

# Social Welfare Programs Major Factor in Budget

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As we all expected, the many recommendations for budget cuts made by our Legislative Analyst in his voluminous report brought contradictory responses from many quarters. There were some roars of protest from top administrative leaders, a sprinkling of commendatory remarks, but most of us Legislators reserved comment until we had a chance to study the report.

One important field which was barely touched upon in my first column on the Analyst's report is social welfare. The state and the counties are still slightly groggy at our 1963 session, so it is certain that there will be considerable legislative pulling and hauling over appropriations for the public assistance programs during our current session.

A total expenditure of \$1.166 billion is proposed for fiscal 1965-66 by the Department of Social Welfare, or about 29 per cent of the whole state budget of \$4.07 billion. This welfare total includes federal, state and county funds, but all of it

comes from taxpayers' pockets.

**THE ANALYST** comments that this proposed total is almost 16 per cent higher than estimated expenditures during the current year. In dollars adjusted for price and population changes, every Californian will be paying almost three times for welfare what he did 20 years ago. He adds that despite the constant increase in spending for public assistance, not even partial solutions to the problems of economic hardship and dependency have been provided.

Reductions in the welfare budget recommended by the Analyst total \$19,673,616. While this amount is only a bit more than one per cent of the sum requested, it still represents almost half of the total cuts he suggests in the entire budget.

Reductions in the program of aid to the totally disabled would amount to \$3,794,573, including both direct assistance and medical payments. Those in the old age security program would be \$2,141,245, and those in medical assistance for the aged \$1,140,000. Aid to families with depend-

ent children would be cut \$11,857,500.

**THE SLASH** in funds for the disabled is based on the estimate of a lower caseload in the program because of fewer transfers to it from mental hospitals, and the department's decision not to include those suffering from alcoholism in the system. The proposed cuts in the old age security funds are also based on a case-load estimate lower

than that previously predicted.

Cuts in funds for aid to families with dependent children are based on two factors, first on complete elimination of an item of \$6.5 million for improved housing for such families because such housing is not generally available. Second would be an item of \$4.9 million for new medical services for such families.

commendation involves major policy. In the past, appropriations for public assistance have been "open-ended" that is, with no upper limit. The Analyst now suggests that a fixed sum be approved annually for each program, but that transfers be permitted between them if surpluses develop, and deficiencies appropriated be authorized in real emergencies. This change would restore much legislative authority previously surrendered.

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"We have always prided ourselves in good public service in all our offices," Hayes said, "but the Torrance office, under the leadership of its district manager Miles A. Davis has set an example to the other offices."

Also honored were offices in Salem and Portland, Ore.; Aberdeen, Wash., and Bakersfield, Calif. There are 63 offices on the West Coast.

## Assignment TV

By TERRENCE O'FLAHERTY

There is nothing that upsets television script writers more than having an actor leave a series. Instead of letting the performer slip away quietly they always feel compelled to tell a big lie that is incompatible with the stories the studio publicity department passes out.

Recently Bob Cummings left the new series, "My Living Doll" because he was unhappy at having to play second fiddle to the title character, played by Julie Newmar, the most spectacular scene stealer of the season. But could they let him go with a simple lie? No—they had to say he's gone to Pakistan! No one yet knows why they selected Pakistan.

Cummings had played a psychiatrist who held custody of a scientifically created robot. In the remaining episodes of the season, Jack Mullaney, one of the featured performers in the show, will become the custodian of the lady robot. The series has not been renewed for next season.

DEAN JAGGER has made his final appearance as the

## No Hike on SS Rate This Year

A statement that there has been no increase in the Social Security tax rate for employees, employers, and the self-employed for 1965 has been released by Miles Davis, Southwest district manager of Social Security.

Davis explained his office had received many calls about "the new tax rate for 1965," with the inquirers asserting they had read about a change in rate in business publications.

Congress did consider a number of proposed amendments in 1964 but these were not enacted and the rate will continue at 3% per cent of an individual's annual earnings up to \$4,800 for employer and employee alike, and 5.4 per cent on net earnings up to that amount for the self-employed.

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The office also serves Gardens, Harbor City, Hermosa Beach, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palms Verdes Estates, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, and the Rolling Hills Estates.

principal of Jefferson High in "Mr. Novak." Just before Christmas the actor was hospitalized with a recurring case of stomach ulcers and decided on the advice of his doctors to quit the rigorous grind of a weekly series. Here was a perfect case where all they had to say was that Principal Vane had developed ulcers and would retire. Surely the ailment is compatible with the job.

But no, his disappearance had to be explained by a sudden decision to run for a political office!

Burgess Meredith has been announced as the new principal. He was appearing as a guest star on the series when Jagger decided to retire and was offered the job on the spot. In the guest role Meredith played a cantankerous English teacher who was getting into middle age without advancement. He finally settled his personal problems and has now been made principal.

Unfortunately, Meredith won't have too much opportunity to tackle his new role. "Mr. Novak" has been canceled for next season.

