

JULY 28, 1958 - THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S
VISIT TO SAN DIEGO DURING THE
1915 EXPOSITION

Congress Must Tighten Purse In Face of Red-Ink Spending

THE URGENT NECESSITY FOR tightening the nation's purse strings in the face of the heaviest red-ink spending in peacetime history becomes clearer by the day.

It is squarely up to Congress to take action—NOW.

If legislation to bring this about had to be prepared from scratch, insistence on immediate action might appear to be unreasonable, although the situation, even so, would not condone delay.

But the necessary legislation is ready for action—NOW.

THE BILL, BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS of the bipartisan second Hoover Commission, calls for putting the federal budget on an annual accrued expenditures basis with an annual review of appropriations.

Under the present antiquated budgetary system, Congress appropriates funds that often are carried over into subsequent years—to the tune of billions of dollars—beyond congressional review.

This promotes waste and inefficiency. It thwarts control of spending through our elected officials.

The Senate twice has passed a bill to correct this flaw.

A companion measure in the House ran into stalling tactics.

FINALLY, PUBLIC OPINION prevailed, and the House passed the bill in March of this year. Then it went back to the Senate, where it languished on the calendar until June 26. The Senate Appropriations Committee now has reported back to the full Senate with

a recommendation for only slight changes.

One deletes 14 words to overcome a technical conflict with Senate rules.

The other would provide greater flexibility in handling defense funds, so there would be no delay in paying contractors working on long-lead time items.

The basic reforms remain intact.

The Senate ought to pass this measure without further delay.

The House ought to follow up with prompt passage as soon as the bill is received from the Senate.

Time is running out—both time in which to act before Congress adjourns, probably about mid-August, and time in which this nation can permit prodigal handling of its dollars.

JUST TODAY, TREASURY SECRETARY Robert Anderson was scheduled to go before the House Ways and Means Committee to ask for another boost in the federal debt ceiling. It already has been lifted temporarily once before this year—from the legal limit of \$75 to \$80 billion.

We ended the fiscal year on June 30 with a \$2,813,000,000 ocean of red ink.

Treasury and budget officials are estimating a 10 to 12-billion-dollar deficit by the end of another 12 months.

As the Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report puts it:

"At a time like this, we simply cannot afford to let wasteful, antiquated, horse-and- buggy business methods hamper a government engaged in the space-age protection of our liberties and our very lives."

Congress, it's your move!

Don't Laugh! It Might Be You

PERHAPS TOO LITTLE SERIOUS attention and too much snickering amusement have been devoted to the hapless predicaments that plague some of us.

Take that classic of predicaments in which an eager beaver is imagined poised on a long limb while he saws diligently on the limb at a point between himself and the tree. We say, "Well, he sure sawed the limb off behind him," and we say it with a large measure of enjoyment. Indeed the picture is so enjoyable that no one ever has thought of doing anything to prevent some fellow being from falling into this trap.

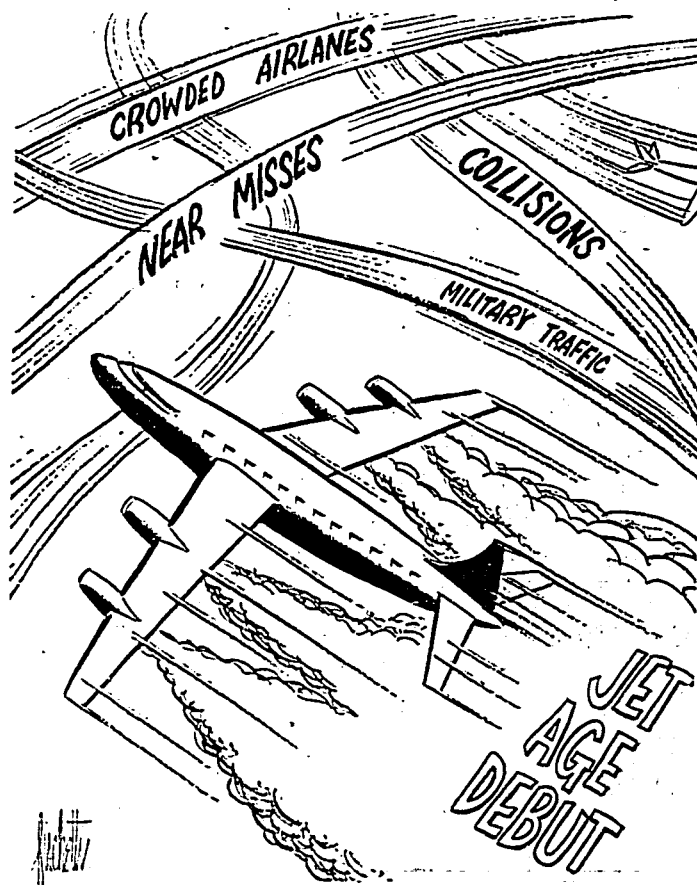
Then there's the fellow who fancies himself a do-it-yourself painter. He paints across the room, giving no heed to anything but the nice, smooth covering he is spreading on the floor. Finally, he looks up to find himself painted into a corner. Here is another of those

situations that have contributed merit to non-painters of kitchen floors, and it is another for which no solution has been devised.

