

Tax Program Of Truman Will Be Told Wednesday

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The white house announced that President Truman will outline his tax program in "general terms" in his state of the union message next Wednesday.

Detailed recommendations will be made later.

Charles G. Ross, presidential secretary, disclosed this after Mr. Truman went over his message with his cabinet.

The president is expected to urge repeal of at least some of the war time excise taxes and suggest that they be offset by higher taxes on corporation profits.

He will deliver the state of the union message to a joint session of the Senate and House at 10:00 a.m. (PST) Wednesday.

Ross said he did not believe the message would contain any great surprises since it was mainly a renewal of proposals which the president has supported since he entered the White House.

Mr. Truman called in the cabinet after releasing a report of his economic advisors calling generally for closer cooperation with business.

Departing cabinet members refused to comment on reports from White House aides that the president now favors elimination of at least some wartime excise taxes, but with an accompanying increase in corporation taxes to offset losses in revenue.

All-Time Mark Set In City's Building

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spector under the heading "repairs," was for the First Baptist church. The \$150,000 project is now under construction adjacent to the old building. These two permits, issued during the same month, made May, 1949, the "richest" month in terms of building permits issued, with a total of \$399,685.

Largest single construction effort, located outside the city limits, goes to the Cloverdale Park addition, built during the year at an approximate cost of \$1,700,000. Several large business and commercial ventures have been built within the Roseburg trading area, with an equal number

constructed throughout the remainder of Douglas county.

May Double In 1950

As large as this year's record construction total seems, it may be more than doubled during the coming year. What looms as the biggest of all building years will see contracts let and work begin on such projects as the Mercy and Douglas Community hospitals and more city school construction.

Rough cost estimates for large construction jobs during 1950 place the total at nearly \$1,600,000. These include \$300,000 for the new Mercy hospital unit, with bids to be opened in January; actual construction of the Douglas Community hospital and the county home, both valued at approximately \$400,000; and an additional \$400,000 to be spent in enlarging the city school system's facilities.

Slated for completion some time during the early spring is the Douglas Electric Cooperative building, being built north of town at a contract price of \$61,380. Work is also progressing satisfactorily on the drive-in theater being built by the Umpqua Amusement company in the area adjacent to Alameda avenue, also north of the present city limits. Work on the first \$25,000 contract phase of the theater is expected to reach completion in the near future.

Work began a few weeks ago on the fourth large apartment structure to be built by the Todd Building company since 1947. Located on S. Main street, the 20-unit building calls for an expenditure of \$110,000.

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| Mrs. Geo. Edes | Yoncalla, Oregon |
| Glendale City Marshal | Glendale, Oregon |
| Azalea Post Office | Azalea, Oregon |
| Hamilin's Market | Canyonville, Oregon |
| Riddle Hardware | Riddle, Oregon |
| City Hall | Myrtle Creek, Oregon |
| Camas Valley Store | Camas Valley, Oregon |
| Mrs. Meredith | Lookingglass, Oregon |
| Hebard's Market | Umpqua, Oregon |

License Fees: Male \$2.00, Female \$3.00, Spd. Female \$2.00. License tag must be securely fastened to dog's collar unless dog is kept in the immediate possession of owner.

Dog owners within the city limits of Roseburg shall procure dog license at the City Hall.

Anyone failing to license a dog over the age of eight months will be penalized an additional \$1.00 after March 1, 1950, also anyone found owning or keeping an unlicensed dog after March 1, is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of \$10.00 and court cost.

GEORGE WESEMAN,
Douglas County Dog Control Officer.

Tired Old 'Forties' Bow To 'Fifties' Era

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called the United Nations and of a new development called television.

Must Find Maturity

These were a few of the things born of the "forties," and many of them must find their maturity and their success or failures in the "fifties."

The outlook was not all good, but it was better than it was 10 years ago, when that period was ushered in to the fury of marching armies and sounding cannon.

America was prosperous. Life flowed strong in the veins of the New York stock exchange, whose fingers span the country and measure its pocket-book. It closed out the old year on a three-year record high mark.

