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## The Budget for 1955

No, the 1955 federal budget will not be in balance, not by some three billion dollars. But the deficit is being reduced, from around \$9 billion for fiscal 1953 and an estimated \$5 billion for '54. The Democrats chide the Republicans for failing to keep their campaign promise to balance outgo with income; but the majority of the people will feel that the budget-makers have gone about as far as they could in cutting expenditures for the next year. Congress may do some trimming, but the total of \$65.5 billion shows a cut of \$5.25 billion which is very substantial at a time when we are busy maintaining defenses, providing some foreign assistance, carrying a load for agriculture and meeting the costs of civil government in an age of inflation.

Of course a budget is only an estimate of income and outgo. It can be upset if income falls below anticipated receipts. The tax cuts already fixed for 1954 may not prove too damaging. In the past tax reductions often have served as a business stimulant and brought no actual loss in total revenues. That may happen again.

What we are apt to hear is not so much demand for further reduction in expenditures, except in general terms, but demand for increases in spending for various projects and causes. We venture the opinion, however, that the Eisenhower budget will prevail with minor alterations, because it seems to be a realistic effort toward achieving the goal of a balanced budget.

## First Citizen: Carl Hogg

The selection committee did well when they chose Carl Hogg for recognition as Salem's First Citizen for 1953. Most any year would apply, however, for he has been active so continuously during his residence in Salem that one year is like another. As President of the Chamber of Commerce for two years, as a leading factor in organizing the Long Range Planning Commission and working on it, as a consistent and persistent worker in the Community Chest, and as the guiding hand for the Salem Industrial Council Carl Hogg has rendered yeoman service. Only one truly dedicated to the upbuilding of his community would be as generous with his time and talent and means as Carl Hogg.

## Red China and International Decency

Secretary Dulles says that Red China is not entitled to membership in United Nations because it doesn't respect the "elemental decencies of international conduct." And that is true. It arrested a United States consul, has maltreated many American citizens domiciled in China. It deigned to ignore the recognition extended its government by Great Britain and has never assigned a diplomatic representative to London. Finally it joined North Korea in the Korean war and was branded an aggressor by the U.N. assembly.

If and when Red China shows a disposition to observe international amenities and to respect the principles of United Nations then its case for admission to U.N. and for recognition by the United States may be considered.

## Russians Said Appearing to Make Effort At Future Reconciliation With Yugoslavia

By TOM WHITNEY  
Associated Press Foreign Staff  
For many months the Soviet press has been gentle in its criticism of Tito's Yugoslav government. Tito and his fellow Yugoslav Communist leaders are no longer among the chief devils of Soviet propaganda, as they were from 1948 when they broke with the Russians right up to Stalin's death.

There seems no indication that any immediate healing of the breach between Belgrade and Moscow is possible or even contemplated by either side. But it appears the Russians are doing a good deal to make such a reconciliation possible in the future.

This situation may be one important factor underlying the ferment and troubles within Tito's Yugoslav Communist party.

Dispatches from Belgrade report that Tito is going to purge the ranks of his party in the coming weeks. He has already kicked out of the leadership the No. 3 man in his regime, Milovan Djilas.

One of the charges against Djilas is that he was unduly influenced by the West. Tito in attacking Djilas indicated the Yugoslav approach with the West concerns foreign policy and not "domestic matters."

Certain Yugoslav officials likely would feel more comfortable in association with Russia than in their present association with the West.

The Russians have done several things indicating a change toward Yugoslavia since Stalin's death. They abandoned the intensity of the propaganda and pressure they had been fighting against Tito for years. They made an approach for exchange of ambassadors in the early summer. Now there is a Yugoslav ambassador in Moscow and a Soviet ambassador in Belgrade.

The Soviet press no longer pays attention to the Yugoslav Emigre, anti-Tito paper issued in Moscow.

