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RUMORS SPREAD PRICE CONTROLS MAY BE REIMPOSED

Expect "Slugging" Message From Truman Today

(By Ed Creagh)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 6—(AP)—President Truman wrote the finishing touches tonight to a "slugging" state-of-the-union message which will give his views on momentous questions at home and abroad to the newly-reassembled 80th Congress.

Meanwhile Republican congressional leaders raised the cry of "politics" against the President's expected tax recommendations, called for caution in foreign spending and opposed any return to cost-of-living controls such as those set up under the Office of Price Administration.

Both Houses opened the new session in an election-year atmosphere of eagerness but put off major business until after the President outlines his program in person on Capitol Hill at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow.

The broadcast address is expected to run about 5,000 words.

White House sources said the President will deliver a "slugging" message.

In tomorrow's address and in his economic and budget messages to follow, Truman is expected to call for:

Speedy enactment of a multi-billion dollar European recovery program.

A \$40,000,000,000—or higher—budget which would be the highest in the country's peacetime history.

The power, denied him by Congress last year, to bring back rationing and wage-price controls if necessary to preserve living standards.

Aides said the President might recommend higher corporation taxes so that the levy on low-income taxpayers could be eased without reducing the Government's total income.

A major battle over taxes and spending was assured when chairman John Taber of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee declared that the reported budget figure was "too damned high" and announced he would see that it was whittled before Congress adjourns next June.

Taber said the economy was probably doing "worse" than in the direction of foreign aid, the veterans administration and the armed forces.

Hagana Drafts Palestine Youth



Recruits for Hagana, the Jewish defense organization, are given medical examinations at Tel Aviv. They will get induction cards classifying them according to health, education and ability. Hagana has called to arms all Jewish boys and girls between 17 and 25 for the battle with the Arabs over partition.

Jewish Defence Army Is Sharply Rebuked

Big Fire On Brooklyn Pier

NEW YORK, Jan. 7—(Wednesday)—(AP)—Fire headquarters early today reported a four-alarm fire at Furman and Clark Streets, along the Brooklyn waterfront, and said a pier and an unidentified freighter were ablaze.

The scene of the fire is across from the lower tip of Manhattan.

The flames were visible from Manhattan.

A telephone operator at the St. George Hotel in Brooklyn, which is located several blocks from the scene of the fire, said the sky was brightly illuminated by the blaze.

Police headquarters said the freighter was loaded with motion picture film.

Coal Miners Seek New Wage Increase

GLACE BAY, N. S., Jan. 6—(CP)—Freeman Jenkins, District 26 president of the United Mine Workers (U.M.W.), announced tonight that negotiations for wage increases for 13,000 miners employed by Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation will open here Thursday.

Present contract between the U. M. W. and Dosco expires Jan. 31. Mr. Jenkins did not say what increases the Union would ask.

Majority Of Britons Favor State Lottery

LONDON, Jan. 6—(CP)—Lotteries, officially banned in Britain, nevertheless take millions of pounds from British pockets every year and the bet-on-anything Britons ask for more.

This was shown in a poll conducted by the mass-circulation Daily Express which asks readers whether they were for or against state lotteries. The result: 89.6 per cent said they were for them; 10.2 per cent were against and 0.2 per cent had no opinion.

The poll was taken after the treasury was offered a plan to stage a £2,000,000,000 (\$3,000,000,000) state lottery open to the world to help solve the country's economic difficulties.

But the idea of a state lottery—or any lottery—was received with severe condemnation by the Churches' Committee on Gambling representing the Church of England, the Church of Scotland and the Free Churches.

The committee said in a statement that a state lottery constitutes "undignified acquisition" and "undermines the spirit of disciplined work."

It added:

"They [lotteries and other forms of gambling] all encourage the 'something-for-nothing' spirit rather than the spirit that seeks at 'more and more production by better and more earnest work.'"

It advised Britons to face continued austerity and "to refuse the questionable remedy of the state lottery."

Here are extracts from the "yes" readers:

"A state lottery would create no extra gambling fever... It is for but some uneasiness is aroused by the reflection that even a state lottery when run by bureaucrats could make a loss."

And the "no" readers: "state lottery? certainly not! gambling is a ghastly treadmill which enslaves the majority at the expense of the emancipation of the few... a lottery brings out the worst type of greed for plunder... lottery? no, not at present. It is absolutely certain to be a great success in bringing the Government unexpended wealth and longer life—which heaven forbid."

