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# ROOSEVELT OFFERS ECONOMY BUDGET



Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—Anticipating the charge (supported by statistics) that Oregon's McNary will make to the effect that the reciprocal trade treaties have caused losses to agriculture and other Pacific Northwest products, Secretary of State Cordell Hull inquires what farmer was hurt by the rubber brought in, the coffee, the raw silk, bananas, cocoa beans, carpet wool and tea? The secretary studiously avoided mentioning canned beef, fruits and vegetables also brought in under his treaties, or shingles or lumber.

As heretofore stated, the trade treaties will be a major issue in the current congressional session. Few regions of the United States are more directly affected than the Pacific Northwest. The issue cuts across party lines and there is disagreement among top-flight new dealers as to the advantages of the agreements.

**REPUBLICAN** leaders McNary and Joe Martin (in the house), and practically all congressmen of that political belief, will oppose extending the trade agreement act, which expires in June. However, some of the fat boys who have been important contributors to the Republican war chest favor these treaties, for they are in the heavy industries which benefit. (One of the heaviest contributors is personally attempting to call off Republican opposition.) Col. Frank Knox, Republican nominee for vice president in 1936, is on record for what amounts to free trade with the Latin American republics, this being the essence of the agreements Secretary Hull has made already and is now negotiating with Chili and Argentina.

Secretary Hull talks of South American bananas and coffee, but is mum on apples, pears, onions, etc. Col. Knox comes from a state more industrial than agriculture, as do the big contributors to the Republican campaign fund.

**JANUARY 16** the agricultural advisory council of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace will show how Britain and France

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**LAND GRANT FUND LISTED IN BUDGET**

Washington, Jan. 4.—(P)—Budget estimates submitted to congress today contained requests for \$375,000 for payments to Oregon counties for Oregon and California land grant funds.

The amount is the same as last year.

Other estimates included \$25,000 for payments to counties from the Coos Bay wagon road grant fund.

**SIDE GLANCES**  
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Bob Bryant triumphantly declaring no one could spy on him in a certain room because the door had no key-hole.

Dick Wright finding it necessary to pedal his bicycle down hill, so cyclonic was the wind that blew in his face.

George Patterson exploding the theory that chivalry died some time ago by helping a maiden in distress through the torrent of rain yesterday.

Greta Humphrey advising a friend that the reason there were no "don't walk on the grass" signs in her former home town of Butte, Montana, was that there was no grass.

## Drastic Cuts Urged In Farm, Relief and Public Work Outlay

Washington, Jan. 4.—(P)—President Roosevelt urged congress today to slash farm, relief and public work spending in a budget message asking \$480,000,000 of special defense taxes and proposing one of the smallest deficits in a decade.

If all his recommendations are followed, he forecast a net deficit for the fiscal year beginning July 1 of \$1,718,000,000, compared with an estimated \$3,933,000,000 for the current year.

**No Defense Cut**  
Cutting nearly everything in the budget except defense funds, the president estimated expenditures for the next fiscal year at \$8,424,000,000, which he said would be \$675,000,000 less than this year. Net receipts from existing taxes, not counting social security levies, would increase \$382,000,000 to \$5,548,000,000 because of better business.

Mr. Roosevelt bluntly told the legislators intent on making election-year records that "those who call for further cuts should have the courage and honesty to specify where they should be made."

For himself, he said, he was satisfied that no lower figures could be attained without impairing the administration of laws or working "undue hardships on individuals and economic groups."

"I refuse to accept the responsibility of adopting either alternative," he added.

**Gradual Tapering**  
The message, read to the senate and the house by clerks, said that the government was "prepared to move forward on reduced rations." It proposed "a gradual tapering off, rather than an abrupt cessation of the deficit" lest, Mr. Roosevelt said, there be a "too drastic or too sudden curtailment" of support afforded the national economy by government spending.

The president shaved things so close that, on the basis of his figures, the federal debt on June 30, 1941, would be \$81,000,000 short of the \$45,000,000,000 maximum authorized by law. This would permit congress to defer until next year the controversial issue of whether that maximum should be increased.

Dramatizing proposed expenditures into approximate subdivisions which he said "any layman can understand," Mr. Roosevelt gave this picture of where the treasury's money is going:

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**NINE-MILE FEVER TRACED TO TICKS**

Butte, Mont., Jan. 4.—(U.P)—A fourth disease—"nine mile fever"—has been traced to ticks and the infectious agent isolated at the U. S. public health service laboratory at Hamilton, Mont. Dr. H. R. Cox, laboratory bacteriologist, revealed to-night.

