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AROUND
THE
COUNTY
by



ARTHUR BARLEMAN, JR. COUNTY AGENT

Sterling County livestock producers have done it again! For the third time in three years, they have contributed more than the county's potential to the screwworm eradication program. The potential was based on estimated livestock numbers in the county but the producers have gone beyond that figure each time by a substantial amount.

A total of \$2,422.58 was forwarded to the state headquarters for the fund raising program this week by the treasurer, H. L. Hildebrand. The county's potential in the latest drive was \$1,920. This time, the producers exceeded the goal slightly over \$500.

The producers and businessmen of the county who made this possible are to be commended for their cooperation. When many other counties are encountering difficulties in raising their potential, it's nice to know that the county you live in has met, and exceeded, its potential. This was made possible by the hard work of the men who worked each road in the county under the direction of the county chairman, Alvie Cole.

Last week, all the county agents in this district were in Kerrville for a district meeting. Part of the meeting included a session at the entomology research laboratory near Kerrville where lots of work is being done with livestock pests and the insecticides used to control the pests.

Personnel of the U. S. Department of Agriculture passed along several precautions on the use of some of the insecticides. Some of the experiments using certain combinations of insecticides and drugs proved disastrous.

One of the precautions they gave concerned the use of vitamin A and spraying with Co-Ral at the same time. Heavy death losses in cattle occurred where these two were used at the same time.

Another concerned the use of Co-Ral and phenothiazine together on sheep. When sheep were drenched with phenothiazine and sprayed with Co-Ral, heavy death losses resulted.

A new preparation is on the market and approved for the control of horse bots. Most common name of the material on the market is Anthon. If used for the treatment of horse bots, it is successful. But if it is necessary to have a veterinarian treat the horse within three weeks and a sleep-producing drug is required, losses may result. They advised telling a veterinarian of any drugs or sprays used on any animal before he treats the animal. They will know if there is a possibility of reaction from mixing the treatment and the past treatment.

The grass in most home lawns is greening up now and needs a shot of fertilizer to get it started in a good way. The recommendations call for an application of fertilizer at the time the grass begins to grow in the spring.

For a good green lawn use two pounds of actual nitrogen per thousand square feet of lawn. Since this is the beginning of the growing season, it is well to use a fertilizer containing both nitrogen and phosphorus. Later applications will require only nitrogen.

You can figure how much fertilizer you will need to use by using the formula on the sack. For instance, 16-20-0 contains sixteen percent nitrogen, twenty percent phosphorus and no potash. Divide the sixteen percent into the required two pounds and you get 12½ pounds, the amount

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week included—

Randy Mixon
Cornelia Fuentes
Juan Mata
Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week include:
Tom Onstott
W. H. Spraggins
Mrs. Tom McGill
J. F. McCabe
Mrs. Fred Hodges

SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM MENUS

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

Fried Chicken and Gravy
Buttered Rice
String Beans
Green Salad
Rolls
Cherry Dessert

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

Boiled Weiners with Mustard
Pinto Beans
Buttered Spinach
Vegetable Salad
Cornbread

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

Ham
Lima Beans
Spiced Beets
Mixed Salad
Rolls
Cooked Prunes
Cake

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

Hamburgers
Potato Chips
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions
Buns
Pineapple Pie

School Bill May Not Help Sterling

The new federal aid to education bill which was signed into law by President Johnson last weekend, may not help the Sterling Schools any. The bill would allocate \$75 million to Texas school districts.

There are four counties in this district IX of the TSTA that are set up not to get anything under the terms of the bill. They include Sterling, Corckett, Irion, and Schleicher Counties.

The aid is set up to grant aid to school districts that the percentage of population of ages 5 to 17 and income of less than \$2,000—and this county is shown having 37 aged 5 to 17 with less than the \$2,000 annual income.

At least the amount of aid shown would be less than \$100—or practically nothing.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

The Sterling school is having the Easter holidays Friday and Monday. Classes will resume Tuesday, April 20, said school superintendent O. T. Jones.

of this particular fertilizer you would need for one thousand and square feet of lawn. The lawn should be watered well following the fertilizer application. Soak it good for several hours to get the most out of the fertilizer. One good soaking every week or ten days is better than light sprinkling everyday or two, the lawn experts say. Lawns should be mowed often enough so that it is not necessary to remove more than two inches of growth at any one time. Taking more than two inches is a severe shock and the grass suffers. Mow bermuda grass to a height of an inch or an inch and a half; St. Augustine grass should be mowed to a height of an inch and a half to two inches.

