

American People Will Face Highest Taxes in History

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Washington, July 21 (UP)—Americans must brace themselves now for the heaviest tax burdens ever imposed upon them. The alternative of reducing other classifications of government expenditure as hot-cold war costs soon has been firmly rejected by President Truman.

It appears now that he will ask congress for authority to spend approximately \$57,500,000,000 in the current fiscal year. That represents the \$42,400,000,000 budgeted for spending before fighting began in Korea, plus a \$10,000,000,000 emergency national defense appropriation and a \$5,000,000,000 emergency fund further to arm our allies.

That rate of expenditure would set up a prospective deficit of about \$20,000,000,000 for fiscal 1951. Spending for fiscal 1952 and for some years thereafter probably will be as great or greater.

Debt Soaring
Taxpayers will have to pay into the treasury vaster sums than they put up in any world war II year to cut the prospective series of deficits down to safe size. The alternative would be to permit

the national debt to continue the steep climb it began in 1930 and continued with only two interruptions since—in 1947 and 1948.

Mr. Truman may startle congress and the nation this autumn with a request that treasury revenue be increased by \$10,000,000,000 or more a year by new tax levies.

That would hike treasury revenue somewhat beyond its best world war II year, 1945, when taxpayers poured nearly \$44,800,000,000 into Washington. World war II taxation was high enough to put the nation about half way on a pay-as-you-go basis. We were about one-third on a pay-as-you-go basis in world war I.

Inflation Feared
To avoid a dangerous inflationary increase in the national debt, Mr. Truman is expected to go far beyond halfway pay-as-you-go for the current hot-cold war. After world war II, government spending never got back to anything comparable with pre-war levels. That was true after world war I, also.

Here is a comparison of some items of government spending in 1939 and the budget estimates for 1951:

Leopold Called Back to Throne

Brussels, Belgium, July 21 (UP)—The presidents of both houses of the Belgian parliament flew to Geneva, Switzerland, today to summon exiled King Leopold back to his throne.

Well-informed sources said Leopold would arrive here by plane Saturday morning.

He now is in a luxurious Swiss lakeside estate heavily guarded by gendarmes who refuse to let reporters inside the gates.

Paul W. Segers, communications minister and government spokesman, said the Catholic party leaders would inform Leopold of parliament's vote yesterday repealing a 1945 law declaring Leopold unfit to reign.

The socialists and communists boycotted the vote, raising the possibility that a wave of general strikes might mark the return of the monarch after five years.

The royal air caravan was expected to arrive at the military airfield at Evreux, six miles from Brussels, with an escort of nine jet fighter planes.

Leopold was expected to be aboard one plane and his son, 18-year-old Crown Prince Baudouin, aboard another.

The rest of Leopold's family, including his beautiful dark-haired wife, Princess De Rethy, were expected to remain in Switzerland at least for the time being.

The crucial vote calling Leopold home came as the climax of a bitter 10-year battle over Leopold's wartime conduct. It was 198 for, none against and 189 abstentions.

Court Enjoins County, Timber Sales Stopped

Grants Pass, July 21 (UP)—Josephine county court was enjoined yesterday by Circuit Judge O. J. Millard to stop selling county timber at the price set Nov. 26, 1948.

Judge Millard's opinion on the injunction request was that it was not a case of abuse of the discretionary powers of the county court, but a case of failure on the part of the court to exercise proper discretion.

The judge ruled that the county court must establish price of sale for timber at the time of sale of each tract in accordance with the market conditions.

He affirmed that the circuit court did have authority to compel the county court to exercise its discretion and to enjoin discretionary acts by interfering and compelling reasonable practices.

The suit was brought by Harry Terrell Sr., Willard Spies and Ralph Moore Jr. as taxpayers. They charged the court was squandering county forest assets.

Don Newby of Medford represented the plaintiffs, and William F. Johnson, Josephine county attorney, handled the defense.

Plaintiffs contended that unreasonably low prices of county timber set by county court action cost the taxpayers a return of \$361,167 so far this year.

Railroad locomotive whistles do not just "toot"; each combination of short and long toots is a particular signal which all railroad men understand.

62 Professors Refuse to Sign Loyalty Papers

San Francisco, July 21 (UP)—Regents of the University of California met today to decide whether to fire or keep 62 University of California professors who refused to sign an anti-communist statement.

The academic senate, to which professors and instructors belong, has urged that the 62 holdouts be kept on the payroll. It said they had given satisfactory reasons for not signing the statement.

Most of them, it was believed, objected to the anti-communist statement for conscientious reasons. According to the academic senate, none is a communist.

Under a compromise reached several months ago, the regents decided not to insist on a loyalty oath from faculty members. However, it did demand that professors sign an anti-communist statement as a condition of employment.

Those who refused to sign the statement were given the privilege of appealing to the academic senate, which would then forward its recommendations to the board of regents. This is what happened to the 62 holdouts.

Some of the holdouts have asked to sign the statement, since the original deadline, and several others resigned to take other jobs.

The board of regents last month fired 157 university employees, most of them teaching assistants or laboratory workers, who refused to sign the statement.

