

BUDGET

L.T. Ode. Fri. Jan. 25-63.

When you hear the phrase "a minimum of eight billion dollars" - you know that economy-minded members of Congress are talking about the budget. This time, they want to slash eight billion - from the ninety-eight billion proposed by President Kennedy. At least, that's the preliminary figure mentioned in the House Appropriations Committee - which will have a lot to say about the budget.

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STRIKE

The Galveston local of the I.L.A. - received a message from the President today. The message, carried to the Texas seaport - by Assistant Secretary of Labor James Reynolds. Mr. Kennedy^{is} described as "pretty fed up" - because the Galveston longshoremen held out after the rest of the union agreed to end the maritime strike. Their argument-^{that} they were asked to accept less than the other locals.

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BOEING FOLLOW STRIKE

In the case of Boeing, at Seattle, the President is invoking - Taft Hartley. Asking for a n injunction to impose - an eighty-day cooling off period. Thus prevent a crippling walkout - at this time.

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CUBA

We are told that the latest shipload of Cubans to arrive in Miami - are suffering from anemia, malnutrition and hypertension. Souvenirs of their ordeal in Castro's domain where they were kept on short rations, and subjected to continual harassment. Many of them, pushed and insulted by the bearded dictator's bully boys - as they were boarding the ship to freedom.

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INDIA

There was a strange spectacle today - in the New Delhi Parliament. Nehru - heckled. The first time ever - on such a scale.

Subject - the neutralist proposals with regard to the Himalayan border conflict. Nehru telling the Indian Parliament - that he's willing to talk to the Chinese Reds, on the basis of those proposals. Whereupon members shouted demands for a tougher policy toward Mao Tse-tung. They slammed their desks, stamped their feet and shouted "coward!" and "no retreat!"

A new experience for Nehru. Meanwhile a joint Anglo-American military mission is on its way to inspect the air defenses of India. And if they're not adequate - pilots may be sent from the West. Professional armies, to prevent - a Red blitzkrieg into the subcontinent of Hindustan.

Let's go out to India again - for a minute or two.

DALAI LAMA

I wish I could talk to you about the Dalai Lama for an hour, or at least a full half hour. But these reports are limited to a mere two minutes or so; and, that isn't enough. This young man who was both the temporal and spiritual leader of his remote, peaceful country until the Chinese Reds overran it, as I already have told you, he is warm, friendly, has great poise, and is extremely intelligent. I hope you will read his book MY LAND AND MY PEOPLE, published by McGraw Hill.

No one anywhere goes through such intensive childhood training --- mental training. Down through the years, after he was selected as an infant to be the Dalai Lama, he was surrounded only by his religious tutors, scholarly abbots, the Buddhist monks who preside over the great monasteries of that mysterious land, and the top civilian officials. Seldom anyone his own age to play with.

As a child did he have any fun at all? Yes, those around him quickly discovered that he had a ~~fa~~ flair for things mechanical. So he often received gifts, brought over the mountains to Tibet -- mechanical toys such as automobiles, boats, airplanes and so on. He always took everything mechanical apart, then reassembled it and made it run. He even did this with clocks and watches, and he says he learned ~~a great deal~~ ^{much} from a motion picture projector that was presented to him. From it he learned ~~something~~ about electricity. - Which reminds me -- when we ~~were~~ were in Tibet in Nineteen Forty Nine, Lowell Jr. made a motion picture, in color. Perhaps you saw it either in your theater or on the TV screen. My son sent a copy of this to the Dalai Lama and today he was telling me how much they prize it, and how they still run it off on his projector every month or so, ~~he~~ ~~says they~~ run it often because it brings so much joy to the people at his court in exile, to the refugees here in

the Himalayas, because it is all they have to ~~bring~~ bring back ~~to their~~ scenes in ~~their~~ their beloved country; ~~and~~ also pictures of ~~so~~ many of their friends, who have vanished, probably brutally tortured, and ~~killed~~ ^{then murdered} by the Chinese Reds.

One of the many questions I put to him was: What has happened to the great Buddhist monasteries just outside Lhasa that we visited and filmed? Drepung, the largest monastery in the world? Sera, and Ganden, almost as large? Twenty five thousand monks in those three Lhasa monasteries alone. He told me that most of the monks have been killed; ~~the rest~~ ^{the rest} ~~others have been~~ put to work as ordinary laborers on Chinese construction projects. ~~and~~ The monasteries turned into barracks and stables.

Tomorrow night if the news back at home is not too heavy I will ~~like~~ tell you what he told me about the Lhasa palace where he lived, ~~most of the time~~ the world famous Potala, and what has happened to the sacred ~~Buddhist~~ library, ~~in the Potala~~ and the treasures of gold and precious jewels

that had accumulated during the centuries. Now back to

CBS in New York.

BRUMBAUGH

Now something I rarely if ever do. But this is the time for an exception. At Sebring, Florida there was a celebration today, a Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Brumbaugh celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary.

This is of special interest to me because the Brumbaughs are from Darke County, Ohio. Remember Darke County and Annie Get Your Gun? Annie Oakley came from Darke County, and I was born there. But, a few years before my birth my mother and father went to school at a cross-roads in the country, a one-room schoolhouse, near what was then called Baker's Store.

My grandfather, David Thomas, was the teacher. My mother's family lived on a nearby farm. Attending that little country school at the same time were these two grand people who today are celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary.

So, I am delighted to salute them on this occasion, these two former schoolmates of my parents who were taught in that little Darke County country

PRESIDENT

L.T.-OLDS. Mem. Jan. 28-63

The report introduced into a Senate sub-committee today - agrees ~~with~~ that the President's job is a tough one. Especially - when many departments of government have to be coordinated during an emergency.

Exhibit A in this report - the Cuban crisis. The Senators think it proved ^s _^ - that we need another agency like the National Security Council. ^{ie} _^ An agency to maintain lines of communication - between the White House, the State Department, the Pentagon, the C I A, the information services and so on.

RETAKE

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school by my grandfather.

Here's to Mr. and Mrs. Brumbaugh, and to
all Brumbaughs, everywhere.