One-Act Play Here Next Tuesday

You Can See It Again

Sterling High School's winning one-act play, will be put on again here at the local school auditorium Tuesday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. It will be a dress rehearsal in preparation for regional competition in Big Spring on April 22, said Fred McDonald, sponsor. The play, which won district competition last month in Bronte, is "A Storm Is Breaking" by Jim Damico. With the winning of district, the locals also won the best actress award (Jeanie McDonald) and best actor (Troy Murrell).

Also in the play is Shirley Price, Janie Copeland and Drew Durham. Sound effects are by Nelwyn King.

Rosanne Foster helps with stage props. Mrs. Lynn Glass has helped the group.

Mr. McDonald hopes that a good crowd will come out to see the play next Tuesday. It is free, and everyone is welcome.

Elementary Track Meet Held in Bronte

The elementary district field and track meet was held in Bronte Wednesday afternoon of this week. Silver and Bronte tied for first place and Sterling City got third. Other schools participating were Fort San, Garden City, Robert Lee and Water Valley.

Sterling Placings

In high jump Frank Price placed first. In pullups David Gaston won first and Johnny Joe Medina second.

In pole vault Johnny Joe Medina and Rubin Rodriguez tied for second. Frank Price placed second in the 440 yard run. In the 440 yard relay, the Sterling team was fifth, and on the team were Randy Peel, Pat Dearen, Thomas McDonnell, and Ishmael Vargas.

In the 880 yard relay Sterling was second; the team was composed of Frank Price, David Currington, Randy Peel, and Rubin Rodriguez. David Currington placed fifth in the discus throw.

High school regional meet is to be held in Big Spring next weekend, and Wayland Foster will compete in the 180 yard low hurdles.

Mrs. Bill McClung (the former Tommie Easley) of Port Arthur, visited briefly with friends Tuesday morning. She had been in Midland visiting her son, John Thompson and his wife, and was returning to her home. John is a policeman on the Midland force.

Trailer House Burns

Frances Blackburn's trailer house caught fire and burned up here about 7 a.m. Monday. The fire was reportedly started by a butane gas stove.

Larry Blackburn, a nephew of Frances', was asleep in the trailer and barely got out with a slight singeing and only saved a pair of pants he was wearing.

The fire and an explosion woke Larry up. The trailer was a total loss.

Frances was not home—she was visiting in Louisiana at the time.

Airman Buried Here Thursday

Funeral services for Airman Dennis Scott Davis of Bunker Hill Air Force Base, Indiana, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin of Sterling City, was held at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Ingleside, Texas.

Burial with full military honors were held here Thursday afternoon at Montvale Cemetery directed by Lowe Funeral Home. Units from Good-fellow Field Air Force Base participated in the ceremonies.

Airman Davis was killed in a car accident in Indiana Saturday night.

He was born in San Angelo in August, 1947.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Herbert Floyd of Ingleside, his father, Billy Davis of California; two brothers, Benny Davis and Kenneth Davis, both of Ingleside; one sister, Miss Jackie Davis of Ingleside; and the grandparents. (The boy's mother is the former Lena Findt.)

Arrives in New Hampshire for Air Force Duty

Portsmouth, New Hampshire—Captain Hal M. Knight Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal M. Knight of Sterling City, Texas, has arrived for duty at Pease, AFB, N.H.

Captain Knight, a navigator, previously served at Schilling AFB, Kansas. His new unit supports the Strategic Air Command mission of keeping the nation's intercontinental missiles and jet bombers on constant alert.

The captain, a graduate of Sterling High School has a B. A. degree from Texas Technological College at Lubbock. He was commissioned there upon completion of the Reserve Officer Training Corps program in 1958.

His wife, Dolores, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hagerty of Odessa.

The John Wesley Dentons of Dallas were visitors here last weekend, visiting relatives and friends.

