

Ike's Economic Report to Give U.S. First Glimpse of Plans to Fight Recession

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower's economic report to Congress next month will give the country its first glimpse of the administration's plans to combat any possible recession, informed officials said Sunday.

Administration aides expect Eisenhower to give strong reassurance that 1954 will be another year of high prosperity, equal or close to this year's boom level.

But he will report in "fairly specific terms," it was predicted, on government plans to prevent the current business "readjustment" or any future dip from spiraling into a depression.

As an ultimate measure, public works are on the list of standby measures. However, officials said no major program of works spending will be launched unless a real economic emergency develops.

Instead, it was reported, the pump priming emphasis will be on federal actions designed to aid and encourage private enterprise in maintaining high production and employment.

If federal works are used also, the aim would be to select projects which would contribute to the country's long-run productivity and economic growth.

Stabilization Program
The President's Council of Economic Advisors has been developing a stabilization program since spring.

The council has worked under forced draft in recent weeks, to be ready with the facts and recommendations on which Eisenhower could base his economic recommendations, to the new session of Congress.

Dr. Arthur F. Burns, former Columbia University economist

Laniel Short 22 Votes of Presidency

VERSAILLES, France (AP) — Premier Joseph Laniel in a record eighth ballot fell 22 votes short of being elected president of France Sunday night and a ninth ballot at least will be necessary to decide the issue. It will take place Monday at 3 p. m. (6 a. m. PST).

On the eighth ballot weary members of the Council of the Republic (Senate) and the National Assembly (lower House) cast 430 votes for Laniel and 381 for the Socialist candidate, Marcel-Edmond Naegelen.

Laniel needed 452 votes for a majority on the ballot.

Former Premier Antoine Pinay, an independent leather manufacturer, got 25 of the votes cast.

Louis Jacquinot, who like Laniel also is an independent, picked up 19 votes and 53 others were scattered among lesser known men who are not avowed candidates.

Instead of continuing through the night as many expected, the presidential congress decided to adjourn until Monday with the hope of breaking the deadlock then.

Store Stops Car; Driver Hurt, 2 Cited

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WOODBURN — Two cars, a driver, a motel fence and a grocery store all got banged up in an early morning crash here Sunday.

At Woodburn Hospital with arm and shoulder injuries was Frederick Fischer, 2650 Portland Rd., Salem, driver of one of two northbound cars in the crash.

State police said Fischer's car sideswiped another, operated by Cecil Raymond McCormick as the latter attempted a left hand turn into the Pacific Motel where he resides. Fischer's car careened across the motel yard, leveling a fence and crashing into Equall's Grocery Store. Porch and side of the store were caved in by the impact.

Both drivers were cited, Fischer on a charge of passing in an improper lane and McCormick on a charge of failure to make proper signal.

Girl Killed in Car Wreck

MEDFORD — A car pulling out from in front of a restaurant on Highway 99 south of here Saturday night, caused another to swerve sharply, leap the curb and overturn. A 19-year-old girl in the car was fatally injured.

The victim, Shirley Yvonne Nelson, 19, died early Sunday. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Nelson, Medford.

The driver of the car in which she was a passenger was Rodney D. Tvedell, 22, Ashland. He was hospitalized with head cuts.

State police said the other car was not identified.

Churchill's Arm in Sling Due to Burn

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill was reported managing just fine Sunday even though his arm is in a sling. He suffered slight burns Thursday when a box of matches exploded in his hand.

The hand is bandaged, but a member of the 79-year-old Prime Minister's household said it has not slowed him down any. Churchill is spending Christmas week in the country.

Women of Year Chosen in AP Poll



CLARE BOOTHE LUCE



OVETA CULP HOBBY



LUCILLE BALL



QUEEN ELIZABETH II



HELEN TRAUBEL



BABE ZAHARIAS



DR. FRANCES HORWICH



EDNA FERBER



JACQUELINE COCHRAN



SHIRLEY BOOTH

Mother Sends Plea to Son In PW Camp

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — A graying Texas mother got on a bus Sunday and came to Dallas hoping someone here could get a last message to her son, one of the 22 American POWs who refuse repatriation from North Korea.

Mrs. J. H. Adams of Corsicana walked into radio station WFAA After she explained what she wanted, WFAA staff members helped her record an appeal that her son, Sgt. Howard G. Adams, "come back to your country, and to your God."

"Dearest Gayle: I want to send this Christmas message to you," she said in a voice that was tense but did not falter. "I had hoped and prayed that you would be on your way home by now."

"It is going to be a very sad Christmas for us unless you decide to come home. You have always had courage to do the right thing, so please have that courage now."