There was a pulsing new vigor in the religious life of the land, and many church leaders moved more boldly into the stream of events, seeking to reinforce the morality of a nation and its people.

Science Marches On

Science captured new ground in the closing days of the old year. Dr. Albert Einstein brought forward a new concept that promised a possible new understanding of the universe in the years ahead.

New and closer cooperation in lacking physical secrets was seen in the meeting here of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which today finishes the biggest scientific meeting in the nation's history.

The nation was working on its social problems. In its slow, stumbling Democratic fashion, it was trying to wipe out its wrongs and injustices.

Across the seas, a sick world was recovering from the wounds of conflict. The Economic Co-operation administration said western European countries had achieved the highest industrial and farm production in history, and that the forecast for next year was for even higher production.

Other escapades were identified as Otis Eaton, 25, Stillwell, Okla., serving 15 years; David Dyer, 28, Oklahoma City, 15 years, and Jack Rheubar, 22, of Sapulpa, Okla., 20 years, all for robbery and kidnaping.

The prison farm is 40 miles southeast of Little Rock.

Temper Blamed For Outburst

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 31.—(AP)—A Tulsa common pleas judge blamed a "regrettable show of temper" for an outburst yesterday in which he cited a fellow judge for contempt of court.

Common Pleas Judge H. E. Chambers summoned another common pleas judge, Leslie W. Lisle, before his bench yesterday, scolded him severely and cited him for contempt of court. He assailed Lisle for taking over one of his cases Thursday.

"I'm citing you for contempt of court," he stormed in open court. "I'm going to give you five days in jail. You got your name in the papers. I worked all day yesterday and didn't get mentioned."

Leslie stalked angrily from the courtroom following the tirade and told reporters he would ignore the incident.

Later, Chambers said he was "fighting mad" because Lisle had taken over one of his cases during the lunch hour yesterday.

However, he said he was "extremely sorry that this thing happened."

"I did wrong by letting my feelings get out of control," he said, "but a judge is human like anybody else. I am the one who has been hurt by this regrettable show of temper."

Ship Crewmen Refuse To Sail Mined Area

HONG KONG, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Crewmen of the American freighter Flying Arrow reportedly refused to take the sbrandtzen vessel through Nationalist mined Chinese waters.

The Flying Arrow is due to head for Communist Shanghai Tuesday. The skipper, Capt David Jones of Chicago, indicated today he would sail his ship into Shanghai in spite of mines, Nationalist gunboats and the State department in Washington.

The Hong Kong Sunday Herald said, however, the crew had cabled the U. S. State department and the National Maritime union in New York to the effect: "We will not work if the ship attempts to run through the blockade."

BURN'S FIRES UPPED

FOREST GROVE.—(AP)—The Northwest Oregon Fire Protection district, which includes the Tillamook burn country, didn't have as fortunate a record this year as last.

The district reported 8,480 acres burned during 1949, at a loss of \$80,329. In 1948 only 17 acres were blackened.

The late summer, drought, and man's carelessness were blamed.

Prison Guard Killed As Four Convicts Escape

TUCKER PRISON FARM, Ark., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Four young convicts, armed with five pistols and a riot gun, broke out of prison here early today. A trusty-guard was killed in the escape.

Arkansas state police headquarters at Little Rock broadcast a statewide alarm for the fugitives. Bloodhounds were brought to the farm to aid the manhunt.

Leader of the 1:15 a.m. (EST) escape was identified as James Perry Williams, 24, Pine Bluff, Ark., a trusty.

Warren Hosmer, assistant to prison Supt. W. V. Lewis, said Williams killed trusty Bell Bohannon, 36, and then disarmed three other guards on duty in the stockade.

Unlocked Door

Hosmer said Williams unlocked the door to the stockade and three other prisoners followed him in the escape.

The stockade is not surrounded by a wall or fence.

Hosmer reported another convict prevented what could have been a riot when he jumped from his cot and locked the stockade door.

Apparently none of the other 312 prisoners attempted to escape, he added.

Bohannon, who was serving a 21-year sentence for second degree murder, burglary and grand larceny, was shot four times at close range.

Authorities sleeping

Hosmer said all prison authorities were asleep at the time of the break. Only trustees were on duty.

