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Budget may have to be decided in a special session

The Texas Senate stepped off the sidewalk and into the street last week to challenge Gov. Bill Clements' threatened quick-draw veto.

Senators gave final approval to a \$40 billion budget, knowing full well it was \$3 billion more than Clements said he would allow without a veto. It will also require that amount in new taxes.

Clements, who earlier signed legislation allowing private companies and local governments to build and operate prisons, called their budget "a giant step in the wrong way."

The budget now goes to the House where representatives are expected to trim a little, but not enough to suit Clements.

Some predict the budget will be presented to the governor in the waning hours of the session, and if he vetoes it, time will run out before lawmakers can get to the bloody, bloody votes in both chambers. The issue may well have to be decided in a summer special session.

The Senate
In other action, the Senate passed legislation to:

• Permit universities, colleges and athletic conferences the right to sue boosters whose actions bring on penalties. Court-awarded damages could be sought for lost television and ticket revenues.

• Help Texas compete for the federal supercollider project site by hiring a private consultant without red tape.

• Broaden the Open Meetings Act to cut down the number of closed-door meetings of public bodies and provide criminal penalties for

State Capitol Highlights By Lyndell Williams

violations.
• Give local telephone companies the right to raise or lower competitive rates. Non-competitive rates will still need approval of the Public Utilities Commission.
• Change the name of North Texas State University to the University of North Texas.

The House
In the House last week, lawmakers voted to:

• Prohibit public school students from smoking and chewing tobacco at school or at off-campus activities.
• Pass eight bills in an anti-crime package that give more flexibility to prosecutors fighting crime.
• Give the governor and other officials more authority to deal with emergency budget problems when the Legislature is not in session.

In Committees
New measures shaped in committees and moving to the floor for debate include proposals to:

• Modify the controversial no-pass, no-play rule by shortening the suspension period from six weeks to three weeks (Senate).
• Drop parental consent for abortions for unmarried teenagers from the anti-abortion bill (Senate).
• Overhaul funding of universities and revise accounting and management practices for higher



education (House).

Speaker blasts Governor
Speaker Gil Lewis last week

ripped Clements for flip-flopping on a \$1 billion tax initiative and referendum to fund prison construction.

The governor also opposed Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby's three-point "Build Texas" plan to be financed by bonds.

"The only reason we were trying some of these smoke and mirrors and bonds and things was to try to appease the governor. Now we get the floor cut out from under us," Lewis said.

Texas, Pennzill
The Texas-Pennzill legal battle reached the Legislature last week with the top lobbyists to work lawmakers.

Texas wants legislation to help it avoid putting up \$11 billion in bond money while courts sort out their squabble. Texas claims the amount is exorbitant.

Prison reform
State attorneys last week argued that Texas was working to comply with federal court-ordered prison reforms and should not be fined \$800,000 a day in contempt charges.

However, federal judge William Wayne Justice told them he wanted everything resolved in the question of compliance before any fine amounts are decided. That will take about three more weeks.

Justice then toured a Texas prison

Let's Look Back... 48 Years Ago

(April 14, 1939)
At the close of the morning service at the Methodist Church Sunday, J.N. Pendergrass, of Bonita, and Miss Elizabeth Willie, of Corsicana, were joined in marriage. The marriage ceremony was read by Rev. J.M. Lewis, local Methodist pastor.

W.B. Hinton Jr. has been elected president of the Eagle Lake Rotary Club. S.O. Boothe is the club's new vice president. W.C. Reed, secretary, and N.C. Ney, treasurer, were both re-elected. An event of interest was the marriage of Miss Addie Jo Johnson, niece of Mrs. Frank Stephens, to D.S. Taylor which took place at two o'clock on last Friday afternoon at the paternal home of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Stephens.

In the District 24 tennis team tournament in Smithville April 11 and 12, the Eagle Lake school boys' double team, composed of Elmer Struss and "Coogie" Ney, is the only team from Colorado County to reach the finals. They lost to the Smithville team in the finals on the 12th. Virginia Ferichs of Columbus represented Colorado County in the girls' singles. She won her first round by defeating Dixie Box but lost in the second to Gonzalez.

Large crowds visited the A-B Store during the opening days of the new A-B Store during last Friday, Saturday and Monday.

The Universal Cowboys from the Universal Mills at Fort Worth gave a musical program and introduced Misses Sue Colley and Josephine Franka, and Master Draper Stephens in catchy songs and dances. Miss Raymond Thomas, L.J. Spaniel and danced splendidly during the

evening. A picnic lunch of sandwiches, potato salad, pickles and hot chocolate was served. The guest list included Eunice Gross, Virginia Mazac, Scotty Wilson, Evelyn Wilson, Gerald Shirley, David Sunderman, Gardner Seaholm, James Datcher, Helen Reese, Ethel Mae Reese, Carl Gordy, Billy Jean Gordy, Raymond Thomas, L.J. Spaniel and Frazier Wallace.

'Operation game thief' rewards distributed
The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's "Operation Game Thief" (OGT) program has paid \$2,500 in rewards to several of its clients paid more than \$2,500 in fines for possessing illegally mounted eagles, hawks and owls.

Further investigations are continuing by state and federal game wardens. The caller did not request a reward.

The nine-member OGT committee serves without pay. During its five and a half years of existence, OGT

has paid \$51,200 in rewards to 265 callers. The program has been credited with the arrests of 1,059 violators who have paid more than \$205,000 in fines.

Persons interested in supporting this anti-poaching program may send their tax-deductible contributions to Operation Game Thief, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744.