Three years of research were required before the disease was traced definitely to the tick, Cox said. The infectious agent was classified as rickettsia diporcia, in honor of Dr. Howard T. Ricketts, one of the first scientists to investigate tick-bite fever.

## Ickes Blames Civil Service In Administrative Sabotage

Washington, Jan. 4.—(P)—Secretary Ickes, saying he discharged John W. Finch as director of the bureau of mines because Finch lacked "iron in his veins," charged today that "cliques" born of the civil service system sabotaged the work of administrative officers.

"When a man comes in as the head of a department some of the old, entrenched civil service employes frequently take the attitude that all they have to do is dig in and wait," Ickes told his press conference.

"They adopt the attitude that they are here now, will always be here, and that the department head may last two years, four years, or at the most eight years."

"With this in mind, if the man wants to sabotage he has a better opportunity if he is under the civil service."

Ickes hastened to say that he favored more civil service (the merit system) in government, that he considered it the lesser of two evils in directing federal employes.

"But," he added, "government must be alert against the small cliques which show resistance to order from their temporary superiors."

## HEAVY SLASH IN RELIEF SPENDING ROOSEVELT IDEA

Continued Expansion of Business Relied on to Increase Private Employment.

Washington, Jan. 4.—(P)—Relying on a "continued expansion of business" to increase employment, President Roosevelt proposed in his budget message today an expenditure of \$1,300,000,000 for relief during the year beginning July 1.

That sum, \$500,000,000 under the estimated expenditures for the current fiscal year, represents what the president described as "a large—perhaps too large—reduction."

He left the way open to revise his estimates and ask for more funds later if business fails to improve according to his expectations.

Putting out relief cash at a rate of \$1,300,000,000 in the year beginning next July 1 would mean:

A slash in WPA employment from an average of 1,850,000 individuals this year to an average of 1,350,000 next year.

Cutting down employment by the National Youth Administration from 706,000 to 600,000.

Lowering the monthly average enrollment in the CCC from 295,000 to 230,000.

Operating the Farm Security Administration at about 80 percent of the 1940 level.

The Public Works program, linked closely with the relief agencies in supplying jobs for the needy, likewise felt the presidential pruning knife.

Mr. Roosevelt said the administration expected to spend \$1,100,000,000 on public works in the year starting next July 1, a reduction of about \$300,000,000.

General works, such as construction of dams, improvement of rivers and harbors, and erection of federal buildings, he said, would take \$641,281,300. This means virtually no new projects.

The Public Works Administration, once a multi-billion dollar agency, will be down to \$122,750,000. It has been in a process of liquidation for some time.

**MRS. J. H. FULLER DIES IN ASHLAND**

Ashland, Jan. 4.—(P)—Mrs. John H. Fuller, wife of Ashland's postmaster, died this morning in her home at 150 North Main street. She had been ill for more than a year.

Funeral service will be held in the Methodist church at 2 p. m. Saturday, the Rev. Melville T. Wire, pastor officiating.

**Pupils Escape As Fire Takes School**

Providence, R. I., Jan. 4.—(P)—Fire forced several hundred pupils to leave the Point street grammar school here today. The upper floors of the structure were quickly consumed by the flames.

All 400 pupils escaped, some by fire escapes from the third floor. They were forced to flee without overcoats into the frigid winter atmosphere.

**400 SEARCH WILDS OF MT. LASSEN FOR MISSING SICK BOY**

Redding, Cal., Jan. 4.—(P)—A sick, lost boy, Billy Coleman, 14, who vanished New Year's day into the vast wilderness at the foot of Mount Lassen, was hunted by 400 men today.

They drained a creek yesterday in a futile search for his body.

The only clues were provided by the discovery near the creek of part of the boy's clothing, and by tangled tracks partly washed out by rain.

Sheriff W. W. Sublett said there was a possibility the boy still was alive, but expressed doubt he could survive another winter night.

The search has been under way since Tuesday near the hamlet of Viola, 40 miles east of Redding. It is an area of dense forests, prowled by cougars and coyotes, and swept by icy winds and occasional snow flurries from 10,000-foot Mount Lassen, American's only active volcano.

Young Coleman, still weak from a recent influenza attack, went there for a holiday with his mother, Mrs. Patrick Coleman, and a group of friends from Redding. His mother saw him last at about 4 p. m. New Year's day, playing under the trees nearby.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 4.—(P)—Two German freighters, the 615-ton Quito and the 613-ton Bogota, sailed from this port at midnight and were reported ready to try to run the British blockade to reach a German port.

