

Farm Price Solution In Ike's Plan

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Groundwork
For Prosperity
Claimed Laid

President Discounts
'Boom-Bust' Theory
In Nation's Economy

WASHINGTON (AP)—Close associates say President Eisenhower is determined to solve the farm price problem as one of the first steps in carrying out his pledge of "constantly increasing prosperity for all."

In a radio-television report to the people last night, the President said his administration is using "every legitimate means available to the federal government" to maintain prosperity and will continue to do so as long as it is necessary.

Asserting that his administration does not believe in a "boom-and-bust" America in which prosperity hinges on war or threats of war, he said the program he will lay before Congress in his State of the Union message Thursday will be keyed to federal help.

"It is a program that does not deal in pie-in-the-sky promises to all, nor bribes to a few, nor in threats to any," he declared. "It is a program inspired by real for the common good, dedicated to the welfare of every American family—whatever its means of livelihood may be or its social position or its ancestral strain or its religious affiliations."

In outlining the past year's accomplishments, he said groundwork has been laid to sustain basic prosperity "in the strong belief that the federal government should be prepared at all times—ready at a moment's notice—to use every proper means" toward that end.

He said a program of sound planning and aggressive enterprise must be accompanied by "a faith which cannot be shaken by self-appointed peddlers of gloom and doom" in America's growth and progress.

This was an obvious thrust at some Democrats, like Senators Douglas of Illinois and Kerr of Oklahoma, who have said the country is in a recession and may be headed for a real depression.

Eisenhower claimed a halt in to-bogganing farm prices as one of the accomplishments of his administration in its first year. Presumably he referred to an Agriculture Department report last week which said that after months of decline, average farm prices were up slightly in mid-December.

Farm Action Stated
Members of Congress said the President had stressed in conference on his program the need for action on the farm front.

In this connection, it was reported that he will recommend in a special message on the subject next Monday action to clear away obstacles on his program as a prelude to stabilizing farm prices.

The government now has on hand (Continued on Page Two)

City Court Posts Record In Fines

The municipal court set another new high in fines collected during December, it was noted by Roseburg Chief of Police Stan Olson in his monthly report to the city manager.

The month's collections amounted to \$4,919. The previous high was \$4,745 in August, 1953.

With half of the fiscal year gone, fines collection is running about 20 per cent higher than the police department budget estimate.

If the clerical work brought on by the increase continues, it will be necessary to assign a patrol officer to the office, Olson said. Such a move would weaken the patrol strength to a point where it could be dangerous, as officers in the field cannot keep up with present assignments, the chief believes.

There were 28 petty larceny complaints investigated during December, the largest share during Christmas week (shoplifting). However, the arrest of two juveniles cleared half of the complaints.

There were seven drunk driving cases during the month and 34 cases of drunk on the public street. There were two burglary cases and one of grand larceny.

Eleven accidents were noted during December. As usual, failure to yield right of way caused the greatest number (four).

The force put in a total of 3,331 hours of duty. The biggest single time consumer, naturally, was patrolling (1,274 hours).

FINED IN COURT

James C. Strickland, 28, Myrtle Creek, received a \$50 fine in district court Monday after pleading guilty to a charge of driving with a suspended operator's license, according to Judge A. J. Geddes. Strickland was arrested by state police.

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Reizenstein

Scores of 'gimme' Indian groups using Uncle Sam suggest a single tribal label for all of them: Sioux.

Council Denies Petition For Second Taxi Firm

The possibility of a second taxi company for Roseburg took a nose dive Monday night when the City Council turned thumbs down to a request from Eddie Gibson.

The matter had been hanging fire for several months, after Gibson requested permission to establish a cab company. Presently, Roseburg Cab Co. is the only licensed taxi outfit in the city.

Warm discussion lasted several minutes before the council, without a dissenting vote, decided to accept a police committee report that no additional taxi application be approved at this time.

Councilman W. J. Adair, reporting for the committee, said simply that the committee felt the permit should not be granted. He did not explain the committee's decision.

Mayor Percy Croft attempted to refer the whole matter, including a renewal application from Roseburg Cab, back to the police committee for further study and a complete written report. City Attorney Paul Geddes backed the mayor's stand, stating that a detailed report would be more in line with stipulations provided by city ordinance.

Councilman Abstains
But, Councilman Bernard Saar moved the committee's report be accepted. Councilmen Saar, Rudolph Ritzman, Frank Ashley, Gordon Harness, Adair and Byron Woodruff voted for the action. Councilman Cecil Hugh did not vote.