Local doctors attend seminar
Two Eagle Lake family doctors, Dr. Russell Thomas and Dr. Jose Ugarie, attended a seminar sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians on March 13.

The innovative program integrated a variety of problems and diseases in one family and approached their management from the family physician's perspective.

Faculty for the seminar were George O. Zenger Jr., M.D., UT Medical School, Houston; Melvin J. Steinhardt, M.D., Albany Medical College, Albany, New York; and Brian R. Tullock, M.D., and I. Jon Russell, M.D., Ph.D., both from the UT Health Science Center, Houston.

Family Practice is a bona fide medical specialty that has evolved from

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Beasley School reunion May 3

The Beasley Ex-student's Association will hold their 21st annual Beasley School reunion on Sunday afternoon, May 3 in the school auditorium.

The "gathering of the clan", visitation and registration will begin at 2 p.m. There will be a short business meeting followed by enjoyable entertainment. Drinks will be provided, but each family is asked

to bring sandwiches, chips or a dessert. Refreshments will be served at approximately 4:30 p.m.

We invite all who have been connected with the Beasley School, including all of the present and former teachers and members of their families, parents or present or former students and patrons of the school, to come and join us for an afternoon of food, fun and fellowship.

Sheridan Elementary honor roll
Students from Sheridan Elementary School making the fifth 6-weeks honor roll list include:

First Grade: Helena Banks, Courtney Garza, Monte Peck, Rafael Rangel, Joshua Godley, Jeremy Gohlke, Jennifer Hajovsky, Christy Kincheloe, Nathan Hinz, Laine Labay, Joe Toliver, Sharon Boleu.

Second Grade: Leah Brisco, Nerissa Brisco, Jennifer Girdt, Stacie Girdt, Andrea Machac, James Ovia, Lea Ann Apangenberg, Jessica Young.

Third Grade: Nikki Fuller, Leigh Jackson, Angela Sanders, Aimie Smith.

Fourth Grade: Chad Girdt, Shari Grahmann, Amy Jahn, Kaci Klein.

Fifth Grade: Chris Jackson, Bradley Gohlke, David Esparza.

Six Grade: Joshua Grahmann.

Seventh Grade: Connie Soto, Raymond Ford, Kori Klein.

Eighth Grade: Becky Faichinger, Larrea Pence.

Shropshire Upton chapter UDC met
The Shropshire Upton chapter of the UDC met in the Jimmy Simmons home with Mrs. Henry Moeller and Mrs. George King as co-hostesses.

The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. William Kemper, who led the group in the ritual and the salute to the flags.

Mrs. James Cranek reported on the meeting of Charles W. Tait C of C on Feb. 13 at the home of Keith Potter. Mrs. Jack Draper gave a very interesting program on Dick Dowling. Alison Sronce was accepted as a new member. Her

Confederate ancestor is George Washington Brooks.

The winners of the coloring contest were Brian Potter, first; Lara Hagendorf, second; and Valerie Tait, third. There will be a float in the FFA parade.

The next C of C meeting will be in the home of Brian and Charles Foster.

After reports, Mrs. King gave the program on Rebels along the Rio Grande. She followed the war history of John Shropshire who married Carolyn Tait. John Shropshire is one of men for whom the chapter is named. She read letters to his wife which belong to the family of Mrs. Cranek.

The next meeting was held at the Mansfield building at 2 p.m. on April 9 with Mrs. C.H. Potter and Mrs. Jerome Moore as hostesses. Mrs. E.W. Campbell gave the program on Fannie Baker Darden.

Wallis Bible Church appoints youth minister
Wallis Bible Church would like to announce the appointment of Miss Carol Mize to the position of youth minister. Miss Mize is a native of Wallis, where she attended Brazos High School. She is the daughter of Bennie and Aileen Mize. Carol graduated Magna cum laude from San Houston State University class of 1985 and teaches second grade at Alabama Road School in Wharton.

Carol's ministry to youth is truly fresh and remarkable. Her philosophy of ministry is to reach out and love young people and teach them about Jesus Christ while having fun at the same time.

Each youth meeting revolves around singing, games, Bible teachings, refreshments and a fun time. They will be going to AstroWorld, bowling, skating, etc. as special activities.

All community youth ages 13-21 are invited to attend the regular meetings held in the WBC fellowship hall on Thursdays at 7 p.m. For more information call 478-6512.

Rev. Tafoya's success
It was with tremendous excitement that Pastor and Mrs. McKimney, of the Wallis Bible Church, presented the ministry of Rev. Paul and Peggy Tafoya.

The power packed services were held April 11 and 12. This was their third visit to the church.

American Lutheran Church women conference April 25 in Shelby

American Lutheran Church women will gather in conference settings across the nation this Saturday to celebrate their final national event.

This conference has as its theme, "Weaving New Patterns in Christ," and will replace the national convention usually held in a major city.

The Brenham conference will take place at Harmonie Hall in Shelby Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ALC women will come together to discover their heritage and history, to celebrate their global diversity and create a new community in mission.

A festival fanfare will begin the day-long event. A Bible Study will examine their fabric of faith as those present look back at 25 years of directed biblical study and reflect on the meaning it has brought to their lives.

The Brenham conference will offer a global lunch of chicken chow mein over rice, tamales, a salad bar, a layered taco dip, cookies from around the world, and tea and coffee.

The fair featuring the art of weaving and including other arts, crafts, displays and activities will encourage each one to be an active participant.

A worship service of communion and commitment will climax the day's festivities in a special service being created for this event. It will feature special music and many of the favorite theme hymns sung over the recent years.

Attendance at the 1986 conference

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