Kashmir Fighting Aired At Security Council Meeting

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Jan. 6—(CP)—The deep-seated bitterness between Hindu India and Moslem Pakistan was publicly aired before the Security Council today as the peace-preserving agency of the United Nations took up the case of Kashmir, princely state in northern India and cause of a dispute verging upon open warfare between the two new Dominions.

The Council, entering upon its third year of existence, decided that debate on the issue would begin next Monday or Tuesday, or not later than Jan. 15. The delay was granted to Pakistan to permit Foreign Minister Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan to reach Lake Success from Karachi and reply to India's charges that Pakistan troops have invaded its territory.

India's representative at the Council table, P. P. Pillai, agreed to the delay but only after protesting that Pakistan's request for a postponement until "Jan. 14 or 15" was unnecessary. Pillai told the Council, in which Canada took a seat for the first time, that the case was urgent. He cited alleged Pakistani attacks on "Indian soil" and read a report he said he had just received saying that 4,000 Pakistani raiders attacked Indian positions on Indian soil today.

SALESBURY, England—(CP)—One week's potato ration—three pounds—was one of the wedding presents received by a couple here.

Burglar Awaits Sentence; Home Is Set On Fire

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Jan. 6—(CP)—Described by police as a case of arson, a spectacular fire tonight destroyed the locked and unoccupied home of Angus Mallman on the nearby Loch Lomond Road while Mallman, 61, slept in the County Jail here awaiting sentence on a charge of breaking, entering and theft.

The flames quickly enveloped the two-story frame dwelling and ignited the roof of the nearby home of Vincent Murray. Firemen were summoned to the scene.

Mallman, his housekeeper, Mrs. Jessie Brown, 41, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harrison, all of Loch Lomond Road, pleaded guilty today to a charge of breaking into the Murray home last month during absence of Mr. and Mrs. Murray and stealing furniture and other goods valued at more than \$1,000. Police said a truck had been used to haul away the loot, most of which was recovered.

A charge of receiving stolen goods also resulted in a guilty plea today from Cecil Jones. All five accused were remanded for sentence Jan. 13.

Police said tonight's fire started in a bedroom, with evidence indicating combustible material had been thrown through a broken window.

Ship Smelts By Truck To N. Y.

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Native Of N. S. Perishes In Yukon

HALIFAX, Jan. 6—(CP)—Word was received here today of the death by exposure in the Yukon of Capt. G. L. Foster, 44, a native of Halifax and a member of one of Canada's most distinguished military families.

A report from White Horse said Capt. Foster had died exposure after becoming lost in dense bush country near there while on a prospecting trip.

Son of the late Maj.-Gen. G. L. Foster, director-general of Medical Services for the Canadian Army in the First World War, he is survived by a brother, Maj.-Gen. Harry Wickwire Foster, Eastern Command chief.

Abbott Says Gov't Aim Is Controls Removal

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Says U. S. Could Set Up Floating Airfields Off Any Coastline

(By Morgan Reynolds)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 6—(AP)—Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz today declared the United States possesses such absolute control of the seas that it is able to establish powerful floating air bases off any shore to safeguard the country's security and world "stability."

Meanwhile the Navy moved to put to peacetime test the principles of war strategy outlined. Shortly after releasing the text of the final report drafted by the former Chief of Naval Operations, the Navy disclosed the assignment of Nimitz's chief planning officer, Vice Admiral Forrest P. Sherman, to command naval forces in the Mediterranean. This brought into sharper focus the dispatch of tank-equipped Marines to the smouldering Balkan area.

The valetudy study by Nimitz, who was succeeded by Admiral Louis E. Denhart last month, outlines the present and future role of United States naval forces, both on sea and in the air, based on recent war experience plus developments since.

Nimitz stressed that American aims are directed first towards national security and secondly to the "creation and perpetuation of that balance and stability among nations which will ensure to each the right of self-determination under the framework of the United Nations."

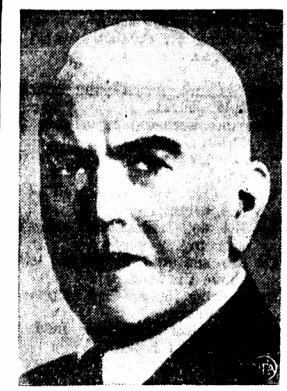
To accomplish these objectives, the study urged prompt consideration of the defensive and offensive requirements to meet recognizable zones of future danger.

