

The Washington Report

By Congressman Walter B. Jones

Often during this year I have commented in this column about the lack of activity on the part of the U.S. House of Representatives. The week ending July 30 was a notable exception. The matter which took up most of the week was the indepth consideration of the military authorization for fiscal year 1983. This authorization was by far the greatest in peacetime history, totaling \$175.3 billion. This is consistent with President Reagan's determination to provide all appropriation requests for the military. Space does not permit a breakdown of numerous items contained in this massive authorization. Sufficient to say, much debate and mixed emotions centered around the MX missile funds, the Trident submarines, and other controversial items. I am not minimizing the importance, but it was rather unusual that the House spent a great deal of time debating the withholding of college loans to young men who fail to register on their 18th birthday in order that their names might be available in the event that the national draft is ever restored. The final action in this matter was that if one was receiving federal aid either directly or indirectly, then that male individual should comply with the laws of the land. On final passage the amendment providing for the above-mentioned action passed by an overwhelming vote. Another highly charged emotional issue, particularly on the part of the women Members of Congress, was an amendment to provide that the divorced spouse of retired military personnel would have a right to share in the retirement pay if so ordered by the State Courts. This legislation was necessary in that the Supreme Court a year or so ago ruled that military

pensions were not subject to any sort of division in marital situations. This Act was designed to correct that inequity. Considering the military authorization for 1983, which consumed some 44 hours, involved approximately 100 amendments of varying importance.

Possibly one of the highlights of the week was the House consideration of the Senate's almost \$100 billion tax bill, which had passed the United States Senate by a margin of only two votes. I believe the record will show that not a single Democratic Senator voted for this mammoth tax increase. I am sure by now most of you are aware that, among other things, it provided for a doubling of the federal tax on cigarettes from 8 cents to 16 cents per pack. Many feel that this will adversely affect the sale of cigarettes thereby producing less tax than is now being collected, and will in no way provide the revenue which has been projected. But even more serious if this prediction is true, will be the possible reduction in demand and price from both the domestic and foreign companies. The House flatly refused to even consider the tax bill, and promptly sent it back to the Senate with implied orders to clean it up. The bill is presently in a Conference Committee of both House and Senate conferees, and it remains to be seen what will be the final results of not only the tobacco tax, but many other controversial items contained in this Senate package. Another criticism on the House side of this legislation is the fact that it is a provision of our Constitution that all revenue bills shall originate in the House, but contrary to this, the Senate, whose rules are much more flexible, saw fit to add this major tax legislation to an innocuous House bill, and contend that it was germane.

With most of the appropriation bills to be enacted, and with the election coming in November, I can only predict long sessions of both Houses between now and adjournment.

Bambino Division Double Elimination

The Manteo Lions Club and Dare County Babe Ruth are hosting the first annual 9-10 year old Bambino Division Double Elimination Tournament at Westcott Park in Manteo. This division is associated with Babe Ruth of America. Teams consist of two Dare teams, one - Edenton, one - Hyde County.

The starting date is Friday, at 3:30 P.M. with opening ceremonies and the first game to begin at 4 P.M. Admission will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children, 12 or younger. The concession stand will be open during the games. At this time we are trying to plan a fish fry to be held Friday and Saturday nights at \$2.50 a plate starting at 4 P.M. each day. Please bring folding chairs since bleachers are not available.

Silver Wings

Sec. Lt. Clifford W. Massingill, son of Charles G. Massingill of Refugio, Tx., and Jacqueline C. Massingill of Edenton, has graduated from U.S. Air Force pilot training, and has received silver wings at Laughlin Air Force Base, Tx.

Massingill will now serve at Davis - Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz. He is a 1981 graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.



Cadet, the term used to describe students in the U.S. military academies, is a French word meaning younger son.



50th CLASS REUNION — Members who attended the Hobbsville High School class of 1932's recent 50th reunion included, seated left to right, Marie Riddick Howe, Pasco Hollowell, Helen Hollowell Underwood, Mattie May Hobbs Womble; back row left to right, James Hudgins, Erma Pierce White, William Spivey Bunch, Merla Bunch Hobbs and Albert Hobbs.

Class Of 1932 Hold Reunion

All nine members of the 1932 graduating class of Hobbsville High School attended their 50th class reunion on July 17 at Jimmy's Restaurant in Sunbury.

Members of the class and their guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hobbs;

Mr. and Mrs. James Elbert Womble of Suffolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howe of Bel Aire, Md.; Miss Pasco Hollowell, Mrs. Eva Modlin, Mrs. Frances G. Hollowell of Sunbury; also their special guest, Mrs. Margaret R. Spivey of Suffolk, Va., their homeroom teacher.

Special Enrollment Examination By IRS

The Special Enrollment Examination administered by the Internal Revenue Service each year to qualify persons other than attorneys and certified public accountants to practice before the IRS has been set for October 14 and 15.

The special test will be given in Charlotte, Greensboro, and Raleigh.

Those interested in taking the examination should request a free materials packet from the IRS by calling 1-800-822-8800 any weekday between the hours of 8 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. The packet includes Form 2587, "Application for 1982 Special Enrollment Examination." The latter publication outlines the general requirements for

enrollment and identified sources of tax information which are helpful in preparing for the test. The examination will include true-false, multiple choice, and problem-type questions. The application fee is \$50 for those taking all four parts of the examination

and \$40 for prior year examinees taking fewer than four parts. All checks must be made payable to the "Internal Revenue Service" and postmarked no later than August 16, 1982. No extensions of time to file applications will be granted.