## F.D.R. NOMINATES MURPHY TO SEAT ON HIGH TRIBUNAL

Jackson to be Attorney General—Biddle Nominated As Solicitor General.

Washington, Jan. 4.—(P)—President Roosevelt nominated Attorney-General Frank Murphy today to be an associate justice of the supreme court and Solicitor General Robert H. Jackson to succeed him as head of the justice department.

The President also sent to the senate the nomination of Judge Francis Biddle of the third circuit court of appeals to be solicitor general.

The 46-year-old Murphy, who had said he thought others were much better qualified than he for a seat on the high court bench, has been attorney-general since January 2, 1939.

**Was Michigan Governor.**  
Formerly he was high commissioner to the Philippines and he headed the anti-trust division prior to moving up to the job of solicitor-general when Stanley Reed went to the supreme court.

Biddle, a Pennsylvanian, once was chairman of the national labor relations board and last year served as counsel for the congressional committee which investigated the Tennessee Valley authority.

The vacancy on the supreme court, which Murphy will fill if the senate confirms him, was created by the death, November 16, of Associate Justice Pierce Butler.

**Fifth Appointment.**  
The appointment was President Roosevelt's fifth to the nine-man tribunal. Thus the chief executive has personally picked a majority of the members.

Although Murphy was named to succeed Butler, regarded by the administration as a "con-

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**COUNTY DEMO HEADS VOTE ON ASPIRANTS FOR GOLD HILL P. M.**

Executive committee of the Jackson county Democratic central committee has endorsed Harry D. Force for appointment as postmaster of Gold Hill, it was announced late this afternoon by Ward Spatz, county chairman. Endorsement is considered instant to appointment.

Members of the executive committee of the Jackson county Democratic central committee were being polled today in an effort to procure an endorsement of one of the two eligibles for the postmastership of Gold Hill.

Only two in the race for the postmastership now are Harry D. Force, the incumbent, and Justice of the Peace John Chisholm. They were the only two of ten applicants to qualify for the position in a civil service examination. Mr. Force being rated the higher of the two. In addition Mr. Force is a World War veteran and these two factors have given him an edge over Mr. Chisholm, political observer pointed out.

In Mr. Force's favor, too, is his endorsement by Gold Hill's precinct committeeman, W. H. Ferguson, and committeewoman, Mrs. Millie Walker. It is understood their endorsement will have great weight with the executive committee.

**To Keep Exhibits**  
Olympia, Wash., Jan. 4.—(U.P)—Washington state exhibits at the New York and San Francisco world fairs will remain in contact for 1940 re-openings, the state progress commission announced today. Final decision on the San Francisco exhibit had been delayed pending confirmation of the Golden Gate exposition would re-open.

## Ready to Open Congress



Speaker William Bankhead (D., Ala.) of the house of representatives, mounted the speaker's rostrum at Washington, D. C., and gave his desk a few smart raps with his gavel in practice for the opening of congress yesterday when President Roosevelt delivered his annual message before a joint session.

**BROTHER OF HUEY TARGET FOR EGGS**

New Orleans, Jan. 4.—(P)—The mystery of who threw the eggs at Governor Earl K. Long of Louisiana was among the problems of the day before Police Chief John Fletcher of Kaplan, La.

Fletcher said three eggs were tossed while the chief executive, a candidate to succeed himself in the Democratic primary January 16, was speaking in Kaplan last Sunday. One, according to reports, found its mark.

The police chief and a state patrolman questioned a barber six hours yesterday, then released him upon his protestations of innocence.

The governor was the second politician of statewide note to become the target of eggs in recent years. The other was his brother, the late Senator Huey P. Long.

**Wins Long Shot**  
Portland, Jan. 4.—(U.P)—It was a 300,000-to-1 chance but it came home. That was the report today of Bend Dick of Gladstone, whose 1940 license plates were identical to those he drew last year. His number is 214-987.

**DOG CATCHER IS NAMED IN COUNTY**

Cyrenus Combust has been named county dog catcher by the county dog control board, and is now in the field admonishing dog owners to buy their annual dog licenses. Combust is hired on a yearly basis, and will operate every month of the year, and cover the entire county.

Licenses are now purchasable at the county clerk's office, at a cost of \$1 for male dogs and \$1.50 for female dogs. On March 2 next, the \$1 penalty will be in force.

