

Truman Budget Figures Cited For Oregonians

Portland, Feb. 21 (Special)—President Truman's requested federal 1951 fiscal budget of \$42.4 billion, if adopted by congress "as is," would cost 1,700,000 Oregon residents about \$432,480,000 or approximately \$254 per person, according to a statement issued by Oregon Business & Tax Research today.

This proposed federal spending for year ending June 30, 1951, is more than twice the \$198,436,710 of all state miscellaneous and local property taxes collected in Oregon, 1948-49, the state taxpayer association asserted.

Oregon's computed share of the proposed 1951 federal budget is based on the state's contribution, on an allocated basis, to total fiscal 1949 federal tax collections, which contribution was 1.02 per cent of \$40,847,609,000. Oregon's allocated share of total 1949 federal collections was \$414,826,268.

The taxpayer organization explained that "allocation" of total 1949 fiscal year federal taxes included crediting each state with all employment and individual income taxes collected therein, federal corporation taxes on basis of 1948 calendar year collections, and customs and excise and other miscellaneous federal levies on a July 1, 1948 population basis, a formula used by national tax research agencies.

Other Sums Taken

The Truman fiscal 1951 \$42.4 billion budget did not include additional social security payroll "deductions" that would be required to finance the broad extension of social welfare, including socialized medicine, which would extract more millions from Oregon workers and their employers.

The Oregon Business & Tax Research statement said that Senator Byrd's (D., Va.) proposed \$36 billion federal budget would have balanced the 1951 federal budget, stopped the fiscal sin of deficit financing and saved Oregon taxpayers about \$56,280,000, an amount sufficient to give, for example, each of Oregon's 23,332 old age assistance recipients, as of December, 1949, \$193 a month in addition to what they then received.

The "economy pattern" in congress, the state taxpayer association stated today, seems leaning in the direction of a hoped-for across-the-board 10 per cent cut in President Truman's requests, based upon early house appropriation committee action in cutting the first deficiency bill from

\$813 to \$732 million, and slashing two major items in the 1950 urgent deficiency appropriation bill, the atomic energy commission and veterans' administration, each 10 per cent.

"The federal budget can be balanced without increasing taxes," the Oregon Business & Tax Research statement said, "and deficit financing which mortgages our children and grandchildren, can be stopped, provided taxpayers speak out for economy."

Woman's Logic Convinces Judge

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Feb. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Clarice York of Iowa City, Ia., was charged with reckless driving when her car skidded on icy pavement and tore down a telephone pole.

"When a person slips and falls on an unmarked icy spot on the city's sidewalk, the city is responsible," she told Traffic Judge William Matias yesterday. "But when that person hits an icy spot while driving and skids into a pole, you say it is his fault."

"You would make a pretty good attorney," Matias said.

Then he dismissed all charges against her.

Aluminum poles are holding up the "big top" of a large American circus; light weight, strength and less obstruction to spectators are the advantages.

Redmond Class To Present Play

Redmond, Feb. 21—Problems of a comic strip writer who loathes his mother-in-law but who tolerates her because of the ideas she furnishes his strip will be solved when the high school junior class stages its annual play Thursday and Friday, February 23 and 24.

Ruth Felkins and Melvin Johnson will handle the leads in the junior class comedy, "My Mother-in-Law," which will play three performances at Westminster Hall. The Juniors have scheduled a matinee and evening show on February 23 and an evening performance on February 24. Evening performances will begin at 8 p. m.

Lois London will portray the title role of the mother-in-law, and supporting players include Donna Milliken, Don Wells, Joyce Van Matre, Elmer McDaniel, Douglas McCulloch, Darlene Skinner and Alberta Sage.

Between acts entertainment will be provided by William Tweedie and his violin, Miss Virginia Berg, glee club instructor, who will sing, and a girls' trio, Darlene Fields, Carol Henderson, and Mary Lou Hazen, who will do a comedy number.

and stagecraft details have been appointed. They include Sammie Jordan, Ola Bristlin, Marilyn Altenberg, and Margaret Michel, ushers; Darlene Fields and Carol Henderson, program; Johnnie Hodecker, pre-sale tickets; Gordon Smith, backstage; Tom Cox, curtains; Carol Henderson, Darlene Fields and Pat Hanson, wardrobes. Clean-up duties will be taken care of by Ernie Magill, Faye Ross, Vernie Magill, and Greta Huffman, Leo Peterson, La Verna Penson and Alfred Potoroff will take care of the properties.

Rusty Davie is producer of the play and Mrs. Della Nance is directing it.

TO DIRECT DEFENSE

Portland, Feb. 21 (AP)—Mayor Dorothy McCulloch Lee has appointed Police Chief Charles P. Pray as director of civil defense for Portland.

Mrs. Lee said it would be Pray's job to develop an organization to handle civil defense for Portland in accordance with the civil defense law passed by the last Oregon legislature.

