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State's deficit on the front burner again

The state's deficit, thought possibly resolved a couple of weeks ago, appears to be on the front burner again.

Texas House Democrat budget leaders said last week the deficit, predicted to be \$4.6 billion, is actually between \$6 and \$7 billion.

House Appropriations Committee Chairman Jim Radd, D-Brownfield, said he would not be surprised if the Legislature raised the sales tax by a half-cent in the special session beginning this week.

Rep. Rick Williamson, D-Weatherford, vice chairman of the committee, estimated the shortfall at \$6 billion.

Rudd also predicted lawmakers would adopt only about \$3 billion worth of the \$5.6 billion cost-saving

measures proposed by comptroller John Sharp.

Why such a sizeable disparity in the deficit forecast? Apparently the legislative leadership plans to raise the level of state services, kicking the \$4.6 billion price tag for current levels up by maybe \$2.5 billion, more than 50 percent.

GOP Challenges Deficit
Texas Republican Party leaders challenged Democrats to prove the need for a tax increase, a gambit which went ignored.

Meanwhile, the legislative triumvirate of Gov. Ann Richards, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Gib Lewis came out in unison on a budget

State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
Texas Press Association

plan which includes proposing a state lottery, revamping the business franchise tax and including all of Sharp's measures.

The lottery proposal immediately raised the ire of anti-gambling groups.

A spokesman for the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission, Weston Ware, said: "We regret that the speaker is supporting an activity that makes the State of Texas a bookie, a hustler and an abuser of its citizens."

Controlling Agencies

The trio also will push to expand the governor's power over state agencies, giving Richards the power to hire and fire heads of major state agencies.

Richards said lawmakers are very frustrated with state agencies, and might give her the powers that six governors before her wanted and failed to get.

Under one proposal, she could appoint, with Senate approval, a cabinet of directors to eight key areas of state government: education, human services, criminal justice, environment, transportation, commerce, state purchasing and licensing.

Opponents say the governor would use the new authority to keep her campaign promise to appoint women and minorities to higher power positions in state government.

Ethics Funding Cut

The House Appropriations Committee last week voted to cut off state funding for a special prosecutions unit that has been investigating Lewis and other lawmakers.

Lewis faces two criminal misdemeanor ethics charges this fall as a result of that investigation.

Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle, who heads the probe, refused to speculate on whether it was revenge on the part of certain House members, but months ago predicted to reporters that the targets would pull the funding.

Borrowing A&M Name?

Texas A&M University System regents are wondering whether the institution's name should be "borrowed" by a private non-profit corporation seeking to market \$40 million in bonds.

The private firm is Texas A&M University System, Research Technologies Corp., created by former regents chairman David Eller and chaired by former House Speaker Bill Clayton.

The firm seeks to use most of the bond issue to buy assets from Houston-based Granada Bio-Sciences, chaired by Eller, and then contract to pay Texas A&M \$10 million to \$70 million over the next ten years for research services.

Even though the university would not be liable for any default on the bonds, regents are concerned with a potential bad reflection on A&M's name and its status with investors.

Other Highlights

State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison has been appointed by the National Association of State Treasurers to serve as co-chairman of a newly formed task force on debt management.

TXRS joined five other states to sue TRW, Inc., one of the nation's largest credit-rating bureaus, charging it masquerades as a mere library of credit histories, but secretly rates credit-worthiness and damages individual credit standings.

Attorney General Dan Morales is ready to file suit against the federal government for \$1 billion unless fed adjust the 1990 census by an additional 500,000 citizens, largely minority.

State Rep. Glenn Maxey, D-Austin, ripped U.S. District Judge Sam B. Hall Jr. for referring to gays as a "bunch of queers" during a trial.

Maxey, known as the first openly gay legislator in Texas history, said Hall was not setting a very good example for kids.

Texas Racing Commission executive director Dave Freeman said horse and dog race gambling has earned \$3.7 million in profits for state government. He said the greyhound track to open next year in La Marque is expected "to be one of the most lucrative tracks" in the U.S.

