

Treasury Head Asks Limit On Tax Slashes

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rampage in eastern Arkansas, which was hardest hit by the floods in the state. Rising streams also were reported in the northern and southern sections of the state. National guardsmen sided in evacuating residents of St. Francis lowlands.

The Cumberland river in southeastern Kentucky was expected to hit the Williamsburg area with the worst flood on record. The river's crest was moving downstream past hard-hit Barboursville and toward Williamsburg, the Kentucky river, in the northern part of the state, created yesterday, routing some 250 families from their homes.

The swollen Cumberland river spilled over lowlands near Nashville, Tenn., forcing more persons to flee their homes.

The Ohio river was expected to crest at Point Pleasant, W. Va., the hardest hit in the state, at 47.5 feet at noon today. Flood stage is 40 feet. The business section was covered by about three feet of water. Forty families were evacuated, some by boat.

Some communities in southern West Virginia, on tributaries of the Ohio, reported flood conditions. Schools were closed in at least six counties and highways were blocked throughout central, south central, and southeast West Virginia. Huntington, protected by an \$11,000,000 floodwall, was expecting a crest of 56.5 feet at 7 p. m. today. Flood level is 50 feet and the wall protects up to 70 feet. Logan was threatened by the rising Guyan river and National Guardsmen were alerted for flood duty.

The three-day ice storm in northern Texas caused damage of more than \$1,000,000. Fifty-three towns still were without telephone communication and some communities were without power. However, with warmer weather and clear skies, hundreds of repairmen worked to restore service. The ice storm also hit southwest and southeast Missouri.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Snyder told Congress today that "excise tax reduction must be limited to about \$600,000,000."

Spelling out details that had been sketched broadly by President Truman on Jan. 23, Snyder outlined the administration's excise (sales) tax reduction program at the opening of House committee tax hearings:

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The Times quoted Senator Magnuson (D-Wash.) as saying the president's views on the 20-year plan are clarified and will be made known by the head of the bureau of the budget.

Magnuson said the plan introduced last year to authorize a coordinated play of development: agreed upon by the Bureau of Reclamation and the corps of Army engineers.

He said, however, he expects some modification of the program set up in his bill.

The plan, he explained, is separate from the proposed Columbia Valley administration, but approval of the project gives weight to the demand for a C. V. A.

The senator said presidential approval paves the way for Congress to approve a program which will transform the Columbia river into the greatest hydro-electric source in the world.

The ultimate power developed by the dams, as envisaged in Magnuson's bill, would total approximately 4,500,000 kilowatts. The maximum ultimate power potential of the Columbia has been set at 20,000,000 to 23,000,000.

The Magnuson bill requests \$175,000,000 for the Reclamation bureau and \$250,000,000 for the army engineers for the first three years as a starter.

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Prompt Aid Is Related A stirring letter was received recently from Byron Goff of Oakland telling of the part played by the Douglas county chapter of the national foundation in helping overcome a polio attack which Goff suffered Aug. 25, 1949.

Goff grew up in Oakland and married a Roseburg girl, the former Dorothy Nicholas. They have two pre-school aged children.

Goff writes: "Within an hour after our family physician diagnosed my illness as polio, our Douglas county polio chapter offered their services. Since that time, all expenses for my care have been covered by the chapter. And by expenses, I mean everything—medication, 12 days' use of the iron lung, expert doctors and physical therapy treatments."

Goff said he was treated for ten days at a Portland isolation hospital, then transferred to another Portland hospital. Confinement in the iron lung was replaced by Kenney hot packs and daily exercise given in a special, equipped tank of warm water.

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Mr. Truman said that the Democratic party is the sort of party the statement describes.

JAIL VISITOR SLIPS PORTLAND, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Theodore W. Laffer came up to the city jail with a permit to see a woman prisoner—and got put behind the bars himself.

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