

Opposition Seen Over Proposed Budget Measures

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Portions of President Eisenhower's proposed 6 1/2-billion-dollar spending budget for the next fiscal year today appeared to face some stiff bipartisan congressional trouble.

"Too much," said Chairman Taber (R-NY) of the House Appropriations Committee.

Rather risky, commented House Democratic Leader Rayburn of Texas, referring to a cut in planned national security spending. Many congressmen, however, praised the emphasis on air power and new weapons. Rayburn agreed it was proper to put emphasis on both.

Some Republicans and Democrats joined in commenting that the President's stand against cuts in corporation and excise tax rates was likely to face severe fire from a Congress anxious to cut taxes

in a year when many members face re-election campaigns.

There was some criticism of plans for continued heavy foreign aid spending and, from a few Democrats, of proposed cutbacks in Army and Navy manpower.

And there was bipartisan unhappiness over the fact that the budget projects a federal deficit through the 1955 fiscal year starting July 1.

The reduced spending estimates came in for general praise, although there was some criticism of specific cuts.

The budget document, picturing the government's financial plans for the new year headed for the House Appropriations Committee, the first step toward congressional approval or revision.

Taber, who always has insisted "there never was a budget that couldn't be cut," said his committee ought to be able to trim at least three billion dollars from the 66 1/2 billion in new appropriations requested for the coming year.

That, Taber told newsmen, might "get rid of the deficit," which the President estimated would be \$2,928,000,000 for the year ending in mid-1955.

Told that Budget Director Joseph M. Dodge, the President's chief fiscal aide, had said such a cut would have to be made "at the expense of essential activities of the government," Taber replied: "The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

Sen. Douglas (D-Ill) meanwhile predicted a federal deficit of "at least five billion dollars" for the current fiscal year and "chided the administration for an 'altogether too optimistic' estimate."

Eisenhower estimated a year-end deficit next June 30 of \$3,300,000,000.

Douglas said the Treasury Department reported a deficit earlier this month of \$9,822,000,000, and added: "They now say they are going to pull that figure down to \$3,300,000,000 in the next 5 1/2 months."

"High corporation profits in 1953 are a major factor in reducing the size of the prospective deficit," Douglas said in an interview.

"Nevertheless, this estimate is much too optimistic. It is simply incredible that they can cut the deficit down by 6 1/2 billion dollars in less than six months."

Douglas, a former economics professor, also took issue with Eisenhower's statement that estimates of receipts for the next fiscal year "are based upon the continuation of business conditions, personal income and corporation profits at substantially the present high levels."

Douglas said the budget contains no hint of any administration program should the forecast prove wrong.

"If there should be a serious drop in business conditions," he said, "not only will that increase the deficit as existing rates of taxation but it will raise the further question as to whether we should not give a stimulus to employment by increasing the personal exemption for income tax purposes and by some positive program of public works."

Republicans generally went along with the President's endorsement of a tax revision plan to remove alleged inequities at an eventual cost of about two billion dollars in revenue. Some Democrats claimed the plan favored corporations and big stockholders, and talked about broadening the reduction to include all taxpayers.

Word was that the administration would delay pressing the President's renewed request that the legal limit on the debt be boosted from the present 275 billions. The house last year voted to hike the ceiling 200 billions, but the Senate failed to act. There is still strong opposition there.

The budget also drew fire from some Senators for its sharp trimming of proposed federal grants for hospital construction, municipal airports, low-rent public housing and wartime subsidy programs.

Eisenhower recommended that 50 million dollars be appropriated for grants to the states for hospital building in fiscal 1955. This is 15 million less than the current year and 100 million less than the maximum authorized.

Sen. Hill (D-Ala), co-author of the act which set up the hospital aid program, termed the new request "disappointing and inadequate."

Senators Ellender (D-La) and McCarran (D-Nev) said they would seek to get some money voted this year for municipal airport building.

The President's budget also failed to include any funds for construction subsidies on new ships. Sen. Potter (R-Mich) said the government must give some aid to shipbuilders this year to prevent a collapse of the industry.

Bill Bruner Dies At 79

Word was received here this morning of the death, Thursday morning, of E. W. (Bill) Bruner, 79, retired Southern Pacific conductor, at McClellan hospital, at McCloud.

