

Payroll Boosts Make Up Most of City Budget Hike

Ask Wage Rises, New Employees

A FOURTH round of wage increases appears to be in the making at City Hall in the 1950 municipal budget submitted to City Council last week by Mayor Feeney and City Controller Philip Bayt.

This, plus the addition of 143 employees to the 422 authorized by the current budget, will increase the over-all municipal payroll by \$672,028.15 — more than two-thirds of the total budget increase of \$962,886 requested next year.

The proposed budget would increase the payroll alone from \$9,584,414.10 in the current budget to \$10,256,442.25, a 7 per cent jump. The payroll raise accounts for most of the 16-cent hike in the tax rate Mr. Bayt and the Mayor have proposed.

ANALYSIS of the budget proposal shows that wage increases are split, rather than general. It is evident they were suggested by individual department heads. They do not reflect any policy by the mayor and controller, although these officials approved them.

The exception to this is a 5-cent hourly increase for all laborers paid at an hourly rate.

A breakdown of the proposed \$672,028.15 payroll rise shows that \$255,799.60 of it is budgeted for the 143 new jobs which have been created to raise the city hall working force from 422 to 436.

The bulk of it — \$416,228.55 — is in salary increases for existing jobs. There is one exception. It is a \$1,200 increase in the salary of a non-existent executive secretary to the Mayor from \$3600 to \$4800 annually.

The Mayor believes the increase will attract a competent person to the job which he has determined in the second year of his administration to be vital.

THE MAYOR also proposes to create the position of personnel director at \$6000 a year. For this job and the \$4800 executive secretary openings, he has received several hundred applications.

The personnel directorship is a post recommended by a citizens' committee and was suggested several years ago by a survey of municipal personnel which cost the city \$10,000. The survey has been lost, but those who recall reading it say it recommended a personnel director.

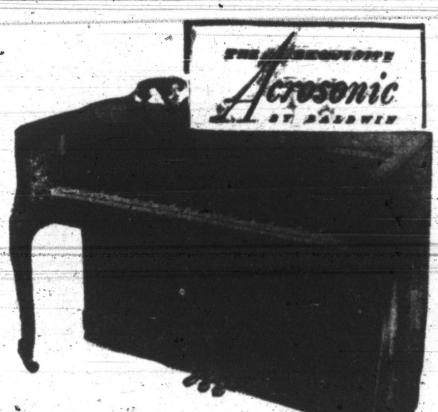
Except for employees and executives whom the mayor himself hired, personnel work at City Hall was handled up to a year ago by Harry Gasper, Eighth Ward Democratic chairman, who was on the payroll as the mayor's secretary at the time.

Mr. Gasper filled most of the minor jobs in the Hall from the patronage list of County Chairman Paul McDuff. Basis of employment by a new personnel director has not been made public.

NO INCREASE in the budgeted strength of the police and fire departments had been requested, but the largest number of new workers sought is 54 school guards who work under police supervision.

The additional guards who would be paid \$50 a month for nine months will bring the school guard strength from 75 to 129. They will relieve regular police who have been required to watch intersections at schools this year.

General Hospital has asked for 43 new employees, including 30 additional general duty nurses at salaries of \$2520 and \$2640 a year. It also has requested pay rises for nurses and technical personnel now employed. These proposals account for more than one-sixth of the overall payroll increase.



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TWO OF THE biggest salary increases are in the Board of Health in addition to the \$2000 raise asked by Dr. Kempf. A \$1000 annual raise is asked for Dr. John S. Stanley, director of preventive medicine, and \$1360 is asked for Jess Dunwoody, the city's veteran chief chemist.

Ernie Pyle's Father, Aunt Pleased by Hawaiian Rites

Times Staff Writer Returns to Indiana
To Tell of Reburial of Beloved Hoosier

By EDWIN C. HEINKE
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DANA, Ind., Aug. 6.—This was the end of my mission for Ernie Pyle's father, Will Pyle, and his aunt, Mrs. Mary Bayles. I came back today from the pineapple fields of Aloha, Oe to the land of soybeans in Indiana to tell them the story of Ernie's reburial at Honolulu.

Mr. Pyle and Aunt Mary couldn't go to the services held July 19 because of their age and because the trip would have been too long for them.

Mr. Pyle, who is 81, is practically blind and Aunt Mary, who is 83, broke her hip last December but both are getting along in fine fashion, thanks to the help of their friends and neighbors.

THEY HAD asked me to represent them so I promised when I came back I would come to Dana to tell them everything that had happened.

As we sat and talked in the living room of Ernie's old home, on the farm outside of Dana, the Rev. James Nell, pastor of the Dana Methodist Church, joined us.

