

# President Delivers Message to Crowded Joint Session

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The chief executive delivered his 5,000-word message in person to a crowded joint session of the House and Senate at the Capitol. His remarks were carried to the nation and the rest of the world by television and radio.

It was the fifth straight year that he had had to submit his program to a Congress dominated by his political opponents.  
The President appealed to law-makers of both parties to join in "cooperative work to build a better America."  
"The basic question facing us today," he said, "is more than mere survival - the military defense of a national life and territory. It is the preservation of a way of life."

**Meet World Challenge**  
"We must meet the world challenge and at the same time permit no stagnation in America. Unless we progress, we regress."

And to spur the pace of progress for the rapidly expanding population, he said, there should be clearly defined goals to be achieved in five or 10 years.

He announced that he will ask a committee of leading citizens to set goals for such things as "the living standards of our people, their health and education, their better assurance of life and liberty and their greater opportunities."

The President hit hard at the dangers of inflation, which could tarnish prosperity and which hurts worst those who are the least able to protect themselves.

To prevent further loss in the dollar's value, he said, "we must encourage the self-discipline, the restraint necessary to curb the wage-price spiral and we must meet current costs from current revenue."

"I shall ask Congress to amend the employment act of 1946 to make it clear that the government intends to use all appropriate means to protect the buying power of the dollar."

**Fight Against Inflation**  
Eisenhower also announced establishment of a Cabinet group on "price stability for economic growth." This Cabinet committee will be charged with studying governmental and private policies affecting costs, prices and economic growth. Eisenhower said other studies would be undertaken to improve the government's information on prices, wages and productivity as another step in the fight against inflation.

He insisted that his balanced budget of 77 billion dollars for 1960, to be submitted Jan. 19, was "realistic... with wholly attainable objectives." The budget would be about three billion dollars less than this year's.

Pursuing his campaign to curb federal spending, the President asked Congress to give him veto power over specific items in appropriation and authorization bills. This would enable him to cut undesirable spending items from an otherwise acceptable money bill.

He also said the government was spending too much money on farm price supports and asked Congress to reduce these federal subsidies materially. The President, again in the interest of less government spending, called for decreased federal operations in areas "where private enterprise can do the job."

Following up promises during the recent congressional election campaign, the President called for prompt enactment of legislation to stop corruption and racketeering in labor unions.

While reporting "noticeable progress" in civil rights, he reserved specific legislative proposals in this field for a later message. The President, however, deplored the closing of some southern schools in the battle over integration, and said he would continue to "take every action necessary" to back up the federal courts in this matter. He said all public officials should join in supporting the court's decisions.

**Plans Balanced Budget**  
On the budget question, Eisenhower said to the Congress controlled by Democrats whom he has accused of being spenders:  
"We must examine every item of government expense critically. To do otherwise would betray our nation's future."

"To minimize the danger of future soaring prices and to keep our economy sound and expanding," he said he would put forth "a balanced budget for the next year, a year expected to be the most prosperous in our history." The "next year" he referred to is fiscal 1960, which begins July 1 this year.

Proposals for broad revision of the federal tax structure are being prepared at

## Bickering Delays Sending Physician To Dying Woman

Chicago - (UPI) - A coroner's probe was launched today into charges that bickering over a \$10 medical fee delayed the dispatch of a doctor to the side of a dying woman.  
Cook County Coroner Walter McCarron ordered the investigation into the death of Mrs. Ethel Beck, 58, to "learn which is more important - money or saving a life."

Co-workers of Mrs. Beck, a widow and clerk in the county real estate division, said she collapsed in a wash-room just before lunch Thursday.

They notified a building switchboard operator who said she placed a call with the physicians emergency service of the Chicago Medical Society and asked that a doctor be sent over. A fire department ambulance also was requested.

Three attempts were made to have the emergency service send a doctor, but each time the woman who answered the switchboard insisted that someone guarantee the \$10 doctor's fee, county employees said.

