

BUDGET

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The Presidential budget - in a whirlwind of politics. Is it really - a balanced budget? According to the figures - yes. Seventy-seven billion dollars - to be spent by the government for the next fiscal year. While the U S Treasury will take in - a little more than that.

The budget - sent to Congress today. The Democrats - immediately raising an uproar. Arguing - that it really won't balance. Calling the White House claim - *that it will - calling that* politics.

Speaker Sam Rayburn ~~of Texas~~ expresses doubt - that the increase of government ~~income~~ income will be as large as the President anticipates. Other Democrats insisting - that more will have to be spent for National Defense than the President has marked down, forty-one billion dollars.

Republicans declare - that, if the budget is thrown out of balance, the Democrats will be to blame.

SEGREGATION

School segregation in Virginia - blasted by two judicial rulings, today. One - from a federal court. The other - from a state court.

At Richmond, a panel of three Federal Judges outlawed Virginia's "massive resistance" laws. The court finding - that it is unconstitutional for Virginia to close individual schools to prevent racial integration. And, at the same time- keep open other public schools on a segregated basis.

At the same time, the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals threw out one section of the "massive resistance" law. A proviso - that calls for the closing of a school in which there is racial integration.

State officials declare - the two rulings, federal and state, were not unexpected. They say they'll draft other laws - to stop school integration.

ENGINEERS

A familiar note of warning - sounded by the New York State Association of Engineering Colleges. Reporting - that fewer students are enrolling for engineering courses, ~~In~~ spite - of the nationwide shortage of engineers, which has been talked about so much.

The decline began two years ago, and the prospects for the term beginning next autumn are worse than ever.

This atomic-missile era calls for more engineers,

There are more students going to college than ever - but they shy away from the hard study needed for training in the sciences.

CUBA

Cuban trials and executions - again suspended. In Havana six hundred and thirty military and civilian supporters of the fallen Dictator Batista are to face a military court. The trials - to have begun today, ~~but~~ have been put off until Wednesday. Similar postponements - ordered throughout Cuba.

Meanwhile, Fidel Castro invited ten prominent critics in the U S Congress - to attend the Havana trials. Senators and Congressmen - who decried the Cuban executions. Most of them - reject the invitation.

Reports from outlying parts of Cuba continue to tell - of parties of Batista supporters holding out in the hills.

MIKOYAN

The Mikoyan visit is ending - with little sign of settling ^{of} the quarrel between East and West.

Today the Russian Deputy Premier addressed the National Press Club in Washington, and said - the cold war is still on, as much as ever. He was asked - what would happen if the western powers used force to get supplies into West Berlin. Mikoyan replied: "Force meets with force, usually."

He had a conference in the State Department concerning Soviet-American trade, and emerged - not at all pleased. It seems that our diplomatic officials mentioned the Soviet lend-lease debt. Suggesting - that the Russians might pay what they still owe - on the bill for that immense amount of supplies they got from the United States in World War Two - lend-lease.

LEBANON

In the troubled Republic of Lebanon, a new disturbance - because of the English language. At a University shall the teaching be in Arabic or in English?

St. Joseph's University, run by the Jesuits, has always taught law courses - in English. But, recently a faction of students raised a demand - that the classes be in Arabic.

^{us} Supported by Nationalist Ministers of the government - the Premier and the Minister of Justice. *One group*

of students went on strike, but were opposed by another faction of students - who favored the teaching in English.

~~so~~ They went on a counter-strike ^{- also} with government backing.

Supported - by the Ministers of the Interior and of Education.

The two strikes ^{leaving} ~~left~~ St. Joseph's University - without any law students at all. So, today, Lebanese President

Fuad Chehab stepped in - to force a settlement.

Naming a parliamentary committee - to decide the question - shall Lebanese law be taught - in Arabic or in English?

IRELAND

In Dublin, tonight, Premier DeValera made the formal announcement - that he'll run for President. This had been reported - now official. And he's virtually certain to be elected, actually this means the retirement of DeValera from active politics. The office of President of Ireland - being mostly ornamental.

DeValera, half-Spanish, born in New York, has long been the symbol of Irish independence. The only leader - who survived the Easter rebellion in Nineteen-Fifteen. And ever since then a dominant factor - in Irish political affairs. Premier - since Nineteen Thirty two, with one brief interruption.

But Eamon De Valera is now seventy-seven, and he has long had failing eye-sight. So now he'll quite the active office of Premier, and take the quiet post of President - exalted, but without power.

OPERATION

An "atomic" operation - performed in Sweden.

Brain surgery - with a beam of protons, instead of a knife.

The patient, a fifty-five year old man - suffering from severe headaches and emotional depression. Because of a diseased area, the size of a pea - in his brain.

Ordinarily, the surgeon would remove this with a knife. But Dr. Lars Luksell of the University of Lund --- focused a stream of protons - destroying the bad tissue.

The patient feeling nothing - except for the discomfort of having to lie motionless for two hours. Now making a normal recovery.

CAVE

A nightmare story - of cave exploration, over in England. A party of amateur speleologists, forty of them - exploring a deep cavern in the Mendip Hills. Looking for a mysterious flooded chamber - known as "Swildon's Secret."

In the sub-terranean depths - trapped by a flood. Water pouring into the cavern - from melting snows on the surface. To get out, they had to scale a high cliff - pulled up by a rope. Icy water pouring down the cliff - and they had to be pulled up through that.

They all made it but the last one - John Wallington, an aeronautical engineer. The cascade, pouring down on him - as he dangled there, and he succumbed to the flood before they could get him to the top of the cliff.

A spine-tingling nightmare of the subterranean depths. And by the way if you are looking for adventure, Don, my Danger Island - High Adventure show will be coming up tonight on CBS-TV. Would you like to come with me to the South Seas?

WAVE

Here's a kind of miracle - a favorite in old-time tales of the sea. Now, in the news - as an actual event. A sailor - washed overboard by one wave. Then - washed back onto the deck by another.

In Liverpool, Chief officer Francis Schrempt of the American freighter John Lykes, tells - how in a storm off Bermuda, a huge wave swept across the deck, and carried him overboard.

"I was in the water ~~in~~ about half a minute," he relates, "when suddenly I found myself coming back on the crest of the next wave. As the ship yawed, the wave dumped me back on deck."

Chief officer Schrempt adds: "I'm the luckiest man alive." And he sure is.