

General Fund Expenditures For Fiscal Year Announced

State Controller Harry B. Riley today announced that the General Fund cash excess over current obligations on Oct. 31, 1945 was \$89,326,507, as compared with an excess of \$102,043,870 at the end of the preceding month and an excess of \$68,423,874 on Oct. 31, 1944.

The present cash excess, said Riley, represents a decrease of \$12,717,363 under the excess of Sept. 30, 1945. Of this decrease, \$12,720,193 represents the excess of October, 1945, governmental cost expenditures over October revenue; this amount being partially offset by \$2,830 in miscellaneous nonrevenue receipts, leaving the net decrease in the cash excess.

General Fund revenues deposited in the State Treasury during the first four months of the 97th fiscal year totaled \$97,441,661, an increase of \$25,830,617 over collections for the same period last year.

The major increases in revenue occurred in the retail sales and use taxes, \$16,471,701; inheritance taxes, \$2,606,438; liquor taxes and licenses, \$1,948,750; and bank corporation franchise and corporation income taxes, \$1,381,421. These, together with other smaller increases, were practically offset by decreases in other revenues, resulting in a net total increase of \$25,830,617.

General Fund expenditures during the first four months of the 97th fiscal year as announced by Riley, totaled \$150,677,932—a decrease of \$7,949,422 under expenditures for the same period last year.

The major decrease in expenditures resulted from a smaller total of special transfers from the General Fund by legislative enactments during the first four months of the 97th fiscal year than during the same period last year. The 1945 Legislature, with the approval of the Governor, authorized the following transfers from the General Fund, which were effected during the months of September and October, 1945: To the Postwar Employment Reserve Fund, \$500,000; to the Postwar Unemployment and Construction—Fund, \$90,000,000; to the Bond Sinking Fund of 1945, \$11,651,490; and to the Highway Fund, \$12,000,000. These transfers were partially offset by the return to the General Fund of \$25,000,000 transferred to the War Catastrophe Reserve Fund during the prior year. The net total of these special transfers made during the first four months of the 97th fiscal year was \$18,908,510 less than the total of comparable transfers made during the same period last year. This, together with other smaller decreases, was partially offset by increases in expenditures for other functions, resulting in the net total decrease of \$7,949,422.

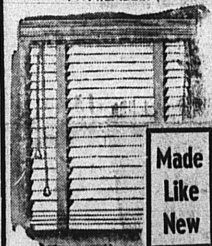
State's Annual Revenue Gain 5.53 Percent

California's combined revenues from all sources for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1945, reached an all-time high of \$422,862,029, having increased \$22,170,371, or 5.53%, over the \$400,691,658 collected during the preceding fiscal year.

The greatest single source of revenue was the retail sales and use tax, which yielded \$150,314,238 in 1944-45—an increase of \$15,227,896, or 11.27%, over the preceding fiscal year.

The second largest item of revenue was the bank and corporation franchise tax, which produced \$57,647,503—a decrease of \$9,646,031, or 14.33%. This was followed by the personal income tax, which produced \$47,133,088; motor vehicle fuel taxes and licenses, \$45,497,791; alcohol beverage revenue, \$25,785,527; motor vehicle fees and licenses, \$16,292,882; motor vehicle license fees ("in lieu" tax), \$15,448,927; insurance companies taxes, \$11,643,518; inheritance taxes, \$9,833,490; and horse racing revenue, \$7,142,622.

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What All Drivers Should Know

Prepared By The Department of Motor Vehicles

Directions: These questions are official and the same you are asked when you apply for your Driver's License. Test your knowledge by marking yes or no in the space at the end of the line. Correct answers printed below.

1. If you come to a school bus stopped on the opposite side of the highway outside a business or residence district for passengers, must you stop your vehicle before passing?.....
2. At a stop sign where the crossroad is clear of traffic, may you pass without stopping so long as you shift to second gear and slow down?.....
3. Must you wear glasses at all times while driving, if your driver's license is so restricted?.....
4. May you cross to the left side of the highway and pass another car if you are coming to a blind curve, top of a hill, or intersection?.....
5. According to the Basic Speed Law of California, may you be speeding if you are driving slower than the posted speed limits?.....
6. When you intend to turn right must you warn other drivers by holding your left arm up outside the car?.....

Answers:
1. Yes. You may then proceed past the bus at a speed not greater than 10 miles per hour, with due caution for the safety of pedestrians. (Section 533 Vehicle Code)
2. No. You must stop your vehicle before entering the crossroad or intersection and proceed only when it is safe to do so. (Section 577 Vehicle Code)
3. Yes. Failure to observe license restrictions is grounds for suspension or revocation of your driver's license, also it is a driving privilege, punishable by a maximum penalty of \$500 fine and six months in jail. (Section 273(c) Vehicle Code)
4. No. You must wait until you can see sufficient clear road ahead to permit passing in safety. (Section 530 Vehicle Code)
5. Yes. Under the Basic Speed Law no person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent having due regard for traffic and road conditions. (Section 510 Vehicle Code)
6. Yes. Such signal must be given continuously during the last 50 feet before turning, in the event any other vehicle may be affected by such movement. (Section 544 Vehicle Code)

Harbor Defense Of Navy Dept. Decommissioned
A war-time harbor defense today had been scrapped in a peace-time move.
All Naval defenses, except a mine disposal squad, thrown up to protect Los Angeles shipping during the last three years, were decommissioned and placed on the inactive list last week.
More than 2500 officers and men of the harbor defense were awaiting transfers and discharges following the action.
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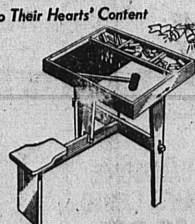
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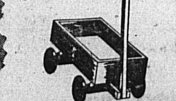
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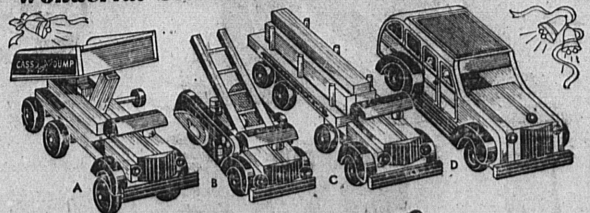
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