Attorney John H. Horn presented Gibson's case to the council. He asked the council: "Which is best, the monopoly which we now have, or free enterprise?" He said he felt competition would help bring out any violations of law rather than cause more violations.

Attorney Spencer Yates, representing Roseburg Cab Co., had pointed out there were seven bootlegging convictions during a four-year period when two cab companies were operating.

Arguments for and against establishment of a second taxi company in the city were brought out by the attorneys and Gibson, but no details of the police committee's study of the problem were aired.

Later, the council also accepted a police committee report that two liquor license applications be approved. The applications were from the Royal Order of Moose and the Skyroom.

Fire Station Plans Up For City Study

The Roseburg City Council will hold a special meeting in the City Hall Wednesday night to consider adoption of plans and specifications for the West Side fire station.

It is hoped the council can open bids on the project at the next regular council session, Jan. 12. Advertising for bids will be made as soon as possible.

Architect Lyle F. Glenn presented plans and specifications to the council Monday night, but final acceptance could not be made.

One part of the plan for the station's heating unit, was not available for presentation. The matter will be considered Wednesday.

Preliminary estimates by the architect show the cost of the building to be about \$32,500. A (Continued on Page Two)

Marilyn's Gone Siren Suspended, Thought Eloping With Joe DiMaggio

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Marilyn Monroe's studio says she has been suspended because she failed to show up for the start of her new picture.

Coincident with this announcement was a report that the shapely blonde and Joe DiMaggio, the former New York Yankee Clipper, were enroute from San Francisco to Las Vegas or Reno to be married.

A studio spokesman said Miss Monroe's home telephone here doesn't answer and he could "only assume that she's still in San Francisco."

The next bit of rumor in Hollywood was that perhaps she was home on, inasmuch as her present contract is about to expire and she hasn't signed a new one at 20th Century-Fox. The rumble was that La Monroe wants more money.

But finally, her agent, Jack Gordon, blasted some of the rumors. Why no, he said, there aren't any wedding plans. He would dismiss that altogether, he said. Miss Monroe wasn't at her studio, he explained, because she didn't like the script for the picture "Pink Tights," and she won't show up for rehearsals until she can approve a new script.

The picture will have Dan Dailey and Frank Sinatra in the cast. At last report, DiMaggio and Miss Monroe were still in the San Francisco bay area.

The studio said she would remain under suspension until she gets back.

More Storms To Hit Europe

LONDON (AP)—Shivering Western Europe, battered by three days of storms, mobilized its defenses Tuesday against new onslaughts from Old Man Winter.

While salvage and rescue teams from Scandinavia to Italy took advantage of a momentary lull to dig out snowbound autos and train and strengthen flood weakened dikes, the weatherman warned more trouble was on the way.

Most of the fury of the winter's first big storms blew itself out by early Tuesday after playing the clown in at least two areas.

In the Aegean area of semi-tropical Greece, the French island in the Mediterranean, snow fell overnight. Around Soudria, a little town on the Italian-Swiss border which normally gets the first snow fall of the Italian winter, violets and daisies bloomed in the fields amid springlike weather while nearby roads and mountain passes were blocked by snowdrifts.

Along Germany's Baltic coast worst floods for almost a century quieted. Damage may hit the million dollar mark.

At the height of the floods, the Kiel harbor area was a foot under water, a refugee camp in Luebeck was evacuated, electricity and telephone pylons were uprooted, and road and rail communications were cut.

Community Theater Considers Two Plays

The newly-formed Thalia Community Theater group will meet tonight to stage auditions and discuss its first major play.

The meeting is scheduled at 8 p.m. at the home of Helen Bayne, 150 Meadow Lane. It was announced that anyone needing transportation from downtown Roseburg will be picked up at the Umpqua Lounge.

The two plays now being considered for presentation are "Charley's Aunt" and "Blythe Spirit."

Tree Planting Continues By County Parks Dept.

Tree planting continued at Singleton Park at the Umpqua River forks Tuesday under a Douglas County Parks Dept. program which began a week ago. Supervisor Charles S. Collins reports.

Minor planting has been done or is scheduled at several county parks, Collins said.

Planting is nearly completed at the Canyonville Park. Planting is completed at the Winston-Dillard Park. Work will be done also at the Drain Park, Ziolkowski Beach at Winchester Bay, Britt Nichols Park on Ladders Lookout Road and the Richard Baker Park on the North Umpqua.