Letter to the Editor

Christ Our Redeemer not affiliated with Living Waters

Stories have appeared in several area newspapers which require our response. The story implies some relationship between Christ Our Redeemer Church in Wallis and three other area churches, including The Church of Living Waters, Rosenberg; and Living Hope Church, Eagle Lake.

To set the record straight, neither the Church of Living Waters nor Living Hope church has any relationship with Christ Our Redeemer, nor has

any relationship ever existed. Christ Our Redeemer had absolutely no role in the establishment of either of these churches and neither the Church of Living Waters nor Living Hope Church has any affiliation whatsoever with the church which ran the article.

Dr. Gene W. Frank, Pastor, Church of Living Waters

Joe C. Fling, Pastor, Living Hope Church

Legislative Reports

Gramm reports from Washington...

Crime Bill edges toward passage

Legislation aimed at reversing the crime wave that is sweeping America is nearing passage in the U.S. Senate, says U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas.

"Government must wield the sword of justice to guarantee what has been called 'the first civil right' of every American, the right to be free from fear," said Gramm.

The crime bill already contains several provisions authorized by Gramm including these:

"A 10-year mandatory prison sentence for adults convicted of selling drugs to children.

"A mandatory life sentence for drug traffickers convicted a third time.

In debate on the Senate floor, Gramm explained that his first amendment to the crime bill said simply that

the senator added.

"Farmers faced with the repeated episodes of disastrous weather need the sort of help that this legislation offers," he said.

Generally, farmers who take part in farm programs would be eligible to collect 65% of the target price on losses greater than 35% of normal production and 90% of the target price on losses exceeding 75%.

Non-participating farmers could get 65% of the loan rate on losses (See Legislative Reports, Page 11)

the Disaster Assistance Act of 1991 provides assistance for farmers whose crops were damaged as far back as the January 1990, freeze," Gramm said.

"In Texas, floods ravaged the entire eastern half of the state that year, and since then, farmers have endured a succession of freezes and droughts that have left many crops devastated."

Chief Warrant Officer Donald "Snow" Larson and wife are expected to arrive today from Brownsville on a brief furlough.

Store Keeper 3-C Henry H. Brune and wife came in from Pelican Spit, near Galveston, for Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Brune's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Klockman.

Tech Sgt. Boyd Stapleton cables his family Christmas greetings from an unannounced location... Cpl. William J. "Ted" Brunner is now located at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where he is attending the Candidate Officer's Training School.

Pvt. Bruce McCarty wired his mother, Mrs. Bruce W. McCarty, that he was at present located at Scott Field, Illinois... From East Bernard comes the information that Master Sgt. Albert Schattler, who was reported missing since May 5, has been located in a Japanese prison camp in the Philippines.

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'Monkey business' part of library story hour

Many children enjoyed the story hour at the Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake on Wednesday, July 10. Patsy Gertson of East Bernard and former teacher at the Eagle Lake Primary School, presented the program to the children present. She read them a story entitled "Caps for Sale" by

Esphyr Slobodkina. This story tells about a peddler who comes to town selling caps. He gets tired and decides to take a nap under a tree with all of his caps on top of his head. Some monkeys come along and take all of his caps except one and he has a time trying to get them all back.

After the story, the children had fun making a decorating their own caps. In the picture above, Mrs. Gertson, acting as the peddler, is shown with many caps on top of her head and the children are gathered around to show off the caps they made.

