

BUSINESS MIRROR

Congress Virtually Certain to Look Into Tight Money Hassle

By SAM DAWSON — NEW YORK (AP)—In his State of the Union message today and in coming messages on the state of the economy, President Eisenhower is expected to open up one of the most controversial questions now troubling businessmen—tight money.

Camp followers of this militant debate are: the plight of small business, the role of the Federal Reserve Board, what to do about inflation (or as it is better known to most folk, the high cost of living), and fast writoffs for depreciation as an aid to industrial expansion.

And allied to these will be the chances of individuals getting income tax relief, and another probable extension of high taxes on corporate incomes and of high excise taxes (the federal version of the sales tax).

In short, the President is expected to open up the whole problem of money and credit and taxes for one more go-round in the Congress by suggesting a new study of governmental monetary policies.

Tight money means difficulty in finding credit for building a home, running a business, expanding a factory, or financing new schools.

Small business complains that when easy money went out the window, so did much of its chances of competing with big business, which often has better credit standing at the banks and pays lower rates.

The Federal Reserve, an independent banking agency set up to monitor the money supply, has been in the center of the dispute. It contends that it didn't cause tight money. It argues that what it did was to refrain from making money artificially easy which would have aided and abetted the strong trend toward rising prices that marks the current phase of the business boom.

Those who want easier credit and lower interest rates have

lurged that the Federal Reserve be made responsible to the administration for its monetary policies.

Federal Reserve governors are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Congress. Beyond that, its handling of the money supply is largely independent.

There is a strong body of opinion that the board should remain free of governmental, or political, supervision, its defenders (including most of the banking fraternity) hold that the board's anti-inflation policy is the best thing for the nation as a whole, and tends to prevent a runaway boom begetting a bust.

The whole dispute seems sure to be aired in this session of Congress.

New Portland Chief Changes 21 Policemen

PORTLAND (AP)—Portland's new police chief, William J. Hilbruner, yesterday announced a wholesale transfer of police officers and made it plain that he will hold police captains responsible for all activities under their commands.

The shift in personnel saw 16 lieutenants and five sergeants change duties.

Hilbruner laid his policy squarely on the line to his subordinates. Precinct commanders will be held accountable for all types of law enforcement in their districts. Should vice activity crop up which they need help to handle, they will be expected to ask help from the vice detail.

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Phoenix Glad, Sad Over 1st Rain in Year

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—How do people feel when it rains for the first time in a year? Most are pretty happy to see a break in the drought. Some just have that old rainy day feeling.

Newsman gathered several types of reactions yesterday at the end of a three-day rainstorm which sent thousands of acre-feet of water into the state's reservoirs and filled some streams to their banks.

Postman E. W. James, who has to carry the mail whether it rains or shines, summed up the majority:

"A God's blessing." Not so with switchboard operator Clara Campbell, who said: "My hair is curlier, my car is cleaner. Otherwise you can have it."

"I know we need it," said Ray E. Hackenberry, a grocer, "but I had my fill back east."

Harry Nolte, desk clerk at a resort, reported that most of the guests "have been very understanding. They know how much Arizona needs it, and they're willing to put up with it if it doesn't last too long."

Max Tiele, a farm worker, was contacted at Bambina's bar and cafe. "It put me out of a job," he said, "but I'm not complaining as long as the beer holds out."

Burns Man Is Cattle Officer

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—J. C. Cecil Burns, Ore., was elected a vice president of the American National Cattlemen's Assn. before the close of its annual convention here Wednesday.

Don C. Collins, Kit Carson, Colo., was reelected president. Oklahoma City was chosen as the site for the 1958 meeting.

At the end of the convention a large group of Western cattlemen proposed that Mexico contribute to joint defense by permitting the United States to use part of its land for bombing ranges or other military purposes.

Jack Crosby Not Accepted for TV

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Some months ago Jack Crosby, a draftsman in the CBS art department, was asked to send his picture to the producer of the Phil Silvers' TV show in New York.

Silvers wanted Crosby to portray a relative in the show. Today Crosby heard from Silvers. The relative played himself in the show. The relative, whom Jack resembles, is a Crosby name of Bing.

"I don't think the public is ready for another Crosby in show business," said Jack, son of Larry and nephew of Ring and Bob.

25 More Hungarians Arrive in Portland

PORTLAND (AP)—Twenty-five more Hungarian refugees, who arrived by plane here Wednesday, are awaiting completion of arrangements for new homes throughout Oregon.

The new group brought to nearly 150 the number of refugees who have come here since the beginning of the war to Hungary.

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