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Top Military Leaders Plan Japanese Visit

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another of a series of routine inspection trips to overseas commands.

Nevertheless, the timing commanded attention at home and abroad. Coming in the midst of a crisis produced by Communist conquests in China, the announcement followed by a day two other significant developments.

A meeting of the National Security council—top policy-making organization on strategy—at which recommendations for action to block the expansion of communism in the far east were reportedly offered by the state and defense departments for President Truman's approval.

The Navy's disclosure that a carrier and two destroyers will be added to the seventh task fleet cruising in Asiatic waters.

The joint chiefs consist of Gen. Omar N. Bradley, chairman, the Army's Gen. J. Lawton Collins, Air Force Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, and Navy Adm. Forrest P. Sherman.

Three Killed In Detroit Oil Refinery Explosion

DETROIT, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Two shattering explosions and a mass of flame turned an oil refinery into an inferno in which three men were fatally burned Friday.

A near-panic ensued among residents of a southwest Detroit neighborhood as 32 units of fire apparatus fought a huge orange blaze leaping 600 feet in the air.

The fire swept the Aurora Gasoline company plant. Half a hundred policemen aided firemen in keeping the blaze from spreading to 20 nearby refinery tanks containing 400,000 gallons of gasoline.

In addition to the three dead, five men required hospitalization from burns.

Japanese Go To Tokyo For News Of Relatives

TOKYO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Japanese from remote parts of Japan are headed for Tokyo to try to learn what has become of their relatives captured four and a half years ago as war prisoners by the Russians.

Japanese sources said five or six Japanese from Nagano prefecture west of Tokyo will arrive tomorrow. They will wait outside the Russian embassy's gates until they get an audience or an answer.

These sources said the visitors want to know how many Japanese remain alive in Soviet territory, the names of the living, the names of the dead and how they died, and what charges have been made against those held as war criminals.

John L. Lewis Faces Unfair Labor Charge

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returned to a five-day week.

As for the balance of the soft coal industry, there was some question whether it would remain in production at all next week.

Lewis' three-day week order ended a 52-day strike and rumors were circulating through the soft coal fields that the mines not under contract would again be shut down on Tuesday.

The anthracite operators, employing 80,000 eastern Pennsylvania miners, are negotiating with the union in New York City, and some progress was reported.

No Proposals Given

In their complaint to the NLRB, the soft coal operators charged that while Lewis had been meeting with them since last spring he had made no concrete proposals and would not concur in their offer to extend the old contract for two years.

They challenged the legality of Lewis' proposed new contract because, they said, it contains a union shop provision not allowed under the Taft-Hartley act except on terms which Lewis is unable to meet.

The big operators also said Lewis wants to make them sign a contract which has provisions for a welfare fund prohibited by the Taft-Hartley law.

Mercy Killing' Doctor Free Under \$25,000 Bond

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of the grand jury scheduled to open next Tuesday.

On Dr. Sander's decision to resume practice, Dr. John F. Wheeler, secretary of the New Hampshire State Board of Registry in Medicine, said:

"No action is contemplated at present and none will be taken so far as the board is concerned unless the man is found guilty following a trial."

Strong support for Dr. Sander came from the dead woman's husband, Reginald Borroto. Describing the doctor as a "wonderful man," Borroto declared:

"I cannot believe that he is in any way to be blamed for my wife's passing. He has my complete confidence."

However, Mrs. Borroto's three brothers were divided in their opinions.

"As far as I am concerned," said Thomas Constantine of Bangor, Me., "it should have been left to the will of God."

Bernard Constantine felt Dr. Sander's "actions were wrong." He added that he held "no malice" toward the physician.

The third brother, Louis Constantine, said he felt "now that she is gone, she is better off."

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Upper Michigan Uranium Source Find 'Suspected'

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Michigan has 13 "suspected discoveries" of uranium ore.

This disclosure today stirred cautious speculation whether Michigan may become the first important source of the raw material of atomic energy in the United States.

At the same time prospectors were warned to stay out till spring.

Michigan's wild upper peninsula, famed for minerals, is the region in question.

