



GOVERNORS BUDGET CALLS FOR MANY TAX INCREASES

by Vern Sanford, Austin, Texas -- Gov. Preston Smith handed the 61st Legislature a \$261.5 million new revenue program to balance his general revenue budget recommendations totalling more than \$1.4 billion.

Reaction varied widely, though few expect the \$148.8 million direct biennial tax bill submitted by the governor in his message to the joint session will pass as proposed. Ninety percent of \$138 mil-

lion in general fund spending which Smith recommended over the Legislative Budget Board's \$1.1 billion appropriations bill would go to education. Teacher pay raised -- \$1,266 a year for B. A. teachers and \$1,580 for M. A. holders -- would take \$200 million over two years. Smith suggested ways in which the extra money could be raised, some of them already controversial.

One of those was the so-called "Cavness plan", advocated years ago by former State Auditor C. H. Cavness and now sponsored by his son, Rep. Don Cavness of Austin.

It proposes to divert all but 27 1/2 percent of the revenues from the public school lands into day-by-day state aid to schools. This would pull an estimated \$71.6 million in two years which otherwise would go into the permanent school fund. Under present law, all the income from school oil and gas leases goes into the permanent fund and is invested. Income from the investments is distributed among schools on a per capita basis.

Land Commissioner Jerry Sadler and the School Board have come out against the proposal to spend 72 1/2 per cent of the income.

Smith's other revenue proposals are these:

*An increase from 11 to 14 cents a package in taxes on cigarettes, to raise \$45 million in two years.

*An increase in the tax on other tobacco products, to raise \$6 million.

*Extension of the sales tax to cover services such as laundry, dry cleaning, repairs, parking and cable TV, to raise \$48.8 million.

*Extension of the sales tax to cover wine, beer and liquor, to raise \$40 million.

*Extension of the sales tax to the purchase of cars and other equipment bought for rental purposes, to raise \$9 million.

*Putting an additional state fine of \$10 on all moving traffic law violation cases, to raise \$38.5 million.

*Raise notary, corporation

charter and uniform commercial code fees, to raise \$2.6 million.

*Increase fees paid to the Secretary of State, to raise \$2.6 million.

*Remainder of Smith's revenue would come from the \$58.5 million surplus.

Governor urged the following for education in addition to the teacher pay hike:

Vocational-technical education improvements totalling \$25 million more than previously recommended; \$12 million to hire more teacher aides; \$16 million increase for special education of handicapped; \$5 million to conduct a pilot eight-week optional summer school program; \$3.3 million for

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Rites Held For Life-Long Resident of Coryell County

Funeral services for Mrs. J. N. (Jim) Franks of Gatesville were held at Scott's Chapel Saturday, at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Bob Richmond officiated. Burial was in Restland Cemetery. Mrs. Franks died at her home Thursday. She was 79.

Mrs. Franks, the former Nettie Powell, was born in Oklahoma and came to the Fort Gates community near Gatesville as a child with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Powell. She married J. N. Franks April 7, 1912. They moved from Fort Gates to Gatesville in 1920. Mr. Franks died in 1965. Mrs. Franks was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Surviving are one son, Marvin Franks of McCamey; two daughters, Mrs. Louis Newman and Mrs. Bill Brazier, both of Gatesville; one brother, Hugh Powell of Gatesville; three sisters, Mrs. Felix Pollard of Oglesby, Mrs. Johnny Milstead of Gatesville and Miss Maude Powell of Gatesville; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Twelve GSSB Escapees Over Weekend

Nine GSSB youths escaped custody at 8:15 p.m., Saturday. All were returned to the State School by noon, Sunday.

Six of the Saturday escapees were captured by state school employees two miles north of the school, within 30 minutes.

Police Chief, Gene Goins apprehended one of the Saturday escapees at 10th and Main Street in Gatesville at approximately 7:30 p.m. The remaining two were captured near Pecan Grove around noon Sunday and returned to the school.

Sunday morning at 7:00 a.m., three GSSB youths escaped. The three were captured at Jack Healers gasoline station in Gatesville at 8:00 a.m., Sunday and returned to the school. School officials estimate escapees can cover the distance from the School complex to Gatesville in ten minutes. Popular avenues of escape are the river and east across open ground.

Each time escapes occur, many man-hours, vehicle expenses, vehicle depreciation, and other expenses are incurred. No calculation are available as to cost per escape.

Monday Rites Held For R. A. Whisenhunt

Funeral services for Rupert Arthur Whisenhunt, were held February 24 at 4:00 p.m. at the East Main Church of Christ with Minister Max T. Neel, assisted by Minister Roland McLean, officiating, with burial in Ater Cemetery.

Mr. Whisenhunt died in a local convalescent home on February 23. He was 75. Mr. Whisenhunt was born in De Queen, Arkansas and moved to Coryell County at the age of six years. He and his family settled in the Ater-Levita Community. He moved to Ater in 1942 and to Gatesville in 1958. He was a farmer and member of the Church of Christ. He was married to the former Effie Irene Davis, who survives him.

Other survivors include three sons, Lawrence Whisenhunt, of Big Springs, Harold Whisenhunt of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Troy Whisenhunt of Turnersville; one daughter, Mrs. Morris Henderson of Crane; three brothers, Roy Whisenhunt of Hallsville, Ruel Whisenhunt of Ater and Claude Whisenhunt of the State of Washington; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Ballard of Houston and Mrs. Pearl Bouillon of Baytown and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jo Dean Whisenhunt.

Elkettes Stop Meridian Win District 20-B

The Evant Elkettes, surprised by Meridian in their last regular season contest, were too accurate and too strong defensively for the formidable Meridian Yellowjackets in Friday night's district 20-B play-off game.

