

Truman Asks \$39 Billion Budget For Coming Year; Foreign Aid Big Item

THE BUDGET AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press

For Year Ending June 30

	1948	1949
Income	\$45,210,000,000	\$44,477,000,000
Outgo	\$37,728,000,000	\$39,609,000,000
Surplus	7,482,000,000	4,868,000,000
Year-end debt	250,900,000,000	246,200,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP)—President Truman fired an unprecedented peacetime budget of \$39,609,000,000 at congress today to meet "the realities of our existing international and domestic requirements" during the 1949 fiscal year beginning July 1.

He told the hostile republican congress nearly four-fifths of the spending estimate represents the aftermath of World War II and efforts to head off World War III.

Although it exceeds by \$2,000,000,000 his budget request for the current year, Mr. Truman declared its preparation was governed by "rigid standards of operating economy" in the government.

"The plain fact is," he said in his accompanying message, "that our budget must remain high until we have met our international responsibilities and can see the way clear to a peaceful and prosperous world."

In an obvious reference to the hoped-for effect of foreign aid in curbing the spread of communism, Mr. Truman said:

"Should failure of these programs result in a further extension of totalitarian rule, we would have to reexamine our security position and take whatever steps might be necessary under the circumstances."

Mr. Truman declared that 79 per cent of the expenditures he proposed "directly reflect the cost of war, the effects of war, and our efforts to prevent a future war."

In this class he listed the two biggest items in his budget:

\$11,000,000,000 for national defense, 28 per cent of the total and \$279,000,000 higher than this year; \$7,000,000,000 for foreign and other international affairs, 18 per cent of the total and up \$1,500,000,000.

After allowing for veterans' benefits, interest on the public debt and tax refunds, Mr. Truman said only 21 per cent of the outlay would remain for social welfare and ordinary expenses of government.

He injected a note of optimism, however, with an estimate that "under existing tax laws" federal revenues will yield a record-breaking surplus of \$7,482,000,000 this year and another of \$4,868,000,000 in the following 12 months if congress adopts his fiscal plan.

The chief executive said income for the 1948 fiscal year, now half over, should reach \$45,210,000,000, the highest for any year except the \$46,467,000,000 received in wartime 1945.

He estimated next year's receipts at \$44,477,000,000.

But Mr. Truman insisted the government should use all excess over spending to scale down the \$256,000,000,000 public debt. He said the debt should be cut to \$250,900,000,000 by next June 30 and to \$246,200,000,000 one year later.

To do this and still leave room for the \$40-per-person tax cut he suggested last week, the president reiterated his call for a \$2,200,000,000 hike in corporation taxes.

The new budget is based on the assumption that congress will accept a variety of other projects outlined in Mr. Truman's state-of-the-union message which GOP leaders denounced as "Santa Claus" bidding for votes.

It includes a new program of financial aid for state school systems, health insurance, extension of social security to such groups as farmers, domestics and the self-employed, long range housing aid, and expanded flood control.

Mentioned for future consideration is a new sea level canal to connect the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

Mr. Truman's \$45,210,000,000 income estimate for the current fiscal year was \$3,453,000,000 higher than the one he made in August. His spending estimate of \$37,728,000,000 was up \$728,000,000.

Meacham Is Coldest Spot

Meacham on the Old Oregon Trail was the coldest place in the state of Oregon this morning with a minimum of 3 degrees above zero. It was 20 degrees in Klamath Falls and 6 in today following Sunday's maximum of 44.

Forecast for the next 24 hours is for clear and cold weather with a maximum of 42, minimum of 25 degrees.

Oregon highways were in fairly good condition today with only minor restrictions remaining from last week's floods and heavy rains. The Oregon state highway commission reported at 9 a. m. Mountain routes were icy but being sanded. At Odell lake on the Willamette highway it was 14 degrees, clear, packed snow east of the tunnel, sanding going on. The Sun mountain stretch of highway 97 was frosty but sanded. The Greensprings highway was reported clear.

Numerous calls were received over the week-end on the condition of the Pacific highway. Motorists were advised that detour for passenger cars only continues around the damaged South Umpqua river bridge eight miles south of Roseburg. Buses and trucks continued to be routed through Klamath Falls.

St. Paul's Men's Club Slates Meet

St. Paul's Men's club will meet for dinner Tuesday night, January 13, in the parish house with James Wallinder and Scotty Loloima as dinner chairmen and hosts.

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg will be the speaker of the evening and Dr. E. D. Lamb will show movies. All men of the parish and their friends are invited to the dinner and reservations should be made either through members of the vestry or through the church office, telephone 3585.

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Soroptimists Slate Talk By Powell

Service Clubs Programs
Junior chamber of commerce, Monday, 7:30 p. m. chamber of commerce.

Lions club, Tuesday noon, Willard hotel.
20-30 club, Tuesday 7 p. m., blue room, Willard hotel.

Soroptimist club, Thursday noon, Pelican cafe.
Kiwanis club, Thursday noon, Willard hotel.

Rotary club, Friday noon, Willard hotel.

One of the most interesting meetings slated this week by service clubs is that of the Soroptimists. Dewey Powell will speak to the group on Japan. Dena Backes will be chairman for the day.

Jaycees are having their last business meeting before their big day—the Founders Day banquet. Final details for the affair will be discussed. This is the annual dinner meeting when the outstanding young man for the Klamath basin will be named. Installation of officers for the coming year will take place and an address will be heard by John D. Moseley.

Vice President Bob Hall will have charge of the 20-30 meeting this week when committee appointments for the next six months will be announced. The Drama Guild presentations slated for March will be further discussed by the group which is sponsoring the plays.

Kiwanians will have a chance to get any matters bothering them off their chests at the regular meeting this week which will be an open forum with L. Orth Blumore as moderator and Bogue Dale as chairman for the day.

A trades association talk will be the program for the Rotary club at 17 Friday noon luncheon.

Herringshaw and his younger brother, Tommy, 9, were together at the time. Members of the family said Tommy had the gun when it accidentally discharged, the hollow point bullet passing completely through Howard's foot shattering the bone. Howard was brought to Hillsdale at 12:30 p. m. and given emergency treatment. His condition was reported good today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (AP)—Eleven persons resigned from government service while they were being investigated by the FBI under the new federal loyalty program, the agency said today.

The FBI reported having processed 191,234 of the fingerprint-personnel data information forms which some 2,000,000 federal workers were required to fill out late last year.

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Big Damage Suit Filed

A suit for over \$25,000 damages brought by a Los Angeles woman against a local woman as the result of an automobile accident at Los Angeles, January 30, 1946, was on file today with the circuit court clerk.

The suit was brought by Mrs. Gladys Catherine Bamber against Mrs. Wilma L. Wiley, for \$25,000 punitive damages and approximately \$3000 actual damages for medical bills and loss of work.

The accident occurred when a car driven by Mrs. Wiley, then Mrs. Wilma Cathcart, struck Mrs. Bamber at a Los Angeles street intersection. The complaint lists Mrs. Bamber's injuries as a concussion, damage to the eyes and other hurts.

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