## Writing Schools

Statesman Valley Editor Charles Ireland reported that the Dallas Jaycees had Josiah Wills, retired county superintendent, inscribe in his flowing Spencerian style of penmanship the certificates of award to Dallas citizens. Only oldsters who went to school at the turn of the century or before recall the Spencerian style of writing with its flourishes and shadings. It had a rival for a time in the "vertical" style, an affected, artificial hand which didn't last long. Then came the business hand, as taught and exploited by A. N. Palmer of Cedar Rapids. It was eminently practical. Just what system is used now we do not know, but judging by the writing attempts of some grade schoolers one might think no system at all was taught; but substituting chicken tracks for legible writing is not a fault limited to youngsters of today.

Now that Mr. Wills has retired he might revive the old "writing school." In that the "Professor" came to town, advertised he was starting a class and proceeded to instruct his recruits in the art of penmanship. For him it was an art. His trademark was the bird—maybe a peacock—he always drew on the blackboard. That gave his talents full play, with sweeping lines, shaded like an engraving. The course lasted about two weeks and the "Professor" went on to the next town to pursue his vocation and draw another bird on the blackboard.

Writing schools are passed now, more's the pity. We doubt if Mr. Wills will feel the urge to go on tour with a writing school, even if his cherry orchard doesn't occupy his time in winter months. What is all the go now in schools in fast selling, and personality courses. The "Professor" drew a much bigger take than the ones who grew those birds on the blackboards in years gone by.

Funniest out-season hunting accident we ever heard of involved a war correspondent aboard a cruiser which lurched and sent him flying into a corner atop a set of antlers someone brought aboard in a foot locker. His nether portions were punctured. Now comes the Portland bartender who was wounded when a mounted deer head fell off a wall on him. Perhaps hunting should be limited to rabbits.

A license won't keep your dog from being run over, or from becoming lost if the mood strikes him, but it will aid a lot in tracing his fate and whereabouts. Besides that, a license is mandatory and it's a lot better to get it now than waiting until the rush immediately prior to the March 1 deadline.

How far along the road to recognition Dick Nixon has brought the office of vice president is pretty well shown in a bill introduced by Sen. Bridges of New Hampshire providing for a vice presidential home at a cost up to \$300,000. It may or may not get further than repeated proposals in Oregon to acquire a home for the governor.

After watching those words which 7th and 8th grade spelling contestants are expected to know, we think maybe there should be some adult classes in the subject, particularly one that would teach us to put that second "m" in accommodate.

The pilot's license of Arthur Godfrey was suspended "in the public interest." He still has "license" to talk and gesticulate on radio and TV, but for the moment is without a sponsor. Control of the "public interest" doesn't extend to speaking and acting.

Except in isolated instances, it appears that worry over the impact of TV and competitive entertainment on collegiate football is needless. In 1953, attendance at more than 500 college games totalled almost 12½ million—about a 2 per cent gain over the previous year.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Public confidence seems to be holding up, chief... credit buying is high... retail sales are fairly strong... office collections are still generous..."



If you've been thinking that state income tax return forms are confusing this year, you're partly right... The new long form doesn't state specifically anyplace exactly how much to deduct for contributions to charity... The citizen taxing his strength making out his headache... er... his tax statement finds constant references in the long form to make the "standard" deduction for charitable give-aways... But noplase it is made clear just what "standard" is... The tax commission has admitted it pulled a booboo and forgot to include the deduction... It's the same as last year—5 per cent...

From nuts the mighty oak grows, etc. dept... When Sid Boise was chosen Salem Jr. 1st citizen the other nite the emcee recalled several hilarious anecdotes from Sid's past... Told, how, when he was a kid, Sid was working for Busick's Market... His job one day was to grind coffee... There were two brands—which were supposed to be ground separately... Well Sid, with a fine disregard for future coffee prices, ground everything together... There followed one of the store's largest coffee sales and the irate store manager, unaware he was speaking for history, told Sid, "Next time I want someone with brains to do a job around here I won't call on you..." And Mrs. Mary Lord, the UN delegate who spoke here this week was the inventor of the Parker parlor game, "Elect Yourself President"... Which is used in lots of school social study classes to teach elective processes to students—who can't all be educated at Busick's...