On one of the calls, fire Lt. Harold Prokaska, who grabbed the phone, said "the woman kept asking who was going to pay. I got mad, I told her we needed service and never mind about the money."

At 12:27 p.m., Dr. Robert Mustell, director of the emergency service, arrived at the County Building. Mrs. Beck was dead. Dr. Mustell said he had been notified of the emergency at 12:15, and departed immediately.

Dr. George C. Turner, president-elect of the medical society, asked later:  
"Why did everybody bicker? Why didn't someone speak up and say 'I'll pay'? This is not a free service. Someone has to guarantee the fee if someone is to get the service."

The incumbent president, Dr. Edwin F. Hirsch, said the society would launch its own investigation but explained the society itself does not operate the service, but merely cooperates with the private agency.

## Christopher Asks SF Good Manners

San Francisco - (UPI) - Mayor George Christopher called on San Franciscans today to mind their manners during the visit of Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan.  
Mikoyan arrives at San Francisco Airport at 4:10 p.m. (p.s.t.) Saturday for an overnight visit. He leaves Sunday for Los Angeles.

In a formal statement Christopher joined President Eisenhower in urging San Franciscans to abstain from acts of violence against the Russian visitor.

He said recent expressions of disapproval in other cities are a matter of "deep concern."

"Some have spat and thrown stones," he said. "Even when seemingly motivated by intense and fervent patriotic feelings, this does not serve as a constructive solution to the philosophical, moral and national issues which confront the world today."

The mayor said he does not plan to meet Mikoyan's plane. He said he "has not been invited by anyone" and he noted that Mikoyan is touring the country as a private individual and not in any official capacity.



**PERSONAL MESSAGE** - Vice President Nixon (right) helps Russian Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan with his coat as Mikoyan arrives at the Capitol building in Washington for a visit. Nixon gave Mikoyan a personal greeting to deliver to Soviet Premier Khrushchev on his return to Moscow. Mikoyan is on a two-week "unofficial" visit to the U.S., and is scheduled to arrive in San Francisco the end of this week.

## Elderly Couple's Marriage Annulled

Redwood City, Calif. - (UPI) - The year-old marriage of an elderly Burlingame couple was annulled Thursday on the complaint of Mrs. Effie Bohanon Lucas.

Mrs. Lucas, 70, married Curtis Lucas, 80, last February in San Francisco.

Shortly after the marriage, she said, she learned that Lucas was "physically incapable of entering into the marriage state." Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton, 81, granted the annulment.

## Three Generators Work at Swift Site

Cougar, Wash. - (UPI) - All three generators at Pacific Power and Light's 250,000 kilowatt Swift hydroelectric powerhouse on the Lewis river are now in commercial operation, the firm said today.

Filling in the reservoir behind the 512 foot Swift dam has occurred faster than expected because of unusually heavy November and December rainfall.

More than 24,440,000 kilowatt hours of electricity were generated in the first seven days of commercial operation, according to E. Robert de Lucia, PP&L vice president and chief engineer.

## E. EVANS CREEK-MEADOWS Family Has Visitors

By NELLIE BERGMAN  
East Evans Creek-Meadows - Recent visitors at the Lloyd Beers home were Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sanderson and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sanderson and daughters, Barbara, Mary and Debbie, and son, Jerry, all from Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ashworth of Portland, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Archer and daughters, Donna and Ellen, of Loleta, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Stingley spent Christmas with Mrs. Stingley's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Stowell, of Eagle Point.

Floyd Esis was a visitor at the Venson home recently.

Mrs. Don Jacobs Sr. and daughters of Medford called at the Carl Bergman home recently. Mrs. Jacobs' grand-

children, Terry and Delbert, were guests for two weeks at the Bergman home.

Some logging has started in the Meadows after the new year.

Herman Garhardus has returned from Portland after spending the Christmas holidays with relatives there.

