

State Road Commission Plans Whopping Budget

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — The Highway Commission today announced a budget of more than one half billion dollars for highway construction in California next fiscal year.

The commission adopted a budget totaling \$569,243,867 for the fiscal year 1960-61.

This is a drop of \$41,467,985 from this year's record spending plan because of a reduction in federal highway money for California.

The biggest chunk of the budget, more than 146 million dollars,

was earmarked for the Los Angeles - Orange - Ventura region where emphasis was placed on work on the San Diego, Golden State, Hollywood and Santa Monica freeways and other key freeways.

Commission Chairman Robert B. Bradford said "although our

SISKIYOU: Drainage facilities and reconstruction along Route 96 for 3.8 miles from Selad Valley. Klamath River Bridge, \$85,000; grade and pave for realignment to provide initial two lanes for future four-lane expressway on U.S. 97 for 1.1 miles from 4.6 miles to 5.7 miles north of Weed, \$190,000; acquire various rights of way.

SHASTA: Widen Sacramento River Bridge and approaches to four lanes at Redding along U.S. 99, \$790,000; grade, pave, and structures to relocate around the future Whiskeytown Reservoir U.S. 299 for 5.1 miles providing the initial two lanes of a future four-lane expressway, \$1,550,000 federal share; acquire various rights of way, \$450,000.

The federal apportionment for California in the new budget totals \$227,709,867. This compares with \$302,020,852 of federal funds earmarked for California this year.

The new budget contains \$452,704,507 for state highway construction and rights of way. Of the remainder, \$34,257,000 goes for major city streets other than county roads, five million dollars to match city and county funds to eliminate railroad grade crossings and \$1,400,000 for engineering funds for cities.

The budget is financed mainly by gasoline and diesel taxes, motor vehicle fees, and transportation taxes on trucks.

In the San Francisco area, major projects next year include three freeway projects on MacArthur Freeway and Nimitz Freeway in the Oakland area.

Other major work in the area includes another unit of the Southern Freeway in San Francisco, another Broadway Tunnel on Route 24 in the East Bay and another section of Bayshore Freeway north of San Jose.

On Highway 50, completion of the South Sacramento Freeway and a major project in the Placerville Bypass are provided.

Projects in the continuing upgrading of U.S. 101 to freeway listed for Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Monterey counties.

The same upgrading on U.S. 99 is continued with units of the Bakersfield Bypass, construction in Merced and Modesto and a new 13-mile section in Tulare County.

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USW Asks Injunction Overthrow

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United Steelworkers Union today appealed to the Supreme Court to overturn a Taft-Hartley injunction that ordered 500,000 strikers back to work for 80 days.

The injunction, issued in Pittsburgh Oct. 23 by U.S. Dist. Judge Herbert Sorger, has been delayed at least until Monday by the 3rd Circuit Court in Philadelphia.

The union in addition to asking overthrow of the injunction also filed a motion asking the high tribunal to continue the stay.

A Justice Department reply brief, opposing any Supreme Court action on the appeal, was expected later today.

After studying the union's request for a review, and government papers in opposition, the Supreme Court will decide it next week.

It could close out the entire proceedings at this point by denying a review. Or it could call for full legal argument.

The union's appeal questioned whether the section of Taft-Hartley law used by Judge Sorger in granting the injunction applied to the steel strike.

The section refers to national health and safety. The union questioned whether the law also covers economic well-being. The union contended there is no emergency now in health or safety.

The appeal also questioned whether the section confers upon the U. S. District Court an exercise of nonjudicial powers in what it called contravention of the constitution and the doctrine of separation of powers.

The union's petition said the case presents important questions of federal law which have not been, but should be, decided by the Supreme Court.

Flames Peril Missile Base

OAKLAND (UPI)—Fires swept through more than 800 acres of eucalyptus trees and grazing land in the East Bay Thursday threatening homes and surrounding the Lake Chabot Nike Base.

The flames, fanned by 55 mile an hour north winds, endangered homes in Sheffield Village, near the Oakland-San Leandro line. Extra soldiers were brought in Thursday night to keep a night watch against a possible flare-up.

Gale winds also fanned two other East Bay grass fires Thursday, one near Crockett and the other near Antioch.

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Fire Sweeps Small Home Killing Seven Children

OTTUMWA, Iowa (UPI)—Seven children ranging in age from one to nine perished today when fire swept through a small home while their mothers were at a tavern. Six of the children were members of one family.