Species being planted are black locust, Chinese elm, casahuate, cluster pine, Scotch pine, Port Orford cedar, Douglas fir and noble fir.

County Humane Society To Name New Officers

The Douglas County Humane Society has scheduled its annual election of officers tonight at 8 in the Council Chambers of the Roseburg City Hall.

The organization was formed in September and all officers are temporary.

Texans To Take Fight To Capitol

MARSHALL, Tex. (AP)—Downed but not discouraged, the Marshall housewives are going to take their fight to Congress.

They never did want to collect social security taxes on the wages of their household servants—and they never did.

Now the U. S. Supreme Court, in a decision yesterday, said they had to do it. Two lower courts had said they had to do it, and the Supreme Court refused to hear their appeal.

The women said the tax wasn't constitutional. And through all the rebellion that started almost three years ago they have waited in their homes while internal revenue agents went into downtown banks to take the taxes due from their bank accounts.

"Where else can we go now?" asked Mrs. Carolyn M. Abney, spokeswoman for the group of 14 housewives and in whose name the suit was filed.

"We have no further recourse in the courts."

But the American people have a recourse by protesting to Congress who wrote those things. After all, we elected those congressmen."

Mrs. Abney said she and the other rebelling housewives had received "thousands of letters" of support in the 2½ years of their fight. She asked these people to write their Congressmen now to get the law changed.

Trailer Queries Flood Department

Sanitarians at the County Health Dept. have been swamped with calls in regard to a recent licensing announcement regarding house trailers in the county.

The Virginia Reiersen said there apparently was some doubt about a 48-hour limit for parking trailers on lots. Reiersen said the regulation, requiring that trailers must hook up to sewers within 48 hours after parking on a lot, applies only to Roseburg. It is a city ordinance.

Reiersen said the County Health Dept. demands that a trailer be hooked up to sanitary facilities, but no definite time requirement has been set.

He said the burden of the county licensing rests with the person who charges rent for space on which a trailer is parked. This person is subject to a trailer license for operating a trailer park and thus must supply sanitary facilities.

Reiersen said if a person owns property on which his trailer is parked, he is not subject to a license. But he will be required to install his own sanitary facilities.

Insurance Commissioner To Address Local Group

Robert G. Taylor, state insurance commissioner, Portland, will be the featured speaker at the charter night for the Umpqua Basin Life Underwriters Assn. Wednesday night at 6:30. The banquet is to be held in the Civic Room of the Umpqua Hotel.

Other guests will be Ralph Schwab, Albany, state president, and C. McGee, Albany, state extension officer. Ed Wyatt will be master of ceremonies.

President of the group is Kenneth Quine, Roseburg.

Bob Blackwell, information officer for the group, said that a report from the National Assn. of Life Underwriters shows a total of \$300 billion of life insurance now in force in the United States. One hundred billion of this was written in the past five years.

RESPONSE GOOD

Mother's March Group Plans Rally Of Volunteers

Response to the appeal for Douglas County's Mother's March on police volunteers has been excellent in most areas, drive officials report. However, more volunteers are needed from some of the outlying areas.

Days Creek, Riddle, Canyonville, Glendale, Tenmile and Sutherlin are areas which are short on marching volunteers.

Mrs. Kenneth Garey and Mrs. Ernest Barker, co-chairmen of the Jay-C-Ette sponsored drive, made an appeal to the women of those areas to attend a 50-host dinner at Carl's Haven Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Reservations aren't necessary.

The no-host dinner is a rally of volunteers, who will at that time receive instructions and will become acquainted with the organization of the march. All necessary reports will be given by committee heads and materials necessary for identification purposes will be given to women attending the meeting. Mothers wishing to help, but unable to attend the rally, are urged to contact Mrs. Barker by writing a post card to 1206 Hickory St., Roseburg.

During the meeting Thursday, a movie featuring Helen Hayes, who lost a daughter through polio, will be shown. The movie will acquaint volunteers with the purpose and organization of the drive.

Dixie Police Recover Bulk Of Stolen Cash

Treasury Employee Suspect In Theft Of Guarded \$160,000

WASHINGTON (AP)—Virginia state police Tuesday reported they have recovered "the bulk" of the \$160,000 stolen from the government's Bureau of Engraving in Washington. They said it was located in a metal tool box on a farm near Centerville, Va.

State troopers, there said they did not know exactly how much of the money was recovered or whether any arrests had been made. They said the Secret Service in Washington would report further developments.

