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Texas headed back 'in the red', John Sharp warns

State Comptroller John Sharp warned that Texas stands to lose up to \$12 billion over the next seven years if the budget-slashing Congress adopts a block-grant method in its efforts to re-visit the 30-year-old Medicare program which provides health care for indigents.



State Capitol Highlights By Lyndell Williams and Ed Sterling Texas Press Association

Last week, as adoption of grants looked increasingly likely, Sharp predicted the need for a special session of the Texas Legislature to pay for a projected shortfall of \$750 million over the next two years in state Medicaid and other social programs. The tab for Medicaid alone over the next two years is \$1.8 billion.

The dispute was scheduled to be tried July 3 before Austin State District Judge Scott McCown, who has presided through the state's seemingly endless school finance case.

Under the proposed Medicaid block grants, Sharp said, states with shrinking populations would get more money, while states with increasing populations, like Texas, would get less, and suffer disproportionately. Sharp estimated, for example, property taxes for the Harris Hospital District would have to increase by 17 to 27% to make up for proposed federal cuts, the Houston Chronicle reported.

Her bill would also put 6,000 border patrol agents on the job and erect barriers of favorite crossing points along the Rio Grande.

Washington should abandon these failed formulas of the past turn to a simple solution instead: Send the money where the people are," Sharp said at a Capitol news conference in Austin, before leaving for Washington, D.C., to lobby the Texas congressional delegation to support his funding formula, which is based on the number of qualified Medicaid recipients.

Laughlin Switches to GOP U.S. Rep. Greg Laughlin of West Columbia quit the Democratic party last week, saying that he was switching to the Republican Party because his district's "conservative principles" are not acceptable to the leadership of the Democratic Party.

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Let's Look Back... 24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Oct. 29, 1970 Rice High School cheerleaders were chosen: Miss Melba Wied, Miss Debbie Hartsfield, Miss Marilyn Hefner, head cheerleader, Miss Margaret Christal and Miss Beatrice Baird... Leading the Rice Raider Band on the football gridiron and other activities for the 1970-71 school year are twirlers Miss Harriet Engstrom, Miss Ann Sondermann, Miss Sheila Brisco, drum major Susan Phillips, and twirler Janelle Bauer. Floyd Spearthart is the director of the Raider Band...

Mr. & Mrs. James A. Gebert of Alvin announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Susan Doris, to John Louis Muzay of Eagle Lake. They will be married at the First United Methodist Church in Alvin on Jan. 5, 1971, at 7:30 p.m....

Veterans tell about WWII

With the WWII celebration set for Aug. 19 in Weimar, veterans and the committee will present stories from some veterans. The following recollection is from Edwin A. Billeck of Weimar: I was inducted on Oct. 22, 1943, at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. I served in both France and Germany. I was in the Field Artillery. As a full truck driver, my job was to pull our eight inch guns from one position to another and get them ready for firing.

Local students attend FB seminar

Attending the Texas Farm Bureau's 33rd Annual Citizenship Seminar in San Angelo June 19-23 were Leigh Jackson, Brad Alexander and Melissa Harbich. Sponsored by the Colorado County Farm Bureau, they were among approximately 400 high school students from over 150 counties across Texas.

There was also a special presentation by Kurt Swanda from Fort Worth. The students were welcomed to the seminar by Dr. James Hindman, president of Angelo State University.

Training to carry handguns to get underway

Texans interested in obtaining a license to carry a concealed handgun will be able to start the required training program as soon as the law goes into effect on Sept. 1. DPS Director James R. Wilson said. "In the meantime, we ask the public's patience as we get this program set up," Wilson said. "We will make an announcement when our training classes have been set, with instructions on how to enroll. But the department is not currently accepting fees or application requests for instructors or licenses."

Texas proclaims 'German Cultural, Czech Awareness Weeks'

Governor George Bush signed resolutions from the Texas House of Representatives and Senate designating the first week in Oct. as German Cultural Awareness Week and the last week in Oct. as Czech Heritage Week in Texas. The resolutions were sponsored by Representative Robert Saunders of La Grange and Senator Ken Armbrister of Victoria.