"We all love you very much and are praying every day that you have thought things over and will come back to your country, and to your God."

"I love you, Mother," she explained. "That was all," she explained. "That was the family nickname for her 28-year-old son, WFAA said the National Broadcasting Co. agreed to get the message on its worldwide circuits."

Mrs. Adams knew her message was in the hands of fate. There was speculation from Panmunjom that Communist POW leaders may bar the 22 Americans from reading "come home" letters.

Howard, an Army reservist, volunteered for infantry duty shortly after Korean Reds invaded South Korea in 1950.

The Army announcement also said Bennett was charged with being absent without leave on Oct. 19 and "with conduct unbecoming an officer."

Adm. Radford

Voices Hope for Peaceful Year

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SEATTLE (AP) — The world will be peaceful next year, hope — Adm. A. W. Radford, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Saturday night on a brief stopover to the Far East.

"The situation will be about the same next year. It will be peaceful — I hope," the admiral said. He arrived by military plane with his wife and Assistant Secretary of State Walter Robertson.

Radford said he was going to Manila to see inauguration of the new Philippine President, Ramon Magasaysay. Robertson is heading for parleys with Syngman Rhee in Korea.

Radford said he also would confer with Rhee and spend Christmas Day with American troops at the front. He also will call on officials at Tokyo.

Ike Urged to Limit Legislation To Avoid Clashes With Demos

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower has been urged by some of his advisers to avoid unnecessary clashes with Democrats in Congress by limiting his legislative program to a few major, vital issues.

The President, who begins putting together his State of the Union Message later this week, already has in effect offered an olive branch to Southern Democrats with the announcement that he will not seek any civil rights legislation.

Applauding this decision, Sen. Carlson (R-Kan.) said in an interview he believes the President has "gone ahead as fast as possible on civil rights" with executive edicts that evoke no challenges and no filibusters in Congress.

Carlson, who sat in on the final round of conferences of Republican legislative leaders at the White House Saturday, said he, for one, favors a limited legislative program in the coming session.

"I think the President ought to limit his requests to outstanding issues that can be handled in a fairly short, election-year session," the Kansas senator said.

"I don't believe the administration ought to ask for action on, say, 30 or 40 different matters and find at the end of the session that only about 10 of them have been approved, making it subject to criticism that Congress enacted only a fourth of its program."

Sen. Bennett (R-Utah) said in a separate interview it seems obvious to him that the administration cannot afford to antagonize the Democrats.

The Senate now has 48 Democrats, 47 Republicans and one Independent.

Sen. Hugh Butler (R-Neb.), a member of the Senate Finance Committee which balked at a proposed increase last summer, said he is presently inclined to vote against any raise in the ceiling.

Sen. Byrd (D-Va.), who has gone along on many Eisenhower administration proposals, said he will fight against increasing the debt limit.

But Sen. Kerr (D-Okl.), seldom on the Republican administration's side, said he will go along with a request for the increase.

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Siamese Twin To Go Home For Holidays

CHICAGO (AP) — Rodney Brodie, the 27-month-old surviving Siamese twin who has spent all his life in hospitals, went home for a surprise Christmas visit Sunday.

His parents made their regular twice-monthly 450-mile auto trip to visit Rodney in a Chicago hospital Sunday and asked attending physicians if they could take him to their downstate home until after New Year's.

The doctors who have cared for Rodney since he entered the University of Illinois Research Hospital held a hurried conference. They decided Rodney was well enough to make the trip.

Visit Awaited
The father was jubilant.

"We have looked forward to this for a long, long time," he said.

"Mrs. Brodie was equally happy. 'We have no special plans at all,' she said. 'We hope to spend a nice, quiet holiday with the entire family present for the first time. Our Christmas will be similar to that observed in most homes. It will give all of us a chance to become better acquainted with Rodney.'"

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Planes Cross Truce Line
SEOUL (AP) — This war-ravaged capital city of South Korea had a 32-minute air raid alert Sunday — first since the signing of the armistice — while jet interceptors searched in vain for two unidentified planes reported to have flown down from Communist North Korea.

U. S. 5th Air Force officers said radar picked up the two planes, presumably propeller-driven, as they crossed the dormant battle line near the center of Korea.

An extensive overcast hampered a search by four jets which already were aloft and four others which quickly joined them.

The air raid alert in Seoul was sounded at 4 p. m. The all clear sounded 32 minutes later.

An Air Force spokesman said the radar tracks "faded going north" after the planes were "on this side of the line for five minutes."

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U.N. Outposts in Korea Report Reds Blasting

By GEORGE McARTHUR
SEOUL (AP) — Mysterious explosions and flicking lights occur nightly on the Communist side of the mountainous boundary that today separates the Reds and the U. N. Command soldiers during the truce.

