

Administration Seeks \$4 Billion for Tenth Year of Foreign Aid

Sum Would Boost Total Over \$50 Billion Mark

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Eisenhower administration is tentatively planning to ask Congress for slightly more than four billion dollars to continue foreign aid for a 10th straight year.

Ike Appoints Tennessean Top Educator

Chattanooga's Head of Schools Named U. S. Commissioner

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP)—President Eisenhower today picked Dr. Lawrence Gridley Derthick, now superintendent of schools at Chattanooga, Tenn., to be U. S. Commissioner of Education.

At the same time, the President appointed Jack Z. Anderson, former member of Congress and now an assistant to Secretary of Agriculture Benson, to serve as a White House liaison man with Congress.

The position Anderson fills has been vacant since Fred A. Seaton was named Secretary of the Interior earlier this year.

Mont. Doctor Cited by AMA

SEATTLE (AP)—An 80-year-old physician, Dr. Edward M. Gans, Harlowton, Mont., was named by the American Medical Assn. Tuesday as the nation's outstanding family doctor of the year.

State Stopped From Buying Light Bulbs

Circuit Judge Val Sloper issued an order Tuesday temporarily restraining the Oregon Department of Finance and Administration from awarding the annual state contract for light bulbs.

to more than 40 nations since the Marshall plan was launched in 1948.

The new program, now being drafted by officials, would cover the fiscal year beginning next July 1.

President Eisenhower, who may officially disclose its size in his budget message in January, still must give final approval to the sum tentatively agreed upon.

The State and Defense Departments and the International Cooperation Administration, which operates the foreign aid program, have agreed on a figure of slightly more than four billion dollars and have submitted it to the Budget Bureau, an arm of the White House.

The sum is about 900 million dollars less than the administration sought from Congress this year. Congress cut about a billion dollars from the administration program, voting \$3,766,000,000.

Officials said the sum to be asked in new money would make it possible to maintain spending for both economic and military aid at current levels. This spending now totals about \$4,200,000,000 annually—\$2,700,000,000 of it for military aid.

One big unresolved question at present, informants said, is what to do about foreign aid to the war-torn Middle East. Economic aid programs have been suspended for Egypt, Israel, Jordan and Syria.

Planners are holding off a decision on funds for the Middle East in the hope that outlines of a peaceful settlement of present tensions may become clear.

Some officials advocate that the U. S. government underwrite such projects as Jordan River development, Arab refugee resettlement and other projects in the interest of assuring a permanent peace.

But any such proposed spending may be omitted from the foreign aid program with the understanding that special legislation may be sent to Congress later.

The foreign aid program is being shaped with the realization that special committees now studying the problem may drastically influence the scope and direction of the program later.

Senate and House foreign policy committees are now surveying aid projects overseas. A separate group, appointed by Eisenhower, is conducting a similar study under the chairmanship of Benjamin Fairless, former head of U. S. Steel.

The Fairless committee's views probably will be incorporated in legislation to be presented to Congress probably in late March.

The White House is expected to make a special effort to brief congressmen clearly on the foreign aid plan. Last December, administrative spokesmen did not make clear to congressmen at a similar briefing that the foreign aid request would be nearly doubled over the previous year, arousing protests from some who complained they had been deliberately misled.

Hall Supports Higher Outlay For Campaign

WASHINGTON (AP)—Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall proposed Tuesday that Congress boost to 10 or 12 million dollars the amount any political committee may legally spend on a national election campaign.

Hall and Senate committee investigating lobbying and political practices that the election law is "completely ridiculous."

Democratic Chairman Paul M. Butler in testimony Monday similarly had called the present ceiling unrealistic. Butler said both major parties "avoided" the law by having numerous separate committees, each able to stay within the law by spending up to three million.

Hall estimated that the Republican Party spent \$8,200,000 on national contests this year. The Senate group has received no similar estimate as yet as to total spending by the Democrats, but the Democratic National Committee has reported it went about \$800,000 in the red.

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