

Simplified U.S. Budget Urged as Eisenhower Prepares Budget Talk

By STERLING F. GREEN
WASHINGTON (U) — The Committee for Economic Development (CED) urged Saturday adoption of a simplified federal budget and a reform of the "piecemeal" method by which Congress acts on it.

The privately supported businessmen's organization for economic research offered its proposals about 48 hours before Congress will receive President Eisenhower's budget message for fiscal 1956 at noon, Monday.

The CED stressed that it was not criticizing the budget performance of "this or the previous administration," but believed that greater economy and efficiency would result from these measures:

1. Greater use of the "program budget," in which money requests would be grouped according to major federal activities — such as lending or foreign aid — rather than in 400 department, agency or unit requests.

2. Creation by Congress of a "Joint Budget Policy Conference," made up of several congressional leaders, bi-partisan representation from the appropriations and tax committees, and members of the senate-house economic committee.

3. An approach to the so-called "omnibus" appropriation bill, under which Congress would act on all fund requests in a single package — and thus would be aware of the total costs involved. CED suggested a start be made by scheduling the consideration of appropriation bills closer together.

4. Legislation — or a constitutional amendment if necessary — giving the President power to veto individual items in appropriation bills.

5. A follow-up system of reports and audits on the use made by the agencies of their funds, so that Congress would have a better guide for future spending decisions.

The CED, set up during World War II to develop policies which would promote high production and employment, has frequently had influence on governmental policy. Its chairman is Meyer Kestenberg, chairman of President Eisenhower's special commission on inter-governmental relations and head of Hart, Schaffner & Marx, clothing manufacturers.

As far as man goes, the evolutionary line that developed into mammals and, eventually, man, doesn't go through reptiles. It is believed to have branched off earlier.

Identification of Pete as a pioneer reptile thus means that the primary split in the various forms of life occurred several million years before Pete reared his virtually brainless head.

Albuquerque, N. M. (U) — Not satisfied with the official Weather Bureau record of 364 days with sunshine, the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce has figured a 365-day sunshine year and challenged Florida and California to match it.

Bert Huffman, chamber manager, says that by figuring from Jan. 12, 1954, to Jan. 12 this year, Albuquerque had sunshine a full 365 days.

"We'll take on anybody's record," Huffman said, "Florida can even leave out its hurricane days and California its smog."

6 Cons Escape From Virginia's State Penitentiary
RICHMOND, Va. (U) — Six long-term convicts escaped from the Virginia state penitentiary here Saturday apparently hidden behind a false panel in a penitentiary truck.

One of the six — Jefferson Carson Mitchell Jr. — was serving a life sentence for first degree murder.

Prison Supt. W. Frank Smith Jr. said the six were not reported missing until the routine evening count about 5 p. m.

Parking Ticket Paid in Advance
LANSING, Mich. (U) — Guy L. Rench, already has paid for the next overtime parking ticket he picks up in Lansing. He wrote municipal court: "I am enclosing my check for \$2, one of which I would like to have you credit to my account as I have frequent occasion to park in the same area during my calls on the Farm Bureau Service, Inc., and I cannot break out of a conference to move my car."

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John Day Dam Funds Asked By 6 Senators

WASHINGTON (U) — Six Northwest senators expressed hope Saturday President Eisenhower will ask Congress Monday to appropriate "adequate planning funds to ready John Day Dam for early construction."

The joint statement was issued by Sen. Morse (Ind.-Ore.) and five Democrats, Sen. Neuberger of Oregon, Jackson and Magnuson of Washington, and Murray and Mansfield of Montana.

"The Pacific Northwest needs the power, employment and other benefits this great multi-purpose project will provide at the earliest possible moment," they said.

"An appropriation of 1 1/2 million dollars would enable the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete the first year of necessary work preliminary to construction. If provided before mid-summer water conditions cause further delay this work could be finished in 15 months."

The dam, to be located on the Columbia River between Oregon and Washington, would have an initial installed capacity of 1,105,000 kilowatts.

The statement recalled that the Senate on two occasions last year planning of the project, only to have the item eliminated in conferences with the House.