Secret Service headquarters here declined for the moment to discuss the case. It was learned, however, that several agents were in Centerville.

While the troopers said the "bulk" of the money was recovered, there was a report here that only about half of it had been located.

Virginia officers said a Treasury employee was suspected of the unprecedented theft from the tightly guarded engraving building.

Employee Spends Cash

They said this employee had spent several thousand dollars of the money.

The Bureau of Printing and Engraving comes under the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department.

One trooper at Centerville said there were two suspects, both employees of the bureau, and described as "people of color."

Asked whether he meant they were Negroes, he replied that they could be people of color without being Negroes.

The trooper said the farm where the money was found was owned by a relative of one of the suspects.

The officers said an associate of the suspects, who knew of the theft, gave information to a state police officer, which led to recovery of most of the money.

The huge sum, in stacks of 20 dollar bills, was found on a farm in Loudoun County and "was whisked by secret service agent" to Washington early Tuesday, they said.

Among other things, Virginia police reported, the suspects had bought a new automobile with the missing money.

Police Receive Tip

The Virginia troopers said the first tip on the whereabouts of the money came to the state police.

The state police promptly notified the Secret Service in Washington, which is about 25 miles from Centerville, and Secret Service agents in collaboration with state police went to the farm and found the money.

Myrtle Creek Eagle Scout Ages, Turns 13

Dick Lowell of Myrtle Creek, Douglas County's most famous Boy Scout, was 13 years old Sunday.

He celebrated the birthday with 15 guests, including several fellow Boy Scouts. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Lowell, hosted.

Young Dick broke into the news in December when he became one of the youngest Eagle Scouts in the world at the age of 12.

INCORPORATES

SALEM (AP)—Articles of incorporation Tuesday included: Funderburk Construction Corp., Sutherlin, 500 shares no par value, Edward S. Funderburk, Donald C. Allen and Nelson H. Grubbe.

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'Partnership' Plan Faces Congress In River Control

By A. ROBERT SMITH
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WASHINGTON — Time and political events have turned another cycle in the long struggle for development of the mighty Columbia River.

The fate of water resource development of the Pacific Northwest lies in the lap of the 1954 session of Congress just as uneasily as it did five years ago when the big issue of the moment was CVA, Columbia Valley Authority. After long hearings and hot debate, Congress killed CVA, which was a proposal of the Truman administration for comprehensive federal development and control of Columbia Basin resources.

Board To Decide On '53 UF Drive

Will there be a United Fund drive next fall?

That's the question which will be considered next Tuesday, Jan. 12, when the Umpqua Basin UF Board of Directors meets at the Paul Hult residence in Dillard.

UF President Harry Brubaker said Gen. Curtis T. Beecher, drive chairman, will make a report at that time of the 1953 drive, which is being wrapped up now.

The 1953 drive failed to reach a \$70,000 goal, termed necessary for the support of various charitable and youth organizations. The total is now \$37,000. Sec. Mona Hult hopes \$40,000 will be exceeded before the Jan. 12 meeting. The session will start at 8 p.m.

MEETINGS RESUME

After a Christmas and New Year's recess, regular weekly meetings of the Roseburg Civil Air Patrol squadron will resume Thursday, Jan. 7, at 7:30 p.m., according to Lt. E. W. Carter, commander.

The meetings will be held at the Junior High School. All members are requested to attend Thursday's session, Carter said.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Secretary of Commerce Weeks, taking his turn at the crystal ball, says in Washington:

"The outlook for 1954 is for one of the better years of economic history. . . although 1954 may not equal 1953's record-setting 'splurge'."

He adds:

"Our better days are yet to be. Our nation is more productive and more powerful than ever before. Short run difficulties may arise, but they can be faced with realistic optimism."

More important than anything else, I'd say, in these days when we are beginning to readjust from a dozen years of war boom to something approaching a peacetime economy, is the way our people think and act.

If the people take it in stride, getting along for a while with somewhat fewer luxuries, spending a little less than they earn, paying a little more attention to work and a little less attention to play, devoting a little more thought and effort to getting them—

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The Weather

Mostly cloudy today with occasional rains Wednesday.

Highest Temp. last 24 hours 54

Lowest Temp. last 24 hours 41

Highest Temp. any Jan. 71

Lowest Temp. any Jan. 4

Precip. last 24 hours trace

Precip. from Jan. 1 .17

Precip. from Sept. 1 18.36

Excess from Sept. 1 4.23

Sunrise today, 4:53 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7:45 a.m.