

CIO TAKES ISSUE

Ike's Economic Claims Challenged

WASHINGTON (AP)—The CIO and one of former President Truman's economic advisers Wednesday challenged President Eisenhower's claim of a strong economic comeback in 1954 and his optimistic forecast of a "high and satisfactory level of employment within the current year."

Both Stanley H. Rittenberg, the CIO's education and research director, and Leon Keyserling, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers under Truman, took issue with Eisenhower's Jan. 20 economic report to Congress as the Senate-House Economic Committee opened hearings on the document.

Honors Due MacArthur

LOS ANGELES (AP)—General of the Army Douglas MacArthur prepared to receive new accolades Wednesday, his 75th birthday.

Not even the season's heaviest fog could dim the enthusiasm of the welcome for the hero of the Pacific Tuesday night. A crowd of 1,500 waited two hours for his delayed arrival at Los Angeles International Airport. Many more cheering thousands lined the route to his hotel.

Wednesday the general speaks at the unveiling of a bronze statue of himself in the first public showing of the monument in MacArthur Park.

SHORT SPEECH

At a luncheon given by the Episcopal diocese of Los Angeles, he was to receive an award of extraordinary merit from the Rt. Rev. Francis Eric Bloy, bishop of the diocese. He was expected to make a short, informal address to 1,100 persons in Biltmore Bowl.

His major address was scheduled for Wednesday night at an American Legion dinner before more than 1,000 in the Ambassador Hotel's Embassy Room. Here, he will receive a four-foot birthday cake decorated with 75 red, white and blue candles and topped with five gold stars—and perhaps a surprise or two.

As he stepped from the plane Wednesday night, accompanied by his smiling wife and three aides from New York, MacArthur said:

"I come not as a stranger, but as one who has known your wonderful city for more than 50 years."

WELCOMING GROUP

The welcoming committee included Mayor Norris Poulson, Consul Pedro G. Ramirez of the Philippines, an old acquaintance, and Consul Pii Shik Chin of Korea and Shinsaku Hogen, Japan. Hundreds of persons jammed the Statler Hotel lobby and shouted "Happy Birthday" as the general entered, doffing his homburg and giving his famed wave.

Man Awarded \$98,665.75 In Damages

SALEM (AP)—A man arrested and held without charge won a damage award of \$98,665.75 from a circuit court jury here Tuesday night.

The winner was Cecil A. McNeff of Portland. The loser was Otto W. Heider Sr. of Sheridan, Ore., attorney and lender of money on mortgages.

McNeff said Heider caused him to be falsely arrested at Goldendale, Wash., April 2, 1952. He said this exposed him to public ridicule and damaged him to the extent of \$805,611. The jury, deliberating six hours, cut this damage figure down but still it was believed the biggest ever given here.

The arrest, said McNeff, was by a sheriff's deputy based on a telegram sent by Heider saying that McNeff was driving a stolen truck, was a "bad egg" who was wanted in California, too, and a warrant would be along. The warrant never came and McNeff, after being held a day and a half without charge, was released.

He sued two weeks later and the case got here on a change of venue from Yamhill County, Heider's home.

In testimony, Heider said he held a mortgage on McNeff's truck and payments were overdue.

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg of Klamath Falls presided.

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RUNNING BEHIND

But, he said the CIO spokesman, "employment in manufacturing industries is still running more than a million behind a year ago," with part-time employment "still greater."

Keyserling said in a prepared statement that 1954 "could not be characterized as anything other than a year in which we fell dismally short of maximum employment and maximum production." And, he added:

"Because the end of the year, allowing for the growth factor, found us further from these goals than the start of the year, I am less optimistic for 1955... than I was for 1954... from the standpoint of levels of unemployment."

Keyserling, now an economic consultant here, said "optimistic" forecasters now look for a 1955 output about 3 per cent above that in 1954. But this, he asserted, "would not be nearly enough growth to reduce unemployment sufficiently, absorb new entries into the labor force, and keep up with advancing technology."

500 BILLION

The President pegged current national production at about 360 billion dollars. He said that with "wise management" this could be upped to 500 billion within 10 years.

In his economic report, Eisenhower said recovery from the 18-month business recession "has already made up half of the preceding decline in industrial production."

Rittenberg, in an apparent reference to statements like this in the Eisenhower report, said that "with a growing and expanding economy and the need for further expansion, we cannot afford to be smug about past achievements. Nor can we gloat over the fact that a depression has been avoided."

