

# SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



"A mood of caution" sums up the feeling of Congress as it heads toward the home stretch and prepares to go home for the fall elections. Agreement which produced a mass of new programs last year is not as apparent as it once was.

This time Congress has taken a less hurried approach in dealing with programs proposed to augment the "better life." Irritations over new Federal encroachments in areas once reserved for final decision by the "home folks" is one element of the mood. Tight money, lessened credit, inflation, and all of the concerns over the conduct of the Viet Nam War bring caution over legislation for bold approaches to change the habits and lives of people who still have a reverence for making their own decisions.

So guaranteed incomes and greater controls from Washington are getting a second look. New poverty, health, and civil rights laws are getting more study in Congressional hearings. A new cabinet level Transportation Department is undergoing Committee study. Auto and highway safety measures have much appeal but Congress wants to make sure Government regulation does not become Government oppression.

The President's recommendation for four-year House terms has received a luke-warm reception in the Senate. Electoral College changes have brought new hearings but no real agreement on a single plan to win Congressional approval.

Wage and hour amendments that won House approval are experiencing drafting difficulties over which new groups of employees to include and which to exclude. Farmers express concern over inclusion of agricultural employees and want higher price supports to make up any new labor costs added by the pull and tug of war and

## Shelton Becton to Take Part in 4-H Talent Show

Shelton Becton of Dover Route 2 will be among the many participants in the 4-H Talent Program during 4-H Week beginning July 25-28 at North Carolina State University at Raleigh.

He will display his talent with two piano selections: Shelton began playing the piano at the age of three and today at 12 he is pianist for three choirs and furnishes much of the music for his church services.

### AWAITING ARRIVAL

Kinston School officials are still awaiting approval of state school officials on a tentative site for a new elementary school in Southeast Kinston, which was surveyed by state officials last week. The school board Monday night agreed to commission Warren Hargett to design the school when a site is approved.

### FIRST ROUND WINNER

Miss Kinston of 1967, Teena Lutz, Wednesday night was first round winner in the swim suit competition of the annual Miss North Carolina pageant which is being held in Greensboro.

the proposal. Mounting war costs have brought restraint on domestic spending proposals unless they fit into categories that the Administration deems "must" legislation. Still the cut-backs on domestic programs are mild, and a real effort to prune projects of doubtful values does not have the overall support needed to hold-the-line on Federal spending.

### OTHER EDITORS SAY WILLIAMSTON ENTERPRISE

## Gestapo in The Open

Watching a team of five investigator from the United States Office of Education coming and going to neighboring Bertie where the school system was being checked a short time ago, one could not help but remember the Gestapo stories that came out of Germany under a man called Hitler.

After all is said and done, the Gestapo of old was little different from what is being carried on in this country today by stooges sent out by Little

inflation appears to be the restraining factor in dealing with a multitude of programs still on the Congressional calendar. And there is the spectre of a tax increase if Federal spending gets too much out of hand, and a realization that new Federal aids do cost money which must ultimately be met by taxes. There is a feeling abroad in the land that pouring more Treasury dollars into every sector of the economy does not produce the automatic results once predicted. As often as not aids breed new problems which more dollars do not rectify.

So the country and the Congress appear ready to examine panaceas a little more carefully, especially when paternalism has its limits too.

Moscow on the polluted Potomac.

The five-member "investigating" team were all brothers under the skin, to be sure, but they had a room each night. One or two would have looked more at home with the Beatles. Another had the appearance of a run-down, worn-out politician.

Regardless of their looks, the team members were down here to "save the world" even if their tactics were little different from those employed by Hitler, Stal-

## BANK NOTES . . . . . by Malcolm

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in and Company. Folks, it is later than many think it is. While the cry is all about civil rights, it is becoming more evident day by day that property rights and human

rights, not only for the white but also for Negroes, are fast vanishing from the American scene, with the full blessings of Johnson and Humphrey and many, many fools in Congress.

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