INJURIES FATAL

Pasco, Wash., Feb. 21 (AP)—James T. Smith, Hermiston, Ore., was fatally injured Sunday night when his car plunged over an embankment east of Plymouth, Wash., on the McNary dam road.

The state patrol said Smith apparently had suffered a heart attack just before his car went out of control.

Bevin Rejects Churchill's Idea of New Big Three Meet

London, Feb. 21 (AP)—The British general election campaign went into its last 48 hours today with Winston Churchill's call for another big three conference might open the way to another Munich.

Foreign secretary Ernest Bevin again rejected the idea in a speech last night at nearby Eiltham Baths.

"I say that the method we have been following, in close consultation with our American friends, is the right policy and I would regret that anything has happened to throw suspicion on it," Bevin said. "It has never been criticized in the house of commons."

"I am not enamored of this individual (meeting) business."

Churchill and other major candidates will campaign today in their own constituencies. Day after tomorrow the voters of Great Britain will make their choice between the labor government and the conservatives.

Churchill ridiculed the labor government for having spent more than \$5,600,000,000 on defense and yet "not been able to make an atomic bomb before the Russians."

"There is a big story to be told about that when the time comes," he said.

Churchill also blasted back at labor party speakers for describing as a "stunt" his plea for another big three meeting.

"The socialist politicians and party managers take a poor view of democracy," he said. "They are above the heads of the working people. To mention them (problems of the atomic age) is a stunt."

"I have confidence in the good sense and practical wisdom of the British nation. I cannot see why they should be warned off

discussing important issues at a time when they cannot only speak but vote.

"After all, it is the mass of the people who suffer most when wars come. It is not the socialist politicians who shed their blood."

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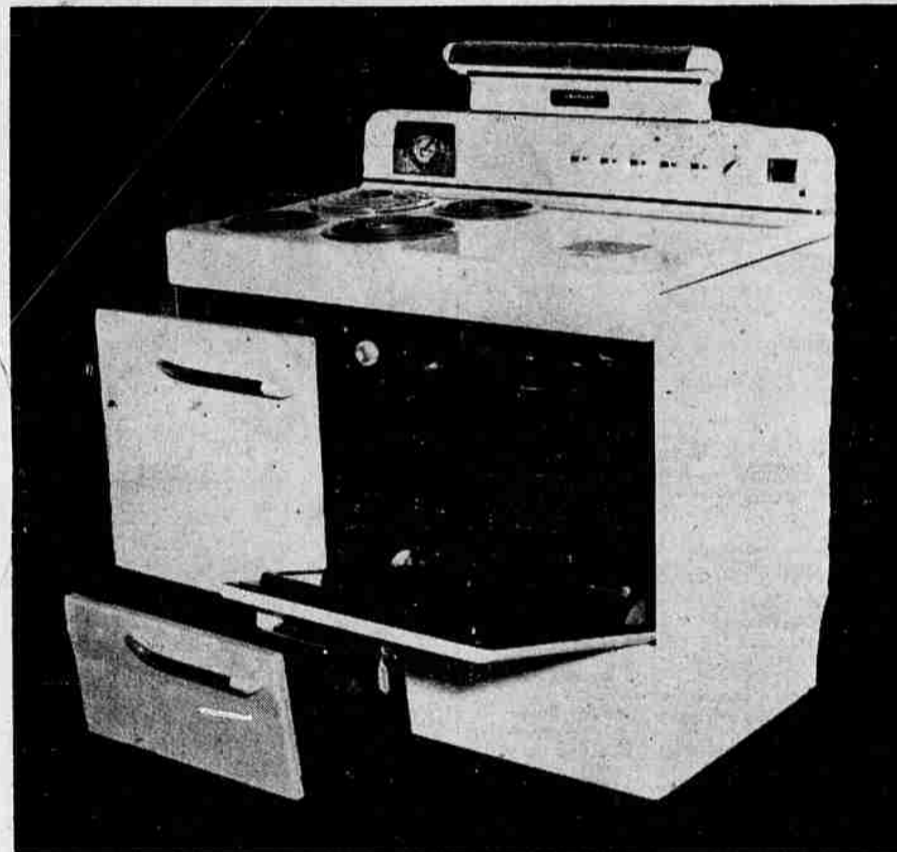
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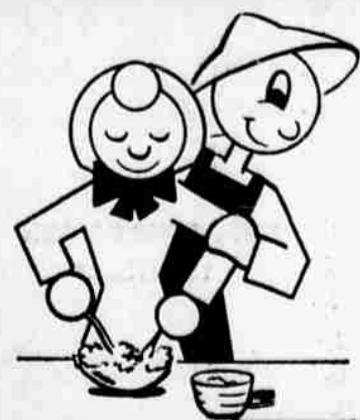
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