



MENTAL HEALTH WEEK—A talk by Dr. Brock Chisholm to the Southern Oregon Child Guidance Clinic association last Thursday set the pace for Mental Health Week April 28 to May 4. Topic of his speech was "Growing Up in a New Kind of World."

Shown at the speakers table are, left to right, Dr. A. Erin Merkel, health officer and administrator of the clinic; Dr. Chisholm; Mrs. Carl Wimberly Jr., president of the association; and Dr. Brandt Bartels, vice president of the association. —(Brainerd photo)

U.S. Chamber Board Chairman Tells Why Budget Must Be Pared

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Editor's note: The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which is winding up its 45th annual meeting today in Washington, has been in the forefront of the campaign to cut President Eisenhower's \$71,800,000,000 budget for fiscal 1938. In the following dispatch written exclusively for the United Press, Board Chairman John S. Coleman of the chamber tells why he thinks the budget must be cut.

Washington — (U.P.) — Within the next 90 days the Congress of the United States will face one of the most crucial and soul-searching jobs which any Congress has faced in modern times — cutting the budget submitted by the President down to a reasonable spending burden which can be borne by the American people and our economy without serious impairment to both.

The national chamber has been tremendously concerned with this gigantic spending proposal. We have urged consistently that it be cut. We have not asked that this be done foolishly or haphazardly, but that it be done by effecting constructive reductions. These can be made by applying the principles of sound public finance and our traditional principles of limited government and human freedom.

Significant Dangers
We see several significant dangers to the economy, the American people and to our system of government if this budget proposal is not substantially curtailed. First, of course,

it precludes any tax relief, and thus continues a war-level burden upon individuals and businesses. This in turn tends to tie up capital which could be used to increase our productive capacity, to produce more jobs, to produce more income for individuals, to give each person an opportunity to better develop his potentialities and in general to create a higher standard of living for this nation.

I am not impressed by the superficial statements which are constantly being made that the budget has so many programs fixed by law, and thus fixed costs, that it cannot be reduced. The budget gives the President and Congress an opportunity each year to make a complete survey of all existing programs to determine whether they are essential, to determine whether they should be carried on at the present level, and to act accordingly. It is completely within the President's prerogative to take the leadership and recommend elimination of such programs as he deems undesirable, unnecessary or unwise.

Many Ways
Congress also can do many things to help get the budget down to a peacetime level. Although programs are authorized by law, it does not follow that appropriations must be made each year to carry out these programs if the federal burden is too great. There are many projects and programs which are either not funded to the limit authorized by law or fund-

ed at all under our present system. To eliminate them is simply the application of common sense to current conditions and a recognition of what the nation can afford.

Businessmen must continue their leadership in the fight for budget reduction. But they also must look at the other side of the coin and encourage people to solve their local, state and national problems at home. They must exercise self-restraint in demanding goods and services from the government.

The American public in general also has an important role to play in restoring realism to fiscal operations. It must continue at an increasing pace to let congressmen, senators and political leaders know it wants this unreasonable spending burden reduced and some tax relief given to combat inflation and strengthen the entire economy.

Soviets Remember New War Dangers

Moscow — (U.P.) — Soviet Defense Minister Marshal Georgi Zhukov declared in a May Day statement today the Soviet people "do not forget the danger of a new war."

The statement was in the form of an order of the day to the armed forces participating in the giant annual May Day parade salute to Communism. More than 1,000 foreign diplomats and visitors were on hand to witness the march through Red Square, but for the first time in years foreigners were not permitted to take photographs.

Relief Predicted In Texas Floods

Dallas — (U.P.) — The Weather Bureau predicted relief today from thunderstorms that have swollen Texas rivers for 12 days but flood crests still threatened a number of east Texas and Louisiana towns.

Thousands of oil wells were under floodwaters of the Sabine River in Gregg county in east Texas, and 11 families were rushed out of an oil camp Tuesday to avoid the floods.

Victoria, already hit by one flood, prepared for a 29.5 crest on the Guadalupe river which would cause "considerable flooding in the city . . . although the major portions of it would not be affected," according to the Fort Worth Weather Bureau.

At Freeport, police urged persons in 50 homes in the western part of the city to take to the higher ground until the floodwaters of the Brazos river pass. At least seventeen persons have died in the fury of violent weather and tornadoes that hit Texas 13 days ago.

This year, for instance, bib necklaces are making fashion news, to fill widely scooped necklines. And another type of necklace has a long backdrop to be worn with low back dresses.

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