A fireman risked his life to rescue the only survivor, Sharon Doolley, 13, a babysitter. She was burned over most of her body and reported in "very critical" condition at a local hospital.

Fireman Robert Knox, 44, was credited with saving the baby-sitter. Knox crawled into the flaming two-room house and felt around the floor, trying to see the children through the dense smoke billowing through the home.

"I found the bodies of the seven children first in a corner of the kitchen," Knox said. "They were huddled together for protection against the searing heat and choking smoke."

"I saw they were dead. I didn't get a chance to examine the baby-sitter who was nearby because the other firemen outside

called to me to come out because of the danger.

"When I got outside, it kept working on me—the fact that I hadn't got a chance to examine her thoroughly. The longer I stood out there the more I thought about it."

"I don't know why, but I decided to go back inside and see if she was alive."

"I crawled inside. When I got near her, I saw her body move." Knox picked up the girl and with the aid of another fireman, Albert Ruble, got her to safety.

The other children died of burns and suffocation.

First on the scene were two policemen answering an alarm turned in by Mrs. Thomas Anderson, grandmother of six of the children, who lived across the street. Policemen were unable to enter the house because of the intense heat.

Six of the children belonged to Mrs. Patricia Van Horn. They were Karen Rae, 9; Sharon Kay, 7; Patty Sue, 6; Lefty, 4; Debora, 2, and Cynthia, 1.



A TULELAKE SENIOR, majoring in animal husbandry on the Davis campus of the University of California, Bill Weitkamp, won first place in the Livestock Selection contest at Davis, October 22. Presenting the animal husbandry memorial trophy to Weitkamp is George Bath, farm adviser from Sonoma County and one of the judges for the event. Contest included judging animals and a written test covering the genetics involved in livestock selection. Weitkamp received \$50 in addition to having his name engraved on the perpetual trophy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Weitkamp, Tulelake.

Senior Monarch Of World, King Of Laos, Dead At 74

LUANG PRABANG, Laos (AP)—King Sisavang Vong of Laos, the world's senior monarch, died Thursday night during a lull in his tiny Indochina kingdom's fight for survival against the threat of Communist rebels.

The 74-year-old king passed away in his red-roofed, gold-plated palace on the Mekong River where he has lain for five years, bed-ridden with rheumatism and neck cancer.

Crown Prince Savang Vathana, appointed regent by his ailing father two months ago, becomes ruler of the revolt-torn land of a million elephants and the white parasol.

The Paris-educated, 52-year-old prince has already been acting as commander in chief of the 25,000-man, U.S.-equipped Laotian army in the campaign to crush a Red revolt.

Prince Savang has visited America twice. In 1952 he led the Laotian delegation at the San Francisco conference to sign the peace treaty with Japan, and three years ago he made a state visit.

His father, a direct descendant of the 1,000-year-old Khoun Lo dynasty of south China, was ardently pro-French. He was born on France's national holiday, July 14, 1885, was educated at the French Colonial College in Paris.

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Eisenhower In Hospital For Checkup

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower is in Walter Reed Army Hospital today for his annual physical examination.

The 69-year-old President entered the medical center late Thursday. The White House said he expects to check out Saturday or Sunday.

Eisenhower still is bothered by a lingering cold which he caught early last month. And he said a week ago that during the last three years has developed chronic bronchitis.

But press secretary James C. Hagerty says those ailments did not cause the President to go to Walter Reed. Hagerty noted that Eisenhower has been getting an annual checkup for several years.

The last one was almost 13 months ago. At that time the doctors said the President was in excellent health.

That report came against a background of his 1955 heart attack, surgery for ileitis in 1956 and a slight stroke in 1957.

This latest examination comes soon after Eisenhower's Sept. 30-Oct. 8 visit to Palm Springs, Calif., where he tried to shake his cold in that hot, dry climate.

Last week he spent five days in Augusta, Ga., in another quest for sunshine. But the weather was miserable during most of that stay.

It was at Augusta that the President expressed a layman's opinion that he had been hit by an attack of flu just before he went to Southern California.

Thursday, Eisenhower played 18 holes of golf in suburban Maryland just before entering the hospital.