A THIRD ACTOR who is leaving an established role in mid-season is Pernell Roberts who plays Adam Cartwright in television's biggest hit, "Bonanza." His contract with the six-year-old NBC series ended February 22, but enough shows have been filmed to insure Roberts' appearance through the end of the current season in June.

"Bonanza" producer David Dortort says: "I'm not going to do anything like killing the character off. The part of Adam Cartwright will remain, but I haven't yet picked another actor to take his place. I'm perfectly willing to welcome him back any time because I think he's a good actor."

The viewers will be told that Adam has gone East to college!

PETER TEWKSEBURY, who created and produced "It's a Man's World," has come up with a new series for the fall titled, "The Mister and the Misses," a comedy in which John Forsythe plays the headmaster of a girls' school with Ann B. Davis as his assistant. It has a network (NBC) and a time slot (Saturdays at 8:30 p.m.) and a sponsor (Colgate-Palmolive). It is already being misspelled on the logs as "Mr. and Mrs." which means something entirely different from "The Mister and the Misses."

## Hollywood Reporter

By Mike Connolly

Dear Mike: Is it true that Tina Louise is playing the part of a BOY in Jean Genet's movie, "Forbidden Dreams"? How could she, with her arithmetic? — Jack MacMahon, Sowickley, Pa.

Dear Jack: Not really. "It's just that Genet's female characters are always males in his original scripts, and then when he writes the final drafts he changes them to women. And arithmetically speaking, you're so right about Tina, the likes of whose vital statistics Hollywood hasn't seen since Jayne Mansfield first arrived on the scene.

Dear Dumkopf: Are The Beatles really busting up — Annette Teresi, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Annette: I think you're kidding me last week's rumor, the one that started when Kingo got married. This week's has a stronger foundation because it's a fact that the boys' boss, Brian Epstein, is moonlighting as producer of a non-Beatle movie called "More, Baby," co-starring those two Frog-Watusi whizzes, Petula Clark and Johnny Rivers. But it's just another money-making sideline for all concerned, baby, so don't go stompin' all the grooves out of your Beattie elpees yet, hear?

Dear Mr. C.: Honest, I've reached a point where I don't believe ANYTHING I read in the columns! One gossip-monger after another has printed that Carroll Baker will never make "Harlow."



One of the most satisfying plants in my opinion is the carnation. They are not too hard to grow and are year-round bloomers in mild locations. In colder areas they will bloom all summer with little care.

The best time to plant is from now through May depending on your location. Carnations like a slightly alkaline soil and are not bothered too much by the water of the West and Southwest.

Bedding plants will be available at your local garden they should not be planted too deeply. If you are a "seed" gardener, carnations are readily grown from seeds.

Carnations are not bothered by too many bugs but if aphid or thrip appear a pyrethrin or nicotine spray will stop them.

A copper-nicotine spray will take care of the bugs and the rust that sometimes attacks carnations.

Dear Louise: Carroll is playing the Jean Harlow part as "sexy but innocent," with an attitude of can-I-help-it-if-mean-are-so-all-fired-attracted-to-me? Apparently, it's working out because producer Joe Levine is happy with the final screenplay by John Michael Hayes and says, "This will not be a dirty picture."

Dear Mike: I saw the cutest guy in a stage show in Chicago last year—"How to Succeed in Business." He played the smartalecky hero. I was sure HE would succeed in show business but since that musical left Chicago I haven't heard about him so can you tell me whatever happened to Dick Kallman? —Dorothea Damarin, Evanston, Ill.

Dear Dorothea: You'll be hearing and seeing plenty about Dick this fall. He'll star in a new comedy series on ABC's 8 p.m. Friday beam titled "Hank."

Dear M.C.: I can see nothing wrong with the "Peyton Place" TV series. Those against it must have read the book, which it doesn't follow. The show might "hit" some viewers who don't care to recollect their pasts but I look forward to each segment and think the cast is excellent. —Mrs. M. S. Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear M.S.: You got twice the looking-forward to do next season. Not satisfied with all the dough they're piling up by beaming it twice a week, they'll be giving it and heaven help everybody's bloodshot square eyeballs come October!

Dear Sir: Enclosed is a news photo of someone you know. Do you mean to tell me that this is the face of a 57-year-old woman? I think not, Miss Lucille LeSuer, who danced in a cabaret on State Street in Chicago in 1917, was billed at that time as being 16 years old. I was there, brother, and my facts are accurate, no matter how loudly the lady doth protest there. She is 65 years old. —W. T. Booth, San Francisco, Calif.

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2. It's time to put in groundcovers. For one you can forget about once it's established, try one of the low-growing native oenothera varieties.
3. Lawns will come to life any week now. A feeding at this time will get them off to a good start when they do.
4. Dormant pruning should be completed now —roses, fuchsias, deciduous fruit trees, grapes, berries. Cut fuchsias back at least one third to be sure of plenty of new growth to carry blooms.
5. There is still time to plant a cover for bulb beds. Annual alyssum is quick and good at drawing attention from ripening foliage. Pansies and violas can be set out from flats. For a striking effect now and after the bulbs have faded, set blooming Marguerite plants among your daffodils.
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