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FORECAST: Cloudy with occasional snow probable tonight and tomorrow; lowest temperature tonight between 5 and 10 above; colder tomorrow.

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SUBZERO WAVE TO STAY, CITY IS TOLD; FEAR COAL FAMINE

No Break in Sight, Weather Bureau Warns; Mercury Climbs to 7.

FUEL SUPPLY IS LOW

One Ton Limit Enforced by Dealers Here as Shortage Looms.

Although temperatures are somewhat higher today the Weather Bureau, which forecasts colder for tomorrow, sees no break in the cold wave.

That being so, the coal shortage in Indianapolis, described by retail dealers as not more than four or five days of bitter weather removed, grew, and more dealers placed a one-ton limit on deliveries.

If you thought it was spring when you stepped out this morning, you were deceived by a difference of about 13 degrees between the temperature at the same time yesterday and today. It was 7 above at 9.

Groundhog Stirs Controversy

There is some controversy over whether the groundhog, when he pokes his prophetic nose out of his home tomorrow and makes that momentous annual decision about six more weeks of winter, will see the sun or his shadow.

It is predicted that the sky will be cloudy most of the day, clearing, probably, toward night. However, if the groundhog sees only the setting sun he probably won't see his shadow, and we're likely to have something new and different in rulings on the matter.

Regardless of the groundhog, the weather bureau sees no relief from the intense cold that now has such a string of severe temperatures that it has broken all records for the state.

City Man Dies

Meanwhile the cold claimed another Indianapolis man. Daniel Lee, Negro, 84, former custodian at City Hall, died in City Hospital from effects of exposure suffered Jan. 28.

In the state there have been 34 deaths from the subzero weather.

A crisis was faced at South Bend, where it was announced six of the larger schools will not open Monday unless additional fuel supplies can be obtained. Coal dealers have asked public notice regarding the shortage be withheld to prevent a run on their existing supplies.

Another major difficulty in some cities was frozen lines which have caused a water shortage. Anderson and Seymour are most seriously affected, while other cities report lesser anxiety.

$2000 Montgomery Fire Loss

With the ground frozen three feet deep, officials of the Elkhart City Cemetery suspended all burials pending warmer weather and prepared to keep bodies in vaults until the cold wave breaks.

Fires have caused considerable damage. A drug store and grocery burned at Montgomery, Daviess County, with an estimated loss of $12,000.

An overheated stove caused a fire which destroyed a one-room school house in Union Township, Shelby County, at a loss of $2000. The fire occurred before students reported for classes.

Noblesville Hard Hit

Times Special

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Feb. 1.—Noblesville is facing a fuel shortage as the result of the last 10 days of severe weather, city officials said today.

All but three yeards in the city have exhausted their supply and purchases are being restricted.

Dealers say they are not expecting shipments of coal before the middle of next week.

Five Midwestern States Report Dwindling Supplies.

IOWA IS HARDEST HIT

Ohio, Illinois, Missouri and Indiana Also Are Affected.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Coal became a precious mineral in five Midwestern states today.

Fuel famine or shortage was reported in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Missouri. Suffering threatened to become acute in heatless homes built over some of America's richest coal veins. Conditions were worst in Iowa.

An unprecedented cold wave is to blame. Arctic blasts which rode down out of the Northland 11 days ago plunging temperatures to new lows since turn of the century caught coal retailers napping.

Mines on a 35-hour week were unable to satisfy the booming demand as fuel dealers clamored to replenish empty bins. Prolongation of the subzero ordeal caused an "emergency" in some sections. Many communities were put on coal rations as dealers attempted to make the "black diamonds" go as far as possible.

A survey indicated the following conditions in the affected area:

Iowa

Relief needs will be answered by 30,000 tons of coal to be mined today from 500 soft coal pits worked overtime by special union dispensation. General needs are increasing and the situation may become acute early next week.