He was a patient at the hospital since last Monday where he was taken following a heart attack.

He had resided at Dunsmuir since 1920 and retired 15 years ago.

An ardent horse racing fan, he had made several trips East to attend the Kentucky Derby.

Funeral plans are pending while an attempt is being made to locate relatives.

Fireman To Sponsor Ball

MALIN—Final arrangements for Malin's annual firemen's dance, to be held on Saturday, February 6, will be made by the Malin city and rural volunteer firemen at their meeting Monday night, January 18.

The dance is expected to be one of the best ever held by the group with good music furnished by Baldy's Band of Klamath Falls. Proceeds will be used for more fire equipment. Ladies of Prosperity Social club will serve the dance supper.

Tickets were distributed among the members at the Monday night meeting. Newly elected officers present for the meeting were: president, Hubert Morelock; vice president, Marvin Shell; secretary-treasurer, Cecil Jackson; fire chief, John Hershfield.

A spaghetti feed was served at the close of the meeting by Hank Vacknitz, Wilmer Allers and George Hink to Eddie Rajnus, Dick Halousek, Ladd Tofel, Jerry Rajnus, Orval Kirkpatrick, Fred Halousek, Paul Petrasek, Joe Spolek, Edwin Petrasek, Vatz Kalina, Louie Kalina, Ivan Petrasek, Charles Spolek, Francis Kolkow, Floyd Harmon, Wayne Flak, Earl Wilson, Elmont Kenyon and the officers.

Navy Plane Hits Mountain

HONOLULU (AP) — A Navy P2V Neptune patrol bomber with 21 men aboard crashed in flames on a cloud-covered mountain side Thursday night and rescue teams found no survivors, the Navy said Friday.

The plane, part of a Japan-based squadron returning from patrol duty in the western Pacific, was en route from Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands when it got off its course for Barbers Point Naval Air Station, a few miles south of the crash.

It had been cleared for a landing at Barbers Point when it smashed into a peak of the Waianae range about five miles northwest of Pearl Harbor, the Navy said.

A six-man army rescue team reached the scene about midnight and reported that the fiercely burning wreckage was too hot to approach — but it looked as though there were bodies inside.

A spokesman said the plane apparently hit the mountain head-on.



MASTER SERGEANT ROY D. DRISKILL (right), received the bronze star medal from Lieutenant Colonel John M. Sullivan, at Ft. Lewis, Washington. While serving in Korea last year, according to the citation, Sergeant Driskill served as tank platoon sergeant and tank commander, performing all tasks assigned to him in a commendable military manner. Sergeant Driskill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Driskill, 3839 Bristol. His wife, Patricia, and child reside at Route 7, Box 429, Olympia, Washington.

Homemade Tank Quits On Gotham Trip, But It Got Czech Family To Freedom

NEW YORK (AP)—There was no cry of "Get a horse" or "Put a nickel in it" when the battered, homemade tank broke down and couldn't make it from the Bronx to lower Manhattan.

That same clattering, lurching contraption had crashed the Iron Curtain six months ago and carried a Czech family to freedom.

So there was no bantering, only friendly concern over the plight of the five-ton monster.

An ungrainy sight, yet. But consider how it was made:

From stolen scraps of metal and a war-wrecked gun carrier.

With its builder, 32-year-old Vlastislav Uhlík, and Walter Hora, 25, another Czech-escapee at the helm, the tank set out on its trip yesterday as part of the Crusade for Freedom campaign.

Just as the 15-mile trip was about to begin, the tank's radiator started to leak. That was fixed.

Then the retractable wheels wouldn't lower because of a broken clutch. Since this meant the old butterfly had to be run on its caterpillar tracks a special official okay had to be obtained before it could run that way along city streets. More delay.

Finally, with a motorcade escort of police, newsmen and photographers, the tank clattered off at a 10-mile-an-hour clip. It rumbled over a Harlem River bridge and reached 88th street before the engine quit.

Uhlík, who had chauffeured himself and seven fellow Czechs through a 46-mile cordon of Communist police and border guards, again went to work on it.