Nimitz did not mention Russia by name but had this to say:

"For any future war to be of sufficient magnitude to affect us seriously it must be compounded of two primary ingredients: vast manpower and tremendous industrial capacity. These conditions exist today in the great land mass of Central Asia, in East Asia and in Western Europe."

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He Runs Romania



Premier Petru Groza of Romania moved swiftly to establish a "popular republic" for the Communist-dominated nation following the abdication of young King Michael. A temporary five-man council of the republic was appointed until the new president is elected.

London Silver Fox Sale Concludes

LONDON, Jan. 6—(CP)—The Hudson's Bay Company two-day sale of silver and platinum fox skins ended today with 50 per cent of the offerings sold.

The company said prices were firm throughout, comparing favorably with those obtained at the December auction.

Silver fox prices in the afternoon today ranged near £4 (\$16) and platinum from £8 to £12.

The company said "attractive offerings" of nearly 10,000 silver foxes and 1,446 platinum drew good attendance from buyers from Switzerland, Belgium, France and the Dominions. Demand was heaviest for half and three-quarter silver and darker type full silver skins.

The sale of 10,000 ranch mink starts tomorrow.

Consumer Pays Piper As Bacon Prices Soar

Bacon and small boneless hams are now costing the Charlottetown consumer 10 cents a pound more than they did one week ago at the average retail grocery store.

Last week at most stores the consumer paid 59 cents—though some charged as much as 62 cents—for a pound of bacon off the "slab." At the same stores last week a pound of boneless small ham sold for 55 cents. The minimum price for those meats now is 69 cents and 65 cents respectively. Sausages which sold at 40 cents per pound last week have advanced to 45 cents.

Invoices of one retail grocery store show that the packers last week charged 34 1-4 cents for sausages; 42 1-2 for "slabbed" fancy bacon; and 42 3-4 cents for small boneless ham. The proprietor of the store said last night that he is now charged 38 1-4 cents for sausages (an increase of four cents per pound); 50 cents for small boneless ham (an increase of 7 1-4 cents per pound); and that he was told yesterday he will be required to pay 54 cents for choice fancy bacon in the slab which is an increase of 11 1-2 cents per pound. Standard bacon in the slab will cost the retailer 50 cents per pound.

Disproportionate Spread

These figures reveal that the spread between the packer and the consumer is 6 3-4 cents per pound on sausages; 15 cents per pound on small hams; and 15 cents per pound on bacon. Where retail prices are one or two cents higher, the spread, of course, will be that much greater.

The price to the island farmer for Grade A hogs advanced one-half cent yesterday so that he is now getting 27 1-2 cents per pound, or \$41.25 plus Dominion Government bonus of \$2.00, which makes total receipts for his animal of \$43.25 at "hot weight."

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Restaurant Prices Follow Meat Trends

(By The Canadian Press)
As retail pork and beef prices continue to climb in many parts of Canada, some Toronto restaurants have boosted by five cents the charge for meals and a la carte dishes featuring pork products.

Meanwhile, fowl prices have been hiked in some Calgary markets and there are predictions that veal and lamb prices will be increased generally.

Greatest price boosts have been in pork and pork products. These, and smaller increases in beef products, have been attributed to boosts in wholesale prices as a result of last week's announcement that, under the new Anglo-Canadian food agreements, Britain will pay more for Canadian pork and beef.

In Toronto, side sold yesterday at 28 cents a pound, 20 cents more than at the end of last week. The price was 95 cents in Edmonton, 80 cents in Medi-

fine Hat, Ala., and 75 in Gall. Ont. Galt dealers sold back bacon for \$1 a pound.

Pork chops, hams, sausages and tenderloins all cost more — with increases ranging up to 10 cents a pound.

In Ottawa, an Agriculture Department spokesman said there is no ceiling on poultry and no Government-contract buying of poultry. Therefore, the price the producer obtained for his poultry depended on his bargaining with the buyer.

Toronto dealers said they are preparing to raise beef, veal and lamb prices because of jumps in wholesale costs.

J. S. McLean, president of Canada Packers Ltd. in a statement explaining that the packing-houses' pork costs had been advanced seven cents a pound, said: "There will almost certainly be an advance in veal and lamb, as an indirect result of the (Anglo-Canadian) contracts but this cannot at present be calculated."