LIONS CLUB

Nominating Committee Reports

The nominating committee, headed by H. L. Hildebrand, made its recommendations for new officers at the Lions Wednesday as follows:

Stan Horwood, president
D. Kirk Hopkins, 1st vice-president
Jack Asbill, 2nd vice-pres.
Jim Davis, 3rd vice-pres.
Hubert Travis, secretary-treasurer

H.F. Donelson, Tail Twister
Hal Knight, Lion Tamer
Directors (new) S.M. Bailey and Wayne Loury, and hold over Jack Douthitt and Dr. W. J. Swann.

The officers list will be read at next week's meeting and then voted on by the club.

President Wayne Loury appointed a committee to help name the good citizen among high school students for this year's presentation. He named Jim Davis, Arthur Barlemane and Henry Bauer.

Guests present were Charles Barnes of Fort Worth, Hull Barbee of Richardson, Mike Kisco and Carl Peel of San Angelo. The prize went to Hull Barbee.

Carl Peel gave estimates of the cost of erecting and lighting the ball park and field in Sterling. The cost of materials for lights, the bleachers and bull wire fence totaled up to \$3,000. The club voted to try to build the field here.

Epsilon Zeta Club Meeting

Mrs. George White was the hostess when the members of the Epsilon Zeta Club met recently. Mrs. Marshall Blair talked on the United Fund for the program.

Six members were present, being Mrs. Don Akins, Mrs. Charles Allen, Mrs. Marshall Blair, Mrs. Fred McDonald, Mrs. White and Mrs. Charles Williamson. Guests present included Mrs. Leslie Cole and Mrs. Charles Probandt.

Bingo was played and prizes went to Mrs. Akins, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Probandt and Mrs. Allen.

Luther Hallmark went fishing with some friends last week down on the Devil's River to Kenneth Brown's cabin on the river. Going were Kenneth Brown, his brother, Edwin Brown, Henry Batjer and, of course, Luther. Said they caught some catfish, bass and perch. They were gone from Wednesday till Saturday.

BARBECUE this Saturday. Chicken and beef, ready by noon. See or call T. J. Finnegan, 8-3461.

The Earl Seagos have gone to Cleburne for the Easter holiday.

Mud Allen, local rancher, who underwent surgery in a San Angelo hospital recently, has returned home and is up and about, doing fine.

Mrs. Webb Hudson's Brother Buried

A. S. Bowers, brother of Mrs. Webb Hudson, died recently in the Veteran's Hospital in Big Spring. Burial was in Dripping Springs. He was a veteran of World War I and was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, three sisters and one brother. Among those attending the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. Webb Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lowe and Mrs. Harry Gann and Becky.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Grigsby of Sanderson visited relatives here last weekend and attended the Miss Wool pageant in San Angelo Friday.

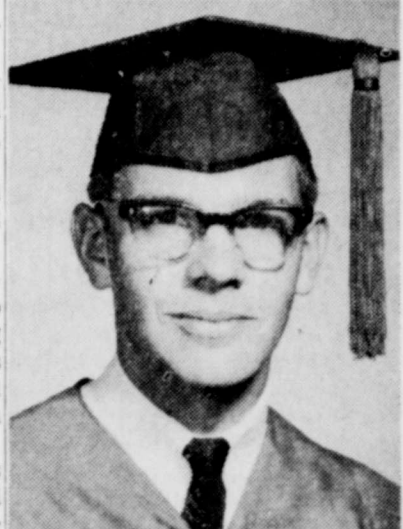
CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank everyone for the gifts, cards, flowers and prayers while Mud was in the hospital. All were appreciated.

Mr. & Mrs. Mud Allen

HONOR STUDENTS NAMED

High school principal Earl B. Seago, announced this week that Troy Murrell was the valedictorian of this year's graduating class with an average of 96.241. Second or salutatorian is Shirley Price with an average of 95.824. The third ranking student of the class is Janie Copeland with an average of 95.017.



TROY MURRELL

Top student Troy Murrell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Murrell. This year in interscholastic league competition, Troy was named best actor in the district one-act play contest tournament. He placed first in persuasive speaking (boys) at the district meet and placed second in spelling. He has participated in two science symposiums at Dallas a representative of the local high school. He was granted a national science grant for study in chemistry at the University of Texas last summer. Troy is serving as editor of the high school annual this year and has been on the staff several years. Troy plans to attend the University of Texas and study law.



