

By FRANK JENKINS
As daylight was breaking in the nation's capital this morning, the congress of the United States ended its longest session in ten years and adjourned.

When the gavel fell, the congress had set a new peacetime spending record. It had appropriated slightly more than \$5 billion dollars — about 11 billion dollars more than the previous record set in 1960.

That comes to about \$500 for each man, woman and child in the U.S. — or about \$2,000 for each average family of four.

This is a nation that already owes about 300 billion dollars.

Of the session just ended, Senate Democratic Leader Mansfield says this morning: "The legislative achievements (of this congress) amounted to a substantial investment in the security and progress of the United States."

Vice-President Lyndon Johnson called the session "successful and productive." He added: "The test of a congress is not what it failed to do, but what it succeeded in doing."

Senate GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen (who backed President Kennedy's foreign aid request and his stand on Berlin) says: "The session was long on quantity, short on quality and plenty rough on the taxpayer's pocketbook."

As you will note from these utterances, there are differences of opinion about government spending — and putting it on the cuff.

It's a difference of opinion that makes horse races.

And POLITICS!

There are plenty of differences of opinion about government spending. There are many — VERY many, it should be added — who believe that in these days heavy government spending is the way to create prosperity.

Much depends on whether you'd rather have the government do the spending for you or do your own spending in your own way.

In the confusion of politics, this is worth remembering:

The more government takes out of your pocket, to be spent by government, the less you will have left in your pocket to SPEND FOR YOURSELF.

What's the trouble with congress — assuming, that is, that something IS wrong with it?

Just before adjournment last night, Representative Clare Hoffman, of Michigan, offered this opinion:

IT'S CRAZY, he said.

Borrowing from the court doctrine that holds a person is not legally responsible if he is mentally ill, he suggested that THAT should be congress' defense for its spending legislation.

He added:

"No mentally sound body would authorize billions for a peace to the moon, foreign aid, a Peace Corps, disarmament, aquariums and other non-defense items WHEN THREATENED BY A POWERFUL ENEMY."

Baby Chimp Gets Ready

CAPE CANAVERAL (UPI) — Scientists are readying a baby chimpanzee for a late-October space ride that could clear the way for an Atlas rocket trip into orbit by a U.S. astronaut within three months.

The United States is planning to send the little ape around earth three times in a "Mercury" space capsule. The target date is Oct. 31.

It will be a full rehearsal for a manned orbital flight with one exception: the man — one of seven specially trained American astronauts — will be on the ground looking up.

If the chimp performs satisfactorily and if there are no major mishaps with the booster rocket or space capsule, one of the astronauts could board a rocket for a flight into orbit by the middle or latter part of November.

The \$400-million-plus man-in-space program, "Project Mercury," is on a quiet but intensive drive to provide the free world with an answer to the orbital voyages of Soviet "cosmonauts" Yuri Gagarin and Gherman Titov before the calendar year is up.

Meet Again

NEW YORK (UPI) — Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko were meeting again today to seek a diplomatic pathway out of the bitter Berlin crisis.

The conference, their second on the explosive issue within a week, was scheduled to begin at noon at the Park Avenue headquarters of the Soviet delegation to the United Nations. It was expected to continue through lunch and into mid-afternoon.

Weather

Klamath Falls and vicinity — Variable high cloudiness. Low 37-42. High 60-65.

High yesterday 69
Low last night 34
Precip. last 24 hours .00
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Same period last year 9.27

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Mt. Shasta-Siskiyou—Fair today and tonight; cloudy and cooler Thursday.

Northern California — Fair through Thursday except increasing coastal fog and clouds Thursday over extreme north; cooler on central coast today.

Soviets Insist On Troika, No Atom Ban

Congress Adjourns After Long Session

WASHINGTON (AP)—The first congressional session of the Kennedy administration wound up in an angry whirlwind early today with the Senate having to accept a big money bill which the House bounced to it on a take it or leave it basis.