No Official Confirmation At Ottawa

(By John LeBlanc)
OTTAWA, Jan. 6—(CP)—As the price squeeze on a multitude of foods tightened around the Canadian householder's budget, this Capital was humming today with rumors of new price ceilings and relaxations of import controls.

But all of them went without official confirmation as the Government kept secret any plans it might have for bringing down the rocketing costs of meats, butter and fresh vegetables.

However, official quarters made no secret of the fact that some prices are considered out of line, particularly among the newly-jumped meat prices that followed the announcement of higher British contracts.

While there were persistent reports that ceilings would be reimposed on beef and pork unless consumer costs dropped immediately, other reports said the Government was banking on prices slipping back after their sudden weekend surge.

To all of the rumors, the Government remained officially silent.

Await Abbott's Return

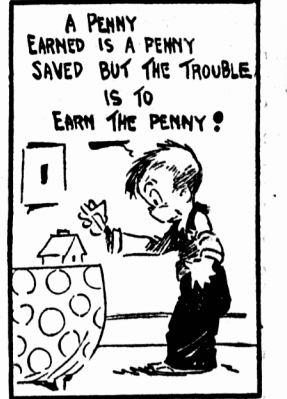
In any case, it appeared certain there would be no action until Finance Minister Abbott's return here late in the week from Washington. He was on the way to the United States Capital tonight to complete arrangements for Canada's \$300,000,000 loan from the U. S.

The upward-sliding price of butter was under consideration by the Cabinet for possible ceiling imposition, but there was no indication of a decision having been reached.

More reports swirled about the question of impending action on fresh vegetables—prices of which have been shooting skyward as the result of the "austerity" ban on U. S. imports—but again officials said they had no information of any measures decided upon.

The Ottawa Evening Journal reported today an executive of a large chain food concern said some import firms were so certain of the ban being lifted—on cabbage at least—that they already had cartloads of cabbage rolling north from

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TORONTO, Jan. 6—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 36-49; Victoria 34-45; Edmonton 17-41; Calgary 14-42; Regina 18-27; Winnipeg 10-33; Toronto 28-33; Ottawa 23-27; Montreal 25-26; Quebec 22-29; Saint John 21-24; Moncton 10-23; Halifax 26-27; Charlottetown 23-28; Sydney 26-3; Yarmouth 22-30.

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HALIFAX, Jan. 6—(CP)—Official inland forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax and valid until midnight Wednesday.

Synopsis:

Clouds covered the entire forecast district Tuesday and there was intermittent light snow in many regions. Some light freezing drizzle was also reported. As a disturbance from Northern Ontario moves toward the Maritime Intermittent snow or snowdrifts can be expected again Wednesday in all regions. Temperatures were mostly in the 30s and no great change is expected for a day or so.

Prince Edward Island: Overcast with intermittent snow tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low early Wednesday morning and high in the afternoon at Charlottetown 23 and 30.

High tide this morning at 8:14 and tonight at 7:34.

New moon January 11th, 3:44 A. M.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4:34 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:37. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Montreal Tram Fares May Advance

MONTREAL, Jan. 6—(CP)—Tramways of 13 municipalities of Greater Montreal looked forward with apprehension tonight to a meeting Friday which held promise of bringing increased fares.

Best guess was that tram tickets would be three for a quarter instead of the present four. This would put Montreal's car-riding millions on a par with Vancouver and Halifax.

Coming Events

- Dance Starlite tonight. East-corn Rhythm Boys.
- Dance at Bonshaw Hall Thursday Jan. 8. MacNeill's Orchestra.
- Unloading coal Wednesday and Thursday. Special price at car. P. J. Noy and Co.
- Annual Meeting Rose Valley United Church in the Church, Friday, January 9th, at two P. M.
- See Louis—Wolcott Fight at Crapaud Theatre Friday and Saturday at 8:15 P. M.
- Whist and Dance in Belfast Hall, Thursday night, January 8th. Lunches served.
- Crapaud District Lodge meets in Lorne Lodge, Tuesday, January 13th, at 2:30 P. M.
- Unloading car of Feed, Wednesday and Thursday. Oil Cake, Barley Meal, Bran, etc. W. H. McCort, Emerald.
- Monthly Meeting Kingston Branch No. 30, Canadian Legion B. E. L. will meet in Kingston Elmer Wigmore, Bradalbane, until 11:30 a.m.; Borden Basmal, Hunter River, until noon; Summerside until 1:30 p.m.; and Kensington until 3 p.m. MacDewen and Casley.

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