

SENATOR SAM ERVIN
★ SAYS ★

WASHINGTON -- A few days ago it was revealed by the Nixon Administration that the Federal Government had incurred a deficit of \$23.2 billion for the fiscal year just ended.

Those who keep up with the Federal budget will remember that eighteen months ago when the President presented his spending blueprint to Congress, he predicted that it would be in balance and even yield a modest \$1.3 billion surplus. That surplus has long since gone down the drain and massive new Treasury borrowing have been necessary to pay the Government's expenses for fiscal 1971.

What is worse, there is virtually unanimous agreement that things are not getting any better. Chairman Paul McCracken of the President's Council of Economic Advisers admitted on July 8th, when he was before the Joint Economic Committee of the Congress, that the deficit for the current fiscal year will be greater and perhaps \$30 billion. This adds up to a projected two-year deficit of about \$53 billion with immense consequences to every American. Those who work find that their dollar buys less each month and those who retired on fixed incomes are suffering even more because their earnings are pegged to a less inflated economy.

Governmental spending is related to the deteriorating purchasing power of the dollar and the fact that prices are rising faster than they have in a generation. While it is exceedingly difficult to comprehend the complexities of Federal spending and borrowing, it requires no degree in economics to ascertain that the consumer is now paying more each month when he goes to the store. The seriousness of the situation requires that fiscal responsibility be restored to

the Federal Government, and one way to do this would be to adopt an amendment to the Constitution to compel such action.

On July 12th, I cosponsored S.J. Res 129, a measure which proposes to amend the Constitution by requiring the submission of balanced federal budgets by the President and action by the Congress to provide sufficient revenues to meet expenditures.

Admittedly, it ought not to be necessary to enact an Amendment to the Constitution to require the President and the Congress to act in a fiscally responsible manner, but unfortunately it has become a political way of life in Washington to accede to highly organized pressure groups who seek money from the public treasury. Regrettably, the people, too, have come to accept big spending by their Government so long as they do not have to pay for it all in a given fiscal year. After leveling off briefly in the late 1940's and 50's, the national debt has now risen to approximately \$400 billion, and interest on that debt is costing the taxpayers about \$22 billion a year.

The fact is, however, that we can now expect that debt to rise to \$500 billion within the span of a few years unless something is done to restore fiscal sanity to the government. This economic condition is having a marked effect upon our ability to compete in the world market in the sale of our goods. For the first time since 1893, our trade balances with other nations is running at an over-all deficit.

The Fannin Amendment, which I have co-sponsored, if it becomes a part of the Constitution, would simply require the Federal Government to balance its budget over a two-year period in the absence of some extraordinary emergency. It should be adopted.

Harvest Ideas Changing On N.C. Tobacco Farms

Flue-cured tobacco harvesting is in full swing in North Carolina, from the foothills to the coast. In addition to being the busiest season for growers, this is also the period of greatest expense.

Some growers are trimming harvest expense by trading in some old practices for new ones. Often, the new methods represent a sharp departure from the old way of doing things and are slow to be adopted.

Take the idea of pulling tobacco before it's ripe or yellow for example. More and more growers are getting away from the old idea that the leaves have to yellow or ripen before they can be harvested and cured properly.

"We have found that we actually shouldn't let tobacco get too ripe," said Ben Kittrell, extension tobacco specialist at North Carolina State University. "Letting it get too ripe will reduce both yield and quality."

"We have found that it is preferable to pull the tobacco a little on the green or unripe side,

Mature tobacco will cure, even if it is a little green, if you extend the yellowing time in the barn."

This change in concept is allowing growers to reduce the number of harvest trips through the field and saving them time and money in rounding up and employing harvest crews. "We have found that it is possible to reduce the number of primings to as few as three," Kittrell commented. "But many growers still harvest seven or eight times."

In harvesting three times, Kittrell explained that slightly less than a third of the leaves are pulled on the first priming, about a third on the second and a little more than a third on the final priming.

The specialist suggested that growers might want to consider reducing primings by just one or two rather than making the big cut to three in one season.

"We believe primings can be reduced in many cases and still come out with about the same yield and price," said Kittrell.



A LITTLE TO THE RIGHT—A U.S. Army Reservist guides the first of five LARCs (Lighter, Amphibious, Resupply, Cargo) vehicles ashore at the new United States Army Reserve (USAR) Amphibious Training Area at Camp Pendleton, Calif. The LARCs negotiated 17 miles of freeway and surface streets before they were launched for their sea trip to Camp Pendleton. The LARCs are presently being used to train several USAR transportation units in San Diego, Calif.



In our society the drunk is often represented or regarded as a most amusing fellow. Frequently the "hilarious" drunk is regarded as "the life of the party" and many well-known comedians have a "drunk" routine as part of their repertoire.

For the family of a drunk, however, alcoholism is no laughing matter. The drunken "life of the party" is usually the sorrow of the home. His or her antics which some may find so amusing are for husbands, wives, and children a source of heart-rending tragedy.

Several years ago a woman wrote a letter to a nationally-known columnist. The letter began: "I am the happiest woman in the world. My husband died last month. He finally drank himself to death." She went on to explain that her children no longer had to ask her why their father is "so mean", nor did she need to lock them and herself in the bathroom for protection. Her twelve-year-old, she said, no longer had to help to put to bed a drunken father and there were now no more liquor bills, jail fines, and attorney's fees. She signed her name, "Free At Last."

Her drunken husband was not a laughing matter. Those who continue to regard the alcoholic and problem drinker as "amusing" ought to try putting themselves in the places of the families cursed by alcoholism. They ought to consider soberly the tragic statistics: three out of four broken homes list alcohol as a major factor; three out of ten fatal accidents involve a drinking driver; eleven thousand people killed each year by drunken drivers; one of every four emotionally disturbed persons is a problem drinker.