The House passed the \$1,125,927,341 supplemental appropriation and then quickly closed up shop at 4:20 a.m. With the House in adjournment and no chance for compromise, the Senate was forced to go along with the bill providing money for a wide variety of federal agencies.

The slightest Senate amendment would have killed the measure and forced President Kennedy to call a special session to get the needed funds.

Senators minced no words in expressing anger at the House adjournment prior to final Senate action.

"We have taken a shellacking, and I think it's outrageous," protested Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana.

Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois challenged his colleagues to "show how deep is your conviction."

"Let's find out whether the House of Representatives can afford the Senate," Dirksen roared.

But after additional angry complaints, the Senate passed the measure on a voice vote and quit at 6:16 a.m.

The session which ended in the flare of tempers had run up appropriations totaling about \$2.5 billion, a peacetime record.

In its home stretch session of about 19 hours, the heavily Democratic Congress also:

Voted \$3,914,600,000 for foreign aid for the year which started July 1. The final figure was a qualified victory for President Kennedy, who originally asked for \$4,775,500,000. Although Kennedy was denied the advance Treasury financing he sought, he won a five-year authorization for his economic development loan program — the longest ever voted.

Cleared a \$3,908,880,880 public works appropriation for flood control, rivers and harbors, reclamation and atomic energy projects.

Sent to the White House a bill authorizing the Treasury to assign a number to each income taxpayer in a move to keep closer tabs on tax returns.

Put aside until next year was a bill designed to ease the tax burden on Du Pont stockholders who might receive 63 million shares of General Motors stock under an antitrust divestiture proceeding.

Since convening last Jan. 1, Congress approved many major points of Kennedy's New Frontier program. It also rejected several of his major requests.

Democratic congressional leaders said they were well pleased with the record of the 1961 session and predicted that many Kennedy proposals which failed this year would be passed in 1962.

Republican leaders said they had kept their pledge to cooperate with the President on foreign affairs, and had remained true to their principles by seeking to cut or defeat many new domestic spending programs.

The session's spending was exceeded only by two World War II years and one Korean War year. The \$92.5 billion in appropriations for the fiscal year which began July 1 includes \$8.6 billion interest on the national debt. Not included in the total is a fiscal 1961 supplemental appropriation.

The first session of the 87th Congress was the longest since the Korean War year of 1951, which ran to Oct. 20. Congress will reconvene Jan. 10 unless a crisis forces Kennedy to call it back sooner.

Congress quickly gave Kennedy the additional billions he asked for a defense buildup and to launch a big effort to get a manned space ship to the moon by 1970, plus authority to call up

At the same time key items in his domestic program bogged down. Democratic leaders blamed this in part on the sudden shift of attention to international troubles, particularly Berlin, and the belief of many members there must be some economy to offset increased defense spending.

Kennedy's major victories came relatively early in the session and involved measures which Democrats had tried unsuccessfully to get through in the Eisenhower years.

They included:

An increase in the minimum wage to \$1.25 an hour by 1963, plus coverage under the Wages and Hours Act for an additional 3.5 million workers, mostly in the retail field.

A depressed areas bill carrying \$394 million in federal loan and grant funds to try to help bring new jobs to communities with high, persistent unemployment.

A Social Security measure lowering the retirement age for men to 62, boosting the minimum monthly check from \$33 to \$40, and raising widow's benefits 10 per cent.

A \$3.6-billion housing bill setting up a new program for middle income families including 40-year home mortgages, authorizing 100,000 additional low-rent public housing units, and carrying \$2 billion for urban renewal grants and \$1.2 billion for college dormitory loans.

A \$900-million Latin American aid program.

A \$225-million extension of the federal aid to airports program.

A two-year extension of the Civil Rights Commission.

A highway bill authorizing an additional \$11.5 billion to complete the 41,000-mile interstate system by 1972 as originally scheduled, and levying the taxes to pay for it.