In the season closer, Meridian exploded in the last quarter for 18 points, twelve of which came from the free throw line.

Evant coach, Ronnie Walls, pointed to the lack of fouls by the Elkettes as the key to the play-off victory.

The Elkettes and Jackets played an extremely close first



Anne Adams driver to the (basket) in the third quarter of Friday night's play-off game at GHS gym. Adams scored 11 points.



JAYCEE WIFE OF YEAR

Mrs. Linda Sue Ament was honored as Jaycee Wife of the Year at a meeting at the Chateau Ville Restaurant, Thursday night.

Mrs. Pat Worthington, president of the club for 1968-69 presented Mrs. Ament with a silver charm in honor of her award.

Girl Scout Cookie Sale Begins Saturday

The 12th annual Bluebonnet Girl Scout Council cookie sale will be held February 28-March 8. Six thousand girls in thirteen Central Texas counties will be selling cookies during these dates to raise money for the maintenance and improvements of their Girl Scout camps Camp Howdy, Bryan, and Camp Kachina, Lake Belton. Their goal is to sell 140,000 boxes

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Spec. 5 Falkenberg On Hospital Staff

CAMP EVANS, VIETNAM--Army Specialist Five Ronald L. Falkenberg, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Falkenberg, 908 Morris Drive, Copperas Cove, Texas, was assigned Jan. 23 to the 18th Surgical Hospital, Camp Evans, Vietnam, as a senior ward specialist.

His wife, Nancy, lives at 1103 South 9th Street.

Commissioners Purchase New Vehicles

Monday, County Commissioners accepted bids on three new vehicles at their regular meeting.

Purchased for Precinct 1 was a Ford two ton truck at a cost of \$3295 from Miller Motor Company of Gatesville. A 1/2 ton Chevrolet pick-up was bought from Connell Chevrolet in Copperas Cove at a cost of \$1760 for Precinct 2. A 1/2 ton Chevrolet pick-up was purchased for Precinct 3 at a cost of \$1,769.55 from Powell Chevrolet of Gatesville.

Turnersville Chili Supper Draws Crowd of Near 200

Approximately 200 people turned out for the chili supper in Turnersville, Friday night, to turn the affair into a community "family reunion."

"Regardless of rain or shine," one spokesman declared, "we had a wonderful night and it was enjoyed by one and all, from the babies to several between 75 and 80 years of age."

The affair was scheduled to raise funds to pay the utilities for the Community Center, the former gymnasium of Turnersville School. Approximately \$125 was brought into

C.T.P.C. To Organize Law Enforcement Council

The Central Texas Planning Commission (CTPC) has organized the Central Texas Law Enforcement Council in a six county area including Coryell.

The CTPC passed a resolution late last week to organize the Law Enforcement Council. The resolution states the purpose of the Council, "to avail the Central Texas Region of the benefits of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, which provides for increased Federal Aid to State and Local law enforcement agencies through a comprehensive program of planning, grants, action grants, and research, demonstration and education aid designed to strengthen and improve the nation's crime control effectiveness."

The Law Enforcement Council will consist of representatives from each county, incorporated city, school district, college, military, and Texas Youth Council facilities, reported Judge Norman Storm, vice president of the CTPC.

An organization meeting for CWO Lary Serving Aboard USS Ranger

USS RANGER at sea--Navy Chief Warrant Officer Weldon J. Lary, son of Mr. and Mrs. George G. Lary of Route 3, Gatesville, Texas, and husband of the former Miss Nancy A. Barty of Route 2, Fallon, Nevada, is serving aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Ranger off the coast of Vietnam. The Ranger returned to the line after a five-day visit to the British crown colony of Hong Kong.

Ranger crewmembers were able to enjoy sightseeing and shopping in the famous city before the carrier returned to the Gulf of Tonkin to assume its duties in support of U. S. and Allied ground Forces in South Vietnam.

In addition to supporting friendly forces, Ranger's Carrier Air Wing Two also flies unarmed reconnaissance missions over North Vietnam.

the Law Enforcement Council has been called for today at the Cowhouse Motor Inn in Killeen. The noon luncheon will be presided over by Killeen Mayor, R. C. Adams, who will chairmen the new council.

The Council will be responsible for planning, action and evaluation of all activities pertaining to crime prevention or reduction and enforcement of the criminal law in our region.

School Superintendent, L. C. McKamie, Mayor Bob Miller and GSSB Superintendent, M. B. Kendrick all had not made appointments of representation to the Council organization meeting in Killeen, at last report Monday. None of the three officials had received from the Regional Planning Commission request for appointments to the Council.

Pvt. Slone Now

Serving in Vietnam

PHU THANH VALLEY, VIETNAM -- Army Private First Class James L. Slone, 21, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Slone Jr., and wife, Chyrl, live on Star Route, E. 5th, Texas, was assigned Jan. 12 to the 578th Signal Company near Phu Thanh, Vietnam, as a construction lineman.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Babies

Baby girl born February 18 at 5:45 p.m. to Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Coward, of Gatesville.

Baby girl born February 21 at 6:03 p.m. to Mr. and Mrs. David Allen, Temple.

Baby girl born February 21 at 11:45 p.m. to Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Robles, of Gatesville.

Patients

Mrs. Jesse Bishop
Dan McCowan
Alex Campbell
Mrs. Cecil Woodson
Mrs. Ada Stewart
Mrs. Nelda Maxwell
Mrs. Susan Price
Mrs. Willie Deavers
U. L. Rhoads
Joe Edd Tatum
Gary Wheat
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Mrs. Melba Bird
Jim Comer
Mrs. J. C. Van
Miss Cornelia Johnson
Miss Johnnie Mitchell
Robert Fisher



The Turnersville Community Club sponsored a Chili Supper, Friday night at the Community Center in Turnersville to raise funds for operating expenses. Pictured above are left to right, Club Secretary, Mrs. Cliff Worthy, Mrs. Adriene Foote, Club President, Peck Thorp, Mrs. Peck Thorp and Mrs. Boyd Cheatham.

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272 Persons File For Social Security

During calendar year 1968, 272 persons filed formal applications for social security cash or Medicare benefits with our travelling representatives, Raymond Ward and Mrs. Sylvia Baird who visited Gatesville from the Temple social security office, Jack Calvert, district manager announced today.

In addition to that number, some 1,756 other persons contacted the social security representatives to inquire about benefits, to get an answer to their personal social security question, to apply for a social security card, or on some other social security business, Calvert added.

For the entire six-county area served by the Temple district office, 3,606 persons filed applications for benefits and 39,447 other persons conducted other social security business with the Temple office and their representatives.

The Temple social security office representatives visit Gatesville every Wednesday and may be contacted at the Courthouse between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

Former Oglesby

Resident Rites Today

Mrs. E. C. (Susan) Ward, 81, of Waco, died Sunday morning in a local hospital.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Herring Avenue Methodist Church with Dr. Sy Barcus and Rev. Quay Parmer officiating, burial in Post Oak Cemetery at Oglesby.

Mrs. Ward was born in Oglesby. She attended schools there. She married Civil Service employee, E. C. Ward in 1905 at Oglesby. He died in November of 1959.

She was a member of Herring Avenue Methodist Church since 1930, when she moved to Waco.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. L. B. Epps of Lake Jackson; three sons, Earl L. Ward, Lewis Ward both of Oglesby, Neil Ward of Irving; one brother, W. R. (Roy) Pennington of Gatesville; and nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Last Rites Held For

Mrs. R.R. Palmer

Mrs. Mary Glyn Palmer, of Flat, died in the local hospital on February 23, at the age of 72.

Services were held February 24 at Cold Springs Baptist Church with Rev. Ollie Williams officiating. Burial was in the Flint Creek Cemetery.

Mrs. Palmer was born at Flat and had lived in Coryell County all her life. She married R. R. (Jack) Palmer on August 21, 1916. She was a member of Cold Springs Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Fred N. Till of Enterprise, Alabama, Mrs. John W. Odom of Houston; three sisters, Mrs. Edwin Brazzil of Gatesville, Mrs. Fred Homan and Mrs. Allen Smith, both of Oglesby; three brothers, Henry Hamilton of McGregor, Lewis Hamilton of Moffat and Everett Hamilton of Oglesby; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

My Neighbors



"I take it you didn't care for my offer?"

COLLEGE BOUND

by Patricia Pirolli

Patricia Pirolli, graduate of Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois, and now an admissions counselor for the college, answers some typical questions by high school students about college.

Q. When is the best time to begin looking for a college?
 A. The best time is during your junior year in high school. This way, you and your parents can look at many schools before narrowing the decision down to three or four. Concentrate on these schools during your remaining year in high school,

and then make your final decision.

Q. Who should make the decision of what college I am to attend?
 A. Ultimately, the student should. After talking it over with your parents, your high school counselor, and a representative of the college, and carefully considering all other factors, you make the decision.

Q. Before I make up my mind, should I visit the campus?
 A. Definitely. Every campus has a different atmosphere, and you may not like it. The time to find out is before you arrive on campus to begin studies. At Monmouth, we encourage prospective students to come to the campus

for a day or so during the week so they can sit in on classes, visit the students on campus, and see the dormitories and general life of the school. We set up appointments to talk to professors and students during your visit. In this way, you are exposed to all factors of student life. I would encourage you to do this with any college you are seriously considering.

Q. My family's income is average. Will this keep me from attending my first choice college which is expensive?
 A. No. Many families cannot afford to pay college costs from savings or income. Therefore, most colleges have excellent financial aid programs offering scholarships, grants, loans and jobs. Today, the amount of financial aid awarded by a college is closely related to a student's need to attend that college. Contact the financial aid officer at the college of your choice for complete information.

Q. If I have a very detailed question about a college, who should I see?
 A. Your high school counselor will be able to help. Or you can ask your high school counselor how to contact the college's counselor. If you have a question about Monmouth College, I would be glad to help. Talk to your high school counselor and he will tell you how to reach me.

Cookie Sale,

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of cookies within the Council jurisdiction, Hill, Bell, Brazos, Falls, Bosque, Grimes, Coryell, Leon, McLennan, Madison, Limestone, Robertson, and Freestone Counties.

Improvements voted for Camp Kachina, Lake Belton, 1969, are two winterized multiple purpose lodges to be used for troop camping and summer camp staff at the Girl Scout campsite. Also planned for Camp Kachina is a commercial dishwasher. Camp Howdy plans to winterize a shelter at the Bryan site for winter troop campers.

The Girl Scout Cookies, which sell for 50¢ per box, other than applying on camp maintenance and improvements, will give to the Girl Scout troop 4¢ per box for troop program, 1/2¢ per box for restricted use of the Senior Girl Scout program in the Council to offer national and international opportunities to this program level of Scouting. The Girl Scouts selling cookies also may be awarded individual camper-ships to summer camp, Camp Kachina, depending upon the number of box sold individually.

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teacher sick leave; \$12 million more for junior colleges; \$3 million to develop regional educational closed circuit television systems; \$8.3 million each for new medical schools in Houston and Lubbock; \$7.3 million for new dental school in San Antonio; \$600,000 to expand Baylor dental and medical units and \$500,000 for studies measuring results of public education.

Governor thinks \$11.7 million more is needed for medical assistance programs; \$6.5 million for a 3.4 percent state employee pay raise; \$5 million more to pay employee group

insurance premium; \$2.2 million for his own office; \$1.8 million to implement water planning; \$200,000 for Water Rights Commission; \$200,000 each for urban studies at Arlington and Houston; \$300,000 for Parks and Wildlife Commission and \$300,000 for centralized services. Department of Public Safety would get \$8.5 million more from special funds to hire more personnel, build additional facilities and improve communications.

But on one of the big issues of the legislative session, increased appropriations for higher education, Smith stood pat with the Legislative Budget Board recommendations. This is \$73 million less on the

seven "formula" items. College presidents told the appropriations hearing that they simply cannot handle the flood of new students without the \$73 million.

On the proposals of Gov. John Connally's Committee on Public School Education for consolidation and tax equalization, Governor Smith drew a middle ground. He advocated a state stamp tax on real estate transactions as a way of studying the variation in assessment bases for local school tax purposes. He referred to the rural school consolidation proposals in critical terms, but did not come out against it or suggest to the Legislature any decision on the recommendations for consolidation.

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Washington Views and News

Our Committee has been holding regular sessions each morning. Early in the week we heard testimony on a permanent extension of the special children's milk bill which I introduced. I think it is clear that our special milk program has been good. It is indeed one of the few of our feeding programs which bears any special relation to malnutrition which everybody says is the really serious food problem in this country. I think it is much more important to make foods like milk available to children than it is for the government to assume the entire responsibility of providing foods of the recipient's choice for adults, as I understand

would get money through the sale of debentures and would make loans to rural telephone companies just as our Farm Credit Banks have made loans to farmers for land purchases, livestock, etc. Just as in the case of the Farm Credit Banks, the borrower would have to devote 5% of the loan to the purchase of stock, thus retiring the government capital.

The Land Bank System has been paid out for 20 years and at the beginning of this government capital so that today there is no government money in either the Land Banks, the Intermediate Credit Banks, the Production Credit Associations, or the Banks for Cooperatives. They are all wholly farmer-owned but they continue to render a great service without any cost whatever to the United States Government.

What we are asking in this legislation is to establish a similar banking system for our rural telephone system and to reduce their dependence upon direct government lending. Strange as it may seem the only witness to appear against this proposal was the representative of the private power companies, who said that it

would set a dangerous example which might be followed in the electric field. He then went on to say the whole system was bad and would not work. Obviously, if it will not work for the telephone system, the power companies need have no fear whatever that it would ever again be seriously proposed for the electric systems. It seems to me that the fact that the electric systems have seen fit to inject themselves so vigorously into the telephone business indicates that they feel sure that the bank will be a success, else why should they want to oppose it at all.

No final action will be taken on this bill until the new REA Administrator has been confirmed and has been given an opportunity to present his views, and the new Administration will be accorded a similar opportunity before action on the milk bill.

A Word from Austin



J. P. Word
Senator, District 12

Last week I introduced for Senate consideration a bill which would make it unlawful for any person with a malicious or mischievous intent, to trespass upon the property of another. Public, private, and business properties are covered in this bill.

SENATE BILL NO. 259 proposes an amendment to the section of the Texas Constitution dealing with licensed drivers. As the law now stands, a person of 15 years may apply for an instruction permit to drive on Texas highways if he has completed the classroom phase of a driver education program. However, he may drive only if someone 21 years of age or older accompanies him. My amendment would allow teen-aged drivers with instruction permits to be accompanied by licensed drivers under the age of 21 if these accompanying drivers were enrolled as students in a state approved driver education teacher preparation program. Colleges and universi-

ties in Texas have students enrolled in their driver education teacher preparation programs who are licensed drivers but who have not yet reached the age requirement of 21 years. This legislation is designed to remedy this situation.

CENTENNIAL FOOTBALL QUEEN—Along with Senator H. J. Blanchard, I asked the Senate to pass a resolution this week congratulating Miss Barbara Specht of New Braunfels on being selected as National Centennial Football Queen.

YOUTH AFFAIRS—My Senate Resolution No. 19 increasing the membership of the Citizens Advisory Committee to the Senate

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice of hearing for assessment for curb and gutter drainage outlets to the property and the owners of property abutting North 14th Street, North 17th Street, North 18th Street, North 19th Street and St. Louis Street, in the City of Gatesville Texas, to be held on Tuesday, March 11th 1969 at 7:30 p.m. at the City Hall in Gatesville Texas.

Be it resolved that the City of Gatesville, Texas, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Gatesville, Texas, deems it necessary to construct curb and gutters on 14th Street, 17th St., 18th St., 19th St. and St. Louis Street, and the cost of said construction charges be assessed against the abutting property owners which benefit thereof and payable in accordance with the estimated cost of said construction of \$1.40 per front foot plus \$0.75 additional for drive in footage. Said assessment to be assessed and charged against the following owners and property:

H. C. Calloway, Lut. Block 12, lots 6, 7 and part of 9, 159' @ \$1.40, \$222.60; Mary Dudley Brown, Lut. Block 13, lots 1 & 2, 169' @ \$1.40, \$236.60; Chas. McGowan Est., Lut. Block 13, Lot 3, 57' @ \$1.40, \$79.80; Jack Johnson, O. T. Addition, Block 78, pt. of lot 14, 60' @ \$1.40, \$84.00; Claude Johnson, O. T. Addition, Block 78, Lot part of 14 & 15, 63' @ \$1.40, \$88.20; Pearl Carter, O. T. Addition, Block 78, Part of lot 15, 81' @ \$1.40, \$113.40; G. R. Mayberry, O. T. Add., Block 78, Part of lot 16, 155' @ \$1.40, \$217.00; Hannah Henderson Estate, O. T. Add., Block 78, part of lot 16, 67' @ \$1.40, \$93.80; Raby Walker, Lut., Block 13, Part of lots 14 & 15, 50' @ \$1.40, \$70.00; A. W. Manning, Lut., Block 13, part of lots 14 & 15, 82' @ \$1.40, \$114.80; A. J. Kimmons, Lut. Add., Block 13 parts 14 & 15, 83' @ \$1.40, \$116.20; Myrtle Davenport, O. T. Addition, Block 109, Lot 3, 100' @ \$1.40, \$140.00; Mrs. G. T. Willis Estate (Bert Pollard), O. T. Add., Block 75, Lot 1, 110' @ \$1.40, \$154.00; Mrs. Mat Quicksall, O. T. Add., Block 75, part of lot 3, 78' @ \$1.40, \$109.20; Mrs. M. C. Fields, O. T. Add., Block 75 part of lot 3, 71' @ \$1.40, \$99.40; Mrs. Martha Beachley, O. T. Add., Block 75, Lot 4, 70' @ \$1.40, \$98.00; Mrs. Erine C. Whitt, O. T. Add., Block 78, Part of Lot 10, 121' @ \$1.40, \$169.40; J. E. Brazier, O. T. Add., Block 78, part of lots 11 & 12, 64' @ \$1.40, \$89.60; Jennie Woodall Estate, O. T. Add., Block 109, Lot 5, 115' @ \$1.40, \$161.00; Robert L. Brown, Flowers Add., Block 1 Part of Lot 12, 144' @ \$1.40, \$201.60; Chas W. Peltly, Flowers Add., Block 1 part of Lot 12, 70' @ \$1.40, \$98.00; Doll Snow, Racheal Dodd Add., Block 1, Lots 26 & 28, 108' @ \$1.40, \$151.20; Joe Snow, Flowers Add., Block 1, Lots 1 & 2B, 70' @ \$1.40, \$98.00; Ozel Wilkerson, Racheal Dodd Add., Block 1 Lot 24, 73' @ \$1.40, \$102.20; Gatesville Savings & Loan, Racheal Dodd, Block 1, Lot 22, 52' @ \$1.40, \$72.80; James Taylor, Racheal

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Youth Affairs Committee from six to nine members was passed by the Senate this week. The increase in membership of this group allowed the appointment of Judge Truman E. Roberts of Hamilton to the committee.

GOVERNOR PROPOSES budget—Governor Preston Smith addressed a joint session of the Legislature last week and presented his budget. The Governor recommended a program for raising \$95 million a year in new state revenue through new fees and taxes on cigarettes, liquor, beer, services, equipment rentals and traffic tickets. Governor Smith proposed expenditures calling for \$195 million annually in additional revenue. He recommended a general budget totaling approximately \$700 million a year.

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New Officers

The Jaycee Wives Officers for 1969-70, were elected at a Thursday night meeting of that organization. Those being elected for the coming year, are left to right, Mrs. Linda Sue Ament, President; Mrs. Jeanne Hayes, Vice president; Mrs. Billie Blanchard, Secretary; Mrs. Sue Bankhead, Treasurer, Mrs. Patricia Jones, Reporter and Mrs. Pat Worthington, Family Relations.

Jaycee Wives Elect 1969 Officers

The Gatesville Jaycee wives met Thursday night, February 20 at the Chateau Ville Restaurant with Mrs. Pat Worthington, president, in charge.

The first order of business was the election of new officers for the year 1969-70. Mrs. Linda Sue Ament was elected the new president for the on-

coming year. Other officers include Mrs. Jeanne Hayes, vice president; Mrs. Billie Blanchard, secretary; Mrs. Sue Bankhead, treasurer; Mrs. Patricia Jones, reporter; and Mrs. Pat Worthington, family relations.

Gifts were then presented to the outgoing officers, Mrs. Pat Worthington, president; Mrs. Linda Sue Ament, Vice President; Mrs. Billie Blanchard, treasurer; Mrs. Jeanne Hayes, reporter; and Mrs. Gerri Kennedy, family relations.

The Jaycee Wives then recognized Mrs. Linda Sue Ament as "Jaycee Wife of the Year". She was presented with a silver charm in honor of her award.

Dinner was then served to Medames Jeanne Hayes, Sue Bankhead, Pat Worthington, Linda Sue Ament, Gerri Kennedy, Virginia Fowler, Pat Henson, Billie Blanchard, and Patricia Jones.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 5 at the Jaycee office.

put on a pretty face
BY
Aubrey McDonald

Dear Aubrey: I'm a busy secretary who sits behind a desk most of the day. The only opportunity I have to repair my make-up is during my lunch hour. The rest of the day, all I have time to do is powder my nose, and repeated applications of powder make my face look pasty. What do you suggest for on-the-go touch-ups? D. H. Manhelm, Pa.

Dear D. H.: If your powder builds up and makes you look pasty, you're not using translucent powder, the only type I recommend.

Remember that powder should add no color of its own. It should be used to set and highlight your liquid make-up, rouge, eyeshadow and other cosmetics.

For an extra-quick touch-up at your desk and to make your whole face sparkle with fresh, delicate color, try Fashion Two Twenty's new Mystic Blush. Mystic Blush is a sheer, pearlized brush-on that adds a becoming flush to your complexion without detracting from or covering up your other make-up.