But there may be hope for victims of these situations. This conclusion arises from the fact that a third of the classical predicaments of our age has succumbed to Yankee genius.

This relates to the man-around-the-house who climbs stepladders. He often is pictured with eyes gazing ceilingward, climbing purposeful step by step until he reaches the top, and then walking right on over the top. The result can be painful and embarrassing, but it need not happen again.

An inventor has extended the sides of the ladder above the top step about two feet and has joined them to form a barrier for the climber's feet, an achievement that suggests hope for the limb sawer or the floor painter.



Into the Really Wild Blue Yonder

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

EDITOR'S NOTE—Letters must carry address and signature. Preferred length is 200 words or less. Anonymity is permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters are subject to condensation. Expressions are those of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Evening Tribune. No letters can be returned.

Mrs. Roosevelt's Views Fail to Stir Sympathy

Editor: This, addressed to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, whose daily column appears in the Evening Tribune, shows how long her memory really is.

True, with a Democratic Congress, President Hoover was doublecrossed, and the people with him. True, it wasn't long thereafter until every man and almost every woman and child was at work. Where were the jobless?

Dying on a hundred battlefronts. We saved the world, and F.D.R. sold us down the river, and today we are again in travail of near war, arming beyond our means and that of our allies.

Mrs. Roosevelt always has believed that spending the taxpayer's money is answer to all problems. Millions of loafers today, as always, are upon the taxpayer. Hunting for these hope to heaven they will find it. These are the pets of Mrs. Roosevelt. As long as there is \$35 a month for no work, we will have them.

Not by any manner of means a charge that this is universal of all unemployed, but there is of a certainty a sieve and

Front Page Spot for Billy Pleasing to Whole Family

Editor: We, as a family, wish to commend you for the fine "spreads" on evangelist Billy Graham and his work here in San Diego, especially that in the Monday evening, July 21, edition of the Evening Tribune.

It was truly an outstanding coverage of the wonderful work Billy is doing, and we do welcome seeing and reading such religious news in the choice spot of the front page of your paper.

Our sincere and heartfelt appreciation for your fine job.

—GALE MARJORIE and
TOM BAY,
5601 Chollas Station Rd.

... Came by Special Bus

Editor: Thank you for your generous coverage of the Billy Graham revival crusade in San Diego.

It was wonderful to see it receive front page attention. More newspapers should see that God comes first.

I am a member of the First Baptist Church in Coronado, and we had a special bus to take our members over. It was a delightful experience.

—MRS. WILLIAM S. CALDER,
566 J Ave.,
Coronado.

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I. R. 'Conquered' City in 1915 Visit



BULLY BREW—President Teddy Roosevelt, the gentleman with the mustache and top hat, center, pauses during the 1915 Exposition to try a cup of

Brazilian coffee. The late C. Aubrey Davidson is to his left in top hat. Others include Col. D. C. Collier, left, and George Burnham, to Collier's right. Gen.

Joseph Pendleton, for whom the Marine base was named, peers from behind man to Roosevelt's right. —Union Title Co. Historical Photo

National Hero Saw Exposition

By FRANK GRAHAM

Still was a hero of great stature and beloved by his countrymen.

The first San Diego Exposition was in full swing when he left Los Angeles the morning of July 28 for San Diego.

He was met at Del Mar by a delegation of distinguished San Diegans. He and Mrs. Roosevelt were traveling in a special car with G. Aubrey Davidson, president of the Panama-California Exposition, and Lt. John W. Green, of the Rough Riders.

They were joined at Del Mar by Miss Alice Lee, a cousin of Roosevelt's; Mrs. I. N. Lawson; Mrs. George McKenzie; Mr. and Mrs. Julian Wanzenheim; Milton McRae; Percy Goodwin; C. L. Williams; State Sen. Edgar Luce, and George Burnham.

Throng at Hotel

When he arrived, Broadway was lined solidly from the Spanish-American War, Union Station to the U. S. special entertainment in his

Grant Hotel, where he and honor at the New Mexico forces formed a backdrop against which he uttered diatribes against the forces of the Desert, an exposition attraction: at the christening of an Indian baby, drank nine cups of tea at a reception at the Women's Club "because he and public receptions. He spoke before a crowd of 20,000 persons at the Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park, a talk interrupted frequently by cheers.

He eulogized San Diego and again told the Kaiser and the Wilson administration "where activity, a squadron of three battleships . . . the Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin . . . are home four years later made then president of Mexico, who was having a spot of trouble with Pancho Villa.

Bands Form Backdrop

During his three-day stay here, Teddy was at the height of his strenuous and spectacular career. He and Mrs. Roosevelt were guests of the Bands and Army and Navy

former Rough Rider comrades, including Lt. Thomas H. Rynning, Lt. Samuel Greenwald, Corp. Thomas W. Pemberton, and Troopers James B. Rodebaugh and William D. (Broncho Billy) Wood.

The reunion moved the man who was noted for his vitality and his statesman-like acts almost to tears.

And the man who was to die at his Oyster Bay, N.Y., after a lasting impression on San Diegans.

After his death, his birthwagons carried 200 midshipmen from Annapolis and they were reviewed by Roosevelt but after World War II it was incorporated in Armed Forces Day (May 17).

When he died Jan. 6, 1919, the colonel found time for his last words were, "Put out the light, please."