A Coast Guard fireboat poured foam and water today onto the burning hulk of a Navy tanker that exploded as it discharged aviation fuel.

One person was killed as a series of explosions shook the tanker Potomac for more than half an

hour after the first blast. At least 21 were injured and another was missing.

The flames were confined to the broken tanker. Firemen ashore played water around seven fuel storage tanks containing more than 10 million gallons of aviation fuel.

For many hours after the disaster Tuesday night, the flames had threatened to reach the tanks and turn the entire pier into an inferno.

Witnesses told of seeing the flames rush "as a great wall" and engulf the vessel as it stood near the shore. Crewmen scrambled frantically over the sides and leaped through flames into the water.

"I was one of the last to leave — I just made it," said the ship's paymaster, P. C. Newton.

He said he had swum ashore and run about 250 feet when the first explosion racked the vessel.

"It knocked me to the ground. Another 20 seconds and I wouldn't have lived through it," he said.

Nine of the injured were taken to the Marine Hospital at Cherry Point.

A Marine officer said five were

identified as William H. Massengill, 55; William G. Massengill, 19; and Wade H. Stanley, 51, all of Four Oaks, N.C.; and Henry Crawford of Boston, Mass.

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PISTOL COURSE — The Klamath Falls Police Department, with the assistance and cooperation of public-minded local business concerns and individuals, has completed a practical Pistol Course conforming to FBI recommendations. This newest facility is located on the Old Fort Road north of Klamath Falls. More than 12,000 cubic yards of dirt were moved on the property, loaned for use by Clarence Hard, to make room for the course. Mayor Robert Veatch and other city officials visited the course Tuesday and viewed the first round of qualifying shooting by police officers, shown here. On the five firing lanes, left to right, are officers Phil Chlopek, Vic Murdock, Chuck Ellis, Sgt. John Kennard and Grady Gaylord. Here, they are firing from the seven-yard line. The exercise includes shots from the 60-yard line, 50-yard line and 25-yard line as well as this hip-shooting phase shown in this view. (More details and pictures in Sunday's Feature Section.)

in good condition and may be released today. They are:

John C. Smith, 65, of Largo, Fla.; Eadis Page, 38, of Houston, Tex.; James H. Minter, 37, of Norfolk, Va.; Adelino Mattamala, 30, of Houston; and Henry Pickens, 32, of Greensboro, N.C.

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Red Reply Hikes Hope On Berlin

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — Britain today called on the Soviet Union to seek an "honorable deal" with the Western powers on Berlin, disarmament and other critical problems threatening to throw a nuclear cloud over the world.

British Foreign Secretary Lord Home told the U.N. General Assembly in a policy speech that the Russians are playing with nuclear fire by trying "to set man against his neighbors."

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — The Soviet reply to President Kennedy's U.N. address raised guarded hopes today that the Soviets may be ready to ease the threat of war over Berlin.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko turned down the President's bid for a nuclear test ban treaty, stuck to the Soviet line on general disarmament and insisted on a three-man board to replace the late Dag Hammarskjöld as U.N. secretary-general.

Nevertheless there were cajoling sounds amid the threats in Gromyko's policy speech before the General Assembly Tuesday.

Gromyko stressed that the Soviet Union intends to sign a peace treaty with East Germany whether the West likes it or not. He declared that a war over the divided city could take hundreds of millions of lives.

The Soviet foreign minister also warned the West against "spouting threats" on Berlin and then repeated the Soviet proposition that West Berlin should be a "free city" with free access.

The joker in this proposal, from the Western viewpoint, is that the city's communications would have to be underwritten by what Gromyko described as "appropriate agreements" with Communist East Germany. The West does not recognize the East German regime and insists on its own rights in Berlin.

However, Gromyko suggested the United Nations might take a role in West Berlin to help avoid conflict. Delegates noted that in discussing possibilities for the future status of Berlin, Gromyko said the Russians would agree to "the use of troop contingents of neutral states or United Nations troops as guarantors of the status of the free city."