For several years, the number of licenses issued has hovered around 3,000, but it is figured there are between 1,000 and 1,500 unlicensed dogs. It is planned to put these on the license rolls this year. Several citizens are known to own from eight to 14 dogs. Licenses for all would represent quite an outlay in cash, and attention will be paid to this portion of the dog population.

Dog license fees are used to pay for sheep killed by dogs, and a portion turned over to the cities, as their share.

Rome, Jan. 4.—(P)—Eleven persons were reported today to have been killed in a landslide near Udine, northeastern Italy.

**Goering Takes Dictatorship Over German War Industry**

By Louis P. Lochner.  
Berlin, Jan. 4.—(P)—Field Marshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering has decided to take the supreme direction of the entire war industry into his own hands, it was announced today.

The avowed purpose is to bring about the greatest concentration and unification of everything that concerns Germany's economic policy during the war.

Goering, No. 2 nazi, thus becomes the "supreme war-economic authority."

All chief offices of the nation having to do with war-economic policy are united in a general council under Goering's presidency.

By this measure, it was stated, the "absolutely essential cooperation is to be insured."

Goering's right hand man, States Secretary Paul Koerner of the Prussian state ministry, has been appointed his deputy.

Writing in "the four-year plan," Koerner points out that

transition of the highly developed German economy from peace to war was accomplished without friction. To meet the British blockade by superior moves on the chessboard of war, German economic policy must be adapted to new possibilities, Koerner wrote.

Three pre-conditions must be fulfilled, Koerner held:

"First, clear authority to give orders and the most rigid authority for the direction of the entire war economy.

"Second, closest cooperation of all offices having to do with questions of war economy.

"Third, discipline and understanding cooperation by the entire people."

Koerner said Goering would utilize existing ministries as well as tried and trusted institutions of the four-year plan for economic self-sufficiency. Under the scheme envisaged, Germany, according to Koerner, will be able to meet fully all economic tasks arising even in the event the war lasts a long time.

## MORE FUNDS FOR CRATER LAKE IN ENSUING BUDGET

President Includes \$92,040 For Year Beginning July 1 — Leavitt Gratified.

Washington, Jan. 4.—(Sp.)—President Roosevelt's budget carries \$92,040 for Crater Lake national park for the fiscal year beginning July 1. This compares with \$85,000 for the previous fiscal year.

E. P. Leavitt, superintendent of Crater Lake national park, declared this afternoon when informed of the foregoing dispatch that the increased budget for the park was "gratifying, especially in view of the president's determination to reduce appropriations."

Mr. Leavitt attributed the increase to the greater use that is being made of the park. He pointed out that until a few years ago the park was closed for the winter whereas now it is being maintained for year-around use. Such all-year use, he emphasized, increases costs of operation in all phases of service.

"Congress is always slow in recognizing changing conditions and so it is necessary to prove that conditions have changed before any action can be procured," Mr. Leavitt said. "In our case, we had to prove that a greater use of the park had developed, that we could keep it open throughout the year and that it would be used in the winter if it was kept open."

"I am glad to know we are getting a little more money. I hope it is for operation and not for equipment. Appropriations for equipment are not recurring items."

Mr. Leavitt indicated the increase was needed to keep the park in operation all year around, pointing out that in the past there has been no financial provision for keeping the park open in the winter.

**UNITY REACHES HOME HAGGARD, WEARY FROM TRIP FROM GERMANY**

Folkestone, Eng., Jan. 4.—(P)—Haggard and travel-weary in contrast to her once-buoyant, statuesque beauty, Unity Valkyrie Freeman-Mitford, friend of Adolf Hitler, today reached the home of her father after a stretcher journey from Germany.

The blonde 25-year-old daughter of a British peer arrived at the family country place at High Wycombe, about 20 miles from London, in an ambulance from Folkestone, a channel port where she landed yesterday.

She was described by her father as "very ill," but the exact nature of her ailment still was a mystery.

"My daughter is rapidly getting better but she has been desperately ill," said Lord Redesdale. "She is quite worn out, poor thing."

She was reported by the British press to have suffered a gunshot wound in Munich five days before the outbreak of the war.

**CALL TROOPS TO PROTECT NEGRO**

Meadville, Miss., Jan. 4.—(P)—Governor Hugh White ordered but a detachment of national guardsmen here today after a posse reportedly had shot and surrounded a negro wanted for the slaying of one white man and the wounding of two others.

Deputy Sheriff Grahame Hearing, asked if the guardsmen had been summoned to prevent lynching of the negro surrounded by a posse of 75 men in the underbrush one mile north of Knoxville, replied: