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ROGERS FAVORS TAX CUT

Congressman Walter Rogers' Newsletter

LANDMARK TAX LEGISLATION

The most important legislation of the year—the "Revenue Act of 1963" will be before the House of Representatives as most of you read this newsletter. Known to most citizens simply as "the tax bill", this measure's major provisions include an across-the-board cut in individual and corporate income taxes. Because of its impact on virtually every American citizen and business firm, the tax bill has brought more concentrated public and Congressional attention than any other piece of pending legislation.

You've probably read of the bill's provisions in your newspapers and heard them discussed at length in television and radio reports. Perhaps you've determined by how much your own taxes would be reduced and the effects other provisions in the bill would have on your own business. Perhaps you've found things in the bill with which you disagree; few persons could agree with every item in a bill 310 pages in length, although they might feel that "on balance" the bill is a good one.

The most significast thing about the tax bill is that it represents a strong reaffirmation of the nation's faith in the free enterprise system. At conflict in recent years have been two theories concerning the way in which government can help bolster the country's economy. On one hand have been those who advocate higher government spending in programs and projects which tie a larger proportion of the labor force and industial production directly to the government. On the other hand have been those who believe, as I do, that a relaxation of government controls and a reduction of the tax burden will encourage the free enterprise system to provide goods, services —and jobs—in ever increasing abundance.

This bill represents the first effort in history to stimulate economic development by freeing capital through a reduction in taxes, for higher consumer spending and business investment. Congressman Wilbur Mills, my colleague from Arkansas whose House Ways and Means Committee worked steadily for nine months to write the legislation, stated the philosophy underlying it in these words: "This bill reflects an effort by the Federal government to reduce and remove—not to impose—tax constraints on the economy, to give the private sector of the economy greater wherewithal to do what comes naturally to it and which increases the well-being of all of us."

I am convinced that most Americans are anticipating a tax cut. The current strength of the economy reflects, in part, the conviction of many citizens that a tax cut is coming. The high rate of consumer spending, an increase in business investment, booming stock market, a drop in the rate of unemployment—this good news is not entirely due to the anticipation of a tax cut, but I believe that the prospect of lowered taxes is part of it.

The tax bill has wide bipartisan support, the support of business and labor, support of citizens ricr and poor.

The main argument being raised against the bill concerns the wisdom of reducing taxes when the certain result would be an at least temporary greater imbalance between the government's receipts and expenditures — in other words, additional budget deficits. As one who has worked long for reduced government spendng, I believe that enactment of this legislation wil actually help achieve this goal. More Americans than ever will be writing their representatives to say, in effect: "We are glad to have a tax cut — now redouble your efforts to cut spending and balance the budget." Congress, I believe, will become more conscious of the need for economy with taxes substantially reduced.

The objective of tax reduction is to stimulate the growth of the economy to such an extent that the higher levels of personal and corporate income will thus produce more — not less — tax revenue. Section I of the bill, which was authored by Committee Chairman Mills, spells out that objective in these words: "To further the objective of obtaining balanced budgets in the near future, Congress by this action, recognizes the importance of taking all reasonable means to restrain Government spending and urges the President to declare his accord with this objective."

Tax reduction and revision provided for in this bill will help hasten the day when our budgets are balanced in a growing economy, providing adequate employment and investment opportunities—and giving full play to the initiative of our free enterprise system.

ATTEND FUNERAL SERVICES

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Persons attended the funeral services of Arthur Fulkerson at Matador Tuesday. Mrs. Loyd Fulkerson, sister of Mrs. Persons, returned home with them to spend the night. They returned home by way of Lockney to visit their mother, Mrs. M. T. Witcher, and report that she is some better. The Persons returned Mrs. Fulkerson to Matador Wednesday morning.