For the teenager, who doesn't want to hide her natural, youthful beauty with heavy, artificial make-up, win some Mystic Blush is the ideal cosmetic.

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To apply Mystic Blush, simply fluff it on with the sable brush over your other make-up, or just frame your



face with its delicate color. Now wait a few minutes. Notice how Mystic Blush discreetly adds a warm, subtle glow to your complexion.

Any woman, be she blonde or brunette, will find that Mystic Blush harmonizes perfectly with her complexion and actually complements and accentuates her other cosmetics.



Wish I'd SAID THAT
The modern vanishing American is the fellow who can successfully withstand the family's plea to change to a color tv set.—Joe Mann, The Lebanon (Mo.) Rustic Republican.

The Tarboro Southerner in 1875 paid for stories as follows: 20 cents for a murder account; 15 cents for assault with a razor; 20 cents for a fatal accident report; 10 cents if no one was killed; 32 cents for a snake story; 32 cents for all other marvels.—Jack E. Hester, The Charlestown (Ind.) Courier.

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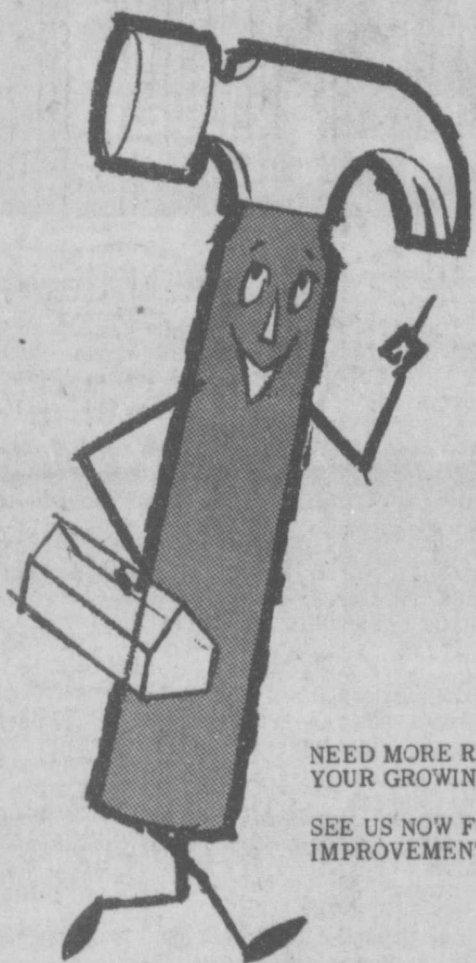
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**RALPH YARBOROUGH'S
WASHINGTON REPORT**

During the month of January, a special committee of the Senate held five days of public hearings on the shocking conditions of hunger and malnutrition and undernourishment in America. I am a member of the Committee on Malnutrition status of Americans, as revealed in a cross-section study. These Americans -- including 4,500 Texans -- were mostly low-income people who have been a part of the first phase of a national nutrition survey that is being conducted in America.

The first state to complete its survey of malnutrition was Texas. This survey was conducted by Dr. William McGanity from the University of Texas Medical School at Galveston. Dr. McGanity and his team of researchers surveyed 1,700 Texas families in 50 different communities in 26 Texas counties.

The preliminary results that have come in from his study are shocking to hear. It found in Texas conditions of hunger that most people can remember only from the days of the Great Depression of the 1930's. For example, 5 1/2 percent of the people surveyed had goiter. This is a disease caused by lack

of iodine and produces an enlarged thyroid gland. We thought we had solved this problem back in the 1930's when we put iodine in the salt that is sold in the grocery store. Yet, Dr. McGanity found that in ten of the 26 counties surveyed there was no grocery store selling iodized salt.

The survey found that one in fourteen of the individuals under 10 years of age had such a serious dental problem that it interfered with their eating. They found that 8 percent of the total population examined in Texas suffered from anemia.

Most shocking of all, the survey in Texas turned up cases of severe malnutrition. They even found two children in Texas who showed advanced signs of starvation. They saw children with bow-legs, rickets, and enlarged wrists -- all of which are caused by a lack of Vitamin D, which we get from milk. They found gum sores that are caused when we don't get enough Vitamin C, which is most commonly found in citrus fruits and tomatoes.

The problem of malnutrition, of course, is most tragic in the young. We received testimony from an expert in child nutrition that, by four years of age, 90 percent of brain growth has occurred. It is during these tender years that lack of proper nutrition is most dangerous. Malnutrition at this age easily can cause mental retardation. This is irreversible in later years.

It is within our power to banish hunger and malnutrition from our land; we have a responsibility to exercise that power. Our unparalleled agricultural abundance must be shared with all our people here at home -- no American should be malnourished.

**WORTH
TALKING
ABOUT**

In our own individual way we can become an effective spokesman--speaking out for our country, telling its success stories, selling its ideals, and merchandising the dynamics of its future capabilities. So to the old question that people have been hiding behind for years--"What can I do?"--I suggest that the answer is "What will I do?" Will I believe in America--will I work for America--will I sell the American ideal? If our answers to these questions are "yes"--if, like the man that Thomas Paine envisioned, we demonstrate our willingness to accept our full citizenship responsibilities--we can and will build a new and greater America--a better America for all Americans--a better America for all mankind.

—James H. Binns,
President
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The nationwide U.S. civil defense system, which is being enlarged and improved constantly, is designed primarily to help Americans survive and recover from nuclear attack. Its heart is a fallout shelter system which could save the lives of millions of persons that would otherwise be lost because of radioactive fallout.

The civil defense system also includes warning and communications networks, local governments organized for emergency operations, and many other resources. If an attack should come, many lives could be saved through a combination of emergency actions taken by governments and private citizens.