Children And Books

GREENVILLE — Cuddling your child on your lap to read a story is not just a painless way to settle an active youngster for bed - it's one of the most important learning opportunities a parent can provide.

This was emphasized in "Children and Books: The Literary Connection," a workshop directed by Dr.

Carol Veitch of the East Carolina University library science faculty at the 1982 Eastern Regional Mini-Conference of the N.C. Association for the Education of Young Children.

Edenton women attending the workshop included: Betty Bemby, Brenda Winborne and Maryann Bunch.

Dr. Veitch's workshop was one of nine offered at the day-long conference.

Fire Insurance, Lowest Rate

While the cost of operating North Carolina's public schools continued to climb last year, at least one budget item remained positive—fire insurance rates. Because of action taken more than 30 years ago, fire insurance rates for North Carolina's schools are among the lowest in the nation.

In 1949, the General Assembly authorized the State Board of Education to establish its own school building insurance fund. Because of the system which allows schools to buy insurance form the State Board of Education, fire insurance rates continue below those in other states.

Insuring with the fund is optional. Last year, according to statistics recently published by the Division of Insurance of the Controller's Office of the State Department of Public Education, 105 of the state's 143 school units insured with the fund, as did 28 community colleges and technical institutes.

Edenton-Chowan school has \$7,276,200 insurance in force as of June 30, 1981 with no fire and other losses for 1980-81.

According to officials of the School Insurance Fund, the state's self insurance program has not only saved money for participants, but has also resulted in lower rates charged public school systems by commercial insurance companies.

Before the fund was established, many systems were inadequately insured.

As a result of lower charges, coverage has been expanded and improved.

The fund's greatest benefit, however, has been the increase in preventive services. A major portion of the fund's budget goes to fire inspection services designed to minimize the risk of fire.

As of June 30, 1981, there was more than \$2.3-billion insurance in force, compared to \$2-billion the previous year and \$42 million in 1950, the first year the fund was in operation.

Joins Staff

Greenville—Two new departmental chairpersons have joined the East Carolina University School of Home Economics.

Dr. Jane K. Teleki, formerly a research associate at the Oklahoma State University Center for the Family, will head the Department of Child Development and Family Relations, and Dr. Vicki L. Berger, energy analyst for the Florida Public Service Commission since 1980, will chair two departments, the Department of Clothing and Textiles and the Department of Housing and Management.

Dr. Teleki replaces Dr. Jannis Shea, who was acting chairperson during the academic year 1981-82.

Dr. Berger replaces Dr. Geneva Yadav who resigned from the ECU faculty to move to Charlotte earlier this year.

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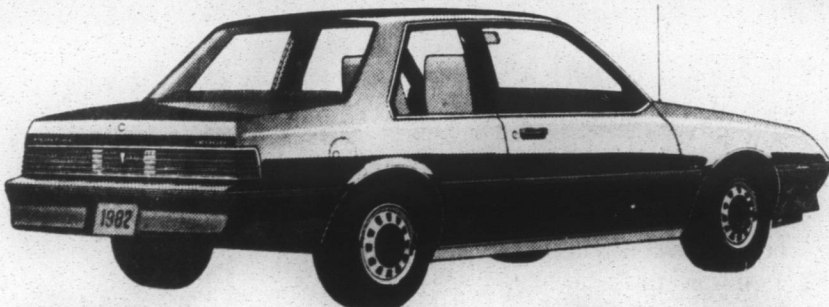
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BAYVIEW TRAIL — Attractive brick home on large lot with trees near Country Club featuring LR, Den, Kitchen-Dining Combo, Utility Room, Rec. Room, 3 BR, 2 1/2 baths. \$58,000.

COUNTRY HOME—Two story home. Features LR, DEN, DR, Kitchen, utility room, sewing room, 4BR, 3 Baths. Double garage. Located on beautiful lot. \$135,000. Long term owner financing at 13 1/2 per cent.

MORGAN PARK — beautiful brick home featuring, LR, Den, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility Room, 3BR, 2 Baths. \$65,000.

CAPE COLONY — Shingle home on canal features LR, kitchen, 3 BR, bath, garage. Private boat ramp. \$39,000.

HISTORIC DISTRICT — Lovely two story colonial home on corner lot. Features living room, den, dining room, kitchen, five bedrooms, garage. Easy walking distance of downtown.

ONE MILE FROM TOWN — Two story brick home one mile from town. Features LR, den (fireplace), dining room, kitchen, four BR, 2 1/2 baths, and garage. Located on an acre of land. 9 per cent assumable. \$69,500.

ON CHOWAN RIVER — Two story brick home, featuring 4 BR, 3 baths, LR, kitchen, den with fireplace plus family room. Deck overlooking the water. \$80,000 with owner financing available.

CHOWAN RIVER — This riverfront home features LR, kitchen, 3 BR, nice bulkheaded lot. \$48,000.

ARROWHEAD BEACH — This home is located on three lots. Features LR, kitchen, DR, 3 BR, 2 baths. \$19,950.

OLD COUNTRY HOME—Needs moving and restoring. \$4,500

BEAUTIFUL WATERFRONT LOTS ON ALBEMARLE SOUND — One half acre in size. Hornblow Pt. \$26,500.

W. HICKS STREET — Lot for sale. \$2,900. Owner financing possible.

MEXICO RD. - FOR SALE — This three bedroom brick home features large living room, den (fireplace), kitchen, two baths, and garage. \$49,000.

HWY. 17 — Owner financing. 12 year old home on large wooded lot; features LR, den, dining area, kitchen, 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths. \$32,500.

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