Trial Denied

MADRAS, Ore. (AP) — Circuit Judge Robert H. Foley denied Tuesday a motion for a new trial for Jeannette Freeman, 20, convicted of the murder of a 6-year-old boy.

He ruled against a defense contention that nine errors in law had been made in the trial. The matter now will go to the state Supreme Court on appeal.

Two Yanks Convicted Of Aiding Berlin Girl

BERLIN (UPI) — Two American students who were convicted by a Communist court on charges of attempting to help an East Berlin girl escape to the West began serving a two-year sentence today in an East German prison.

Gilbert Perry, 20, of Santa Ana, Calif., and Victor Pankey, 18, of nearby Tustin, were among six persons who were sentenced to prison for trying to help East Berliners escape to the West. A Dutchman received a 3-4-year term, an Englishman was sentenced to two years and two Egyptians got three years and 18 months respectively.

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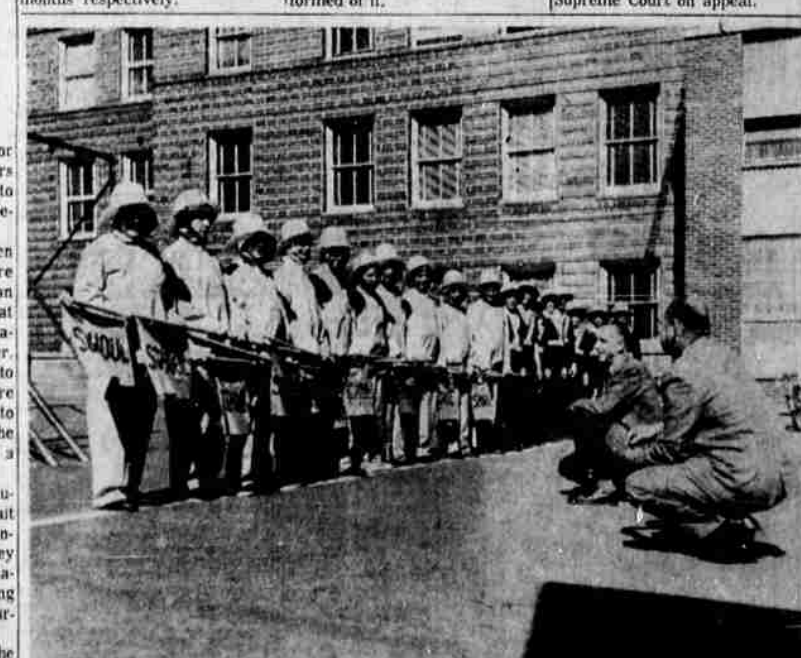
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LITE-A-BIKE — The Exchange Club of Klamath Falls put reflective scotch tape on 1,050 bikes at all the schools in the metropolitan area Tuesday in an all out drive to assure bike-rider safety. According to Robert Mitchell, chairman, 150 more bicycles were safety-lighted this year than during 1960. This is an annual program of the Exchange Club undertaken in September. Shown working on one of the bikes at Mills School, are Mitchell, left, and Julius Giuntoni, club member.



FOUL WEATHER GEAR — Though hats, banners and two weeks' instruction are furnished by the state, the foul weather gear displayed in the picture above is a gift of the Exchange Club of Klamath Falls to the safety patrol at Sacred Heart Academy. Looking over the gear are, left, Ken Brisco, president of the Exchange Club, and Ray Howard, city juvenile officer. Students lined up for inspection are, left, Steve Snyder, Merit Smith, Ronald Patch, David Conlin, Jim Moore, Mike Hescoc, Henry Valenzuela, Capt. Mike O'Conner, Mark Mickelson, Patrick Colahan, Lt. Glen Slowey, Mike Shufelt, Roger Walker, Stephen Huettl, Jim Phillips, Robert McGregor, Joseph DeNault, and Donald Cox.