

Ike Asks Farm Outlays Cut

Larger Ones Likely In Prospect Later, Message Predicts

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WASHINGTON — A 6 1/2 per cent cut in spending for farm programs was proposed by President Eisenhower Monday for the coming fiscal year. He held up the prospect of still greater reductions in later years.

The reductions would come from changes in present farm policies, which Eisenhower said place a heavy burden on taxpayers and complicate foreign trade relations.

In a budget report to Congress, Eisenhower outlined expenditures of \$4,981,000,000 for the Agriculture Department — including \$4,600,000,000 for the various domestic farm programs — during the fiscal year beginning July 1. This would be 346 million dollars less than the total indicated spending for the current year.

Most of the savings would be on programs for support of farm prices and stabilization of agricultural income.

Looking beyond the new fiscal year, Eisenhower foresaw considerable savings if Congress accepts recommendations he said he soon will make for lower price support levels and for removal of some government controls now affecting farmers.

Overproduction Noted
Production per farm worker has doubled in the last 15 years, Eisenhower noted, "and we cannot successfully continue with present obsolete legal formulas governing acreage allotments and price supports."

He said present programs tend to price key farm commodities "as if they were scarce," rather than abundant. The result, he said, is overproduction, restricted markets and costly government purchase of surpluses.

Eisenhower also proposed to cut 100 million dollars off an annual 225 million agricultural conservation program paying subsidies to

farmers for carrying out conservation measures. This reduction, however, would not be reflected in the department's budget until the 1960 fiscal year.

Eisenhower recom m e n d e d meanwhile the continuation of foreign surplus disposal operations. He said he would recommend another year's extension — with an additional spending fund of 1 1/2 billion dollars — of the Agricultural Trade Development Act. This measure authorizes sale of surpluses abroad for foreign currencies.

Soil Bank Outlay Pared
He proposed that the soil bank program — enacted in 1956 with an annual subsidy authorization of up to \$1,200,000,000 a year — be cut next year to 450 million. This would be 375 million less than was authorized for the current crop year. His proposal would abandon the year-to-year acreage reserve part of the program and concentrate wholly on the longer range conservation reserve. The program pays farmers for retiring land from production.

The President estimated that

Beep-Beep Not From Sputnik

LONDON — The beep-beep was heard over Europe and in Ohio Saturday, but the Swedish government said it was caused by an idling Russian teleprinter, not by a new Soviet sputnik.

The views of the Swedish government's radio monitors coincided with those of the British Broadcasting Corp. BBC earlier had said the beep actually might be a teleprinter idling.

A spokesman for Sweden's Enkoping station said the beep-beep was heard at 20,025 megacycles on the sputnik wavelength for hours but was traced to a "typical Russian frequently shift teleprinter transmitter."

He said the printer was now sending clear text in Russian after being idle for about three hours. The teleprinter is a device that transmits news and messages by radio signal. There was no explanation of why the signal was heard over such a wide area.

"It sounded quite like a sputnik at the start," the Swedish spokesman said.

In the United States, ham operator Francis Strait of Columbus, Ohio, said he heard "an awfully familiar beep-beep-beep" near the 20-megacycle band from 4:10 to 4:15 a.m. London time is five hours ahead of Ohio.

SUES FOR MILLION
PORTLAND — Arthur Bradley Williams, a former Oregon Journal reporter, Friday filed a suit against City Commissioner Stanley Earl asking one million dollars.

Williams said Earl had made slanderous remarks about him after Williams had written a series of articles about the recent Portland vice investigation. Earlier the commissioner filed a \$500,000 suit against Williams and the Journal.

\$2,253,000,000 of the department spending in the coming fiscal year would be for stabilization of prices and income compared with \$3,525,000,000 estimated for the current year.

Eisenhower disclosed that he will ask Congress to extend the National Wool Act which uses government subsidies to supplement growers' returns, and to enact legislation which would require a greater sharing by states of the

cost of farm disaster relief programs.

Other Slashes Listed
Other proposed farm outlays compared with figures for this year included: Research \$157,839,000 and \$173,363,000; Soil Conservation Service \$111,245,000 and \$104,733,000; Agricultural Marketing Service \$287,094,000 and \$282,340,000 (which included 100 million for the school lunch program both years); Forest Service \$158,351,000 and \$161,862,000; Rural Electrification Administration for power and telephone loans 376 million and 338 million; Farmers Home Administration for loans and other aid to low income and \$291,431,000, and crop insurance \$6,861,000 and \$1,073,000.

The President said he would recommend that Congress authorize the REA to seek lending funds from private sources under a government insured loan program.

Advanced Review First Aid Course Slated Jan. 15

An advanced review first aid course presented by the Douglas County chapter of the American Red Cross will be held Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. at Red Cross headquarters, 1332 SE Stephens St.

The course is a review for all persons now holding advanced first aid cards. Anyone interested in becoming an instructor must take this course prior to taking an instructors course.

