

Washington Report

By Congressman JAMES T. BROYHILL

NATIONAL DEBT LIMIT
The House of Representatives last week performed what has become the annual ritual of temporarily increasing the national debt limit. Under present law, the permanent limitation on the national debt is \$100 billion. Present law also provides for a temporary additional increase of \$30 billion, providing an overall limit of \$130 billion, effective through June 30, 1972. The House approved an additional temporary limit of \$20 billion, also effective through June 30, 1972, bringing the total debt limit up to this date to \$150 billion.

During the debate on this measure, several members expressed the viewpoint that the failure to increase the debt limit would provide a means to limit federal spending. Although I am greatly concerned about the yearly increase in the national debt, I feel that this is an unrealistic point of view and could be equated with locking the barn door after the horse has escaped.

The most effective way to limit federal spending is to hold the line on appropriations bills and to curb new programs which authorize expenditures of large, new sums. In this way, spending can be limited on a selective, program-by-program basis.

The administration has received the brunt of the blame for this situation. But to a large degree, the Congress must share much of the burden of blame. The Congress has followed the same antiquated appropriations process for sixty years, and it is no longer responsive to the nation's fiscal needs. While the fiscal year extends from July 1 through June 30, the Congress follows the calendar year. Thus, when the Congress convenes each January, it has only six months to prepare the appropriations bills for the entire federal government. It is rare that this July 1 deadline is met, with the result that federal agencies do not know what their budget will be until well after the new fiscal year has begun.

Another problem with the present appropriations process is the piecemeal consideration which budget bills receive. At no time during the consideration of the fourteen annual appropriations bills is there a balancing of how much total money has been committed. Each bill is considered separately and independently.

with the result that it is easy for additional funds to be slipped in with no attempt to look at the total picture.

After carefully weighing the consequences, I decided to vote to temporarily increase the national debt limit. I would like to stress that my vote should not be interpreted as advocating increased federal spending. My voting record will show that I have consistently voted to reduce federal spending and cut the waste from the federal budget. I expect to continue this policy as future appropriations and authorization bills arise. However, I felt that to fail to temporarily increase the debt limit would be an irresponsible way to attempt to bring federal spending under control.

By keeping the national debt limit below the figure required to meet the cash needs of the federal treasury, spending would be limited only in a chaotic and disruptive way. If this were to occur, the Treasury Department would be unable to issue any new securities. The treasury cash balance would be depleted rapidly. Once the cash balance is exhausted, the government would be compelled to delay full payment, or resort to partial payments, of financial obligations which have been made by law. This would include contract obligations, government salaries, various loan and benefit programs, and grants to states and local governments when they become due. Conceivably, this could result in reductions in Social Security and veterans benefits payments and could cause severe financial hardships for a large segment of the population. Companies holding government contracts would also suffer financially.

DOCK STRIKE SETTLEMENT

Once again, the Congress was called upon to intervene in a labor dispute, as the House passed a temporary settlement to the West Coast dock strike. Although longshoremen and shippers had reached a tentative agreement, the Congress, to prevent a possible continuation of the strike during the recess, acted to approve the president's emergency legislation to provide a settlement. I have long advocated legislation to provide a permanent method for settling crippling transportation disputes.

Work Begins On Library

BOILING SPRINGS. — Gardner-Webb's college's new John R. Dover Sr. Library will be under construction in a few weeks and it will be one of the finest structures of its kind in the Carolinas.

College officials announced that the three floor building will contain more than 45,000 square feet of floor space and will have space for more than 150,000 books.

The building is named in honor of John R. Dover Sr. whose family has meant so much to the college over the past years. This community minded man founded the Dover Textile Group and he and his family have made it possible for scores of young people to get an education, who would not otherwise, through all types of scholarships.

The campus already has the Charles I. Dover Campus Center, the Dever Memorial Library and other facilities made possible through the generous gifts of the Dover family in the past years.

The new library constitutes the core of the academic program of the college which is brand new in the field of senior colleges, Gardner-Webb, under the presidency of Dr. E. Eugene Poston, entered the senior college field in the Fall of 1969 and has already gained senior college accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the highest accreditation agency. This was gained the first time the college applied for it.

The library's basement floor will house a teaching material center and audio-visuals laboratory, a library-science classroom, a record room and some book stacks and a study area.

The main floor will include the periodicals area, a special collections which have been given to the school. There will be a reference section, circulation area, card catalog library offices and a lounge for the staff and a staff work area along with an outside loading dock.

The third floor will have seating space, book stacks and individual and group study rooms.

The new building will be constructed in an area now being used for a parking lot on the south end of the campus near the college's Best physical education building.

Extra Days To File Taxes

GREENSBORO. — Since the normal deadline for filing federal tax returns falls on Saturday this year, taxpayers are not required to mail their returns until the following Monday, April 17. J. E. Wall, district director, said today. Returns postmarked before midnight, April 17, will be accepted as timely filed in Chamblee, Georgia, he said.

Mr. Wall emphasized, however, that taxpayers who wait until the last minute to file make many more errors than those who file early and can take more time to look for possible errors or omissions.

Wall noted the most common errors:

1. Use of wrong tax table or rate schedule to compute tax.
2. Failure to sign returns.
3. Errors in arithmetic.
4. Failure to attach required forms and schedules to the return.

Last year North Carolina taxpayers made over 80 thousand errors in preparing their returns.

Conference Set Saturday

Congressman James T. Broyhill (R-N. C.) today announced a Federal Assistance Conference to be held in Hickory, North Carolina, on Saturday, February 19, for city and county officials in North Carolina's 10th Congressional District. The day-long meeting, to be held at Mom and Pop's Ham House, will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. It will bring together federal, state and local officials to discuss sources of financial assistance to local communities for housing and environmental programs.

Stressing the need for more open communications between all levels of government, Broyhill explained, "The purpose of the meeting is to better acquaint local officials with the various grant-in-aid programs available to communities, while, at the same time, attempting to create a better understanding of local problems and needs by state and Federal officials."

Representatives from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Farmers Home Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, and Appalachian Regional Commission will be present to explain assistance programs, as well as to answer specific questions from local representatives. State officials will assist in explaining application procedures and types of technical and financial assistance available through the state.

hope that this meeting will answer some of these questions and improve cooperation, understanding, and working relationships between all levels of government."

GRADING TIPS

In preparing the site for your new home, grade the yard before starting to build, making sure water will drain away from the house. But don't do any more grading in the yard than you have to. North Carolina State University specialists suggest. It's best to pile the topsoil before grading and then spread it back over the graded area.

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