The chances of surviving an



For with thee is the fountain of life.—(Psalms 36:9).

All of us have had the experience of feeling tired and listless until something happened to awaken our interest and enthusiasm. Where minutes before we felt drained of energy, now we become alive, vital and awake. The source of our energy is God, the power within us. We are continually renewed, refreshed, and restored by His life. Let us give thanks for this.

**In Time of Emergency
Knowing Nuclear Hazards
Key to Personal Survival**

recovering from a nuclear attack are much better if citizens:

1. Understand the dangers of an attack.
2. Learn the actions that should be taken in the event of an attack.
3. Are prepared to take whatever action is necessary at the time of an attack.

If an Attack Comes . . .

All nuclear explosions cause light, heat and blast. In addition, explosions on or close to the ground would create large quantities of dangerous radioactive fallout particles, most of which would fall to earth during the first 24 hours.

If the U.S. should be attacked, the people who happened to be close to a nuclear explosion probably would be killed or seriously injured by the blast, or by the heat of the explosion.

People a few miles away in the "fringe area" of the explosion would be endangered by the blast and heat, and by fires that the explosion might start. However, it is likely that most of the people in the fringe area would survive these hazards.

People outside the fringe area would not be endangered by the blast, heat or fire. Department of Defense studies show that in any nuclear attack, tens of millions of Americans would be outside the damage areas. To them, and to people in the fringe areas who survived the blast, heat and fire, radioactive fallout would be the main danger. Protective measures against this hazard

can be taken.

What Is Fallout?

When a nuclear weapon explodes near the ground, great quantities of pulverized earth and other debris are sucked up into the nuclear cloud where many of the particles become radioactive. As these particles fall back to earth, and after they reach the ground, they give off invisible gamma rays—like X-rays—which can kill or injure. These particles give off most of their radiation quickly, so the first few hours or days after an attack would be the most dangerous period.

In dangerously-affected areas the fallout particles would look like grains of grit or sand. However, the rays they would give off could not be seen, tasted, smelled or felt. Special instruments would be required to detect the rays and measure their intensity. The Federal Government has distributed several million of these instruments to State and local governments.

Fallout Would Be Widespread

The distribution of fallout particles after a nuclear attack would depend on what part of the country had been attacked, and the number of weapons used, as well as wind currents, weather conditions and other factors. However, there is no way of predicting in advance what areas of the country would be affected, or how soon the particles would fall back to earth at a particular location.

Some communities might get a heavy accumulation of fall-

out, while others might get little or none. No area in the U.S. could be sure of not getting fallout, and it is probable that some particles would be deposited on most of the country.

Areas close to a nuclear explosion might receive fallout within 15 to 30 minutes. On the other hand, it might take 5 to 10 hours or more for the particles to drift down on a community 100 or 200 miles away. Generally, the first 24 hours after fallout began to settle would be the most dangerous period to a community's residents. The heavier particles falling during that time would still be highly radioactive and give off strong rays. Lighter particles falling later would have lost most of their radiation high in the atmosphere.

Fallout Causes Radiation Sickness

The invisible gamma rays given off by fallout particles can produce radiation sickness, which is caused by physical and chemical changes in the cells of the body. If a person receives a large dose of fallout radiation, he will die. But if he receives only a small or medium dose, his body will repair itself and he will get well.

The same dose received over a short period of time is more damaging than over a longer period. Usually, the effects of a given dose of radiation are more severe in very young and very old persons, and those not in good health.

No special clothing can protect people against gamma radiation, and no special drugs or chemicals can prevent large doses of radiation from causing damage to the cells of the body. However, antibiotics and other medicines are helpful in treating infections that sometimes follow excessive exposure to radiation.

Almost all of the radiation that people would absorb from fallout particles would come

from particles outside their own bodies. Only simple precautions would be necessary to avoid swallowing the particles, and it would be practically impossible to inhale them.

People exposed to fallout radiation do not become radioactive and thereby dangerous to other people. Radiation sickness is not contagious or infectious, and one person cannot "catch it" from another person.

Protection Is Possible

People can protect themselves against fallout radiation, and have a good chance of surviving, by staying inside a fallout shelter. In most cases, the fallout radiation level outside the shelter would decrease rapidly enough to permit people to leave the shelter within a few days.

Even in communities that received relatively heavy accumulations of fallout particles, people soon might be able to leave shelter for a few minutes or a few hours at a time to perform emergency tasks. In most places, it is unlikely that full-time shelter occupancy would be required for more than a week or two.

The information in this story was furnished by the U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Civil Defense, to help people prepare for a nuclear attack and learn what actions to take in case an attack should occur. Local government authorities are responsible for supplying the public with more detailed survival instructions for this area. This information was drawn from the OGD publication "In Time of Emergency" (H-14), which is available without charge at local civil defense offices.

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In 1961, four employees of a Milwaukee company decided to buck their union's quota system, which sets levels for the amount of work a man may turn out in a given day. The scales depend upon the type of job performed. An employee who goes over the ceilings and collects his extra earnings from the company immediately is subject to a fine by the union.

After the four pieceworkers had exceeded the fixed pay scales for their classification, they were convicted by the union and fined between \$35 and \$100 each. The fines were upheld by the National Labor Relations Board and an appeals court. However, the U.S. Supreme Court has now agreed to review the case, and a ruling is expected shortly.

Through its decision, the NLRB deprived a group of workers of certain basic rights guaranteed in the Taft-Hartley Act, including the employee's right to refrain from participating in union activities.