Planes Again Attack Town In Costa Rica

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WASHINGTON (U) — The Costa Rican embassy announced early Sunday that unidentified aircraft had attacked the town of Liberia in Costa Rica and inflicted heavy casualties.

The embassy also said a big battle was being waged 15 miles north of Liberia.

Costa Rica has charged that Nicaragua is promoting an invasion of the Central American country.

A Costa Rican embassy spokesman said word had been received in a telephone call from San Jose of the attack on Liberia.

"The town is reported blazing from an incendiary bomb attack," the spokesman said.

"A large number of casualties, both dead and injured are reported," he said.

About the time the Costa Rican official was releasing this information, the Organization of American States called an emergency meeting for 2 a. m. EST Sunday.

The embassy had said Saturday night that it had information sea-borne landings might be attempted in that country and asked the OAS for immediate further assistance.

An OAS spokesman said the emergency session would take up the question of further aid for Costa Rica.

Snow, Slush Make Chaos of Traffic In British Isles

LONDON (U) — Snow and slush spread traffic chaos over Britain Saturday and brought a cheerless "Black Saturday" for millions of sports lovers.

Thousands of soccer matches were called off, among them 41 of 62 big league games which usually attract around a million spectators. Horse races and rugby matches were cancelled, too.

At The Theaters Today

ELLSINORE
"SIGN OF THE PAGAN," with Jeff Chandler and Jack Palance
"THIS IS YOUR ARMY," Documentary Feature
CAPITOL
"GREEN FIRE," with Stewart Granger and Grace Kelly
"THE UNHOLY FOUR," with Paul Douglas
"REAP THE WILD WIND," with John Wayne and Susan Hayward
"MURDER MY DARLING," with Phil Carey and Audrey Totter
HOLLYWOOD
"FRENCH LINE," with Jane Russell
"BIG HEAT," with Glenn Ford

Three Sisters Logging Plan Aired at Meet

The question of how much, if any, of the Three Sisters wilderness area should be given over to logging was the topic Saturday at a Salem meeting of representatives of various outdoor and recreation organizations.

Reason for the meeting was a reported proposal by the U. S. Forest Service to open 55,000 acres of the 246,000-acre area to logging. Hope for a compromise was expressed at the Saturday session which was called by an organization named Friends of the Three Sisters Wilderness Area.

The confab was held in the afternoon and evening at the Salem Izak Walton Clubhouse, with a dinner interlude at Nohl-gren's.

The Forest Service will hold a hearing on the matter in Eugene on Feb. 16.

Proposals Made
Three compromise proposals were made Saturday and some voiced hope that the area be kept entirely free of logging. Myron Stahl of the Eugene Obsidians showed colored slides of the Horse Creek sector, one of three suggested boundary sites if logging is permitted.

Dr. Ruth Hobson of the Eugene Wilderness Society, pointed out the value of the Sisters area for the study of natural history, a view also held by Harriett Thompson of the Oregon Academy of Science in Eugene.

George Holcomb, Eugene, official of the CIO Woodworkers Union opined that intangible values are worth more than material values.

Logging Worth Cited
The potentials from logging operations in the area were cited by A. D. McReynolds, Eugene, a representative of the lumber industry. McReynolds said that the logging of 24 million acres would yield \$440,000 a year into the federal treasury, would net possibly \$750,000 in payrolls and would build 2400 houses in a year.

Carl Neuberger of the Portland Mazama outdoor group stressed the recreational values of the area and told of the increasing population pressures on wilderness areas of the land.

Don Alley, Eugene, state president of the Izak Walton League, said he wanted more time to study the matter.

Other speakers included Wes Niemala of the Salem Chemeketa, Paul Gearhart, Portland, Trail Clubs of Oregon, Dr. David Charleton, natural resources committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and Mark Pike, Portland, Bureau of Land Management.

The first kindergartens were set up in Germany in 1837.

Seven West States Sign Columbia Pact

PORTLAND (U) — Seven Western states signed up for a Columbia Basin water resources compact Saturday, but the action was not quite unanimous.

Robert D. Holmes, Democratic state senator from Oregon, refused to sign, asserting the proposed compact commission was "loaded with Republicans and tainted with politics."