Hospital Donors

Fourteen new names have been added to the roster of donors to the Central Oregon Memorial Hospital foundation who have completed their pledges, it was announced today by the foundation's headquarters.

The names are as follows: W. E. Roats, Lee G. Allen, C. V. Schultz, C. H. May, Dominic Verges, Nell Armstrong, Lawrence E. Clausen, Marguerite Elder, Stacy G. Smith, William A. Busche, A. C. Goodrich, Bruno Rath, Rev. Robert E. Nicholas and William H. Harris.

FARE BOOST ASKED

Portland, July 21 (UP)—The rising cost of living moved into the transportation field here today with a Portland traction company request to the city council that bus fares be raised from the current 12-cent price to 15 cents.

The company said it had to ask for higher rates in order to maintain solvency because five months of 1950 operations showed a small net profit.

The company also asked for a raise from 5 to 7 cents for student identification cash fare, abolition of the present \$2 weekly pass, and an increase from 4 to 5 cents in student fare charged children under 14 years of age and over 5 years.

Fish do drink water, scientists have now proved; they put radioactive tiny particles in tanks of fresh-water fish and showed by X-ray that the particles reached the intestines.

Supply of Nylon Held Adequate

New York, July 21 (UP)—Chances are there will be nylon stockings for American legs—short of all out war.

If worst should come to worst, there will be some silk as well as rayon to "make do" with.

And it's the women rather than the government, as of today, who may be upsetting the applecart on those industry estimates.

Hoarding-happy women have started buying stockings in panic in many sections of the country. That could create a real and serious shortage before the government even gets into the act.

Expected government purchases will assuredly affect the amount of nylon available for civilian lingerie. But the entire supply situation is vastly different from that which faced hared, homeless women when the government stepped into the nylon market in 1942.

Comparison Made
Nylon was a baby in the first year of world war II controls. In 1941 production of full-fashioned nylon hose totaled about 7,000,000 dozen in 1949 according to figures of the National Association of Hosiery Manufacturers.

Dupont has never made its production figures public. Reliable estimates, however, indicate that about 8,000,000 pounds a year was being turned out when world war II started. Production is estimated to have tripled during the war and to have more than doubled that figure in the years since 1945.

From a hosiery point of view the increased production is even greater than poundage figures indicate.

Oakridge Police Chief Resigns

Oakridge, Ore., July 21 (UP)—Oakridge was without a police chief and a superintendent of streets and water today following resignations of Police Chief Fred Mailloux and Street superintendent Vern Williams yesterday.

Both men will quit Aug. 1. Mailloux said he wanted to go into private business. He became the sixth Oakridge chief to leave the job by resignation, firing, or death in the last 15 months.

The changes began in April, 1949, when Mayor L. F. Gerspach fired Fred Lucas and appointed Williams as temporary chief. A former state police officer, Del Bates, took over as chief from Williams.

However, Bates was asked to resign last September after a series of arguments with the city council. Clyde Dubell replaced Bates, but Dubell was shot to death March 19 by James Lloyd Thompson, who got a 10-year sentence for manslaughter.

Dubell's assistant, Wallace Roland, became acting chief until April 8, when Mailloux was hired from Junction City, Ore.

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General Dean's Absence Held Not Alarming

Washington, July 21 (UP)—A military spokesman said that absence of official word from Gen. Douglas MacArthur on Maj. Gen. William F. Dean would indicate that Dean's absence is not considered as serious by the military as the newspapers reports.

He said there has been absolutely no information "of any kind on the personal situation of Gen. Dean."

Dean had been reported by correspondents to be missing in the vicinity of Taejon.

"The fact there has been no report would indicate they (MacArthur's headquarters) do not consider it as serious as some newspapers reported it to be."

Dean is commander of the 24th division which fought a hard withdrawal action from Taejon.

Navy in Action
Meantime, a navy spokesman told a press briefing that naval units had shelled targets on the east coast of Korea at Sakusohi, Onjin, Sakkyo-ri and Yangyang. He said naval gunfire destroyed a radio station three miles southeast of Yongdok, while one naval unit fired on troops and silenced three 120 millimeter guns near Yongdok.

He said 16 vehicles were hit as well as troop concentrations, road junctions and bridges.

The navy spokesman told also how a navy pilot, flying a Corsair, was the first to be hit by North Korean fire and forced down. The plane was struck by anti-aircraft fire from a North Korean gunboat in the vicinity of Wonsan.

The pilot managed to fly a few miles out to sea and was ditched in the water, where he was rescued by a British amphibian plane.

The spokesman identified the pilot as Lt. (JG) Wendell B. Munice, 27. He did not know Munice's home address.

4-H Members To Attend Camp

Prineville, July 21 — E. L. Woods, Crook county agent, reported yesterday that more than 50 4-H members from this county will attend the annual summer 4-H camp at the Skyline recreation center west of Bend this year, joining club members from Deschutes and Jefferson counties.

The 4-H club members will be divided into two age groups. Younger boys and girls will leave for the camp tomorrow and remain until July 26. The older group will then occupy the camp, remaining until Sunday, July 30.

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