

Economic education

Gramm applauds efforts

Dr. W. Philip Gramm told the United States Chamber of Commerce at the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport today that "you can't get something for nothing from government. When somebody does get something for nothing, then some poor taxpayer gets nothing for something."

Gramm, a Texas A&M economist and international consultant, applauded efforts to expand economic education in schools and in business. He said that "if we can educate the people, they will educate the Congress and the President."

Gramm warned businessmen that they must practice what they preach. He said, "Too many American businessmen are 'sunshine capitalist.' They want Free Enter-

prise when business is good, but they are quick to run to the government for help when business is bad. Not only does such action make business look hypocritical but it gives government more and more control of industry. If you lie down with dogs you get up with fleas.

"Today's very real problems are not the result of a failure of our economic system, but instead are the inevitable result of a slipshod system of government regulation and irresponsible government spending. The American people must understand the impact that the government has on their lives if they are to make wise choices as citizens," Gramm said.

"Only by going to the schools, to the businessmen and by using the

public forum for expression are we going to cure what's wrong with our country," said Gramm.

"Government expenditures and federal programs did not make this country great; the government did not provide the food and clothing for a whole nation of poor farmers and ragtag businessmen. The government did not build a communications network that is the envy of the world. The government did not cause a transportation revolution by inventing the internal combustion engine. It is through the fruits of our Free Enterprise System that most Americans have good food to eat, a decent place to live and enjoy a challenging and fruitful life," Gramm concluded.

Aquaculture no solution to world food problem

An expert on food from the sea says not to depend on there being gold in them that krills.

Krills are small, shrimp-like creatures important to the food chain of the sea. They are also being eyed as an alternate source of food, but Dr. William S. Royce of the National Marine Fisheries Service believes assumptions that a gold mine of food lies in aquaculture are misleading.

He made the statement at a three-day workshop on food engineering at Texas A&M University.

Royce asserted that while researchers are working on solutions to the litany of aquaculture problems, the world should not look to the oceans as tomorrow's food savior.

Fish catches in the northern oceans are about at maximum level to insure reproduction. New areas of exploitation should be the tropics and southern seas.

Despite the sea's enormous size, most of the fish and supporting plankton live in a relatively small portion, perhaps as little as 10 per cent of the total area.

Royce indicated such figures are leading to reassessment of territorial water agreements by nations of the world.

Most countries seem ready to recognize both a 12-mile sovereign limit and a 200-mile "economic" boundary to control both fishing and mineral resources. Problems will also have to be smoothed over when such limits overlap, he noted.

Another problem with current sea fishing is the inefficiency of the food chain.

About 1,000 tons of plankton are needed to ultimately feed a single ton of fish "big enough" to keep.

Inefficiency of the fleets also adds to waste, says Royce. In the Gulf of Mexico alone, almost a million tons of dead fish are thrown overboard each year because the ships are not equipped to handle smaller fish.

Non familiar species, such as the krills, are being looked at as alternate human food sources. But capi-

tal outlay will be large to pay for the process that would include krills, red crab and lantern fish, he notes. Such species could account for 10 million tons of food a year.

Keeping stocks at the maximum level while carefully maintaining the right environment also crop up as aquacultural problems. The same problems enter into the raising of plankton or krills as fish food.

Confinement brings a dual problem. Structures must face the violence of the sea, points out Royce, plus the pressure of using the pens

TAMU researchers find car overheating solution

June, July or August Texas sun plus a locked car equals instant oven.

A lucky driver may find a shaded parking space. Or he might risk theft by leaving his car open.

Research by a Texas A&M University team indicates two other ways of helping hold down the heat. The group led by Dr. Dennis Driscoll recommends parking on an east-west line. They also found that light color cars heat up least.

Driscoll and assistants Gerald Pregelent of Keen, N. H., and Mark Fridel of Bryan rotated parked, closed Cadillacs through different compass headings to find "cool" parking angles.

Temperature probes recorded continuously on a six-channel re-

cord were placed in a light blue Eldorado, white Eldorado and brown Coupe de Ville. Measurements were made Feb. 25 and 26.

With first-day outside temperature hitting an 81-degree afternoon high, readings inside the cars peaked at 119 (white), 123 (blue) and 126 (brown). They were parked pointed southeast.

The next day, with a 77 high, the blue Eldorado was faced south; white Eldorado, northeast, and brown Coupe de Ville, northwest. Interior temperatures went up to 117, 110 and 115, respectively.

Driscoll, a TAMU meteorology professor, said variations could occur due to car make and sun angle, due to latitude.

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Cold Turkey

WASHINGTON—Irresponsible meddling by Congress in foreign affairs could cost the United States the support of a vital ally, with drastic consequences for the entire Free World.

A foreign policy calamity potentially more severe than the catastrophe in Southeast Asia is brewing along the "soft underbelly" of Western Europe.

All along the sunny Mediterranean Southern Flank of NATO, the strategic position of the Western Alliance is crumbling. If present trends are not soon reversed, our Sixth Fleet will be left "flapping in the breeze" without a Mediterranean port in which it would be welcome.

The most publicized blow to NATO has come from Portugal, where the Communists are slowly but surely consolidating their power. American bases in the Portuguese-owned Azores are an important part of our antisubmarine defense network, and made possible the resupply of Israel during the Yom Kippur War.

Events in Portugal are being closely watched in Spain, where the death or resignation of General Franco could spark a similar political upheaval.

France already has withdrawn from the command structure of NATO.

Italy is going through yet another of its innumerable governmental and fiscal crises.

Greece has thrown the Sixth Fleet from its home port in Athens, and withdrawn from NATO because of our refusal to take their side in the explosive Cyprus situation.

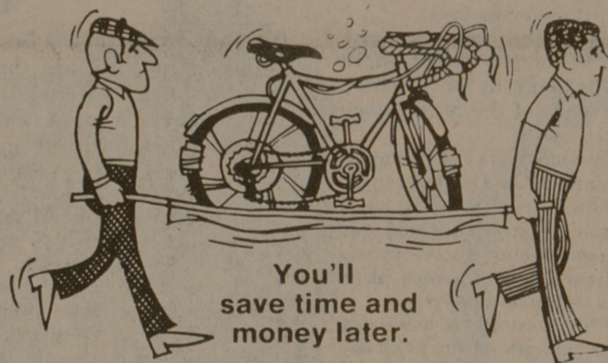
And now Congress, by precipitously and discriminatorily cutting off military aid, may succeed in driving from NATO the other disputant in the Cyprus conflict and our most loyal and valuable ally in the Mediterranean—Turkey.

The Turks fought side by side with us in Korea, and have remained steadfast friends ever since. Their friendship has been extremely valuable, for Turkey's strategic position is without parallel. Turkey borders on the Soviet Union. It borders on Syria. It borders on Iraq. The Turks control the vital straits of the Dardanelles, the narrow sea passage through which Soviet warships must pass to reach the Mediterranean.

But Congress seems prepared to discard this valuable friend, to drive Turkey into the camp of the radical Moslems, to in effect mortgage the security of the Free World for the sake of placating some ethnic emotions in the U.S.

Congress has dabbled too much in the formation and implementation of foreign policy, which is properly the province of the Executive Branch. This meddling must stop.

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