The weeks were chosen because of historical significance and it will allow the schools to educate the children of Texas and the general population about the great ethnic diversity of the state.

'Ma Bell' extends service center hours

"If there were just more time in the day," a common refrain and concern for anyone with busy schedules. In response to customer needs, Southwestern Bell Telephone is extending the hours for its Residence Service Centers in a continuing effort to provide more convenience and assist additional customers.

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS Deed: Frieda W. Breithaupt to Hilbert Otto Nischmann and Eugene August Juergens, part of the Jesse Burnham League, A-9; filed 5-25-95. Deed: Julia M. Brown to Mitchell I. Davis Sr., subdivisional Lot No. 16 in Block No. 63 of the City of Columbus; 5-25-95. Deed: Evelyne G. Cones to Gilbert Gaertner, 11.2877 acres of the B.D. Bassford Farm, Halloway, et al, Lot No. 15, Block No. 41, of the Frazz Subdivision of the City of Eagle Lake, P. Reits Survey, A-475; 6-1-95. Deed: Elliott F. Koehn, et al to Dennis R. Miller and Shelia D. Miller, Lot No. 17, and the Easterly 15 ft. of Lot No. 18, in Block No. 17 of the City of Weimar; 6-1-95. Deed: Robert Vinson Jr., et al to Vera Johnson, subdivision Lot No. 4 in Block 3, City of Columbus; 5-26-95. Deed: Gladys M. Williams, et al to Marcella Cook, tract of land, a part of the H. Austin 5 League Survey, A-4; 5-30-95. Deed: Norma Combs Bibb and Della Christine Jones to Rick K. Berger, et al, 0.4132 acres tract, a part of Lot No. 3 in Block No. 48, City of Weimar; 5-30-95. Deed: Clara Ledesma to Rita Jo Hajjari and Clarice Tobin, Lot No. 7, in Block 36, Town of Weimar; 5-31-95. Deed: Della J. Matlock to Barbara A. Anderson and Wanda K. Anderson, the W. 116.5 ft. of subdivisional Lot No. 8 in Block 79, of the City of Columbus; 5-31-95. Deed: Esther F. Kubesch to Thomas F. Brasher, et al, 21.720 acres out of the Roodin Andrews Survey, A-52; 5-31-95. Deed: The First National Bank of Eagle Lake to David M. Sommer, et al, 2.00 acres, a part of the James Earl Survey, A-189; 6-1-95. Deed: Daphene M. Reading to Amador Elizondo, et al, 0.6546 acre, in Block No. 39 of the City of Eagle Lake, P. Reits Survey, A-475; 6-1-95. Deed: Lois Marie Dornak Svoboda, et al to Steven J. Mattoon, et al, 2.951 acres situated in the J.S. Evans League, A-22; 6-1-95. Deed: Elliott F. Koehn, et al to Dennis R. Miller and Shelia D. Miller, Lot No. 17, and the Easterly 15 ft. of Lot No. 18, in Block No. 17 of the City of Weimar; 6-1-95. Deed: Bobby L. Haines to Dolores Hope Haines, (2) tracts, in the Central Harvey Morey Survey, A-730; 6-2-95. Deed: Charles M. Haines, et al to Bobby L. Haines (2) tracts, being tract No. 3 and tract No. 32 of the Central Harvey Morey Survey, A-730; 6-2-95. Deed: Linda De Oto to Joe L. Jones, et al, Lot 5 and 6 in Block 10 of the Highland Park Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 6-5-95. Deed: Francis Wilson III to Michael L. Sonntag, et al, Lots 11, 12 & 13 in Block 21 of the Town of Sheridan; 6-5-95. Deed: Billie Walden Bronner to Michael L. Sonntag, et al, Lots 12 & 13, Block 50, City of Sheridan; 6-5-95. Deed: Clara Roberts Wilson, et al to Shantley L. Harris and Nathan Hatten Jr., Lot No. 2 in Block No. 1 of the Vineyard Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 6-5-95. Deed: Bettye Wornat to Teresa Ann