The ignition system was fouled and the carburetor began flooding. More work, more crowds, and plenty of friendly advice. A taxicab driver stopped to lend Uhlík some tools.

It was no go. So police got a tow car and pulled the tank to Times Square. There was no time left to get to its planned destination—City Hall—because it was nearly dark.

So the slouching vehicle hulked temporarily on the Great White Way, broken in mechanical spirit but radiating a pathetic heroism.

McCarthy Will Back Ike

CHICAGO (AP) — Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis.) says "under no circumstances" will he be a presidential candidate in 1956.

"Ike (President Eisenhower) is my candidate," McCarthy told newsmen Thursday night after they had asked him "Will you be a presidential candidate in 1956?"

There have been reports that McCarthy might be a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

The Wisconsin senator was asked to comment on a forecast by Harold Stassen, director of the Foreign Operations Administration, that Eisenhower would be drafted for the presidency in 1956.

"I don't doubt it," he said. "If Eisenhower were a candidate today I definitely would support him, and barring anything unforeseen, I would support him in 1956."

BURNED — Burns suffered when a cigarette set bedding afire proved fatal Thursday night to Mrs. Jessie Lay, 67. She was a resident at the Multnomah County Farm, east of here. She suffered the burns there Wednesday night.

Rudy's Wins In Contest

A telegram was received this week by Rudy Jacobs, of Rudy's Mens Shop, notifying him of his winning second prize in the national window display contest sponsored by Eagle Clothes, Inc., New York.

The window at Rudy's was put in by Charles E. Lybarger, local free lance window displayman, and was a feature of the first week in December.

Bend Goldman, president of Eagle Clothes, congratulated Jacobs and stated his cash prize of \$75 was being mailed.

Snow Falling At Crater

It was snowing at Crater Lake National Park this morning when the ranger station reported road conditions. Thirteen inches of new snow had fallen during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today, bringing the total on the ground to 108 inches, exactly the amount on the ground there a year ago today.

Road from Annie Springs to the rim is temporarily closed, but Highway 62 through the park is open. Chains are advised.

Skiing is poor as the snow is wet.

Oregon Caves is open, chains are advised and there is a total of 38 inches of snow on the ground.

Former Red Held Guilty

EL PASO (AP) — Labor leader Clinton Jencks was sentenced late Thursday to two concurrent five-year prison terms for lying in signing a false-Harley labor law non-Communist affidavit.

He was released to his attorney, however, under a \$10,000 appeal bond to be posted Friday.

It took a U.S. District Court all-male jury 23 minutes to decide his guilt. Thirteen government witnesses had labeled him a Communist from 1946 through 1950.

At the time he signed the affidavit, required by union leaders by the Federal law, he was president of Local 890 of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers in the Silver City area, non-ferrous metal mining area.

During the entire trial, the defense failed to deny that Jencks who is 35, had been Communist. But the defense did hint that if he had been one, he was not a party member now. The defense failed to call a witness, depending almost entirely on reciting the defendant's World War II record.

KILLED — Eugene, a 300-pound roller fatally crushed Eli Corbally, 41, Eugene, at work in a sawmill here Thursday.

Girl Asks For Page's Job In Congress; And The Men Promptly Blow

WASHINGTON (AP) — The idea that some girls might be appointed pages for Congress produced this kind of reaction today:

From members: "Well . . ."

From the present pages — all boys: "Wow!"

Margaret S. Alden, a 16-year-old high school sophomore of Rochester, N. Y., put lawmakers on the spot by asking for a page job, "although I know I would never be appointed."

Pages are the young scurry about on the House and Senate floors. There are about 50 of them.

At the page desk, Miss Alden asked the morale of the page to have a girl around.

Miss Alden applied for a letter to her congressman, Keating (R-NY), who attended the 1952 Republican convention in Chicago, and the major interest for several girls wouldn't make the pages as boys — better.

He proposed making page corps boys and girls and put the matter up to Allen of Illinois, chairman of House patronage committee. He said, "I don't know, frankly."

"These youngsters have before dawn to go to school for the day's business," Allen said he'd "discuss" members of the patronage committee. He didn't sound enthusiastic.

On the distant side were all for Margaret. "Good idea," Katharine St. George said. But she thought it to buck this small man's world would have time — it's almost his school here now."