That was the only protest recorded, and it drew prompt criticism from the Montana delegation. James E. Murphy, Kallisell, who was named spokesman for the Montana group, said they objected particularly to Holmes' statement that the compact was intended "to stop at all costs a regional authority" and that it reflected the thinking of private power groups.

Holmes said he did not consider the group truly representative. He said members of the group had been selected with a political view by the various state governors.

Others of Oregon's 11-man delegation signed without incident, as did those from Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Nevada, Utah and Washington.

The proposed compact now will go to the legislatures of the seven states for approval, and then to Congress for final ratification.

The proposed commission would be a body with little power. It is intended only to recommend steps in development of water resources, and each state would retain the right to veto any proposal affecting it.

Wisconsin Man Kills Wife, Self

STEVENS POINT, Wis. (U) — Thirty-five year-old Peter Moccado was found dead beside the body of his pregnant wife Saturday after neighbors came across his two small sons, stuffed in a culbert.

Sheriff Florian Krutza said Moccado killed his wife with a shotgun blast in the head, then reloaded the 16 gauge weapon and turned it against his own head.

The two Moccado boys — Patrick, 3, and Jim, 2 — were in serious condition in a hospital. They were battered and bruised. Krutza said, by their father before they were stuffed into the snowy culbert.

200 Attend Soil Meeting

Statesman News Service
CENTRAL HOWELL — About 200 persons were present Saturday night at a meeting of the Silver Creek Soil Conservation organization held at Central Howell School.

Picked to continue as directors of the group were Herbert Barnes of Silverton and Homer Zielinski of Wacunda. The program also included a dinner served by women of the farm union.

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Early Resentment of State Motor Pool 'Disappearing'

By VINITA HOWARD
Staff Writer, The Statesman
Nearly all state departments with offices in Salem have been taken in to the Department of Finance and Administration motor pool, and despite pre-pool resentment voiced by many state employees, general reaction to it after three-months operation seems favorable.

When the pool started early in October, 184 cars were servicing agencies headquartered here. All but four of that number went into the pool, but today that figure has been reduced to 145, W. F. Gaarenstrom, head of the services division under which the pool operates, reported. Thirty-five vehicles have been sold by the state as surplus.

While the pool has been operating only three months and many agencies have been in the pool an even shorter period, much of the anticipated resentment has been overcome. The "enfant terrible" envisioned by some departments has not materialized, and Gaarenstrom says few complaints have been registered with him.

Most departments contacted

City Fireman Back on Job After Injury

Back on the job this week was a Salem fireman, badly burned on the hands in an Oct. 26 fire.

Fireman Tom Stettler returned to duty at Central station after long weeks of convalescence from third degree burns that had left his hands completely devoid of skin. At the time of the injuries he was engaged in fighting a fire at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hansen, 160 E. Miller St. He also received burns about the ears and neck.

During his extended treatment, surgeons took about 100 square inches of skin from his legs for grafts on his raw hands and ears.

Today Stettler has almost complete use of his hands and doctors say they will be fully normal in time.

The department had offered him a fire inspection job, but Stettler chose to return to his old post as a hoseman.

Chinese Reds Coin Word

TOKYO (U) — Red Chinese propagandists served up a new word Sunday — "atomongering."

The Peiping Radio, in a broadcast heard here, did not define what obviously is the sin of atomongering, but charged that President Eisenhower, among others, has been indulging.

The broadcast accused Eisenhower of "hypocrisy" in first proposing an international pool for the peaceful pooling of atomic resources in December 1953, and then "two months later ordering an increase in hydrogen bomb production."

Oregon Woman Killed in Crash

INDIANAPOLIS (U) — Mrs. Lillian Rosella Head, 72, of Vale, Ore., died in a hospital here Saturday from injuries suffered Wednesday in an automobile accident near Lebanon, Ind.

Mrs. Head was here visiting her two auto-dealer sons, E. R. Head of Lebanon, and Harold Head of Elwood, Ind.

Mayor Named to Alumni Group

Mayor Robert White, Saturday was elected to the board of directors of the Oregon State College Alumni Association at the board's winter meeting at Corvallis.

He succeeds Douglas Chambers of Salem who resigned because of the press of business.

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