SHIRLEY PRICE

Shirley is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foster S. Price. She placed first in poetry interpretation at the district meet and is also in the winning one-act play from Sterling City. She and Rosanne Foster placed second in tennis girls doubles at the district tennis meet.

She has placed in tennis at the district meets in past years and played basketball four years. She is the senior class favorite and Miss S.H.S. this year.

Shirley plans to to Abilene Christian College and she plans to major in costume designing.

Janie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Copeland. She placed second in spelling at the recent district meet. She has held most offices in the local chapter of the Future Homemakers of America, and at present is secretary. Janie has been a cheerleader for two years and is secretary of her class this year.

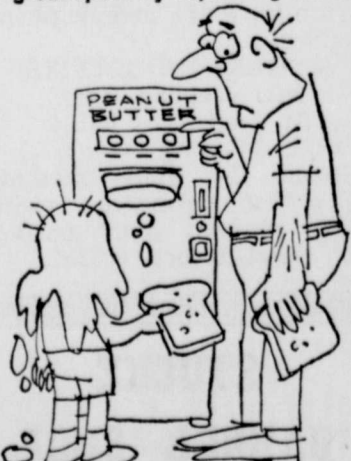
Janie, who was salutatorian of her eighth grade graduation class, says she wants to study fashion and merchandising at Tech, which she will enroll for summer school soon. She played basketball three years and is secretary of the senior class. She has the title of the Most Beautiful Girl at SHS this year.

Sally Mixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mixon, has been in a San Angelo hospital this week having some tests run on her. She is due to return home Friday. Their son, Randy, is in the Sterling hospital.

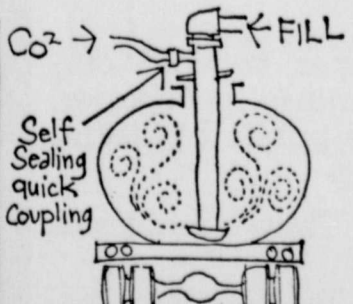
SCIENCE SKETCHES



BLOODLESS SURGERY may be accomplished in the future with a startlingly different kind of surgical instrument, a scalpel with needle-like gaseous blade as bright and hot as the sun. Columbia University scientists say the scalpel, operating at ultra-hot temperatures, will cut with great speed by vaporizing tissue.



PEANUT BUTTER vending machines will please lovers of the spread. The manufacturer says the peanut butter has a purer "peanutty" taste because it doesn't contain the hard fats added to packaged spreads to prevent oil separation.



'FIRE TRIANGLE' (ignition source, fuel, oxygen), dreaded by oil companies, can cause explosion or fire. When tank trucks that previously hauled gasoline are loaded with fuel oil, remaining gas fumes are partially absorbed by the oil. Add air and you have a mixture that can be detonated by static electricity. Injecting carbon dioxide minimizes the danger, reports Cardox, Chicago. Heavier-than-air CO₂ displaces the oxygen leg of the triangle.

Social Security Tips

Maids and Cooks Must Have Social Security Paid

Wages paid a household worker—whether employed as a maid, cook, laundress, cleaning woman, baby sitter or similar job—are covered for social security purposes if the employee is paid \$50 or more in cash in a calendar quarter.

A calendar quarter is a 3-month period beginning with January, April, July or October. Room and board are not counted, but carfare is, if paid in cash.

If you have a domestic employee who meets this requirement, you are required to report these wages to the Internal Revenue Service and pay the social security taxes. A report for the quarter just past is due not later than April 30. Failure to file timely tax returns may result in additional penalty and interest charges.

But most important, you might be depriving your household worker of her social security protection and benefits for herself and possibly her family—benefits to which she is legally entitled.

Additional information concerning this subject can be obtained from your local social security office. Ask for

leaflet OASI-21.

Your San Angelo social security office is located at 3000 West Harris. The telephone number is 949-4608.

Will your social security monthly retirement check be \$100 or \$120? If your wife claims her payments when she's 62, will they increase when she reaches 65? These are some of the questions you might like to have answered before you retire.

