

Defense Budget, Gallup Poll Shows Favor Doubled

BY GEORGE GALLUP
J. Jan. 6.—Doubling our budget for defense approved by three out of every four in a national survey. About half of those surveyed say they are willing to pay the bill by increasing taxes.

The President is expected to ask for higher taxes in his State of the Union message. His position all along has been that the cost of defense should be met as much as possible through tax increases rather than by adding to the public debt.

Before the Korean war the American defense budget totaled only some \$12,000,000,000. By emergency ap-

provements this was boosted to more than \$30,000,000,000 and then, last week, to nearly \$42,000,000,000.

The outlay for the next fiscal year is still a matter of speculation and will depend on the course of events, but some observers believe that the total defense expenditures may be double what they were this year.

To find out how the average American feels about the big jump in defense costs and how he thinks it ought to be paid, the American Institute of Public Opinion put two questions to the American public in a nation-wide survey.

Those who indicated approval were asked:
Would you approve or disapprove of Congress raising personal income taxes again to cover increased costs of defense?

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| Approve | 78% |
| Disapprove | 18% |
| No Opinion | 4% |

Those who indicated approval were asked:
Would you approve or disapprove of Congress raising personal income taxes again to cover increased costs of defense?

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| Approve | 38% |
| Disapprove | 51% |
| No Opinion | 4% |

Federal, State and local taxes took approximately 27 cents out of every dollar earned in the United States in

1950, and are expected to take some 29 cents in 1951. This compares with a World War II peak of only 26 cents in 1945.

However, personal income taxes now average only about 10% of national income, including the boost in Federal income taxes last September. As compared with World War II, today's rate is actually somewhat lower, for in 1945 personal taxes took slightly more than 11% of national income.

The Korean War started a movement for an immediate increase in income taxes, and the weight of public opinion was behind this plan.

In August, the Institute found 51% for an immediate increase, 29% against and 20% undecided. Congress voted an increase the following month.

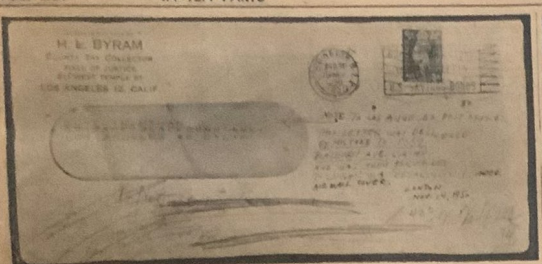
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GLOBE-TROTTER—Here is the county tax notice which traveled all the way to London, Eng., to reach Hyman Gorelik, who lives only four miles from Civic Center.

Nation's Health Better in 1950, Report Shows

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6 (AP)—Americans, generally speaking, were a bit healthier in 1950 than in 1949 or even in the 1945-49 average, the Public Health Service has reported.

Those diseases for which there is no preventive or public health measures are available are widely scattered—diphtheria, typhoid and the typhoid-paratyphoid group were reported smaller numbers in 1950 as compared with 1949 and the five-year median, the agency said in a summary.

Totals Given
However, whooping cough, a disease against which immunization is extensively used, was reported in large numbers.

Polio Decreases
Improvements were shown in the following diseases, with the 1950 totals followed by 1949 figures in parentheses: measles, 23,890 (97,648); polio, 1,000 (761); meningococcal meningitis, 279 (342); pneumonia, 82,770 (81,000); and rabies in animals, 1 (1978).

Eva Peron Foundation Buys Markets

Buenos Aires, Jan. 6 (Reuters)—The Eva Peron Foundation has bought 26 grocery stores situated in all parts of Buenos Aires, and are to be turned into model "co-operatives," an official announcement said today.

The object is to create a chain of non-profit-making stores as a contribution to the national campaign to combat profiteering and cheapen the cost of living.



ALREADY PAID—Hyman Gorelik received the county tax notice he holds after it had traveled two months to reach him—and he had already paid the obligation.

It took his county tax bill a long time and a lot of mileage to catch up with him.

County Tax Bill Arrives by Way of London, Eng.

It's truly said that two unavoids are death and taxes. But it seemed for a while as though Hyman Gorelik would evade the latter.

It took his county tax bill a long time and a lot of mileage to catch up with him.

TIMES READERS GET TWO NEW FEATURES

The Times this week introduces two new features for its readers. One, "Beauty After 40" by Edyth Thornton McLeod, is on page 6, Part III, today and will hereafter be published Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Besides founding a beauty school, Mrs. McLeod has for many years written and lectured on beauty subjects.