The first of the strikes of radioactive rock was announced yesterday.

Jones and Laughlin Ore Co. said the Atomic Energy commission had authorized further exploration of a find in northeastern Baraga county, a remote eastern portion of the storied peninsula.

Twelve other applications for uranium mining rights have been submitted to the Michigan conservation department for checking. It was learned today.

Six of these have been found promising enough to submit to the Atomic Energy commission for checks by its engineers. The other six are still being checked by state geologists.

The state officials were close-mouthed about the 12 suspected strikes and would only disclose they are "somewhere in the upper peninsula."

But geologists have said all along that the sparsely populated peninsula was one of the best possibilities for the discovery of pitchblende, the parent ore of uranium, in the country.

The Weather

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Mostly cloudy with occasional rain today and Sunday.

Highest temp. for any Dec. 70
Lowest temp. for any Dec. 45
Highest temp. yesterday 48
Lowest temp. last 24 hrs. 36
Precipitation last 24 hrs. 0
Precipitation from Dec. 1 3.72
Precipitation from Sept. 1 11.36
Deficiency from Dec. 1 1.43

Advisor Says Truman To Ask Tax Reduction

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feel that the subject is too important to be covered adequately in messages mainly concerned with other phases of government operation.

Mr. Truman has promised to send congress a 1951 budget which it will have difficulty cutting.

Some of his associates say it will call for far less than the \$43,500,000,000 now estimated as the government's outlay for the current fiscal year.

The estimated tax yield for this fiscal year—including excise taxes—is \$38,000,000,000, leaving better than a \$5,000,000,000 gap between income and expenditures.

Deficit Indicated

That indicates that the government may face another multi-billion dollar deficit next year, unless Congress either trims spending sharply or votes new taxes.

The sentiment against new taxes is running strong on Capitol Hill, although any presidential recommendation for a cut in excise levies would be widely acclaimed.

If the President asks for new taxes, he is expected to suggest that they be applied on corporations, middle and higher personal incomes, estates and gifts.

Senate Democratic Leader Lucas of Illinois yesterday forecast a boost in corporation taxes if the excise taxes are slashed.

He told a news conference he can't go along with those who say the excise cut would stimulate business that the government would need no additional revenue.

Margaret Frances Reed Dies At Nonpareil Home

Margaret Frances Reed, 31, wife of Robert C. Reed, died at her home at Nonpareil Friday after a long illness.

She was born at Yuma, Ariz., April 9, 1918, and was married at Huntington Park, Calif., June 22, 1935. They moved to Nonpareil from Prosser, Wash., three years ago.

Besides her widower, she is survived by two children, Barbara Ann and Clarke Thomas Reed; mother, Ethel G. Clarke; two sisters, Mrs. W. W. Reagen, Ashland, and Mrs. Morris Perry of Maricopa, Calif.

Funeral services are tentatively set for Monday at 2 p. m. at the Sutherlin Methodist church, with Rev. C. E. Brittain officiating. Vault interment will be at the Fair Oaks cemetery, Stearns Mortuary, Oakland, is in charge.

Mother, Daughter Get Divorce At Same Time

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(AP)—A 37 year old mother and her 19 year old daughter obtained divorces in circuit court Friday after each appeared as a witness for the other. The mother had been married for nearly 22 years, the daughter 23 months.

Judge Daniel A. Roberts granted Mrs. Thelma Sharp a divorce from Earl W. Sharp, 48, on grounds of habitual drunkenness. She waived alimony and was given custody of a son, William, 17.

Then Mrs. Sharp's daughter, Mrs. Patricia Sharp Espinosa, was granted a divorce on grounds of cruelty from John Espinosa, 23, a bookbinder. She was awarded \$15 a week for support of a six months old son, but waived alimony.

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4 - 4:30 P. M.—Sunday

★ Twenty Questions

Charles "Buddy" Rogers... this week's guest-panelist.
8 - 8:30 P. M.—Sunday

★ Top Bands New Year's Salute

Ray Anthony, Guy Lombardo and Hal MacIntyre among the list of top music-makers in this New Year's Eve presentation! Festivities in Times Square, New York... at 11:55.

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