Wornat, (2) tracts in Block C of the James Gallaher Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 6-5-95. Deed: Alfred Martinez Jr., et al to Milton A. Jobb and Renee Dixon, 40 ft. wide right-of-way easement running east and west out of the H. Austin 5 League Grant, A-4; 6-5-95. Deed: Harold O. Brandt and Melroy I. Brandt to Milton A. Jobb and Renee Dixon, 1.2530 acre, out of the H. Austin 5 League, A-5, City of Weimar; 6-5-95. Deed: Alice Jordan, et al to Henrietta Scott Kamo, et al, 1.933 acres out of the D. Gilleland League, A-26; 6-5-95. Deed: Nina Lee Kraft Burt to Walter Stafford Burt, interests held in trust and that 100 acres, a part of the Daniel Gilleland Survey, A-26; 6-5-95. Deed: Carrie Young to Perky D. Young, und. int. in 2.145 acres out of the H. Austin 5 League, A-4; 6-5-95. Deed: Lillian Katherine Patten Cole to Norris Sayre, et al Lot No. 159 on Lake Sheridan Estates; 6-5-95. Deed: Nina Lee Kraft Burt to Walter Stafford Burt, interests held in trust and that 100 acres, a part of the Daniel Gilleland Survey, A-26; 6-5-95. Deed: Nina Lee Kraft Burt to Walter Stafford Burt, und. int. in oil, gas and other mineral interests in 100.276 acres out of the Daniel Gilleland Survey, A-26; 6-5-95. Deed: Walter Stafford Burt to Walter N. Thomas, et al, 100.276 acres out of the Daniel Gilleland Survey, A-26; 6-5-95. OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE Conoco Inc. to Magnum Producing & Operating Company, 480.0 acres, in the R.M. Moore Survey No. 4, A-666; filed 5-31-95. COUNTY COURT CASES FILED Sam Joseph Alfano, Katy, driving while intoxicated (DWI), filed 6-27-95. Daniel Camacho Jr., Rock Island, driving while license suspended (DWLS), 6-27-95. Alejandro Reyna Hernandez, Weimar, DWLS, 6-27-95. Robert Janick, Schenbourg, DWL, 6-27-95. David Wayne Moeller, Katy, DWL, 6-27-95. Diane Thaler Rau, Columbus, DWI with open container, 6-27-95. William Alexander Waddell, Industry, DWLS, 6-27-95. DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUITS FILED Robert Moore vs Home Lumber & Hardware Co., personal injuries, filed 6-19-95. Lydia Belota vs Keith Schultz, personal injuries, 6-23-95. DIVORCES FILED Stuart W. Hastedt and Belinda Leigh Hastedt; filed 6-23-95. DIVORCES GRANTED Herman Bruce and Lisa J. Bruce; granted 6-22-95. Kenneth Nance and Zhanel S. Nance; 6-22-95. John Ray Barker and Tammie Lynn Barker; 6-22-95. Soledad Hernandez Ruiz and Benjamin Ruiz; 6-22-95. Susan Khravjak Kuz and Henry L. Kuz; 6-22-95. MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS James Michael Witt, 24, and Toni Michelle Kratz, 24, both of Columbus. James Roderick Adkins, 33, and Amy Lynne Smith, 24, both of Eagle Lake. Chancy Eugene Pence, 20, and Chantelle Marie Chabreck, 20.

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Mr. & Mrs. Henry Dostal are now at home in their attractive garage apartment home... Paul L. Henneke and Donald T. Pennington, both of Eagle Lake, have enlisted in the U.S. Regular Army and are on their way to join the famous First Cavalry Division currently stationed in Japan.

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Headlight Photo by Charlene Rodgers. The Wintermann Library was the site for the reading of "The Jungle is My Home" and "The Giving Tree". The presenter for the program was Rhonda Anderson. After the reading the "Rain Game" was played and some of the children acted out the skit "Turtles Dilemma".