Dealers' fuel supplies are exhausted at Des Moines, Ottumwa and Bedford. Burlington and Davenport have a week's supply. Many small towns are without fuel and trucks are being sent direct to the mines. Scores have become stalled in snow-jammed highways.

Missouri

Coal dealers in some communities are rationing consumers on the basis of their stoves' capacity. Many families are compelled to burn corn cobs, bundled paper and old furniture.

Dr. George M. Laughlin, president of Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, threw open hundreds of acres of woodlot to fuel-less householders.

Indiana

Coal dealers said their stocks of moderate priced coal were exhausted after 10 days of unprecedented subzero weather. Expensive grades of fuel will run out soon unless the frozen Ohio River breaks up soon, permitting movement of large shipments from West Virginia. Schools in some sections have been closed.

Illinois

A coal shortage exists in southern Illinois, State Director of Mines James McSherry reported. Operators are behind on shipments due to extraordinary demand caused by the record-breaking cold snap. The Chamber of Commerce of Belleville—in the center of the big soft coal district serving St. Louis, Mo.—reported a "decided shortage." The shortage was more serious due to a strike at the Big Nigger Hollow mine employing 500 men.

Ohio

Concerned by possibility of a serious fuel shortage, the Cincinnati Coal Exchange appealed to John L. Lewis, president of the U. M. W., for a temporary increase in mine working hours. East Ohio fields worked at top speed to fill heavy demand. Ice in the Ohio River is impeding movement of fuel from West Virginia.

WIDOW FACES ORDEAL

Mrs. Liggett to Take Stand Monday for Cross-Examination.

By United Press

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 1.—The small, dark-haired widow of Walter Liggett, who testified Isadore Blumenfeld leered behind the flaming machine gun which poured bullets into her husband's back, rested today in preparation for a rigorous cross-examination Monday.

Trial of Blumenfeld, burly liquor dealer who had been attacked in Editor Liggett's weekly newspaper, was recessed over the week-end.

CHRYSLER LEADS IN HEAVY STOCK TRADE

Auto Shares Open at 95, Best Showing Since 1929.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Stocks continued their advance in heavy trading marked by large blocks under the lead of Chrysler and Westinghouse Electric. Bonds were mixed, cotton easier and the dollar firmer.

(By Thomson & McKinnon)

	10:30 A. M. N. Y.	Prev. Close.
Atchison	74⅞	74½
Grt Northern	35⅝	35½
N Y Cent	34⅝	34½
Pennsylvania	36¼	36
Gen Elec	39⅞	39⅜
Westinghouse Elec	113	113½
U S Rubber	19¼	19
Chrysler	95¼	94
Gen Motors	59½	59
Briggs	54	53⅞
Elec Auto Lite	38¾	38⅝
Timken Roller	66¾	66¼
Douglas Air	73⅛	73¼
United Air	29	29⅛
Anaconda	30¾	30⅛
Int Nickel	49⅝	49½
Kennecott	33	32⅝
Union Carbide	76⅜	76
Ohio Oil	17	17
S O of Ind	38¾	38⅛
S O of N J	60	59⅝
Sconey Vac	16½	16⅛
Beth Steel	53½	52¾
U S Steel	51⅛	50⅜
Rep Iron & Stel	22⅝	21⅞
A T & T	162½	161¾
Cons Gas	36⅝	36⅛
Nor Am Co	30	29⅝
Gen Foods	34¾	34½
Natl Dairy	23¼	23
Stand Brands	15⅞	15⅝
Com Solvents	21	20¾
Am Radiator	23⅛	23⅜
Mont Ward	38	37½
Sears Roebuck	68	68
Radio	13⅝	13⅞

Huey's Widow, Named to U. S. Senate, Reported Ready to Revive Fight for Kingfish's 'Share-Our-Wealth' Program

Mrs. Huey Long and her daughter Rose

Mrs. Long Is Appointed to Late Husband's Post by Gov. Noe.