Because of the introduction of new material on the latest first aid methods, all current advanced cards are invalid unless a review course is taken within the next three months, according to Bill Irwin, Red Cross first aid chairman.

Those who would like to recruit about 10 more people for the course, anyone interested can call the Red Cross office OR 3-2553 for more information.

EMPLOYEES REWARDED
SALEM — Two state employees have been given \$250 each by the state employees suggestion awards board.

The employees, James J. Garvin and William J. Bieglor of the state Department of Motor Vehicles, devised a mimeograph form that is expected to save \$6,200 a year. The form will eliminate 60 departmental form letters.

THE FALLING job for commercial thinning could be done now but in most cases the yarding will have to wait for drier weather. Therefore, you may prefer to defer the whole thing until later.

In nearly all cases, harvest cutting of mature trees will need to be deferred until the late spring, summer, or early fall.

Keep these ideas in mind during your travels and plan to do at least one or possibly two of these jobs during 1958.

With The Douglas County Garden Clubs

TOWN AND COUNTRY

About 46 delegates from the Umpqua District of Garden Clubs were guests of fair manager Dick Turley at a luncheon at the Community Building for the purpose of discussing plans for the garden division of the 1958 Douglas County Fair.

With one exception all garden clubs of the district, including the Rose Society, were represented at the meeting.

Delegates of the Town and Country Club included Mrs. David Evans, Mrs. Robert Dorsey, and Mrs. T. L. Goodwin, president, who were instructed as to club policy and recommendations for the fairgrounds meeting at an executive board meeting, when Mrs. L. E. Adams acted as hostess to the group.

Fair manager Turley showed colored slides of last year fair, garden exhibits from other fairs in Oregon and out of state, as well as some shots of the fall flower show.

Due to its immense popularity in '57, plans for the garden division in '58 were expanded, improved and enlarged in scope from any previous year. The face lifting proposed for the immediate and surrounding garden area will be a surprise and an improvement.

With the cooperation and participation of all gardeners in Douglas County the 1958 garden division of the fair, should be a colorful attraction for fair goers this fall.

RAINBOW
The Winston - Dillard Rainbow Garden Club met at the home of Connie Nelson, following a potluck luncheon.

Mrs. Lee Wilson, president, introduced the program speaker, Mrs. Laura Haughn, and Mrs. Arthur Johnson, a guest, who was the founder, and first president of the Rainbow Club. Also a new member, Mrs. Bill Hoyle.

Highlight of the days meeting was the talk given by Mrs. Haughn on care and culture of fuchsias and begonias. The speaker pointed out the importance of keeping the new early growth of fuchsias pinched, winter storage, fertilizing, and spraying, and brought out helpful points on the starting of begonia tubers, and care of the growing plants.

On the business agenda for the

meeting was a report from the finance chairman, Martha Dancho, on the Christmas sale of holly and candy, and the benefit basket prepared by the club. In the absence of the librarian, Connie Nelson reported three new books of short one act plays had been added to the club library. The club voted to add for the month of February a new garden book, House Beautiful's Book of Outdoor Living.

The short play to be given at River-Bend club in February was discussed, and a special meeting called by the president at the home of Mary White for the purpose of doing special work on conservation, scrapbook, and play.

It was decided that the regular field day be an inside meeting due to the weather, and will be held at the home of Brunette Wilson Jan. 17.

Mayme Manake, Eleanor Shigley, and Brunette Wilson will represent the Rainbow club at the planning meeting and luncheon at the fair grounds Wednesday.

The door prize furnished by the hostess was won by Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

GLENDALE
The Glendale Garden Club met at the home of Mrs. Ed Harris in Glendale Jan. 2.

Members answered the roll call by information and questions on gardening subjects. The high school landscaping committee made a report on plans they worked out and the probable cost as learned from investigations made at nurseries in the county. They were to meet with the Glendale School Board Jan. 8, to bring their findings to that group.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Harris and her assistant, Mrs. D. R. Densley, served refreshments.

SUTHERLIN
Sutherland Garden Club's first meeting of the new year will be

held in the Community Building in Central Park Jan. 15 at 1:30 p.m.

There will be a board meeting at noon preceding the regular meeting. Mrs. Art Bennett and Mrs. L. T. Johnson will be hostesses. Mrs. C. V. Church, program chairman, reports that she had invited Mr. C. E. Moyer to address the club and he will speak on "Magnolias and Seasonal Shrubs."

Moyer is a widely known nurseryman and horticulturist and the owner of Moyer's nursery at Dillard.

Members please note that roll call will be answered with "Flowering Shrubs."

BOMB REPORT FALSE

ALLEN TOWN, Pa. — A radioed message that a bomb might be aboard forcing a United Airlines plane carrying 57 passengers and a crew of five to make an emergency landing Friday night at the Allentown-Bethlehem-East-on Airport.

The report was a fake, but it caused nearly four hours delay. The DC-7, piloted by Capt. C. J. Strope of Lake Valtierra, N. J., was bound from Portland, Ore., to New York's Idlewild Airport.

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