

BUDGET

L.T. - Oles. Thurs. Jan. 18-62.

The most important thing ~~xxx~~ about the new budget - is that it's balanced. For now - anyway. President Kennedy, proposing to spend - more than ninety two billion dollars. But predicting that our national income will hit - ninety-three billion. Leaving - a clear surplus in the Treasury.

As usual, more than half of the expenditures - will be military. Close to fifty-three billion - for the armed forces. Included under this heading - a military system based on atomic power, to prevent a nuclear Pearl Harbor - and our conventional forces are being strengthened - to deal with brush fire wars.

Another big chunk of money goes into - our space program. Close to four billion - with emphasis on the flight of our astronauts into orbit. Also - rocket probes across the solar system.

The rest of this budget - obvious enough. Covering everything from foreign aid - to agriculture, health, and education. This, the biggest peace-time budget - and it's balanced. The administration hopes - it will stay balanced.

REACTION

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called for - by the world situation. Most of the
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in this budget.

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of Illinois (Republican) - "more spending, more debts,
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NOTE

The Soviet note handed to our Ambassador in Moscow - evidently marks a return to Khrushchev's tough policy on Berlin. So say London officials - after examining diplomatic dispatches from the Russian capital. The tough policy - well, I guess you know the key items. West Berlin - to become a free city. Allied rights - to lapse! East Germany to be recognized - as a sovereign state. The Kremlin puppet to control - the access routes.

All of these demands, as unacceptable to the West now - as they were when Khrushchev first produced them.

At his news conference today, Secretary of State Rusk covered - the major problems of our foreign policy.

Berlin? The situation ~~remains~~ - much as it was. Dangerous - but not getting any worse. Khrushchev, no more intransigent - than we have found him in the past. Also - showing no signs of wanting to compromise.

South Viet Nam? Secretary Rusk thinks ~~that~~ the cease-fire - has been reasonably effective. And, he's not assuming that the cease-fire will break down ^{even} if a coalition government isn't formed soon. The ~~admin~~ administration ^{does} ~~imply~~ wants the three Laotian princes - to get down to the business of forming such a government.

Cuba? Our Secretary of State declined to predict - what ~~kind~~ kind of resolution will come out of the ^{Uruguay} ~~Punta Del Este~~ conference. But he's hopeful of an unequivocal statement on Castro - that will ^{not only} condemn Communist penetration of the Americas, ^{but will} ~~and~~ point out - exactly who is responsible for it.

The Dominican Republic? Secretary Rusk took the opportunity to repeat his appeal - to both sides. Asking the stable elements to regroup - and give Santo Domingo a Democratic government. ~~This, without first satisfying the old animosities dating from the Trujillo era.~~

The U N? We're supporting Secretary General U Thant - as well as the organization. Right now, we're particularly concerned about the Secretary General mediating - between the Dutch and the Indonesians, on the New Guinea controversy. ~~And -~~ We still back him - in the Congo.

Finally - what about the great mystery of the Russian bear? ~~The plot with~~ Albania, the "Molotov mystery" - and all that? Secretary Rusk said - he's much interested in reports about a struggle for power ~~in~~ in the Kremlin. ~~The trouble~~ and added ~~publicly~~ that the Secretary of State can't indulge in the game - of guessing what's happening in ~~Khrushchev's domain.~~ ^{Russia}

ALGERIA

In Algeria - violence for the eighteenth straight day. Almost three consecutive weeks - of riot, murder and assassination. Today, ~~and~~ another twenty-one dead - twelve injured. The total since New Year's day - more than three hundred dead, more than six hundred injured.

Meanwhile, the French Security Police in Algeria - are clamping down on both extremes. Attacking hideouts of both the Moslem terrorists - and the right wing underground, the O A S.

COMMON MARKET

The latest application for membership in the common market - comes from the Emerald Isle. And that's a switch - comparable to Britain's. The Irish have always been as insular - as their neighbors across the Irish sea. But the winds of change are blowing - through Ireland. The continent looks good to Irish farmers - who need more outlets for their dairy products. Which is why Dublin's Prime Minister LeMass today asked the Common Market - to accept his country, as a full member.

WEATHER

The town of Bemidji, Minnesota - is warmer tonight. Maybe "warmer" sounds like a peculiar word - when the temperature is twenty-six below zero. Still, in Bemidji that's not far from a warm spell - considering yesterday's reading of forty-seven below. The thermometer, rising twenty-one degrees - in twenty-four hours.

Through the southwest - the opposite paradox. The mercury a lot higher than in Minnesota - yet indicating a frigid cold spell for Texas and New Mexico. Tonight, heavy snow warnings are out - from the Rio Grande to Kansas. Six inches of snow - have already fallen. The wind, blowing up drifts - four feet high. In Oklahoma, highway Sixty Six was closed for several hours - by a mile of stalled cars. In the Missouri Ozarks, the highway patrol had to set up barricades - to ~~keep~~ keep cars from skidding ^{off} ~~into~~ roads ~~for~~

~~itches.~~ And now Dick, while I skid
OK -

~~All through the mid-west and the ~~rich~~ southwest~~
~~drivers are warned to think twice before taking the car out~~
~~of the garage.~~

FIREMAN

An American fireman in Algeria - to put out a fire.

Red Adair of Texas - whose specialty is blazing oil wells.

The bigger - the better. The French want him to do something

about - an underground conflagration in the Sahara. A real

inferno - fed by natural gas, ^{with} ~~the~~ flames, shooting up -

two hundred and fifty feet, ^{at a} cost to the French ^{of} millions

of francs every day. So, ^{Texas} a fireman to the rescue - in the

sand of the Sahara. ~~A fireman from the Lone Star State.~~