By United Press

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 1.—Friends of Mrs. Huey P. Long, appointed to serve the unexpired Senate term of her slain husband, believed today that she will attempt to revive his share-our-wealth movement and follow his independent policies.

Receiving flowers and messages of congratulations by hundreds today in the $40,000 home her husband left her, Mrs. Long refused to discuss her policies. She will go to Washington within a few days to become the country's third woman Senator.

Mrs. Long is a native of Greensburg, Ind.

Reviews of her recent past uncovered little to help those interested in her future conduct, for she had remained in the background of Long's career for several years, but observers recalled with new interpretations that she had obtained clear title to copyrights, patents and the mailing list of his Share-Our-Wealth Clubs.

When Long was making his first meteoric assaults on Louisiana political redoubts Mrs. Long, preferring domesticity, proved herself a capable political worker. Long repeatedly attributed his first election successes to her.

Reared Three Children

In Washington, with the assets of the Share-Our-Wealth organization and with the congressional mail franking privilege at her command, she may decide to seek power on her own account, friends believed.

Long built the Share-Our-Wealth clubs through use of the franking privilege, employing a large staff to maintain contacts. He claimed 10,000,000 members. The Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith, his principal aid, has worked hard to keep the clubs alive since the Kingfifish was slain. The magic of the Long name might rejuvenate them.

Aside from reorganization of the Share-Our-Wealth clubs, no one among either the Long faction's friends or enemies could predict with any plausibility what Mrs. Long would do. She is a woman of polished manner and great personal charm. She has three children whom she reared almost alone while the Kingfish fought his later political wars. She has had small part in public affairs.

She's Proud of Honor

It was possible to assume, and many did, that the Long machine had not appointed a successor to Long who would upset its applecart. If Mrs. Long gives loyalty to her husband's organization she probably will be forced to fight many anti-administration battles before her term expires next year.

But Mrs. Long refused to comment. She was appointed yesterday by Gov. James Albert Noe. In a formal statement she said she was "proud of the honor" and hoped "to be able to render profitable service to the people of Louisiana."

She will find at least one close friend in the Senate, Mrs. Hattie Caraway (D., Ark.). Mrs. Caraway went to the Senate in similar circumstances as her husband's successor, and won re-election in 1932 because Huey Long took his sound truck and his oratory to her aid in one of his most spectacular campaigns.

Long Faction Is Jubilant

Leaders of the Long faction were jubilant at Mrs. Long's appointment. They had been worried by the unplanned elevation of Noe, former Lieutenant Governor, by the death of former Gov. O. K. Allen. Today they accepted him as a dependable wheelhorse.

Most enemies of the machine adopted an attitude of tolerance.

Frank J. Looney, Shreveport attorney, who unsuccessfully opposed Allen for Long's senatorial place in the recent primary, said that she is "a fine little woman and if I had to select somebody from that crowd I would rather pick her than any one else."

STATE BAR TO HEAR REPORTS

Attorneys Are to Hold Midwinter Meeting in Claypool.

Committee reports are to be presented this morning at the Indiana State Bar Association's midwinter meeting in the Claypool.

Albert H. Cole is to report on membership, Addison M. Dowling on legal education, Joe S. Hatfield on young lawyers, Henry M. Dowling on inherent power of court and Hubert Hickam on illegal practices and Curtis W. Roll is to explain the working of the judicial council, William H. Hill is to report on by-law amendments and Samuel D. Jackson and Austin V. Clifford are to give addresses, this afternoon.

Former Illinois Justice to Talk

Floyd E. Thompson, former chief justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, is to be the banquet speaker tonight.

Indiana Judges' Association and Indiana Prosecutors' Association elected officers last night in meetings preliminary to the bar session today.

Judge Charles E. Smith, Anderson, is president; Judge Frank Russell, Tipton, vice president, and Judge Edgar A. Rice, Crawfordsville, secretary-treasurer, of the jurists' association.