Eisenhower Tour Draws Spotlight

Europe Believes General's Report Will Shape Policy

BY WALDO DRAKE
Times European Correspondent
FRANKFURT, Jan. 6.—Europeans have suddenly become interested in Eisenhower's tour. They believe the report he takes back to Washington will have major influence on the American foreign policy; not only concerning Russia's displeasure over German rearmament but as to a possible military withdrawal from Asia to strengthen Europe.

Even Germans who earlier this week were saying, "Russians fear German infantry more than the American atomic bomb" and who have been outspoken in their dislike of Eisenhower now are clamoring that he must take home a formula assuring the Continent's protection.

Out of the discord caused by the initial reception of Moscow's New Year's note, a remarkable harmony has developed in the Western European press, French and British papers, while saying virtually nothing about their own armament programs, are saying in unison that luckily continental defense can be quickly reinforced by three powers which possess numerous well-trained forces, namely Spain, Yugoslavia and Turkey.

French Political Expert Jan Ciesch, writing in Le Monde, says that when Eisenhower arrives in Europe he will find not more than 10 divisions and that under the Brussels formula he must hope for more than 10 others by the end of this year.

Reports from various experts said that in addition to the continued lava stream coming above the old lava, new streams from underground had appeared in several points.

Oslo Reward Offered for Missing Reporter
OSLO, Norway, Jan. 6 (Reuters)—Twenty thousand Norwegian kroner—equal to \$2000—has been offered here today for information about the disappearance of the American Broadcasting Co. reporter Lyford Moore, Moore has been missing since Dec. 10 when he was seen leaving an Oslo café at 11:30 p.m.

Cavalry-Led Reds Start Siege of Wonju, Key Transport City



OUTLOOK BRIGHTER—Ivan Popov, 78, and wife, Karja, 75, recuperating in Trieste after they had intended to obtain for them their share of \$200,000 estate left by their son who died in Passadena. Elderly couple were moved from refugee camp.

New Lava Flow From Mt. Etna Perils Villages

CATANIA, Sicily, Jan. 6 (AP)—New flows of liquid lava from Mt. Etna today brought fresh threat to the villages between the highway from Zaffarana to the coastline. They came from beneath the crusted older flows.

The main craters opened by the recent eruption are at more than 7000 feet above sea level. The most advanced flow was only 2.4 miles from the hamlet of Macchia Di Garze. Two miles over, the lava meets a 300-foot fall, which should slow it down greatly.

A representative of the Volcano Institute of Catania said the appearance of underground lava was a very serious threat because no one could forecast from where the next flow would appear.

CREDIT FOR POPOVS BEING ESTABLISHED

Arrangements Being Made for Funds* to Be Given Elderly Couple Through Trieste Bank

Arrangements were being completed yesterday to establish a letter of credit with the Banca d'America e d'Italia in Trieste for Ivan and Darja Popov, the elderly, aged refugees from Communism left \$200,000 by their son, Ivan Denis.

The son died in Passadena in May, 1948. His estate, willed directly to his parents, was tangled in litigation while the Popovs languished penniless in a Trieste refugee camp to which they had been expelled by a hostile Yugoslavian government.

The Yugoslavian government meanwhile worked to collect their inheritance under a power of attorney they said was obtained under duress. The Times intervened, revoked the power of attorney and arranged a stipulation under which the Popovs now receive \$800 a month pending settlement of the estate.

Prince's Burial Fulfills Dying Wish

ST. SAPHORIN, Switzerland, Jan. 6 (AP)—Twelve years of patient effort and loving remembrance fulfilled today the dying wish of beautiful Princess Rousauda Midvanti to be buried beside her brother, Prince Alexis Midvanti.

Desperate Stand Made to Hold Line

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TOKYO, Jan. 6 (AP)—Communist troops struck 45 miles into South Korea and laid siege to the transport hub of Wonju, whose almost encircled defenders staved off a breakthrough aimed at parity at the flank of the allied withdrawal below Seoul.

A spokesman for the Korean military advisory group, American advisors to the South Korean army, said early today it was uncertain whether the allies still held the northern end of the corridor around Hongcheon.

Shock Troops Attack
At the other end of the corridor, Communist shock troops attacked Wonju in waves from both east and west. They sought to blast a gap in the allied defenses and swing southwestward 25 miles to the eastmost end of the trunk highway down which the 8th Army was falling back from Seoul.

On the western front, belated and abandoned Inchon, the Chinese sent probing forces across the frozen Han River and made in some strength, including artillery, at the Kimp'o Airport. But they did not challenge seriously Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's new blocking positions somewhere to the south.

The Army gave no official indication of where it would try to make a stand in Korea. But it was apparent to unofficial observers that only in the old Pusan beachhead could it find the geographical advantages it needed for a fight against Red China's armored divisions.

United Nations units from the

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