Floyd B. Ellington, District Manager of the office in San Angelo said it's a good idea to visit their office about three months before that date. There is an advantage of your applying well ahead of time. Most applications go through without any trouble, but every once in a while someone has trouble proving his age or providing some other form of needed evidence. When that happens everything grinds to a stop until a satisfactory age or birth record or other proof is supplied. If you wait until you retire to make your claim, and you don't have the records you need, your first check may be delayed. If you don't need your social security right away, it won't matter, but most folks count on that first check as part of their post-retirement budget.

When you visit the social security office three months before retirement, there are

some records you'll need to take. The best way to find out what you should take is to phone ahead. In addition to a record of your age, you may need to taken your last withholding tax statement. If your wife is 62 and wants to apply for benefits also, she'll need a record of her age. If you call the social security office before you pay the pre-retirement visit, they can tell you exactly what you'll need. If there's some record you don't have, they can usually help you get it. Helping people with retirement claims is their business. For example, they know the best, and quickest way to get a record of your age.

FOR CEMENT Tank building—Contractor—See or call Gregorio M. Savala, Box 594, Phone 835-2302, Mertzon, Tex.

Two apartments for rent—one furnished and one unfurnished. See or call Mrs. Ray Lane at 8-4331.



Legion to Have Spring Barbecue May 7

The local American Legion post is holding the annual spring barbecue at the Jeff Davis river place on the night of May 7, said Commander E. B. Seago this week.

A barbecue supper will be served for \$1.25 a plate, said the local commander. There will be a ladies hour from 7:30 to 8:30, wherein ladies can come out and eat with the group.

A nominating committee has been named by Seago to nominate officers for next year. Serving on the committee are George Case, Wayne Loury, and Charles Allen.

Howard County Junior College Choir to Sing at School

The Howard County Junior College Choir will sing at an assembly at the high school here on May 7. The choir program will begin at 11 a.m. said principal Earl Seago, and parents and patrons are invited to come hear the group.

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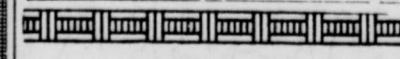
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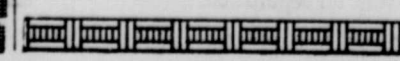
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Morning worship — 11:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Marion H. Hays, Minister

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Morning worship — 11:00 a.m.
Night Worship — 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Mid-Week
Service — 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sherman Conner, Pastor

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Morning worship — 11:00 a.m.
Evening worship — 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. — 7:30 p.m.

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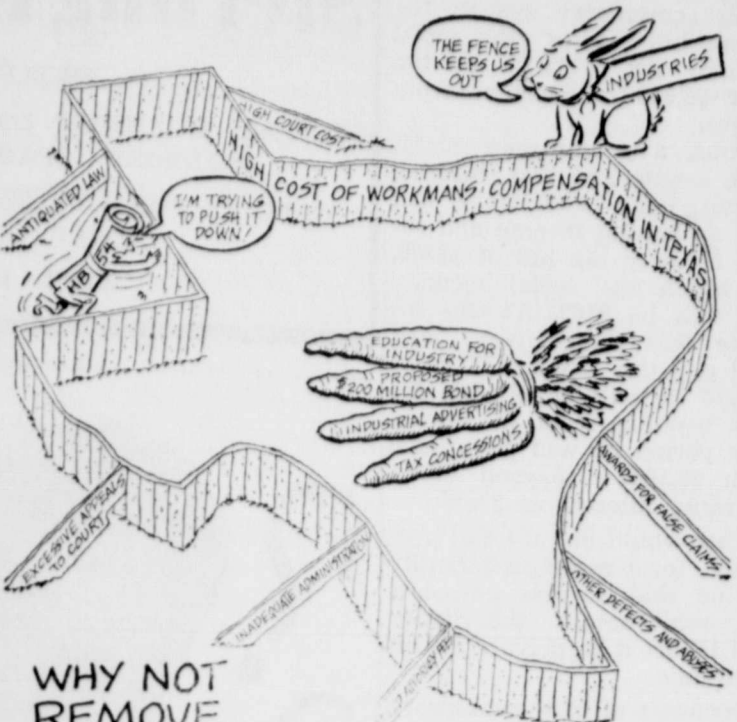
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The "fence" must be torn down if Texas is to get its just share of new and needed industrial growth and expansion. Texas must have industrial growth if our economy is to expand and provide more job opportunity. Farming, mining, and manufacturing are the three main foundation piers that support our basic economy. Farming and mining as sources of employment are growing weaker. Manufacturing (or processing) must be strengthened to bear more and more weight or the economy will topple. Special lures to industry, though temporarily appealing, are not the answer. A good business climate, as reflected through governmental intent, will provide the appeal that will secure the stable industries essential to the long-range growth of the economy. House Bill 54, now pending in the Legislature, would, if enacted, remove a major defect in the Texas business climate by amending and up-dating the antiquated Texas Workmen's Compensation laws. House Bill 54 is being opposed by a "vocal few" who, either because of selfishness or lack of understanding, want the law to remain in its present inadequate, antiquated form. Will these few be permitted to impede the progress of the economy and the resultant benefit to the many? This is the question the Legislature must answer. Job and business opportunity is at stake.