Joy Doyal, Marion County Court secretary, received something of a jar the other day when she ran through the latest issue of The Secretary—monthly publication of the National Secretary's Association... Seems the mag picked up a rtews account of her having spt her first deer during last season's ball-and-powder season... Only thing—the article says Joy bagged the buck at 200 yards with a .38 calibre pistol... Actually she levelled the beast with a rifle—like the state hunting law says you should... In a letter to the magazine Joy noted that if they don't receive her subscription payments for the next several years they might reach her at the state prison...

Signs of the times... There's a highway sign at High and Court which reads, "Portland 51"... A block east at Church and Court another road sign reads, "Portland 50"... Nothing like those short miles when you're in a hurry...

Local dog fanciers are trying to get an obedience class started here like the one just completed in Eugene... It's informally called "Canine College" and teaches dogs discipline—like not biting the same mailman twice... In Eugene some of the canines were graduated "Phi Beta Kappa" and "Wagna Cum Laude"... Might as well add that Salem AP-man Paul Harvey says if he had a dog he'd try to get him a collarship in the school... Hitch in the Salem group's plans is finding a place to hold the class... Instructing the Eugene class was Lee Brant of Portland, former chief chain-and-leash man with the Army's K-9 corps...

## The Safety Valve

"SAY IT WITH FLOWERS" FOR OREGON PIONEERS  
To the Editor:

Where the Moores Fund is involved, why all the hullabaloo about cold dead statuary, whether it is one of a long dead Scottish botanist or a chilly undraped French Renoir Venus? Salem likes to think of itself as alive and growing, a city of homes and flowers in a verdant garden spot. What could be more fitting and representative of the area and its people than a living memorial with a floral theme? Anyone who has been in Victoria, B.C., well remembers, and has been impressed by the profusion of flowers in hanging baskets upon the lamp posts throughout the business district of that city. In addition to baskets of this type, a floral sundial or clock similar to those in many European cities might be planned upon the courthouse lawn. Less expense would be involved, Salem artisans and florists would be employed rather than an outside sculptor. What remained of the fund would probably provide sufficient income for perpetual maintenance—although perhaps the various garden clubs could combine to assume this duty.

Peoples changing tastes in flowers could be respected, while with a statue we might be permanently burdened with a fixture that either the present or future generations would consider a monstrosity. Oregon and Salem are striving to promote a tourist industry. The casual tourist passing thru Salem would be decidedly more aware and appreciative of a general floral display distributed throughout the business area, and consequently more prone to linger and spend his money, than he would be of a hunk of inanimate metal of something or someone he knew or cared nothing about—isolated in one specific section of the city. As far as the local citizenry is concerned, each spring would bring change and renewed interest in flowers while a statue would long since have been taken for granted or forgotten. Pioneers first brought flowers to Salem to brighten up the wilderness. In their memory let's put flowers on a colorful and distinctive display in a big way.

R. W. Taylor, 1484 State St.

PUT QUESTION TO VOTE To the Editor:

I take the Statesman and like it. I'm glad you took a straw vote in regard to one-way streets, which showed a little over 400 more votes opposed than for it, but an Editorial article in Monday's issue sort of brushes that majority aside, sounds like their opinion wouldn't amount to much in the final outcome. I have always thought majority rule or vote amounted to something in the United States. I'd like to see this question put to a legal vote, then abide by the outcome...

Russel R. Wood, Silverton Road.

## Search Made For Helicopter Crash Victims

PORT ANGELES, Wash. (AP)—Search continued Thursday for the bodies of three of the five Coast Guardsmen killed Wednesday when their helicopter crashed into the frigid waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

The Coast Guard also disclosed the name of one crewman, not previously identified, was William J. Goodman of Yonkers, N. Y. His body and that of two other aviation machinists, Robert A. Chaubin and Pete Palombini, had not been recovered.

When the nose of the shattered 'copter was pulled from the water Thursday it held the bodies of Lt. J. W. Day and aviation machinist Dale Littleford. All crewmen except Goodman lived in Port Angeles.