Chinese soldiers are burrowing deep into the frozen earth along the northern border. American and other U. N. troops watch suspiciously from the south.

On lonely outposts, small units wait to give the first warning of a resumed war if it ever is needed. A field telephone or radio is about their only link with the army waiting behind them.

A little band of U. S. marines mans one of the strangest outposts — an ugly 25-foot wooden sentinel tower on a mountain top. There is no camouflage to hide them from the Reds about 2½ miles away.

There are several of these towers along the front, giving the demilitarized zone a prisonlike look.

None of the men has any illusions about his chances if the Chinese should suddenly roll south again in human waves.

To Give Warning
"We're here to get out the first warning," said marine Cpl. Ronald Osinski, an artillery observer, of Toledo, Ohio.

"Meanwhile, we report what we see and wait to leave." Osinski and six other marines, man a 24-hour watch. Their off

time is spent in crude wooden shacks or around the oil stove in the tent at the tower's base. The temperature often falls to near zero.

They can easily see Red positions, bunkers and even a basketball court.

Too Cold to Play
"They used to play every Sunday afternoon but now it's getting too cold," said Pfc. Fred Rupersburg, Detroit.

"We used to see them digging and walking around. Now they have tightened up. We don't see them so much any more. At first, in August, they had open fires. Now all we can see at night are flashlights as they move around."

"They have been blasting like mad at 3:30 in the morning," said Pfc. Lester Person, of Cleveland, Tenn.

Blasting Tunnels
"They must be blasting tunnels. You can hear the booming but you can't see the flash."

The mysterious blasting always is done after dark, "mostly in the early morning," said Pfc. Antonio Rocha, Ossining, N. Y.

The marines are convinced the blasting means the Reds are working on intricate fortifications deep in the earth. With all the manpower they have available, the Reds would not need to blast unless they were working on rock or something difficult.

Flute Heard
Occasionally the sound of a bugle floats through the morning mists. Person was on watch one morning when the weird sound of a flute came from the Chinese lines at dawn.

"It was just to let us know they were still around, I guess," said Pfc. James T. Landrum, Newport, Ark.

The men no longer worry about the antics of the Chinese. There are more serious matters, such as the Red ammunition trains.

"We used to see choggie trains (human pack trains) all the time," said Pfc. Rudolph Gibson, Rockford, Ill.

"You could see they were carrying ammo. They must have enough buried to blow those mountains up."

Now the Red choggie trains are not seen so often. The Reds apparently have dug in the approach trails to the front.

One thing Gibson, a combat veteran, knows.

If the Reds ever try to use that ammunition, "we'll be ready," he said.

H. Stoddart, Federal Roads Official, Dies
PORTLAND (AP) — Hugh A. Stoddart, who came here 10 days ago from Juneau, Alaska, to take over as division engineer for the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, died Sunday of a heart ailment.

He had been in the Portland office of the bureau for about 15 years until five years ago when he went to Juneau as division engineer. With W. H. Lynch retiring here Dec. 31, Stoddart was picked as his successor.

Immediately on arrival from Juneau, Stoddart went to a hospital.

Funeral services will be at St. Paul, Minn., his birthplace.

Man Spends Year in Bottle
VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Rudolf Schmid Monday stepped out of a big glass bottle in which he had squatted for the last year and staggered weakly to an ambulance.

The Austrian stunt man lost 66 pounds during the 12 months he stayed in the bottle and made an exhibition tour of 100 European towns. He also lost 14 snakes he had taken with him for company, but which couldn't take the climatic changes.

Schmid, 53, told newsmen "There is little difference between life inside and outside the bottle."

But, after he smashed the walls of his bottle with a hammer and stepped out, he nearly collapsed and had to be driven away by the Austrian Red Cross.

111 Degrees In Australia
SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — The eastern half of Australia sweltered Monday in temperatures up to 111 degrees.

This temperature was recorded at Walgett, New South Wales, 450 miles northwest of Sydney, and at Victoria on the Murray River.

Melbourne had its hottest day in 55 years — 107.7 degrees. And Canberra had its hottest day in two years — 98 degrees.

Frosty, The Buffalo



FARGO, N. D. — An albino American buffalo, born in a snowdrift on a farm, makes quite an armload for Mrs. Arthur Langei, who is caring for the unusual calf. Named Frosty, because of its white coat, the calf has a pink nose and blue eyes. Mrs. Langei is wife of the manager of the C. C. Koltes farm, Fargo, N. D., where the buffalo was born. With Frosty, a female, the farm now has 17 buffalo as show animals. American buffalo, or bison, normally are dark brown. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

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