Mrs. Elizabeth Swartz of Toledo, Ore., has been a Christmas holiday guest of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Hanks, on Antioch rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mercer and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bergman spent Sunday evening at the G. E. Patterson home on Antioch rd.



## EXPLOSION KILLS ONE

Ragley, La. - (UPI) - A tanker truck carrying 5,000 gallons of gasoline exploded near here Thursday killing relief driver Harold B. Stringer. The driver, Joyce Henry, was critically burned. Cause of the explosion was not immediately determined.

## Grange News...

**Pomona Grange**  
An official conference and training session will be held in the Central Point Grange hall for all Subordinate Grange officers Saturday, Jan. 17, at 8 p.m.

Floor work will be demonstrated and County Deputy Roscoe Roberts, as well as officers of Jackson County Pomona Grange, will be present to answer questions on duties of the various offices.

A short meeting of the Jackson County Grange County Pomona Grange, will be present to answer questions on duties of the various offices.

A short meeting of the Jackson County Grange Council will follow immediately, with election of officers for 1959 the chief business of the meeting.

All Grange officers in the county are urged to attend this important conference, as well as committee chairman and any other members interested.

Next meeting of Jackson County Pomona Grange will be held at the Phoenix Grange hall Saturday, Jan. 24, at 10 a.m.

Mrs. Melvin Lattie, Secretary Jackson County Pomona Grange No. 27

## Rush Hour Traffic Stalled in Portland

Portland - (UPI) - Rush hour traffic was stalled for several blocks here Thursday evening on all approaches to the Hawthorne bridge when a 600-volt junction box near the center of the bridge burst into a brilliant flame.

Traffic resumed some 15 minutes after the fire started although insulation in the junction box continued to burn.

## LICENSE REVOKED

New York - (UPI) - The New York State Harness Racing commission has revoked the owner's license of Benjamin Grosbery of Detroit because of false statements made in his license application.

Eisenhower's request by Secretary of Treasurer Robert B. Anderson. They would include removal of unspecified tax inequities and the provision of incentives "for all Americans to work, to save and to invest."

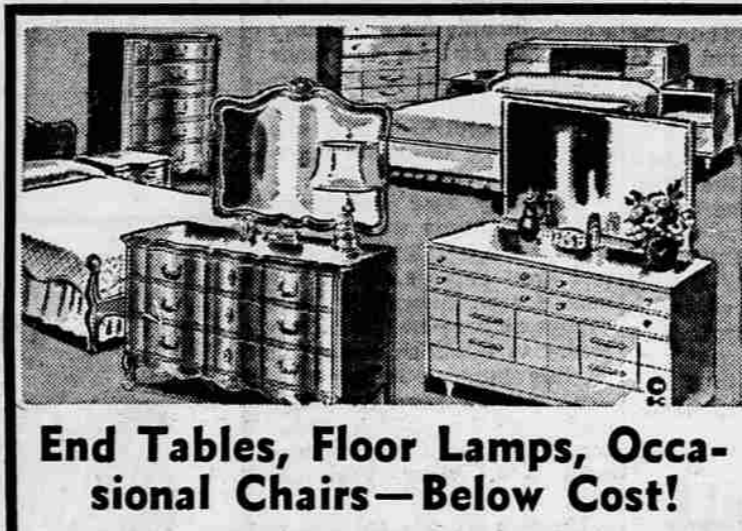
Beyond his call for reduced farm price supports and economies in extending federal credit, Eisenhower deferred details of money-saving plans until his budget message. In fact, his message today mentioned more increases in spending next year than specific decreases.

For example, he said there would be increased spending on health programs, federal assistance to science and education, development of water resources, urban renewal and federal-aid highways.

He expressed pride in American advances in the space and missile fields after four years of intensive effort, but he also clearly recognized "that some of the recent Soviet accomplishments in this particular technology are indeed brilliant."

He used his sharpest invective on Russia without calling the Soviet Union by name, referring instead only to Communists.

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