The 10-passenger craft had been up for an hour on a routine training flight when its power failed and the tail rotor broke.

## Indians Halt Celilo Falls Negotiations

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)—The Yakima Indian Nation Tribal Council voted early Thursday against further pow-wowing with the Army Engineers over compensation for loss of their Celilo Falls fishing site because of the building of the Dalles dam.

A 23 million dollar settlement for the ancient Columbia River fishing site had been suggested by the government negotiators. The Indian Council vote came at the end of a session that lasted until 2 a. m.

The 4,000 tribesmen are being asked by the council to recommend a choice of three alternatives: the best possible settlement by negotiation; court action or dropping the whole matter.

The council session was continuing through Thursday.

## U. S. to Buy More Pears

PORTLAND (AP)—The U.S. Agriculture Dept. announced Thursday it will make its second purchase of the winter of surplus pears for the school lunch program.

It will receive offers up to next Wednesday morning on pears for delivery between Feb. 8 and March 6.

Earlier this month the department bought 52 carloads of pears in Oregon, Washington and California. Conditions of the new purchase are the same except that the minimum size of Comices is 165 instead of 180.

## Literary Guidepost

By MILTON BESSER  
THE BEST AMERICAN SHORT STORIES OF 1953, edited by Martha Foley. (Houghton Mifflin; paperback, 50 cents; hardbound \$4.)  
The authors of what Martha Foley selects as the best American short stories of 1953 aren't much concerned about fear of atomic destruction, the heartbreak of sending sons off to war and the ordinary pressures of day-to-day living.  
Martha calls this the ability of American authors to remain steady in a time of turmoil. But it would seem that writers as well as readers can seek escape.  
Just the same, this is an excellent sampling of the best short fiction of 1953 and at 50 cents in the paper back edition about the biggest bargain obtainable anywhere.  
Most of the stories are from the literary magazines which most of us do not see. They are distinguished for their fine writing, creative imagery and artistic form.  
The compiler singles out Morning Sun by Mary Deasy as having few rivals anywhere in American literature and possessing all the dimensions of a classic. This is a powerful story of a mother who takes her two younger sons to watch the hanging of the oldest brother.  
But this reviewer also liked Oreste by Henry Schultz, which originally appeared in the New Mexico Quarterly. This little gem using mental telepathy as a theme should be read in a spot where no interruption is possible. But it would take a good-sized blast to divert the reader's attention once he gets acquainted with Titus, one of the most unusual infant prodigies anywhere.

## Conversion of Barn to Garden Center Gets Tentative Okeh

The Salem Garden Council's proposal to convert a barn located at Bush's Pasture into a community gardening center was given tentative approval Thursday by the city park commission but additional information and study of the project was requested.

The council, representing 14 garden clubs, has asked for city approval to develop the barn and surrounding area into a gardening project which could be used for exhibitions and meetings by gardening and allied groups.

City Manager J. L. Franzen pointed out that the barn is now used for the repair and storage of park equipment and no other building is presently available for that purpose.

Maintenance Question  
The question of maintenance was also raised by park commission members. The Garden Council has indicated it will finance the initial cost of converting the barn, according to David Cameron, president of the council, but feels the city should maintain the project.

Final approval will have to come from the City Council since the park commission is an advisory board, said Mark H. Astrup, commission chairman.

Move Garage Building  
If the plan is approved the Garden Council will move a garage building to connect with the barn and construct an exhibition room on the first floor, Cameron said. The second floor would be used as a meeting hall and for storage.

Other business by the park commission included discussion of progress in developing Bush's Pasture Park. Work scheduled for completion by spring includes construction of trails, an entrance from High Street, parking area on Mission Street and a picnic grounds.

## Bonneville Outlines Plans For Spending

PORTLAND (AP)—The Bonneville Power Administrator said Thursday this is the way it plans to spend the \$35,800,000 requested by President Eisenhower in his budget message.