The NLRB interpretation should alarm anyone concerned with basic liberties, for it endangers individual rights and industrial harmony. The Board is thus striking at the very heart of the collective bargaining system and is encouraging an imbalance that can endanger the entire economy.

There is a spill-over effect from the practice of setting production ceilings that affects us all. Such quotas interfere with a company's production efficiency by depriving it of the maximum benefits of its work force.

Employers, found on one hand with higher wage demands and deprived on the other from increasing their output, may eventually have no choice but to pass this added cost on to consumers in the form of higher prices.

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Barbara Conner takes an easy two points in the picture above. Barbara lead the Elkettes to a play-off victory scoring 22 points. The Elkettes will play Toler in Bi-District, Thursday night at a location to be announced.

Elkettes From Page 1

minutes to play, first stealing a pass and rebounding a Meridian shot.
Barbara Conner connected on two field goals and Anne Adams hit a lay-up to push the margin to 44-28 and a 16 point lead with only 2:00 minutes to play. The guide scoring by the Ellette offense and the "turnover" by the Ellette defense, put the game on ice in the three minute fourth quarter surge.
Evant began a stalling offense looking for the easy scoring plays in the last two minutes and held Meridian to only five points in the latter stages of the game.
Coach Walls praised the

teams performance after the game, remarking that the girls scored well and fouling was held down to a minimum in the play-off game. He did not comment that the free throw department was some-what inconsistent during the game.
Walls said concerning top performances, "Tuffy is tops" Barbara Conner (Tuffy) scored 22 points Friday night. Others scoring for the Elkettes are Anne Adams with 11 points and Bernadine Conner with 13 points.
The Elkettes will face Toler, Thursday night for the Bi-District championship. The location of the game has not been decided.
Undeafat! Toler will be a worthy opponent for the once beaten Elkettes. Ellette's only loss came against Meridian.



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Even though other national and international events crowd in upon us these days, Vietnam is never far from our minds. We have just passed through another Tet--or Lunar New Year--holiday period in Vietnam.
This year there was only an abbreviated cease-fire period for the Tet holiday. That's because last year the enemy used the Tet truce to mount major attacks all over South Vietnam.
Those attacks last year were a sort of turning point in Vietnam. They created a situation against which we can mea-

sure our prospects for ultimate peace. I'd like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on the progress made in Southeast Asia over the last 12 months, drawing upon the best information available to me as a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee.
I find that we have made a lot of progress, both in Vietnam and at Paris. I think there is increasing reason for us to be patiently confident that we can achieve our goals.
First, we ought to recall just what America's objectives

are in this Vietnam confrontation.
--We seek through negotiations at Paris an honorable, just and lasting peace.
--We seek a chance for the South Vietnamese people to freely develop their economy, freely choose their form of government, and freely develop stable political institutions.
--We seek to make credible to our enemies in this world our determination, our ability to resist aggression and our willingness to fulfill our obligations under the United Nations Charter and under our treaty agreements.
--And we seek eventually to help develop Southeast Asian regional organizations through which those countries can undertake effective self-help programs.

over the year subsequent to those attacks shows that the enemy efforts were a failure inside Vietnam, but a success in their unsettling effect on American public opinion.
In South Vietnam the 1968 attacks caused great physical damage and personal anguish. But the Communists miscalculated. Instead of going over to the Communists, the people of South Vietnam moved with dispatch to rebuild factories and reopen transportation facilities.
The Communists suffered staggering losses of their own in the 1968 battles, and during that year greater progress than ever was achieved in the rooting out of Viet Cong guerrilla bands and clandestine Viet Cong tax-collectors and leaders. As a result the bulk of enemy forces in South Vietnam now are not Viet Cong but regular North Vietnamese troops.
Those North Vietnamese troops face a South Vietnamese military force far superior to what existed a year ago. Real military success for the Reds is no longer possible.
Thus, with the dramatic reaction of the South to the 1968 attacks and with the bombing halt in the North proclaimed by President Johnson the conflict in Vietnam has entered a new phase.
It's a phase of negotiations at Paris--negotiations during which the enemy continues to fight and the Allies continue to whip him on the battlefield. It's a phase of growing eco-

omic and political strength for the South. Rice supplies flowing from the Delta region are increasing for the first time since the war began. Political order--though primitive by American standards--is growing as a nationalist spirit blossoms in the South.
This is the point we must remember as we look back at the events of the last year: Although some Western observers regarded the 1963 attacks by the enemy as a major victory. What troubled many Americans conversely excited the South Vietnamese and convinced them that they are near the day when they can take care of themselves. They feel they are now nearly strong enough to engage in a political contest with the remaining Viet Cong--and to win it.
From the American standpoint, it is important that we remain calm and patient. The South can win a political contest with the Viet Cong if we do not too hastily withdraw with too few safeguards.
The Free World has the initiative in South Vietnam. Time is now working on our side. The military situation is in our favor. The enemy has overestimated both his military and his political strength.
Only if American patience falters can we fail to achieve our reasonable goals in Southeast Asia. If we are patient, we will achieve stability, order and peace in Southeast Asia--a peace that could ultimately extend throughout the world.

B.A.S.S. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR APRIL

B. A. S. S. is the angler's version of the golfer's P. G. A. The bass-fishing group's membership does not, however, limit itself to the professional fishermen. With more than 3000 fishing-addict members in thirty-eight states, BASS has its own magazine and is active in promotion of conservation of America's natural resources--particularly conservation of rivers and streams.

series of tournaments to be presented by the Society. Similar contests have been held in Arkansas, Georgia, Texas, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida.

The Texas reputation of having America's best bass fishing waters will get its best test with the Texas National Bass Tournament to be held on Lake Sam Rayburn April 10-12.

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