



CAUGHT IN THE ACT - Police officer Paul Clarke pulls burglary suspect William Rice from a ventilator shaft through which Rice had attempted to enter a restaurant. Rice, who is six feet tall but weighs only 140 pounds, was trapped in the shaft for 45 minutes before his screams brought officers who arrested him after pulling him from the ventilator. (UPI Telephoto)

Increase in Budget For Civilian Space Program Predicted

Washington - (UPI) - Chairman Overton Brooks of the House Space committee says he looks for a big boost in the nation's civilian space budget under the new administration of President-elect John F. Kennedy.

The Louisiana Democrat told United Press International he expects the National Aeronautics and Space Administration will increase its spending by more than 50 percent - from just over \$900 million in fiscal year 1961 to \$1.5 billion in fiscal year 1962.

Brooks said he considered the \$1.5 billion space budget for the year beginning July 1 as "basic minimum" under which the nation's peaceful exploration of outer space could be carried forward.

Though no official word has leaked out about how much President Eisenhower's advisors will ask Congress for in January, it is believed the outgoing administration's request will be a good deal below the minimum set by Brooks.

But it is presumed the new civilian space agency boss appointed by Kennedy will have the opportunity to ask Congress for a boost in the last appropriation request put forward by the Republican administration.

Brooks, who said he hoped to confer with Kennedy in late December or early January, criticized NASA for not pushing its space programs hard enough during the last three years.

"They just haven't had the

proper sense of urgency needed to meet the tough competition from Russia," he said.

Projects listed Brooks listed three separate projects which he said should receive substantially more financial support. They are:

-Project Mercury, eventually designed to place a man in orbit around the earth.

-Saturn, a 1.5 million pound thrust cluster of rocket engines designed to enable America to catch up and perhaps surpass the Soviet Union in lifting heavy payload into space.

-Rover, a joint Atomic Energy commission-NASA project aimed at developing an atomic rocket to carry manned missions to the moon and planets.

In other developments, the Louisiana lawmaker announced plans for a thorough committee review of America's lagging program to place a man in space.

4-H Club News

Testifiers The Testifiers held their first meeting of the year Dec. 2.

Four new members were present. Terry Stevens was elected president, Linda Talley, vice president, Janet Smith, news reporter and Glenda Kenworthy and Shannyn Talley, song and game leaders.

The next meeting will be Dec. 8 at the home of Mrs. Stevens.

Janet Smith, Reporter.

The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Theresa F.-He's wonderful company, but wants me to pay half.

Alexander B.-At our age we want companions, not meal tickets.

Theresa F.-I'm a widow of 49, with three grown children. Two are married and the third is away at school, so I live alone. For the past three years I've been dating a widower of 58 who is a librarian, like myself. We work in different branch libraries, and his salary is much higher than mine since he has worked longer and more steadily. We go on drives together, swim and relax, and get along famously until we get on the subject of marriage. Then we're at loggerheads over money.

I overlook his "tightness" on dates where we take turns paying for everything-even the late papers! But Al wants me to agree to a 50-50 marriage budget, from rent down, and to me that's not one bit romantic. I tell him he might just as well take in a roomer if all he wants is to split his expenses.

He feels I have much more money than he has, due to my late husband's estate. The truth is that there isn't much and what there is has been going fast on my children. I certainly won't ask him to spend anything on them. But I'd like to see some solicitude on his part for me, some protectiveness offered toward a wife. His main affection is his bank account. Why should I compete?

Alexander B.-While I'm extremely fond of Terry and would like to marry her, I can't let myself go out on the limb I shivered on 12 years ago when my wife died. Her long illness took my savings and I had to borrow on my pension to see my son through college. It was a nightmare. Now at last I'm all paid up and feeling more secure, with a good pension due in a few years and a modest bank balance.

I feel Terry and I are mature and sensible enough for plain talk. Second marriages are more for companionship than love, anyway. If we each want to avoid loneliness, if she wants a lifetime escort and I want a steady pal, can't we work out some fair financial arrangement to make this possible?

From what I've heard, she's in a more secure position than

I am. If she quit working she'd still have some income from her husband's money. But she even asked me to change the beneficiary of my pension from my son to her, as a condition to marrying me! Her children were helped by their father, why not my son?

How can such a pleasant woman be so mercenary? My idea is that by keeping things 50-50 in our home, we'll never get into money arguments.

The Council: If these two ever turn into a bridal couple, the first piece of furniture they'll need for their new home will be a tabulating machine.