For maintenance and operations—\$6,600,000, an increase of \$596,000. Administrator William A. Pearl said the boost was to permit handling 753 more miles of line and 13 new substations.

For construction—\$30,200,000, a decrease of \$8,666,000. Most of the money is for completion of transmission lines and substations already approved by Congress and under construction.

Carry-over construction fund totaling \$1,231,000 are available, but this is not taken into account in listing plans for newly budgeted projects.

This is the break-down of requests for construction projects intended to get power from the dams to the load centers, totaling \$24,633,000.

Grand Coulee-Columbia-Olympia, \$33,000; Grand Coulee-Snohomish No. 2, \$10,000; Chief Joseph-Snohomish Nos. 3 and 4, \$6,000,000; Bellingham substation, \$324,000; Covington-Olympia, \$5,000; Tacoma tap, \$30,000; The Dalles area service, \$2,578,000; McNary substation, \$860,000; McNary-Ross, \$2,913,000; Southeast Portland area service, \$1,804,000; Ross-St. Johns-Bethany, \$1,066,000; Upper Willamette Valley service, \$4,428,000; Oregon City-Chemaw, \$1,000; Southwest Oregon loop service, \$194,000; Coos Bay Area service, \$1,183,000; McNary-Walla Walla, \$933,000; McNary-La Grande, \$45,000; Spokane area service, \$313,000; Hungry Horse-Hot Springs, \$13,000; Hot Springs-Spokane No. 1, \$11,000; system reactive facilities, \$1,526,000; main system boosters, \$223,000; general system structures, tools, studies, etc., \$2,704,000.

For construction of local-area facilities, the budget lists among Oregon items: Tillamook service, \$470,000; North Santiam Valley, \$32,000; Toledo substation additions, \$20,000; Eugene-Reedsport service area, \$126,000; Middle Fork Willamette project, \$323,000; Springfield substation additions, \$119,000; McKinley-Gold Beach, \$59,000; Redmond voltage control, \$40,000.

## Wirth to Take Over Parks Here March 1

Walter L. Wirth, Salem's new city park superintendent, will take up his duties here March 1, Mark H. Astrup, park commission chairman, said Thursday.

Wirth, who comes to Salem from Harrisburg, Pa., has a long and outstanding record as a park superintendent. Astrup declared, "and Salem is fortunate to obtain a man of his caliber." The office of park superintendent was recently created by the city council at an annual salary of \$5,000.

Prior to accepting the offer here, Wirth was director of the Bureau of Parks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, a position he held from 1948 to 1952. He has also served as park superintendent at Tulsa, Okla., and New Haven, Conn.

He and Mrs. Wirth will drive from Harrisburg to Salem, Astrup said.

## CHURCH BUYS TRACT

PORTLAND (AP)—The First Methodist Church Thursday completed the \$143,000 purchase of a four-acre tract at S.W. 18th Ave. and Jefferson St. from Multnomah College.

## Dorman Not Taking State Censor Post

State Finance Department Director Harry Dorman will not act as a censor of state board of education publications, he announced here Thursday.

Dorman said that after Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton ruled he must control printing at the state institutions of higher learning he conferred with Chancellor Charles Byrne and they reached an agreement.

This conference was followed by a letter from Dorman that he would be concerned "only in the event of extravagance involving bindings, papers and methods of printing."

The conference was held last week and lasted several hours, Dorman said.

## Attorney General Tells Teachers of Political Rights

Educators and officers of the state system of higher education and teachers and administrative heads of the public school system are subject to no restriction, state or federal, upon their political activities or political party services.

This was the recent ruling of Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton in an opinion asked by State Rep. Monroe Sweetland of Milwaukie. He also is democratic national committeeman from Oregon.

## Smart ways to serve buffets

Buffet serving is the simple, easy, economical way to entertain. The February issue of Better Homes & Gardens shows you how to serve a buffet they'll talk about for a long time. With buffet recipes, setting and accessory ideas. Read "Smart Ways To Serve Buffets" in February Better Homes & Gardens. Get it today. On your news stand.

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