James Barefield was pleasantly surprised Friday night when his sister, Mrs. Horace Hedrick of Nashville, Ark. dropped in for a visit. It was the first time in the 23 years that the Barefields have been here that Mrs. Hedrick had visited here. She was enroute to Hereford to attend the wedding of her son, Johnny Hedrick. She accompanied the parents of Johnny's fiancee, Mr. and Mrs. Faughn. Mrs. Hedrick spent Friday night with the Barefields, then drove to Hereford for the wedding Saturday. Mrs. Hedrick and Mr. and Mrs. Faughn returned to Quitaque Saturday night and spent the night with the Barefields, then returned to their homes at Nashville Sunday.

Guests in the Johnny Cagle home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Howard of Hale Center and Mr. and Mrs. Glen McWilliams and Jim of Silverton.

Rolling Plains Cotton Producers, Inc. To Meet Saturday At Memphis

The annual membership meeting of the Rolling Plains Cotton Producers, Inc. will be held Saturday, September 28 at 1:00 P. M. at the Cotton Classing Office in Memphis, Texas.

Direrctors will be elected to represent the following counties: Childress, Motley, Briscoe, Collingsworth and Gray. Present directors representing these counties are: Dutch Hunter, Childress County; J. W. Reed, Motley County; Dick Sweatt, Collingsworth County; B. K. Blankenship, Briscoe County; Leamon Andrews, Gray County.

Holdover directors are V. C. Durrett, Hall County; Dudley Chewning, Cottle and King Counties; H. S. Mahaffey, Donley County; J. R. Hefley, Wheeler County; A. J. Garland, Armastrong County; L. B. Collis, Carson County.

All members are urged to attend and participate in the meeting and inspect the facilities of the classing office.

U.S.D.A. TO OPEN MEMPHIS COTTON CLASSING OFFICE MONDAY

Monday, Sept. 30 marks the opening of the fifth season for the Memphis cotton classing office, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Operated by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, this office classes cotton for farmers in 11 West Texas counties—Bricoe, Carson, Gray, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Donley, Hall, King Motley and Wheeler.

Kermit T. Voelkel, who has been with the AMS cotton division for 32 years, will be in charge of the Memphis office for the third season.

"Last year, we classed 203,115 bales of cotton under the Smith - Doxey program," Mr. Voelkel said.

Cotton from 56 gins goes to the Memphis office which has facilities for classing about 5,000 samples per day.

Early ginned cotton in the Memphis territory was classed in Altus. Should a farmer want a review on any of these classifications, the request for review should be sent to Memphis, according to Mr. Voelkel.

Cotton is classed without cost for framers belonging to organized Smith-Doxey cotton improvement groups.

Farmers who know the grade and staple of their cotton are in a good position to get the best market price for it.

"That is why farmers in this area have nearly all of their cotton classed by USDA," Mr. Voelkel said.

In addition to classing cotton, the AMS cotton office releases every Friday the "Texas - Oklahoma Cotton Market Review," describing local, state and national market conditions, trends and quotations, plus facts on picking, defoliating, machine harvesting and ginning.

During the harvesting season, AMS issues a cotton quality report by classing offices every Monday and a quality report by districts, monthly.

During the ginning season, it releases a cottonseed review every Thursday.

Persons wanting these cotton reports can get them without cost by writing to Mr. Voelkel, 221 Noel St., Memphis, Texas, 79245.

LT. VERLON D. HAMILTON STATIONED IN VIRGINIA

Fort Eustis, Va. (AHTNC) Army 2d Lt. Verlon D. Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy W. Hamilton, Quitaque, Texas, was assigned Sept. 13 to the 159th Battalion, 4th Transportation Command, Fort Eustis, Va.

Lieutenant Hamilton entered the Army in July, 1963.

The 23-year-old officer is a graduate of Quitaque High School, received a B. S. degree from West Texas State College, Canyon. He is a member of Alpha Chi fraternity and the Scabbard and Blade Society.

His wife, Etwoile, lives in Williamsburg, Va.

Sick Report -

Peggy Brunson entered Plainview Hospital and Clinic Tuesday afternoon and underwent surgery Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Arnold Johnson underwent major surgery at Plainview Hospital and Clinic Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cagle were is Amarillo last Friday where Mrs. Cagle consulted her doctor. Mrs. Cagle suffered a severe injury to her knee while visiting in California several weeks ago. We are happy to report she is improving.

Mrs. Estelle Cole is recuperating at home from a fall she received at her home last Friday. She suffered a strained ligament is her right leg.

Mrs. Jerry Hamilton underwent surgery at Stanley Hospital at Matador Tuesday morning. At the latest report she was recovering satisfactorily.

B & M Grocery And Service Station To Have Grand Opening Saturday

B & M Grocery and Service Station, a new business here in Quitaque will have its Grand Opening Saturday and residents of this area have a cordial invitation to call at the new business and get acquainted with the new store, although the owners, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. McWilliams are well known to most people if this community.

The new station is introducing a new line of products to Quitaque. The new store will feature Enco gasoline and the famous "Happy Motoring" service.

There will be a free gift to everyone who visits the new grocery store and station Saturday—gift packets for the ladies, key chains for the men and free balloons for the youngsters. So, drive in at the sign of "Happy Motoring" on Saturday and get acquainted with the folks there. You'll be glad you did!

Stephanie and Laqueta Chadwick, and Vanessa, Valerie and Vonaceil Robison spent the week-end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith of Turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Lyles and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Price and children attended the football game at Turkey Friday night.

Funeral Services Held Last Week For J. C. McDonald

Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20, at 2:00 P. M. in Oak Lawn Memorial Park for John Claude McDonald, 47, of Modesto, Calif., who drowned Sunday, Sept. 15, in Woodward Reservoir. His body was not recovered until early Thursday morning and was found in water 6 to 8 feet deep a short distance from shore.

J. C. McDonald was born at Goodnight, Texas, Dec. 4, 1915. The family moved to Quitaque in 1927.

He married Alice Tiffin in 1932 and she survives him. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald moved to California about thirty years ago.

Othe survivors are a son, Gene of the home, and one daughter, Mrs. Lena Faye Thomas of San Diego, Calif.; his father, J. W. McDonald of Delta, Colo; five brothers, Marvin of Albuquerque, N. M., David of San Diego, Wesley, Riverbank, Calif., and Clark of Spearman; six sisters, Mrs. Pearl Griffin of Ft. Collins, Colo., Mrs. Ida Judd of Stinnett, Mrs. Iva Williams, Borger, Mrs. Faye Brummett, Quitaque, Mrs. Bea Cates, Spearman, and Mrs. Ila Barker of Amarillo and two grandchildren.

Oakddale Memorial Chapel of Modesto was in charge of arrangements.

Lucas Lucero, Jr. arrived Monday on furlough from the Marine Corps for a visit with his father and brothers and sisters. He has just recently returned from Viet Nam.

Ebb Auston, who was injured two weeks ago when his pickup fell on him, reports that he is not feeling very good and was to return to Goodall Hospital Thursday for further examination.

ATTEND OES FRIENDSIHP NIGHT AT TURKEY

Several local people attended Friendship Night of the Eastern Star at Turkey Monday night. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Hamilton, Mrs. John Rogers, Mrs. Buster Chadwick Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sauls and Mr. and Mrs. George Ray Colvin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Don King of Childress are the parents of a new son, Charles Kirk, born Sept. 24 at 12:30 p. m. in Hendrick's Memorial Hospital in Abilene. The young fellow weighed 6 lbs., 7 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill King of Colorado Springs, Colo. and great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Morris of Quitaque.

The new baby has a sister, Kelly Kay, who is 13 months of age.

FLOMOT HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB ENTRIES WIN AT FLOYD COUNTY FAIR

HERB MARTIN GIVEN PREMIUM FOR PRODUCING FIRST BALE OF COTTON AT FLOMOT

Herb Martin, who produced the first bale of cotton ginned at Flomot this year, was presented with a premium of $133.10, given him by merchants and friends. H & H Gin bought the bale of cotton and paid 40 cents a pound for it.

Following is a list of the donors of the premium: First Natl. Bank, Pioneer Drug, Dick Hooks, Quitaque Tribune, Rice Dry Goods, Quitaque Cleaners, Ham Theatres, Willson & Son Lumber Co., Neatherlin Repair Shop, City Grocery, Bedwell Hdw. & Imp., Roberson Dry Goods, Tiffin's Home Laundry, Jack Chandler, Baird Oil Co., Jennings Farm Supply, Saul Variety, C. A. Hawkins, Duke's Phillips 66 Station, Johnston Drilling Co., Bill Woods, Quitaque Elevator, Merrell Food, all of Quitaque; and J. H. George, Moseley Imp. Co., and Jack Loudermilk Grain of Flomot and Turkey Butane, Turkey.

N. V. Hamilton returned home from the Plainview Hospital last Thursday where he had been confined with an injury to his hand. He returned to Plainview Monday to have his hand dressed and the doctor reported that it was doing well.

TWO OTHERS COLLEGE STUDENTS

Two more names are to be added to the list of Quitaque young people who are attending college this fall.

They are Sheldon Jacobs, who is a second year student at Clarendon JC and Johnny Rhea Helms, who is a first year student at West Texas State.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Brunson and Roger visited his brother, George Brunson and his family at Kress Sunday afternoon.

LAST RITES HELD WEDNESDAY FOR J. S. VALDEZ

Graveside rites for Jesus Salazar Valdez, 67, were conducted at 10:30 A. M. Wednesday in Resthaven Cemetery with Father Bart of Tulia officiating. Burial was under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Mr. Valdez, who had lived here for the past ten years, died Sunday at Stamford, where he had been staying for the past two weeks.

He was born June 19, 1896 in Mexico. He married Ninfa Rogers on April 1, 1934, in San Angelo and came to Briscoe County where he did farm work until he was forced to retire due to ill health.

Survivors include his wife of the home, four sons, Vincent, Ernest, Charley and Elbert all of Quitaque; four daughters, Mrs. Dial Cabello of Floydada, Mrs. Mary Lane Adama, Plainview, Willie Valdez and Clara Valdez, both of Quitaque; four brothers, Willie of Tucson, Ariz., Martin of Calif., Joe of Quitaque and Sixto of San Antonio, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Lola Martinez, Hereford and Mrs. Juanita Gravar, San Angelo.

Pallbearers were Tomas Ramirez, Simplicis Leal, Miguel Martinez, Pilar Cabellos, Santos Cavazos, and Clemente Leal.

Flomot Home Demonstraton Club competed in the Floyd County Fair held recently at Lockney, and came home standing a little taller—and proud of their little farming community in the shadow of the Caprock.

Their agriculture exhibit placed second in competition with the rich Plains' irrigated agricultural products, only three points behind first place exhibit, while third place exhibit was nine points below first.

The club displayed the required number of 15 items, which were judged as follows: J. A. Reed, pears 29 points; Herb Martin, cotton boll 25; Leona Degan, squash 29; Edith Washington, okra 30, and blackeye peas 25; Bessie Sauls, pepper 26 and pop corn 24; Alfred Martin, hegari 25; Allie Martin, corn 25; Ronald Clay, peanuts 24; Leota Isbell, pinto beans 27 and W. W. Merrell, apples 30.

Thirty points was the highest possible score for any one entry, so club members were justifiably proud of their showing.

The club also entered a demonstration on what it believed was Motley's County's most outstanding accomplishment of the past year. A screwworm demonstration was entered, which did not place, but netted the club $5 for the effort. In addition, the club received $5 for 3rd place points for entries and ribbons won, and $20 for 2nd on exhibits, making a total of $30 plus individual prize money.

