rate applicable through the entire period of the sale agreement, plus at least \$1.25 per M feet for Douglas-fir, \$13.70 per M feet for sugar pine and white pine, \$5.75 per M feet for ponderosa pine and \$0.15 per M feet for white fir, western hemlock, California incense-cedar and other species of sawtimber, the total to apply for all timber cut prior to April 1, 1951. On that date and at other times, as stated in the contract, total rates will be redetermined, but in no event will the redetermined stumpage rates be less than the basic appraised value as first above stated, and in no event will rates below those bid be established until at least 8,000,000 feet B.M. have been cut and paid for at not less than the bid rates. In addition to the prices bid for stumpage, a cooperative deposit of \$0.05 per M feet B. M. to be used by the Forest Service for partially paying the cost of slash disposal and a cooperative deposit of \$0.45 per M feet B.M. to cover the cost of tree planting, seed sowing and timber stand improvement work on the area cut over, for the total cut of timber under the terms of the agreement, will be required. \$15,000.00 to be applied on the purchase price, refunded, or retained in part as liquidated damages, according to the conditions of sale, must accompany each sealed bid and must be shown to be in the possession of oral bidders as a qualification for auction bidding. If an oral bid is declared to be high at the closing of the auction, the bidder must immediately make the required payment and confirm the bid by submitting it in writing on a Forest Service bid form. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and the submission of bids should be obtained from the Forest Supervisor, Roseburg, Oregon, the District Ranger, Tillamook, Oregon, or the Regional Forester, Portland, Oregon.



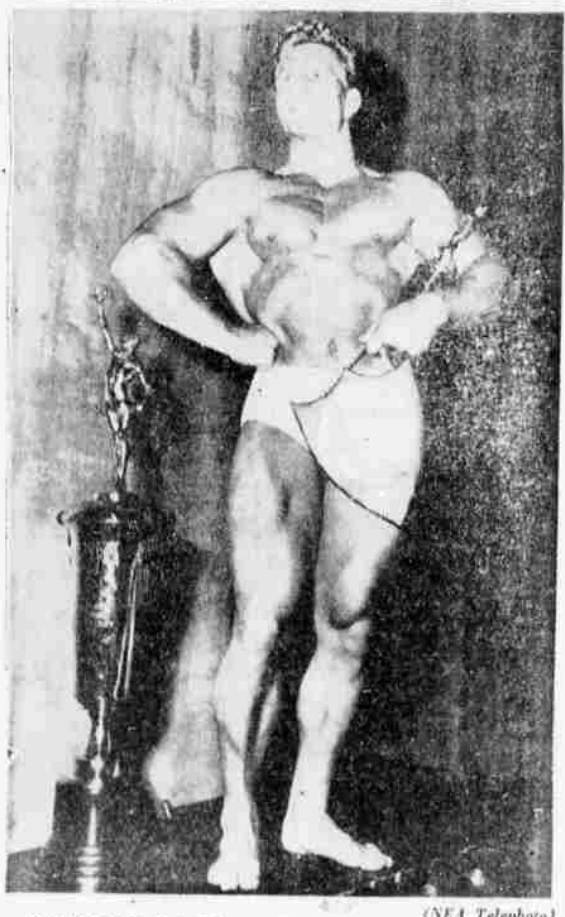
ELECTRONIC 'BRAIN' — Prof. Paul L. Morton (left) and E. E. Bolles, of University of California, test "memory" of an electronic "brain" that solves 10 problems a second.

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minded Congress it had "focused efficiency in itself is no guarantee of democratic government, the sobering fact remains that the highest aims and ideals of Democracy can be thwarted through excessive administrative costs and through waste, ill-unity, apathy, irresponsibility and other byproducts of inefficient government."

Three lawmakers, Senators Alben (R-Vt) and McClellan (D-Ark) and Rep. Clarence R. Brown (R-Ohio), served on the Commission. During its two-year life, another member, Dean

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Acheson, became secretary of state. Still another, former Secretary of Defense Forrestal, met tragic death this week in a plunge from a hospital window.

The Commission took note of the "imagination staggering size" of the problem it had to deal with.

"As a result of depression, war, new needs for defense, and our greater responsibilities abroad," it said, "the Federal Government has become the largest enterprise on earth."

Misbranding Charge Hits Cutter Laboratories
SAN FRANCISCO, May 26 — (AP) — An information was filed in Federal Court Wednesday against Cutter Laboratories, Inc., of Berkeley, charging 12 counts of misbranding and adulteration of products in interstate commerce.

It covered a period from October, 1947, through March, 1948, when some contaminated bottles were found in various cities.

The information dealt specifically with six shipments of dextrose-saline solution, a mixture of sugar, salt and water. This is commonly used in hospitals, by injection in the veins, to restore the liquid content of the body, especially after some operations.

Assisting U. S. Attorney Edgar Bonsall said the shipments went to Jacksonville, Fla.; Jersey City, N. J.; Seattle, Atlanta and Chicago.

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