Serum Race Saves Life

LEWISTON, Idaho (AP) — An airline, an Idaho sheriff and two Washington State patrolmen teamed Thursday to race life-saving serum to a woman in serious condition in a Walla Walla hospital after a caesarian operation for delivery of a baby boy.

Sheriff W. W. Hays, reporting the dramatic race against time and the elements, said the serum was placed aboard a Walla Walla bound West Coast Airlines plane when doctors reported it was needed for Mrs. Donald Pugnetti of Pasco, Wash. She is the wife of the managing editor of The Tri-City Herald.

A snowstorm kept the plane from landing at Walla Walla, however, and it flew on to Lewiston.

After contacting the Washington State Patrol, Hays met the plane at the airport here, took delivery of the serum, and started the race to Walla Walla. He was met about 15 miles west of Lewiston by State Patrolman Don Huber, who took charge of the serum for the second lap. Patrol Sgt. Loy Kennedy met Huber southwest of Pomeroy and completed the mission.

Mrs. Pugnetti was reported "somewhat improved" at Walla late Thursday.

Jaycees Win In Donkey Ball

The local 20-30 club lost to the Junior Chamber of Commerce 28 to 26 in the donkey basketball game played Thursday night at Klamath Union High School gym.

Losing team captain, Bernie Griffin, president of the 20-30s, received a chocolate cream pie in the face from Dan Riley of the Jaycees.

The novelty game was a 20-30 club project, sponsored for the benefit of the Rheumatic Fever Fund.

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Kidnapers Face Charge

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Two men who never got a cent of the \$300,000 ransom they demanded for the release of Leonard Moskowitz faced arraignment Friday on kidnaping charges.

Harold Jackson, 57, and Joseph Lear, 43, were arrested early Tuesday by police who rescued Moskowitz, 38, unharmed from a rented house where he had been held captive for 61 terror-filled hours.

Jackson, described by Lear as the kidnap leader, escaped twice as the officers refused to use an attorney, then opportunity to phone the phone. It appeared likely a public defender would represent the pair.

Thursday, Police Chief Michael Gaffney said criminologists had established through fingerprints that Jackson might be Howard Haller, alias Harold Jackson, who had been sentenced to the Washington State reformatory in 1923.

But records received from Washington authorities convinced San Francisco police that he apparently wasn't the same man. Jackson apparently had burned his own fingerprints in an effort to hide his identity. Police said a set of his scarred prints had been sent to the FBI in Washington, D. C. for a check.

Moskovitz planned to return to his real estate office Monday.

Punishment under California's Little Lindbergh Law provides for life imprisonment for kidnaping, and the death penalty if any bodily harm was inflicted. Moskowitz said he was threatened, but not harmed.

School Bus Business Up

SALLEM (AP) — School bus service in Oregon has grown into a five million dollar a year business, A. Harvey Wright, state director of school transportation, says.

The cost of operating school buses now is five times what it was 10 years ago.

The big increase is caused by many more school children, increased operating and equipment costs, and the fact that many districts have consolidated and thus increased the distance children have to go to school.

In 1952, the state's 729 transporting school districts hauled 123,858 pupils at a cost of \$4,653,145.

That is double the cost in 1948. The 1941 total was \$1,078,361, and it was only \$888,974 in 1936.

The state pays about a third of the school transportation cost, with the districts paying the rest.

Substation Fire Damage Slight

A fire at the newly constructed California Oregon Power company substation just off highway 97 west of here early this morning caused little damage, according to company officials.

The blaze, starting about 6 a.m. of undetermined cause, destroyed a tool shed and a small number of tools.

The Stewart Lennox fire department quickly brought the fire under control. One truck from the city fire department also answered the call.

Longshoreman Move To Bar Dewey

NEW YORK (AP) — The old International Longshoremen's Assn. has filed suit in Federal court to bar Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and his aides from intervening in the waterfront election hearings ordered by the National Labor Relations Board.

George Brenner, general counsel for the ILA, Thursday asked for a temporary injunction pending a full hearing on the issue. Judge Edward A. Conger signed an order, returnable Feb. 4, for the respondents to show cause why an injunction should not be granted.

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