Raymond J. Kearns, Terre Haute, is president; Mark Storen, Michigan City, vice president; William H. Britten, Richmond, secretary, and Kenneth Copes, Brookville, treasurer, of the prosecutors' group.

MINERS DUE TO BACK CANDIDACY OF F. D. R.

Demands for Labor Party Are Expected to Be Sidestepped.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—A commitment by the United Mine Workersof America to back President Roosevelt as a candidate for reelection was expected today at the miners' convention.

The demand for a labor party set forth in many resolutions presented to the more than 1700 delegates was slated to be sidestepped in favor of a New Deal vote of confidence.

This political approval, an innovation in the American labor movement, would continue a strong pro-Roosevelt tinge which has marked the first week's sessions of the meeting of the nation's largest workers' union.

Extra Pay Day

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—February this year has more "pay days" and "bath night"—Saturdays—than any February since 1908, government statisticians found today. The five Saturdays also will be a boon to leap-year misses who like to propose, as it will give them an extra Saturday "date evening."

8 FOUND GUILTY IN HUGE DRAKE FRAUD

Dreams of Riches Fade for 70,000 Victims.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Dreams of fabulous wealth shared by 70,000 credulous midwesterners were shattered today by a verdict of a Federal Court Jury convicting eight defendants in the notorious Sir Francis Drake estate swindle.

The myth of the Drake estate, which promoters claimed would pay as high as $1800 on a $1 "donation," had taken more than $1,200,000 from farmers and small town residents, the government charged.

Named as the master-mind, Oscar Hartzell, former Iowan who became "the baron" in London night clubs, was downcast when the verdict was announced. He was brought here for trial from Leavenworth where he is serving a 10-year term for a previous Drake estate conviction.

The eight defendants were all who remained of the original 41 placed on trial nine weeks ago on charges of using the mails to defraud. The others were dismissed as the trial progressed. Sentence will be passed Tuesday.

Besides Hartzell, others convicted were: A. R. Gregory, Wenatchee, Wash.; Canfield Hartzell, New York, brother of Oscar; Joseph H. Hauber, Chicago; Emil R. Rochell, Madison, Wis.; Lester Ohmart, D. C. Short and Otto Yant, all of Chicago.

HOFFMAN STIRS IRE OF PARTY BACKERS

G. O. P. May Ask Him to Explain Bruno Stand.

By United Press

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 1.—The Republican state committee may call upon Gov. Harold G. Hoffman to explain his activities in the Lindbergh case, it was reported today. The committee controls the organization upon which Hoffman is dependent for suppoprt.

The committee held a secret meeting last night at the home of Henry W. Jeffers, its chairman. It was reported that some members favored asking Gov. Hoffman if he intended putting Col. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, state police commander, on the political "spot" by throwing back the Lindbergh case to his organization.

Col. Schwarzkopf's term expires in the spring. He was appointed by Mr. Hoffman's predecessor, a Democrat.

The committee was reported to be considerably alarmed at what was described as an increasingly chaotic condition in the state party organization due to Gov. Hoffman's intervention in the case and his reprieve to Bruno Richard Hauptmann.

3000 Italians Killed in Battle, Ethiopians Claim

By United Press

ADDIS ABABA, Feb. 1.—An official communique asserted today that 3000 Italians were killed in a battle on the northern front that started Jan. 21 and ended Thursday.

The first communique asserted that a Fascist blackshirt militia division was wiped out. A later one referred specifically to the "Fascist 28th of October brigade."

The Oct. 28 division is named in honor of the Fascist march on Rome—the most important date in Fascist history.

About 5000 Italians were wounded, the communique said, and 18 tanks, 33 field guns, 175 machine guns, 2[illegible]5 rifles and many prisoners were captured.

Ethiopian losses were estimated at 1200 killed or wounded.

"A formidable group of Italians, under Gen. Diamanti, was annihilated along with the Fascist Twenty-eighth of October brigade," the communique said.

