

# \$195 MILLION STATE BUDGET NOW APPROVED

SALEM, Dec. 23 (AP)—Oregon's budget for the two years beginning next July 1, which Governor Earl Squire will submit to the legislature which meets January 8, totals \$195,816,426, or \$3,285,718 less than was requested by departments, the governor announced today.

Budget approval was given for \$26,777,500 in general fund appropriations, while budgets of self-supporting state activities total \$169,063,603. The legislature will appropriate only from the general fund, and might change the budget.

The general fund budget is \$3,400,000 greater than for the current biennium, but is \$3,300,000 less than was requested by departments. The budget estimate calls for collection of \$26,506,657 in income taxes in the biennium.

As has been the case since 1940, a property tax for state purposes is not planned.

The budget calls for the largest building construction program in the state's history, totaling \$4,793,665, but this will not be inaugurated unless the war ends. The program includes \$1,393,000 worth of new buildings for the state hospital, \$346,000 at the Eastern Oregon state hospital, \$262,500 at the state prison, \$1,220,000 for state higher institutions of learning, and \$300,000 for the state Fairview home for feeble-minded.

The largest expenditure in the budget is \$39,845,000 for the highway commission, doubled over the current biennium to allow the postwar road program. But this also depends on whether the war ends.

Public welfare appropriations total \$32,797,778, up \$5,000,000 from this biennium. It will be financed by \$12,043,583 in federal funds, \$15,045,195 in state funds, and \$5,700,000 from the counties.

## The Road to Berlin

By The Associated Press

- 1—Western front: 301 miles (from near Duren).
- 2—Russian front: 304 miles (from north of Warsaw).
- 3—Hungarian front: 368 miles (from Leva).
- 4—Italian front: 549 miles (from north of Mezzano).

## CEILINGS AMENDED ON PROCESSED FOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—The OPA issued processors' price ceilings on a number of frozen fruits, vegetables and berries today but said the cost to consumers "will not be changed substantially."

The amendment, effective January 2, provides dollars-and-cents ceiling for large containers of some frozen berries and prescribes pricing formulas to be used by processors on frozen fruits, vegetables and berries in small containers.

Generally, the flat prices for most berries are about one-half cent a pound less than a year ago. The flat ceiling on frozen strawberries, however, is about two cents a pound higher.

Increased raw material costs were said to be reflected in the frozen strawberries ceilings and also in some of the other formula-priced commodities, mainly Maine blueberries and California pears.

The processors' ceiling for frozen strawberries (other than the Ettersburg variety) will reflect a raw material cost of 15 cents a pound instead of 12 cents; Maine blueberries, 18 cents instead of 12 cents; and California Pears, \$80 a ton instead of \$65 a ton.

## FORMER KLAMATH AREA MAN PASSES

L. W. Hardin, for many years a resident of the Klamath highway, died suddenly at 11 a. m. Friday at his home in Ashland, friends were advised today. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Mr. Hardin, who was in his late 60's at the time of his passing, moved from Klamath county some seven years ago after disposing of extensive property holdings here. He was a well-known building contractor. Surviving is his wife.

## Santa Claus Comes To Bering Sea

HEADQUARTERS, Alaska Department, Dec. 26 (AP)—Christmas arrived on schedule yesterday at four tiny dots in the Bering sea—and were the soldiers waiting? Well—

Lt. J. J. Trevisani of San Francisco reported he had to circle Nimitz, one of the four islands, three times before dropping the cargo. "The spot designated as the target was overflowing with a shouting mob, all with their hands upstretched, waiting for mail from the sky."

Other islands reached in the special flight were St. Paul, St. George and St. Matthew. None of the points expected Christmas mail before May or June, a headquarters report said.

## GOLDEN RULE OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 26

(AP)—Western Union told Jane Schneider she had a money order waiting for her.

Instead of the fortune she had hoped for, the order turned out to be for 1 cent.

But she overcame the score with the penny-sender. She wired an indignant thanks—collect.

## Building Materials Composition and Cedar SHINGLES

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# LOW LOSSES FROM FOREST FIRES EYED

A low loss from fires in the Fremont national forest in 1944 was reported in a summary of the fire season just completed by Fremont forest officials. The 96 fires in the forest during the past year totals 16 more than the five-year average of 80, and four more than occurred in 1943. However, these 96 fires burned only 66 acres and because of the small size of nearly all the fires there was but little damage to mature timber. The greatest damage was in the small trees which will be difficult to replace. One fire covered 35 acres but this was the only one that burned more than 10 acres.

About 72 per cent of the 1944 fires were caused by lightning, which hit the forest particularly hard in July. During one 14-day period in that month there was a lightning storm some place on the forest every day.

The 27 man-caused fires on the forest were started chiefly by smokers, who were responsible for 12, and abandoned campfires, which caused 10. Most of the campfires which were not put out were left by hunters during the hunting season in October.