The suit is for the return of taxes on property which the religious order claims to be tax exempt. Judge Allen reset the trial date to provide the foundation an opportunity for an appeal to the state supreme court for a reversal of Judge Allen's and the district court of appeal's denial of its petition for writ of prohibition on a subpoena. Petition had been filed by Michael Hennessey, deputy district attorney for Siskiyou County.

The subpoena as filed by Hennessey, ordered Mrs. Edna Ballard, president of the St. Germain Foundation, to appear in court with her income tax records from 1953 to 1956, both personal and organizational. Mrs. Ballard was also to bring into court records of monies received from persons who attended the annual I AM convalesces held on southern Siskiyou properties owned by the foundation.

The suit against Siskiyou County is for return of taxes paid on the properties by the foundation from 1953 to 1956. The foundation claims the properties are used strictly for religious purposes and should be tax exempt.

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Fear 1,000 Dead In Mexico Floods

By CHARLES H. GUPTILL

COLIMA, Mexico (AP) — With 1,000 or more believed dead from a sneak hurricane and widespread floods, the dazed people of this smallest of Mexico's 23 states today struggled against privation and swarms of poisonous scorpions.

The disaster—Mexico's worst in recent history—covered an area on the Pacific Coast slightly larger than New Jersey with a population of about 100,000.

The violent storm that roared through the port of Manzanillo Tuesday and the floods that followed drove thousands from homes, knocked over communication lines and overran highways, hindering rescue efforts.

The dead may include three U.S. women who were aboard a small coastal freighter apparently lost at sea.

Colima State Gov. Rodolfo Chavez Carrillo estimated that about 800 persons were killed in Manzanillo, a farming village of about 1,000 located 24 miles northwest of Colima.

Other preliminary fatality figures included: Manzanillo, 74; Tecoman, 16; Chihuahuan, in adjoining Jalisco state, 14; Coahuayama, in Michoacan state, 7.

The federal government officially put the known dead at 438 but conceded that many hundreds were missing.

The navy announced that 21 of 30 persons who had been aboard the 1,800-ton freighter Sinaloa were missing. The navy report did not say whether the rescued included the three American women passengers — Lucille Pette, 55, Laguna Beach, Calif.; Margaret Gower, 43, and her mother Viva Whaley Harris, 63, both of Acapulco and formerly of San Bernardino, Calif.

Emergency appeals for food, clothing and medicine continued throughout most of the disaster area despite "round-the-clock" supply drops by all available planes and helicopters.

There were urgent calls for vaccine against the deadly sting of scorpions—driven from their nests in flood-crumbled adobe walls.

"Thousands of persons have been stung and need inoculations," Gov. Chavez Carrillo reported. "Scorpions are everywhere."

He reported that 100 bodies already had been buried in Manzanillo, another 100 were still to be buried and officials believed that

possibly 600 more would be found in the rubble.

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Preschool and kindergarten children will see the cartoon show at the Sons of Italy Hall from 7 to 8 p.m.; first graders through the sixth will see the Bowery Boys in "Hold That Line" plus other comedy features at the Weed Theater, 7-8 p.m.

A Halloween dance for the seventh and eighth graders will be staged at the multipurpose room of the Weed Union Elementary School from 7 to 10 p.m. and the high school set will dance at the St. Michaels Hall from 8 to 11 p.m.

A gala costume parade will form at 6 p.m. at the Court Club building and march south on Main Street to the Weed Theater where the paraders will disband for their designated age group parties.

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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Financial note in the news: Bethlehem Steel Corporation, No. 2 steel producer in the nation, reported a loss of \$38,926,913 for the third quarter of this year (the months of July, August and September).

However— For the first nine months of 1959 Bethlehem earned \$84,231,916 (in spite of the loss in the third quarter.)

WOW! You say. What a WAD! How can anybody be allowed to make that much money!

Wait a minute.

Bethlehem Steel Corporation has about 165,000 stockholders (owners.) If its 84 million dollars of earnings in the first three quarters of this year were divided up equally among its 165,000 owners, each owner would get about \$500.

Put that way, it sounds less awful.

Let's take a look now at Big Steel—U.S. Steel Corporation, the giant of the industry.

In spite of a loss of 31 million dollars in the third quarter, U.S. Steel reports earnings of 223 MILLION DOLLARS in the first nine months of 1959. That makes Bethlehem look like a piker.

But—

U.S. Steel has about 331,000 stockholders (owners.) If the 223 million dollars it earned in the first nine months of 1959 were divided up equally among its 331,000 owners, each owner would get \$675.