ELCH Auxiliary memorials

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital Auxiliary announces the memorials made between April 1 and June 30:

In Memory of Willie Alley: Mr. and Mrs. William Kemper, Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Davidson, Mary Alley Currie & Family, J.D. Alley, Mrs. Herbert Glueck;

In Memory of Harvey Birdwell: Mr. and Mrs. David Wintermann, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Braden, Sr., Monroe Briscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Wilcox, Betty Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Linne-mier;

In Memory of Hattie Carter: Mrs. Lora B. Thomas; In Memory of Sam Davidson: Joe D. Luna, Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Dromgoole;

In Memory of Sarah Flores: Mr. and Mrs. William Stapleton; In Memory of Ernest "Beans" Frnka: E.L. Hosp. Auxiliary, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Parma, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Landry, Mr. and Mrs. David Wintermann, Mrs. Sophie Zoeller, Barbara Pidgeon, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brunner, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davidson, Jr.;

In Memory of Bill Hicks: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Braden, Sr.; In Memory of Jesse King: Mrs. Arthur Lundquist, Barbara Pidgeon, Mr. and Mrs. William Stapleton;

In Memory of Mena Kveton: Mr. and Mrs. William Stapleton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. M.M. Jones, Mrs. Dorothy Cassidy,

Marion E. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Blair, Mrs. James Adkins;

In Memory of Evelyn Johnson: E.L. Hosp. Auxiliary, Barbara Pidgeon;

In Memory of Margarito Lira: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Supak, Mr. and Mrs. William Stapleton; In Memory of Mrs. Morris "Florence" Morales: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Supak, Barbara Pidgeon, Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Grigar, Earl Walsh;

In Memory of Reuben Miller: Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Braden; In Memory of Phyllis Steffens: Mr. and Mrs. Simon Landry, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Larmer, Jr.

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DEEDS

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Gift Deed: Tonie Halfmann to Clarence Halfmann, int. in 42.10 acres, James Cummins Survey; 7-1-91.

Deed: Weimar Lodge #423 AF&M to Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Chadwick, lot 4495, Masonic Cemetery, Weimar; 7-1-91.

Deed: Douglas Jordan and Susan Ricks to Clyde W. and Madeline B. Williamson, part of original lot #1, blk. #51, Columbus; 7-2-91.

Deed: Edna S. Girard and Gladys Tyler to Fernin and Olga Rodriguez, 0.1417 acre in range 4, Smith and Jones Addition, Columbus; 7-2-91.

Deed: Thorsteinberg Materials Co., Inc. to Richard McCabe, 21.484 acres, M.D. Ramsey Survey; 7-2-91.

Deed: Columbus Professional Building, Inc. and Joe Hasted to Franklin and Helen Marie Zimmermann, 86.694 acres, Henry Austin Five League Grant; 7-2-91.

Deed: Dan and Mary Ellen Prause and Grace M. Zaispoker to Colorado Valley Transit, Inc., 1.500 acres, E. Tumlinson Survey; 7-3-91.

Deed: Lee Anna Ashton and Beatrice Soval to Cushman Ranch, und. int. in 20 acres, G.S. Seidler Survey, et al; 7-2-91.

Deed: Agnes Tyler Richardson to Cornestone Land & Mineral Trust, und. int. in tract, Thomas Cartwright Survey #10; 7-3-91.

Deed: Susan H. Walsh to Gregory F. Walsh III, 85.812 acres, Benj. F. McMillen Survey; 7-3-91.

Deed: Mary Herder Hanks Estate to Clyde W. Hanks, III, et al, und. int. in 53.3 acres, A. Carter Survey; 7-3-91.

Deed: Fred J. and Carolyn L. Schlicher to Robert H. Beck, et al, int. in 427.72 acres, Wolf and Becker Survey, et al; 7-5-91.

Deed: Randy Dean Farmer to Mary Alice Berry Farmer, und. int. in 29.603 acres, Richard Dowdy League; 7-5-91.

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Deed: Prudential Relocation Management to Melvin L. and Rita D. Sunderman, lot no. 2 and 3, blk. #1, Forest Oaks Subd., Section 1, George Metz Survey; 7-5-91.

Deed: First National Bank El Campo to Jack and Dorothy Hawk, 4.509 acres, Rossom Alley League; 7-5-91.

OIL AND GAS LEASES

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