Handwork Wins Ribbons

Handwork and canned goods entered by members placed as follows: Linnie Gilbert, stole, 1st place, cutwork pillow cases 2nd and appliqued pillow cases 3rd; Trula Martin, wool poodle 1st, pear preserves 3rd, cup towel 3rd, pepper relish 2nd, and bread and butter pickles 2nd; Mrs. Leon Cloyd, afghan, 1st, hand-tooled leather purse 2nd, and tablecloth 3rd; Hattie Jones, cross - stitch scarf 1st; Edith Washington, picture frame 1st, and cutwork doilies 1st; Bessie Sauls, crocheted sweater 1st, honey 1st, blackeye peas 1st, crocheted bedspread 2nd and cross-stitch doily 3rd.

Allie Martin, hat, 1st, pickled pepper 1st, sour pickles 3rd, pickled peaches 2nd picture 1st, crocheted pot lifter 2nd, and scarf 3rd; Mrs. W. T. Ross, bride doll 2nd, huck weaving 3rd; Leota Isbell, cucumbers 3rd, picture 2nd; Eliza Jones, crocheted table cloth 3rd, weathered wood 1st, greeting cards 1st and hat 2nd.

"The exhibits committee feels that the effort was worth our time and expense," declared the chairman. "We had a lot of fun, and learned a lot about several different things. We wish to take this means of expressing appreciation to everyone who helped us in any way."

Mrs. Hubert Dudley and children visited Mr. Gray Robinson in Amarillo Sunday. Mr. Robinson underwent major surgery recently. He is the brother-in-law of Hubert and Euel Dudley.

Jimmy Dell Mayfield spent Friday night and Saturday at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mayfield. She attended the football game at Canyon Saturday night and remained at the college for classes this week.

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Guests in the home of Mrs. C. E. Anderson and Mrs. Overstreet were Mrs. Overstreet's daughter, Mrs. John Wilkerson and husband and children, Hal and Jan of Tulia, Mrs. John McKinley and husband and children, Carolyn and Gayle of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Anderson, Kay' Kim and Cindy, and a friend of Kay's, Jan Minchew, all of Tulia, and Maynard Wilson.

Mrs. Corky Morris and Celia Ann of Hereford spent Sunday, Sunday night and until Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Persons were in Lockney Sunday to see her mother, Mrs. M. T. Witcher in the rest home there. She has been quite ill. The Persons drove to Matador from Lockney to visit Mr. Arthur Fulkerson and learned that he had died about an hour before they arrived. Mr. Loyd Fulkerson, brother-in-law of Mrs. Persons, was at the bedside of his father when he passed away. Loyd lives at Odessa.

Ray Persons was a Plainview business visitor Monday. He visited with his son, Tom while in Plainvew and returned by way of Lockney, where he visited Mrs. M. T. Witcher and found her condition unimproved.

Mr. and Mrs. Griff Boyles of Sudan and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gregg of Lovington, N. M. visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Persons Saturday afternoon.

Miss Jean Marie Mathis, student at McMurry College in Abilene, spent Friday and Saturday nights with her family here. Her roommate. Miss Donna Catir of Morse, spent Friday night here before going on to Morse. She picked Jean up on Sunday afternoon and they returned to Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brunson and Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Hamilton left on Thursday, Sept. 12 for Falcon Lake to do some fishing and Mr. and Mrs. Brunson returned home on Wednesday of last week with "proof of the puddin' " as the above picture shows. Their catch for a day and a half of fishing totaled 150 fish, all of them channel cat. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton returned home Friday and report they brought more fish to add to the ones the Brunsons and Hamiltons caught together.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. White and family and Wayne Nevins of Tulia and Mr. and Mrs. P. John Monk and Eddie were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ben White. The occasion was to help Mrs. White celebrate her 74th birthday anniversary.

Weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stephens, SeReatha and Monte were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brannon, Jr. and Buster of Panhandle and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brannon and Butch of Silverton.

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