Cold Grips Broad Areas

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

The winter season's coldest weather chilled broad areas of the country Wednesday as a January cold wave showed no immediate sign of a breakup.

The Midwest got the stiffest sweep of the arctic air which moved out of central Canada and sent temperatures tumbling to zero and below again this morning.

The cold front extended as far south as central Florida and the eastern Gulf region early Wednesday with temperatures in the 30s.

Light snow or flurries fell over much of the northern area from the northern Rockies to western New York state. More snow was in prospect for most of the north central region. The snow in the East extended over eastern Ohio, northern West Virginia, western Pennsylvania and western New York.

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Medal of Honor 'Looney' Re-Enlists as Sergeant

NEW YORK (AP)—Jake William Lindsey, whose heroism in World War II won him a Medal of Honor, is a master sergeant again after wearing a second lieutenant's bars for more than two years.

The 33-year-old soldier gave up his commission when he returned from Germany last week and was discharged. He was sworn back into the service as a master sergeant Tuesday.

"I'm just a sergeant at heart," he commented.

"I just think I can do a better job in the Army as a sergeant. I talk like a sergeant. If you are an officer, that kind of talk don't go with recruits in the new Army."

Lindsey, who commanded an infantry platoon in Germany, said he hopes to get back with the paratroopers. He served with them in Korea before being commissioned at Ft. Benning, Ga., in 1952.

Except for a year and a half after World War II and the five

days between his discharge and yesterday's re-enlistment when he signed up at his home town of Shubuta, Miss., Lindsey has been in the Army since 1940.

A routine physical examination turned up the possibility that Lindsey might have diabetes and almost wrecked his re-enlistment plans. Authorities, however, soon decided this would not apply to a Medal of Honor winner.

Mamie to Open Mothers' March

WASHINGTON (AP)—Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower will open the National Mothers' March on Polio Wednesday night by lighting the great lantern on the front porch of the White House.

The light will be an invitation for a Marching Mother to call for a contribution for the polio drive. The solicitor will be Mrs. F. Reid Wallace, vice chairman of the District of Columbia's March on Polio.

In calling at the White House, she will symbolize the two million mothers who will take part in similar marches throughout the country.

Sanitarians' Course Set

CORVALLIS (AP)—Some 50 Oregon county, city and state sanitarians will be here for the seventh annual sanitarians' short course Feb. 2-4.

The three-day school will include discussions and demonstrations on water chlorination, fluoridation, sewage disposal, well construction, wastes treatment and sanitation enforcement procedures.

Sanitation in Oregon school lunch programs will be reviewed. Special discussion groups are planned for exchange of ideas and plans.

Speakers are from the State Board of Health, industry and OSC staff. Ely Weathersbee, civil engineering instructor, is director of this and other engineering school short courses this year.

Coffee Sells as Low As 70 Cents a Pound

OREGON CITY (AP)—Popular brands of tinned coffee have been selling here for as low as 70 cents a pound.

The wholesale price for the coffee is \$1.03 a pound, 33 cents more than the retail price, one grocer said.

The manager of a chain store was requiring customers to open the can at the time of the sale. He said he did this to prevent them from selling the coffee at 95 cents a pound to a competitor.

TNT Blasts Scheduled

Detonations Set For Utah Desert

DUGWAY, Utah (AP)—More than a half-million pounds of deadly TNT was to be exploded Wednesday, weather permitting, in a spectacular series of explosions on the south rim of the famed Bonneville salt flats in the Western Utah desert.

The 502,700 pounds of TNT were contained in an estimated 49,000 out-dated fragmentation bombs.

Col. F. N. Eichorn, commanding officer of the Tooele Ordnance Depot, explained that the bombs had been made obsolete by their age and recent development in military operation. The blast was scheduled for 1 p.m. (MST).

"The bombs must be destroyed to alleviate a storage shortage at the depot and to reduce cost that would be required by their maintenance in the storage igloos," Eichorn said.

Eichorn said that the bombs were to be laced in more than 40 stacks on the ground of the sage brush covered flat at the southern end of the Doughway Proving Ground, 85 miles west of Salt Lake City.

Each stack contained about 1,150 fragmentation bombs that weighed 90 pounds each.

He said in each bomb there were 12.3 pounds of TNT. The stacks were to be placed 600 feet apart and fired at intervals of thirty seconds by a primacord fuse.

Camp May Close

NEWARK, N. J. (AP)—The Newark Star-Ledger says Camp Kilmer, huge Army processing center near New Brunswick, may be closed down because of economy cutbacks and reduction in service personnel.

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