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Behind the 8-Ball

Well, the Miss Wool pageant and contest is over for this year. Local citizens were very disappointed that Lynda Rhea Allen didn't win, but that isn't all they can gripe about.

That guy, Pollock from Casa Manana that put on the show, said he didn't trust the coliseum's public address system—so he brought his own—and, oh boy, it sure enough didn't work. (That wasn't real smart.) Then, he hired a beat-nicked looking bearded guy from Houston to be the master of ceremonies. He couldn't be heard well, and he spoke too fast for most listeners—and all the jokes he told were in a speakers' joke book that I have—or a slight variation.

He hired Jane Wyatt to put the crown on the head of the new Miss Wool, instead of having Suzy Beck, 1964 Miss do the job for free. And she should have had the job.

Pollock hired the Ackridge singers from San Francisco to entertain and just think of the money he could have saved if he had gotten some of the vocalists from SAC or somewhere close—and saved a whopping big fee.

Really folks, I'm no producer, but I would have gotten



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Our WASHINGTON Letter



By Congressman
O. C. FISHER

Medicare, financed by a compulsory payroll tax, may soon become a reality. The House last week approved a mammoth program for hospital care, with a plan to pay some doctor bills by a cost-share arrangement.

The cost of the hospital plan will be astronomical, because it applies to about 20 million who are 65 or over. The millionaire will get the same benefits as the poor man.

Approval of this compulsory system will give us two programs, both operating at the same time. One of these—the voluntary Kerr-Mills plan—is in effect in most of the states, including Texas. Now, after the Senate approves the House bill, there will be two plans in operation at the same time. This will add to the cost, and raises the question of whether the American taxpayers can afford the luxury of two medicare programs.

Texans in Congress were divided on the compulsory approach. Fourteen voted for it, and I joined with 8 others in opposing it.

The vote last week calls for a substantial tax increase, parts of the program.

Forgetting Lynda, they felt they had been "took". But the producers will learn something from this year's show. We hope.

8-BALL
RAIN Showers—Showers fell here over the weekend—amounting to about .40 inches and again Wednesday morning early that same amount fell in town and a tenth fell in the afternoon. The rains are light, but all help in greening up the pastures and yards.

Now, all we need is a real old fashioned rain—of about three or four inches.

with the heavy burden of it falling on the lower income group. To finance this mammoth compulsory system the House bill raises the social security tax to 11.2% on the first \$6,600 of income from wages.

Thus, a young man of 21, with a wife and two children, earning even \$3,600 wage, will pay an annual income and social security tax bill of \$250, of which the social security tax will be \$162. At this income this same young man will pay this tax for 44 years before he will be eligible for any benefits from it. During that period he will pay Uncle Sam \$8,590 in payroll taxes, counting interest at 3½%.

That would buy a lot of protection for himself and family during that 44-year period, if he could retain the money and invest it in private health insurance.

Sponsors of this compulsory concept, after being rebuffed for 15 years, are now on the verge of winning their battle. The chief architects of the plan have admitted that this is but a beginning of a massive drive to apply medicare to everyone, regardless of age or need. Socialized medicine in England, France, Holland, and in other countries, began on a modest basis, financed by social security taxes, then expanded. Will history now repeat itself in America?

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