

Mild, Mellow Economic Report Expected from Truman Today

By Francis J. Kelley

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 (AP)—President Truman sends his annual economic report to congress tomorrow, and the lawmakers have two reasons to believe the message will be mild and even mellow in tone. Those reasons are:

1. The moderate phrasing of his state of the union message, delivered in person Wednesday to a joint session of the house and senate.

2. The restrained character of the year-end report of his own council of economic advisers, issued a week ago today.

Mr. Truman spoke confidently of the future yesterday when he touched on the nation's economic achievements and prospects. Notable advances have been made toward a better life for all, he said, and he envisioned the possibility of a trillion dollar national income in 2,000 A.D.

Hold Down Spending
He spoke of removing inequities in the tax laws, and holding down government spending to a level he deems wise. Both these points may be developed further in the economic message, and should be revealed in some detail in the 1951 budget he will send up to the capitol next Monday.

The current flourishing business situation appears to have eliminated any possibility that Mr. Truman would ask for standby anti-inflationary powers as he did in last year's economic message.

In his 1949 communication, he came out for a \$4,000,000,000 tax increase, which he didn't get. The tax adjustment program he will seek this year calls for what he terms a "moderate" amount of additional revenue. The most popular feature of it, however, is the widely predicted call for repeal of some of the wartime excise taxes.

Advices Report
If Mr. Truman's economic message reflects the counsel of his economic advisers, the administration will seek the active cooperation of business in keeping the nation's economy healthy. The advisers—Leon Keyserling and John D. Clark—said that the businessmen need government and the government needs the help of businessmen in developing "practical programs."

Pending full development by the president of his 1950 legislative program, senate democrats agreed today on procedure designed to speed up the session and get congress away from the capital (and out on the campaign stump) by July.

On the third day of the session, the senate already was in its second day of debate on a controversial bill to repeal the federal taxes on oleomargarine. The house, however, was in adjournment until tomorrow.

Fairmount Hill Home Sold to N. W. Merrills

Sale of a Fairmount hill residence which recently had one of Salem's outstanding Christmas outdoor lighting displays was announced Thursday.

The transfer was from Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Burgoyne to Mr. and Mrs. Norman W. Merrills. Merrills is general sales manager for Blue Lake Packers, Inc.

The home, at 1610 Fir st., was constructed about 17 years ago by Edgar Pierce of Salem. It has been owned for the past five years by the Burgoynes, whose business is now located at Lebanon.

The Merrills plan to move in about two months to the house, which is of brick construction, has a sunken living room and four bedrooms.

The transaction, for which consideration was not disclosed, was handled by Joe L. Himmel of Gray and Himmel real estate company.

Toastmasters Add Members

Six new members were accepted by the Capitol Toastmasters club of Salem at its meeting Thursday night in the Gold Arrow restaurant.

They were Donald Heinz, J. A. Goffrier, P. C. Robbins, Archie Lester, D. R. Kelly and Charles Maxwell.

Feature of the meeting was a continuation of the speakercraft course now being conducted which explains latest techniques of public speaking.



FIRE DEPARTMENT
— Tom Showers, Los Angeles County Fireman at Pico, Cal., shows the model fire apparatus he built since he started eight years ago as U. S. Army Fireman.

Parents Watch Baby's Losing Battle



LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5 — Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones (right) watch through tears in an Los Angeles emergency hospital as firemen and doctors administer oxygen to their dying baby daughter, Marilyn Carol, six months old. She was hurt in a fall at home, dying several hours later. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman.)

Police Chief at The Dalles to Raise Abandoned Indian Baby

THE DALLES, Jan. 5 (AP)—The police chief of The Dalles, a veteran officer with two grown children, was offering a home to an abandoned Indian baby today.

Chief M. E. Cloe took an 18-month-old Indian boy home to his wife after the baby's 16-year-old mother left it. Now the Cloes want to bring the baby up.

The police chief, who's had the baby several days, wouldn't comment for publication. "I'm not doing this for publicity," he protested. "Maybe later, when I find out if they'll let me keep him, I can give you a story."

But friends who had talked to the officer said he took the baby home after the people with whom the young mother had left it could not care for it longer. No one knows whether the mother will come back.

A Portland man who talked to Cloe this morning quoted him as saying, "I hope we can keep the baby. I'd like to bring him up and educate him."

The Cloes, whose youngest child is 19, are white.

Civil Service Tests for Police Positions Set

Civil service examinations for city policeman posts will be held January 26. Fourteen jobs as patrolmen will be at stake.

The examination was announced Thursday by the Salem civil service commission. It will be at the city hall and applicants must file by January 20.

The police force is now at full strength, but 14 officers have been hired temporarily pending results of the examination, said Police Chief Clyde A. Warren.

Two of those whose status is temporary are former members of the West Salem force, said Warren. They became members of the Salem department when the two cities merged recently.