The theater of action was given by the communique as north of Abbi Addi, which is in the Tembien region northwest of Makale, peak of the Italian front.

Italians Deny Report

By United Press

ROME, Feb. 1.—An Italian official spokesman today characterized as "false and absurd" reports from Addis Ababa that a Blackshirt division had been wiped out with losses of 3000 men.

INFLATION DRIVE OPENS; ROOSEVELT WILL FIGHT FOR NEW TAXES, SAY AIDS

SAFETY DRIVES ARE LAUNCHED IN CITY, STATE

Concerted Campaign Opens, City Woman Tenth Fatality of 1936.

While city and state agencies moved toward a concerted campaign to reduce traffic accidents and fatalities by safety drives, Mrs. Gladys Surber, 39, of 906 N. Dearborn-st, became the tenth person to die in Marion County traffic this year.

Mrs. Surber died in City Hospital of injuries received Nov. 25 when she was struck by an auto driven by Benjamin Rader, 930 Camp-st, at 10th and Dearborn-sts.

Dr. Silas J. Carr, City Council Safety Committee chairman, today advocated the purchase of 15 light roadster autos for traffic policemen instead of that many motorcycles, because of what he claims are unreasonable prices submitted by motorcycle dealers.

Traffic Officers Shifted

"The city," he said, "could save about $200 a unit on the roadsters and have a trade-in value when they are no longer useful for traffic patrol.

"Two companies have a monopoly on motorcycles, and for that reason demand high prices. This city doesn't choose to be held up. The roadsters would be a lot safer, besides."

Meanwhile, Chief Morrissey today shifted all traffic policemen to unfamiliar beats for the avowed purpose of relieving the officers of the "embarrassments" of having to deny old acquaintances the favor of fixing a traffic sticker.

It was a move in connection with the department's announcement that from now on there will be no fixing of the stickers, and that every one who gets one for violating a traffic law must hereafter make a cash instead of an evasive settlement.

Also in line with the campaign of safety, a statewide drive was launched last night at a meeting in the Board of Trade library.

Two Injured Critically

Representatives of more than 50 organizations and industries met with Reginald H. Sullivan, former mayor, as chairman, and decided to appoint an executive committee to perfect plans for organization.

Among the speakers were Gov. McNutt, Donald F. Stiver, State Safety Director; Chief Morrissey; Capt. Lewis Johnson, head of the city police traffic division; William A. Evans of the school board, and Joseph A. Crawley, WPA engineer.

John Crawford, 45, of 355 Lansing-st, was struck and critically injured by an auto driven by Harry Ferris, 43, of 1469 N. Alabama-st in the 900 block W. New York-st last night. Mr. Crawford was pushing a baby carriage filled with coal in the street.

Joe Kirkham, 38-year-old WPA worker, was injured critically this morning when he was struck by a truck as he was shoving a push-cart in the street at Davidson and New York-sts.

John C. Johnson, 31, of 1448 Elbert-st, truck driver, said he failed to see Kirkham. Injured internally, Kirkham was sent to City Hospital. He lives at 228 Minerva-st.

ROOSEVELT TOPS IN IOWA, STOKES SAYS

AAA Decision Solidified Him With State's Farmers.

BY THOMAS L. STOKES
Times Special Writer

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 1.—The name of Franklin D. Roosevelt is still one to conjure with in Iowa.

The grumbling of the business element which rises elsewhere is not so noticeable here, for Iowa is predominantly agricultural and the heart of the farmer out in the corn rows—now buried under several inches of snow—still beats warmly for the man in the White House.

Mr. Roosevelt's strength appears to have been solidified by the Supreme Court decision which killed AAA, and the state's 13 electoral votes should be chalked down in the Roosevelt column in November.

The New Deal influence may sweep out of public life at the same time a former idol of Iowa, Senator Lester J. Dickinson, the white-haired orator who has raised his voice so often against the Roosevelt regime.