While this man-caused record of 27 fires is not good, it shows a slight improvement over last year's 32 fires and the previous five years' average of 29. The record June rains greatly lessened the fire danger early in the 1944 fire season but the latter part—particularly in September and October—was especially dry.

The manpower outlook is not especially good for next year, according to Forest Supervisor L. K. Mays. The local forest service is still short of experienced help to man lookouts and fireman stations, and there will be a large carryover of logging slash because of the poor burning season this fall.

The Constitution of the United States contains nothing which prohibits a woman from becoming president of the union.

## Flashes of Life

By The Associated Press

**COULDN'T UN-YAWN**  
NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 26 (AP)—Waiting up for Santa Claus made Donna Smith yawn. She yawned so wide she couldn't close her mouth.

An ambulance was called and an interne snapped her jaw back into place, by the time Christmas dinner was served, even the soreness was gone.

**WARM WELCOME**  
POINT BARROW, Alaska, Dec. 26 (AP)—War Correspondents Olen Clements of the Associated Press and Russell Anabel of the United Press caused lots of excitement among the natives on this first visit to the far north.

Chief reason for the excitement: the correspondents' boots and parka-style coats. None of the Eskimos could figure out what all the heavy clothing was for.

**DRAPED HINT**  
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 26 (AP)—Filling Station Operator J. F. Gish saves unnecessary words when out of high grade gasoline.

He drapes the pump in black.

**BOOKWORM**  
DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26 (AP)—Thieves smashed a \$100 plate glass window at a bookstore today to steal a 50-cent pamphlet. Its title: "Denver's First Christmas."

**MEDICINE**  
DENVER, Colo., Dec. 26 (AP)—A thief stole \$120 from a Denver hotel and flung over his shoulders at the clerk as he departed.

"Give me a break—I have a sick mother."

**LASTING MARRIAGE**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 26 (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Harlan W. Sanford had a special reason to celebrate Christmas yesterday—it was their 71st wedding anniversary. Sanford is 97 and his wife, whom he married on Christmas Day, 1873, in Elkhart, Ind., is 91.

Among messages of congratulations received by the couple was one from Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barse of Minneapolis, their friends who were married on the same day—71 years ago.

## FORMER SENATOR TAKEN BY DEATH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—Former U. S. Senator Blair Lee of Maryland died last night at the age of 87.

Lee served in the senate from 1913 to 1917.

As a senate member, he actively supported the Hay-Wadsworth bill reorganizing the army prior to the first World War.

Lee was a delegate to eight democratic national conventions and at the Baltimore convention of 1912 he was a leader in the movement resulting in the nomination of Woodrow Wilson, a friend of his college days.

## DR. G. C. NEWSOM DIES IN CORVALLIS

Dr. G. C. Newsom, former Klamath county health officer, and director of the first health unit here, died Friday in Corvallis, according to word received by Sheriff Lloyd Low.

Dr. Newsom came here from Milton-Freewater to take over the public health work. He had charge of this activity until 1935, when he was succeeded by Dr. Neil F. Black.

Recently, he had been practicing medicine at Halsey, Ore. He is survived by Mrs. Newsom and one son, Gail.

## Tires For Civilians Slashed For Month

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—Tires available for civilians in January will be pared sharply below the December figure.

OPA says military demands for rubber have slashed January allocation of passenger tires to 1,800,000 from 2,000,000 in December, small truck and bus tires to 216,000 from 280,000 heavy truck and bus tires to 110,000 from 120,000.

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## Service Men and Women Home on Leave

William L. Bishop, navy V-12 student, University of Washington. Here until December 30.

Sgt. Murray Pinney from Asiatic theater. Here until January 9.

Cpl. Jane Bowne from Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind. Here over the holidays.

OM 3/c Howard Sexton from South Pacific. Here over the holidays.

The above service people are entitled to free passes to the local theatres and free fountain service at Lo-T River dairy by courtesy of Lloyd Lamb of the theatres and R. C. Woodruff of the dairy. Please call at The Herald and News office (ask for Paul Haines) for your courtesy tickets.

**BOOKS**  
SEATTLE, Dec. 26 (AP)—King county jail inmates, who know well the meaning of "getting the book thrown at you" in court, have learned a different version.

The Seattle Council of Churches presented the jail with a \$6000, 3500-volume library for use of the inmates.

## YOUTHS ARRESTED FOR CHECK FORGERY

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26 (AP)—A juvenile check forging gang accused of passing \$1500 in bogus checks during the past two months was broken up today with the arrest of three boys with previous records.

The three were charged with burglary not in a dwelling, obtaining money by false pretenses and forgery. Police said the trio was arrested while attempting to cash checks carefully made out with a stolen check protector.

Detectives found the check company's stolen blank checks in a downtown hotel hideout. Ring-leader of the group was a 16-year-old boy who twice served sentences in the Oregon state training school at Woodburn, police said.

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