From Alexander's fallacious idea of second marriages and Theresa's muddled dickerings comes this impasse. To him we say, the only basis for a solid marriage is love, regardless of age or previous matrimonial bliss. And to her, Dutch-treating is all right on lunch dates with the girls or casual friends, but with a suitor, better an ice cream cone be paid for than a steak dinner where you split the check. Better for love, that is.

Without love, of course, there is no trust. And without trust, there's suspicion and preoccupation with self-preservation. Love asks, What can I do for you? These two, particularly Alexander, ask, What can you do for me?

The only hope for a union between these otherwise compatible people is to decide whether they love each other enough to lay their financial cards with the aid of a neutral friend, set up a program to give them each peace of mind without demeaning Theresa as a wife. Under Al's plan she'd feel like a roommate.

They might agree to live within Al's salary so far as regular household expenses go. When he retires, Theresa should have a choice as to whether to continue working. Her money can be earmarked for the "cushions" of their life together, such as extra help, clothes, travel treats. But if Al wants her, say, to quit and travel with him, he might make the reassuring gesture of assigning part of his pension to her, as his contribution to her future security.

Part of Theresa's money, of course, will be used on her three children. Al's nest egg must not be threatened by their demands. But in return

Bills on Farm Land Taxation Planned

Corvallis - (UPI) - To bills to set new procedures for taxing farm lands in Oregon will be submitted to the 1961 legislature by the Interim Committee on Agriculture, San Francis Ziegler, chairman, revealed Tuesday.

The bills, in effect, oppose the recommendations of the Interim Committee on Taxation, Ziegler said.

RETIRED BROKER DIES

North Tarrytown, N.Y. - (UPI) J. W. Moore Richardson, 66, retired stock holder, died Tuesday in Phelps Memorial hospital.

for a devoted wife, Al must assume the duties of a husband, one of which is to cherish and protect.

If Al doesn't see the light, Theresa would do well to drop him and his 50-50 ultimatum. She'd do better with a man with 20-20 vision in this area.

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Official Results Of Measures on Ballot Revealed

Salem - (UPI) - The official results of the 15 state measures on the November ballot show the voters were most interested in daylight saving time, which drew the most votes - 751,151.

Other measures that carried high voter interest, and their totals were billboard control 737,025; bonds for higher education 701,316; and compulsory retirement of judges 701,754.

The breakdown on all 15:

1. Terms of legislators - yes 579,022; no 92,187.
2. Daylight time - yes 751,151; no 993,652.
3. Financing urban redevelopment - yes 335,792; no 312,197.
4. Prosecution by information or indictment - yes 306,190; no 340,197.
5. Authorize legislature to propose revised constitution - yes 358,367; no 289,895.
6. State bonds for higher education - yes 467,557; no 233,759.
7. Voter qualification - yes 508,108; no 183,977.
8. Bonds for state building - yes 232,250; no 433,515.
9. Compulsory retirement for judges - yes 578,471; no 123,283.
10. Vacancy of elective offices - yes 486,019; no 169,865.
11. Financing home rule county improvement - yes 399,210; no 222,763.
12. Continuity of government in enemy attack - yes 578,266; no 88,995.
13. Veterans' bonds - yes 415,631; no 266,830.
14. Personal income tax bill - yes 115,610; no 570,025.
15. Billboard control - yes 261,735; no 475,290.

Major Jobless Areas Classified

Washington - (UPI) - The Labor Department Tuesday classified nine major industrial centers as areas of "substantial" unemployment, placing more than one-third of the nation's big factory communities in this category.

The nine major areas newly classified as substantial unemployment centers were Bridgeport and Waterbury, Conn.; South Bend, Fort Wayne and Gary-Hammond-East Chicago, Ind.; Spokane, Wash.; Hamilton-Middleton, Ohio; Steubenville-Weirton, Ohio; W. Va.; and San Bernardino - Riverside - Ontario, Calif.

The smaller communities added to the list were Eureka and Ukiah, Calif.; Pueblo, Colo.; Ashtabula - Conneaut and Kent-Ravenna, Ohio; Bristol-John City - Kingsport Tenn.-Va.; Provo, Utah; and New Martinsville, W. Va.-Ohio.

Number of Federal Workers Declines

Washington - (UPI) - The number of government workers fell by 4,102 in October to 2,369,534, congressional economy advocates reported today.

The monthly report of the Senate-House committee on Reduction of Non-Essential Federal Expenditures said that employment in civilian agencies dropped by 2,489 to 1,325,350.

The sharpest drops, in the Agriculture and Interior departments largely were seasonal.

The number of civilian employees with military agencies declined by 1,613 to 1,035,184.

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