Mrs. Marty Mann, former executive director of the National Committee on Alcoholism, has said that the most painful years of her life were the years of chronic alcoholism. "I suffered constantly," she said, "not just one kind of pain, but all kinds of pain. I suffered physically,

mentally, emotionally, financially, and socially — in every department of my life. I tell you honestly ... that alcoholism is the most painful disease known to man."

In Jeremiah 35 the prophet is called by God to try to entice the Rechabites to break their vow of abstinence on alcohol. This was a small group of sincere men who supported the prophet's in their condemnation of pagan worship by the Jews. One of their vows was to abstain from alcohol and so, though tempted, they reply: "We will drink no wine ..." (35:6).

We must admire (and emulate?) the courage of this little band of men who regarded drunkenness as no laughing matter.

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violation, costs.

Franklin Purcel McNeill, Wagram, allowing an unlicensed driver to operate his car, \$25 fine, costs.

John Henry Willis, Raeford, inspection violation, costs.

James Bernard McLean, Red Springs, inspection violation, costs.

Alyn Lasko, Raeford, speeding 65 in a 55 mph zone, \$5 fine and costs.

Christopher Chandler, III, Aikens, S.C., fishing without a license, \$10 fine, costs.

Thomas Farmer, Wagram, exceeding safe speed, costs.

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Jeanette Hilbooy Ward, Rockingham, speeding 55 in a 45 mph zone, \$5 fine, costs.

James Myron Miller, Dublin, Ga., speeding 70 in a 60 mph zone, \$5 fine, costs.

Nina Shaw McAllister, Raeford, speeding 60 in a 45 mph zone, \$10 fine, costs.

Larry Wayne Moser, Fayetteville, fishing without a license, costs.

Donald Ray Young, Ft. Bragg, speeding 72 in a 60 mph zone, \$10 and costs.

James Kenneth Pate, Raeford, public drunkenness, \$6 jail fee, costs.

Ernest Douglas Baldwin, Stedman, inspection violation, costs.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

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Local Business

Experienced businessmen hold differences of opinion concerning the effects of advertising.

One opinion is that no one can be expected to remember the details of advertising and that advertising is effective only when it gradually implants certain attitudes in the unconscious mind of the public.

On the other extreme an aggressive retailer may argue that advertising is not effective unless the public acts on the detailed offerings of a particular advertisement.

Both of these opinions persist because both are based on truth. Advertising may work in either or both ways. The best of retail advertising should result in immediate action on individual ads, while, over a period of time, creating a favorable overall image of a business.

It is true that very few people remember the details of an advertisement, even when the ad is studied carefully. Thus, it is important for the retailer who wants specific action on his advertising to choose a medium which is retained and used for reference.

That is why the newspaper is the best medium for retail item advertising. Grocers are well aware of the importance of item listings in the newspaper. Even though newspaper ads are posted in a grocery store, it is a familiar sight to see shoppers walking through the same store with a newspaper ad in hand for ready reference.

Under usual conditions, the community newspaper is the only retail advertising medium which is retained in the home long enough to have any reference value. It is also the medium which is likely to bring the most long range prestige to local advertisers.



Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights. James 1:17. In late afternoon of a sweltering, hot day, a severe thunderstorm brought relief from the heat.

My two young sons, ages four and nine, were upstairs when I heard the older one call me in an excited tone of voice. As I ran frantically up the stairs, I saw them both standing in the open doorway to a tiny balcony literally aglow with golden light from the most glorious sunset sky I have ever beheld. The storm clouds had been touched by the rays of the setting sun and turned into masses of gold, aquamarine, rose, and amethyst against the blue sky.

It was so beautiful that the little boys were awed by it. The older one whispered, "Isn't it wonderful, Mother? Shouldn't we thank God for it?" So we three knelt and gave thanks to our Father for His gifts of beauty. I thanked Him also that my little sons saw God in His handiwork in the heavens and that it called forth a desire to praise Him.

FOR SALE: 1969 Taylor Coronet Mobile Home, 12'x56', 2 bedroom, 1 bath, wall to wall carpet. Kitchen furnished. 875-3234. 14-16P

WANTED TO BUY: Clarinet. Call 875-2070 after 5:30 p.m. 14C

FOR SALE: 1964 Pontiac Catalina. One owner. Contact Don Steed, 875-4601, Hoke County High School. 14C

FOR SALE: One small wrecker, \$550. Call Superior Sales, 875-3032. 14C

FOR SALE: 4 bedroom house corner of Main and W. Donaldson. Call 875-3346 after 4. 14C

FOR RENT: 2 bedroom duplex Apt. Call 875-3553 days, 875-2072 nights. TFC

FOR SALE: Pony. Call 875-3174. 14C

FOR SALE: Duroc Boars, service age. Call or see Billy Dalton after 5 p.m. TFC

HELP WANTED: Experienced seamstress. Apply to Box 550, Raeford. 14C

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FOR SALE: German Shepherd puppies. Call 944-1686. 13-14P

WANTED: Man for insurance debit in Raeford. Guaranteed salary plus commission. Write P.O. Box 1043, Lumberton, N.C. 13-16C

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GAS WITH CLASS—Miss Coleen Hofmann, daughter of a retired major living in Columbia, S.C., goes about her work at the PX gas station at Ft. Jackson, S.C. Coleen was hired by the station manager, Mr. William Pringleau. Since that time, according to Mr. Pringleau, business has really gone up. (U.S. Army Photo by Sgt. John Harmons)

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