Starting pay is \$245 a month, according to the notice of the examination. Age limits are 21 to 35 years with concessions for those having military service.

Applicants must be registered voters who have lived in Salem for one year prior to the examination date. Those placed on the eligible list will be required to pass a physical examination. Application blanks are available at the city recorder's office.

The number of horses and mules in the U. S. has fallen from 21,431,000 in 1915 to nearly 10,000,000 today. In about the same period tractors have increased from a thousand to around 3,000,000.

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National Polio Board Officer Visits Salem

Both "getting and giving information" on Oregon schools' public health program as it relates to poliomyelitis, Dr. Clair E. Turner, assistant to the president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, visited Salem Thursday.

His principal conference was with Dr. Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, to whom he offered the foundation's assistance.

Dr. Turner expressed praise for the instruction in polio given through schools' health and physical education studies in Oregon and reminded that the state was fourth from the top in proportion of children represented in the 1949 March of Dimes drive.

A leader in public health, Turner was loaned by the foundation the past year to Iran to build up a health program and last summer to the U. N.'s World Health organization in Geneva, Switzerland.

Portland Police Cars Still Wearing '49 License Plates

PORTLAND, Jan. 5 (AP)—An astounding lack of worry over getting 1950 license plates baffled the secretary of state's branch office today.

Less than half the licenses there have been sold so far, and yet hundreds of Portland cars are driving about with 1949 plates. "I can't understand it," declared Vernon M. Webb, licensing department manager.

City police began knocking down on 1949-plate cars today. They didn't, however, arrest anyone who had already made application. They couldn't do that very well. The city patrol car and the city tow cars, though they've sent in applications, still don't have 1950 plates.

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Court Sends Three Persons To Penitentiary

Three persons were sent to the state penitentiary Thursday morning in Marion county circuit court and another five were placed on probation. All appeared before Circuit Judge George R. Duncan.

The district attorney's office said that a date is to be set shortly for the trial of Don Clark, taxi driver-owner charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor in a recent case involving 14 men and a 14-year-old girl. He has pleaded innocent.

Oddie Oxford, just back from 30 days' observation at the state hospital, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Arrested in August, he had pleaded guilty to a charge of taking a vehicle without permission.

Two others who pleaded guilty were James Campbell, charged with forgery on November 8, sentenced to two years, and Arthur Calvin Harman, larceny of a vacuum cleaner on November 12, three years.

Pleas of guilty to charges of burglary not in a dwelling, resulting from the November 30 theft of 20 chickens from Charles Hinkle, brought three years' probation to Don Bostead, Gary Allen Meredith, Leonard Alfred Burns and Alfred Vernon Cureton. While imposition of sentence was suspended for most, Burns was given a suspended 16-months prison term. All are to make restitution and Burns' probation includes orders to support his family.

Marlan Selmer, who had pleaded guilty to larceny in a dwelling on November 11, was given a one-year suspended sentence to the county jail and placed on three years' probation.

Burnell A. Raphael was sent to the state hospital for 30 days' observation after pleading guilty to a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Delbert Smith, charged with assault with intent to commit rape on July 28, pleaded innocent and was continued for trial.

Crook County OKs New High School

PRINEVILLE, Jan. 7 (AP)—Crook county has finally approved its new high school.

After previous election rejections, the voters approved, 688 to 318, a \$500,000 bond issue to construct a new union high school. The present building has been overflowing with twice the number of students it was designed to handle.

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Snow Bear Domestic Type



Valley area snow may soon be gone, but remaining for a few days will be the snow bear and hunter shown above. The bear, complete with apron, spoon and pan, was made by Sue Hunt, 1605 N. 5th st.; and the hunter by J. C. Armstrong, 545 Norway St. Putting a final pat on the bear is Jimmy Nelson, 4 1/2 years old, nephew of Armstrong, and son of Mrs. Margie Nelson, 1616 Court st. (Statesman photo.)

County Roads Watched for Damage Signs

The first evidence of freezing and thawing damage on Marion county roads will bring a clamp-down on heavy hauling, County Judge Grant Murphy said Thursday.

While roads are being watched closely, no court action toward restrictions is under way.

Hopeful that roads won't undergo the same deep-freezing they got last January, resulting in widespread ruin to the roads, Murphy said hauling applicants have been warned that the closures or load restrictions may arise.

He added that loggers and other hauling interests can protect their own interests by cutting operations when they detect road conditions that would lead to a break-up, without waiting for county orders.

Blanket Blamed In Auto Fire

SPOKANE, Jan. 5 (AP)—It was five below here last night and Jack R. Snyder was afraid he might have trouble starting his car in the morning.

So, he told firemen today, he draped an electric blanket under the hood. A short time later the car, a 1941 convertible, went up in flames, a total loss.

Firemen blamed it on a short circuit in the blanket.

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39¢ lb.

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39¢ lb.

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