Of course, they had read the details in the newspapers—but they wanted me to tell them again of the eternal sunshine of the Hawaiian Islands, the music and the beautiful flowers. They were especially grateful when I mentioned the wreaths I had placed at Ernie's casket. One was a wreath of orchids for Aunt Mary and Mr. Pyle and the other was a wreath of roses from his friends on the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

I TOLD them that the civilian and military services had been

Son's Birth Breaks
Mother's Vigil at
Dying Girl's Bed

OMAK, Wash., Aug. 6 (UPI)—A grief-stricken young mother gave birth to a boy today, breaking her almost constant week-long vigil by the bedside of a dying daughter.

Mrs. Lovella Galentine, 29, wife of a dairy employee, and her six-pound, five-ounce son was doing well, said attendants at Omak Memorial Hospital.

For a week, Mrs. Galentine and her husband, Eldon, have stayed close to the bedside of Laverne, 2½ year old daughter, who had cancer of the brain.

It was felt that the mother refused to leave the child's side even when doctors warned her that she should be in delivery. She finally was given a sedative and taken to a delivery room where the boy was born today. The couple has two other children.

Fire Destroys Barn
On Frenzel Farm

NOBLESVILLE, Aug. 6 (UPI)—Fire destroyed a large barn on a farm owned by Otto N. Frenzel, Indianapolis banker, today. Damage was estimated at \$30,000. The loss included 38 tons of baled hay, two tractors, 1000 bushels of oats and farm implements.

Carmel firemen fought the blaze. The farm is located in southwestern Hamilton County.

Polio Presses Red Cross to Supply Nurses

Nation-Wide Plea Made to Meet Epidemic Need

The American Red Cross is being "hard pressed" to find enough nurses for Indiana and other states with polio epidemics.

Officials issued a nation-wide appeal for volunteer nurses yesterday. They said the Red Cross has a backlog of about 100 unfilled requests for nurses.

And additional requests are coming into headquarters daily.

In Indiana, Red Cross officials are faced with the problem of recruiting polo nurses in an almost barren area. Virtually all of the available nurses have volunteered for duty.

25 Recruited

The Indianapolis chapter already has recruited 52 nurses locally for polo work in Riley, Long and Methodist, and the National Red Cross has sent in 22 from eastern cities.

Should the number of cases in local hospitals increase at the same rate as in the west, weeks, the need for polo nurses will reach an "unprecedented peak," Red Cross sources said.

Many Volunteer

All available Marion County nurses not regularly employed have already volunteered for polo duty. The ability of the National Red Cross to supply nurses from presidents to school children, from West Branch, Ia., his birthplace, to Helsinki, Finland, will return to the campus of his alma mater, Leland Stanford University, near his home in Palo Alto, Cal., where he will deliver a birthday speech "of major national importance" after an anniversary party in the Hoover Library on War Revolution and Peace.

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Still Exerts Influence

Miner, engineer, top-ranking business executive, world traveler, Secretary of Commerce under two presidents and chief executive 1929 to 1932, he still exerts considerable influence not only in the enemies.

In recognition of Mr. Hoover's

Hoover to Observe His 75th Birthday In Palo Alto Amid World's Acclaim

4 Networks to Carry Important Speech

By LUCIEN CARR
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Aug. 6—The sun shone brightly into the autumn of Herbert Clark Hoover's life today.

As the world prepared to celebrate his 75th birthday anniversary next Wednesday, it was learned that Mr. Hoover, the only living ex-President of the United States, recently had been offered but turned down the honor of serving as New York State's interim Senator.

When Robert F. Wagner (D. N. Y.) resigned from the Senate because of illness, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey offered the seat to Mr. Hoover, who maintains a residence in New York City's Waldorf Towers. Although he has long believed that the constitution should be amended to provide all former Presidents with a Senate seat, Mr. Hoover refused Gov. Dewey's offer.

In Indiana, Red Cross officials are faced with the problem of recruiting polo nurses in an almost barren area. Virtually all of the available nurses have volunteered for duty.

The appointment tendered by Gov. Dewey was good only until a special election to be held in New York next November. Mr. Hoover indicated to friends he might have taken the job if it had been for a longer term. John Foster Dulles was named to fill the Senate vacancy.

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Herbert Hoover

31st President Hailed For Humanitarianism

work as chairman of President Truman's Emergency Farm Commission in 1946 when he made a whirlwind 33-day airplane journey conferring with officials in 22 famine-stricken countries on three continents. Ernest Reuter, mayor of Western Berlin, sent a cable of congratulations to Mr. Hoover saying:

"There are thousands and thousands of children who have been saved from starvation and illness by the great humanitarian work you initiated and which will be remembered as an act of unique generosity."

Informal observances are planned in the schools of scores of German cities and towns.

And from the Russian sphere praises and thanks have come also. From Finland the Finland Relief Organization sent a message of thanks on behalf of the thousands of Finns Mr. Hoover helped after the first and second world wars.

In London, Lord Cecil, honorary life president of the United Nations Association, Assistant Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and 1918 Nobel Prize winner, commented on Mr. Hoover's anniversary this way:

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