The Senator is up for re-election

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BLAST INJURIES FATAL

Young Mechanic Seventh Victim of Pendleton Explosion.

By United Press

PENDLETON, Ind., Feb. 1.—Total fatalities from an explosion which destroyed Pendleton's town hall, Jan. 9, reached seven today with the death of Frank Eakes, 24-year-old mechanic. Eakes died last night of burns suffered in the blast.

20 ARE HURT IN OHIO HEAD-ON TRAIN CRASH

Only One Reported Injured Seriously; One Hoosier Wounded.

By United Press

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 1.—Head-on collision of two passenger trains on a trestle near the river front injured at 20 persons, most of them Negro train employes, today.

Only one was believed injured seriously. He was Anthony Netherland, 59, Negro waiter, of Knoxville, Tenn., who received possible skull fracture and spinal injuries. Among the others hurt was Walter Mucker, 19, Negro waiter, New Albany, Ind.

The Chesapeake & Ohio's Sportsman, bound for Washington, crashed into the Southland of the Louisville & Nashville line, pulling into Cincinnati from Florida.

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BULLETIN

By United Press

ROANN, Ind., Feb. 1.—One member of the crew was killed and another was burned critically today when a northbound Pennsylvania freight train jumped the rails at a grade crossing here and plunged into a ravine.

James Branonan, 60, Logansport, engineer, was crushed to death beneath the wreckage. Salvage crews were unable to reach his body immediately.

Will Widner, 40, fireman, was taken to a Logansport hospital, suffering from burns about the head and face. He also is from Logansport.

The 13-car train was loaded with coal for Fort Wayne.

COUNTY STOCK THIEVES HUNTED

Gang Reported to Have Raided Farm, Taken 90 Shoats.

Sheriff Ray today conferred with sheriffs of neighboring counties and the Indiana State Police to formulate a plan for the capture of thieves who are looting farms of livestock.

First intimation of the band's invasion of Marion County came yesterday when M. L. Alston reported that 90 shoats, valued at between $12 and $15 each, were slaughtered in their pens at the farm, R. R. A-1, first house north of The Trees on the Michigan-rd.

Equipped with a truck, the band invaded the farm when the family was away Thursday night, butchered the pigs, loaded them on the truck and drove away.

Sheriff Ray was not informed of the theft until noon yesterday, but he notified all packing houses in Indianapolis and neighboring towns to hold any one offering butchered pork for sale under suspicious circumstances.

He pointed out that the band has copied western methods, where even airplanes have been used by cattle rustlers. Several western states have enacted special laws in an effort to curb wholesale theft of livestock.

The sheriff and officials of other counties believe that the band is nomadic and there is evidence that it has been working for some time in southern counties. This is the first time an invasion has been reported this far north.

POPE PIUS SUFFERS FROM SLIGHT COLD

Illness Not Serious, Vatican Reports Emphasize.

By United Press

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 1.—Pope Pius has been suffering from what is described as a slight cold since Thursday, and has canceled public audiences. It was emphasized that the illness is not serious and that the Pope is not confined to bed.

The Pope has received a few callers in his private apartment, it is understood. But he was persuaded to let Cardinal Pacelli, his secretary of state, act for him yesterday at the unveiling of a monument to St. Giovanni Bosco, founder of the Salesian order, at St. Peter's.

The Pope was dissuaded from attending so that he would not expose himself to draughts. He was expected to remain in his apartment today but it was hoped he could attend the Candlemass ceremony in the Sistine Chapel tomorrow.

Pope Pius is 78. A former mountain climbing enthusiast, his health has been vigorous despite his age. He was elected Pope Feb. 6, 1922.

TWO FRAUD SUSPECTS CONFINED AT CHICAGO

Stern & Co. Defendants Are to Be Brought Here for Trial.

Albert Teeman and Morris Nieman, defendants in the Stern & Co. mail fraud case, today are under arrest in Chicago, Val Nolan, district attorney, announced.

Apprehended by postal inspectors yesterday, they are to be brought here for trial in Federal Court Feb. 10. Eleven defendants in the case against the Indianapolis investment house now are under arrest and four are at liberty, Mr. Nolan said. Those still, at large are Earl Warren George S. Hoague, Albert H. Peterbin and Myrtle Carbaugh.

Patman Campaign Doomed, Claim Leaders of Administration.

CONFERENCE IS CALLED

President Is Forced Into Difficult Position by Revenue Need.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Congressional inflationists sought union today in an impassioned drive to force President Roosevelt to start the presses going on $7,000,000,000 in new money. They hoped to take advantage of the Administration's pressing need for new revenues.

Rep. Wright Patman (D., Tex.), summoned House inflationists of every type to a conference, hoping to form an irresistible coalition. He and his colleagues faced the strongest opposition the Administration could muster. Leaders believed the movement foredoomed to failure.

The coalition would include particularly the farm bloc seeking inflation through the Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage bill. It also would include those who wish to issue currency against the gold and silver reserves of the Treasury, and those who wish to pay the soldiers' bonus with printing press money.

Clashes With Administration Plans

The drive clashed sharply with Administration plans for new taxes and additional Federal borrowing to plug the $3,000,000,000 gap torn in the President's budget by bonus and proposed farm legislation.

Unbudgeted bonus and farm relief expenditures have created an immediate demand for increased Federal funds. Mr. Roosevelt has indicated he prefers to tax and borrow. A powerful congressional minority wants to inflate.

A majority of Congress is opposed to new taxation, and leaders say a flat Administration demand would be necessary to start action.

F. D. R. Can Issue Money

President Roosevelt has authority to issue $7,000,000,000 in new currency through:

Printing of $3,000,000,000 in United States notes, or "greenbacks," authorized under the Thomas amendment to the AAA act in 1933.

Issuance of $2,200,000,000 in silver certificates against present idle silver in the Treasury through devaluation of the silver dollar to 50 per cent of its present value.

Coining of $1,808,000,000 in new money by devaluing the gold dollar to 50 per cent of its former content from the present 59.06 per cent.

Despite congressional efforts to force the President to use his inflationary powers, it was emphasized in responsible quarters that the Administration has no intention of permitting monetary inflation in the place of new taxes.

Seek to Prevent Rider

In an effort to prevent a House inflationary rider on the $2,237,000,000 bonus appropriation the Senate Appropriations Committee, in reporting out the deficiency and independent offices appropriations bills, instructed Senator James Byrnes (D., S. C.) to offer the supplemental bonus estimates to one of the bills on the Senate floor.

This maneuver, Senator Carter Glass (D., Va.) said, would prevent House inflationists from attaching their inflationary rider when the bonus appropriation reaches that body. The vote would be on acceptance or rejection of Senate amended bills already passed by the House.

President Roosevelt, faced with a $35,000,000,000 public debt in the next fiscal year, urged fiscal agents to plumb every revenue source for taxes variously estimated between $600,000,000 and $800,000,000 a year.

In official quarters it was said that as much as $500,000,000 would be needed to finance the Administration farm program, and another $230,000,000 to begin amortization of the bonus debt.

Expansionists' Views

Supporters of currency expansion held there was at least $5,500,000,000 in idle gold and silver in the Treasury which could be converted itno cash to cover:

1. The estimated $2,237,000,000 bonus payments.

2. The $500,000,000 annual farm program costs.

3. The $3,000,000,000 estimated cost of the Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage refinancing bill.

Meanwhile, an appropriation of $12,278,375 was written into the independent offices supply bill by the Senate Appropriations Committee to cover administrative expenses of bonus payments.

Such a move faced opposition from House inflationists, who fear it may deprive them of the opportunity of killing a bonus appropriation and substituting for it the direct inflation method of payment.

Warnings came from congressional liberals that regardless of what form a new tax bill takes they are prepared to offer various amendments of far-reaching character.