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Gangemi Glum, Too, Over Taxes Progress Ahead, He Tells City

The Jersey City Council, which met today for a public hearing on the 1962 budget, heard Mayor Gangemi declare he is not happy over the \$114.45 tax rate it entails, but that he has confidence the city will make great strides in the months ahead.

In a message prepared for today's session, Gangemi told the nine-member body that "as mayor, homeowner and taxpayer, I am no happier over this tax rate than any other elected official, taxpayer or rentpayer."

THE EIGHT - PAGE message was read to the council by its president, John Kijewski. The mayor referred to today's session as "another milestone in the new administration's drive to put Jersey City back on its feet, physically as well as financially."

Among the programs now being studied, Gangemi told the council, are:

1. Elimination of the Park Police.
2. Eliminating the Medical Center laundry and having the work done by contract.
3. Enacting a mandatory retirement age for all city employees.
4. Constructing a centralized ga-

Jersey's Farmers Woo City Dwellers

By R. S. GALLAGHER

New Jersey's farmers, faced with economic extinction unless they get tax relief in a hurry, are now ready to come to their age-old antagonist — the city dweller — for help.

An indication of this shift in rural thinking is the growing curiosity among farm leaders in Governor Hughes' proposed Department of Urban Affairs.

YEARS AGO such a proposal would have incurred the instant wrath of the farm bloc; today the idea draws hesitant questions about zoning, planning, air pollution, and the tax structure.

The farmer's change of heart toward his city neighbor probably is the result of two factors:

1. The agricultural tax situation is rapidly approaching the desperation stage.
 2. The farmer is heavily outnumbered, out voted, and politically less attractive than the urbanite and suburbanite.
- "Time was," recalls Carlton E. Heritage, a Gloucester County fruit grower, "when Trenton's ear perked up every time we had something to say. But no longer."

HERITAGE IS PRESIDENT of the still powerful N. J. Farm Bureau, which operates as a "rural lobby" in the state capital.

He said his interest in an urban affairs department would depend on whether the new agency could provide regional planning which would protect the state's vital farm areas.

Heritage said that the farmer's concern over planning is a direct result of conflicts in rural zoning. Land now used by farmers but zoned for commercial, industrial and residential purposes is being taxed on its zoned rather than its actual use.

"The result," said Heritage, "is that New Jersey farmers are paying the highest acreage tax in the nation."

HOWEVER, the farm bureau president thinks that help is coming, possibly in the form of the governor's new department.

"We have all been pleasantly surprised at the number of common problems we have with city folks," he conceded.

Heritage points out that even though New Jersey has the heaviest urban population density of any state in the nation, the actual amount of farm land has not diminished appreciably. "This is still the Garden State," he said.

The governor's proposed department is now under study by

Act Fast, PHA Tells Jersey City Housing Unit Gets 10 Days

Drastic overhaul of the Jersey City Housing Authority's operations must be undertaken at the next meeting of the agency — 10 days away — if it is to meet demands of the federal Public Housing Administration.

The demands are the results of a three-week intensive study of operations here by PHA investigators. They were presented to the local board last night—and promptly suppressed so absent authority members could read them before they became public.

PRESENT WERE Chairman Sam DiFeo, Julian Robinson and John Ross.

The federal demand for action stemmed from a series of complaints about the handling of Jersey City Housing Authority projects.

Tenants of the projects have charged the authority with practicing segregation in housing and mismanagement of the projects. The latter charge takes in failure

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to provide heat and hot water, failure to make needed repairs, failure to provide adequate po-

Four Counties

ROADBLOCKS BAR SHORE VISITORS

'We Start Digging Monday' Speed Federal, State Aid

State troopers, local patrolmen and Civil Defense forces—manning roadblocks at key points of entry—today closed four storm-battered Jersey shore counties to the general public.

Closed "until further notice" were storm ravaged Monmouth, Ocean, Cape May and Atlantic Counties, where the known death toll had reached at least 13 and damage was in excess of \$30,000,000.

'WE HAVE to start digging out





OUT IN THE COLD — Residents of 48 Monitor St., Jersey City, in night clothes watch firemen battle smoky basement blaze. At left, fireman removes burned furniture. Fire broke out in the apartment of William Hall. Firemen said the cause of the fire was smoking. Eight families live in the frame house. (Van News Photos.)

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The Journal Pre-Views Tonight's TV

7:30 2 RAWHIDE

Tonight's show could be subtitled: "A Woman's Vengeance" but it's much better than the soap operaisish synopsis which goes like this: an Indian-bating colonel is married to an Indian beauty, masquerading as a Spaniard. She plans to use their baby in a plot to keep her tribe from starving on the reservation. The drovers get mixed up in the affair when Wishbone and Mushy find an Indian boy at the cook wagon, and Rowdy (Clint Eastwood) takes him to the fort to see his sister. (1 hour.)

7:30 4 INTERNATIONAL SHOWTIME

The accent is on beauty (figure skating champions Anna Galmarini and Charlotte Bal-lauf) and comedy (three legged skater Jimmy Peacock and Guy Longpre who keeps falling down) as we visit "Holiday on Ice in Europe." This show was filmed t Switzerland's Palais filmed at Switzerland's Palais de Beaulieu. (1 hour.)

8:30 2 ROUTE 66

Elizabeth Seal who captivated Broadway critics with her per-

anyone who loves her. She bases this belief on the fact that her father was drowned while with her and her husband fell to his death from a cliff. Now she is living in a French chateau with her husband's family, and that's where Roger Smith enters the story. (1 hour.)

9:30 4 THE MILTON BERLE SHOW

Jack Benny, Laurence Harvey, Lena Horne and Janis Paige head the guest list for this fast-paced show. There are three major comic skits: in the wildest, Benny plays Ben Hur, Berle is Cleopatra and Harvey is Spartacus. In song and dance, they bemoan the fact that movie people are getting rich playing them (Benny thinks Tony Curtis rather than Charlton Heston should have played him.) Then in a switch ending, Heston and Kirk Douglas appear with Cleo. In the other skits, Benny and Berle play TV comics telling the same jokes as channels are switched; and later they try to teach Harvey how to be funny. Lena is great as she sings a medley of songs.

10:30 2 EYEWITNESS

"The Francis Gary Powers Case." A report on U-2 pilot Powers who was shot down over the Soviet Union in 1960, served 18 months in a Soviet prison, was released last month, returned to the U. S. and given a clean bill of health by the Central Intelligence Agency, for whom he worked. Powers' statements to the press March 6, following his testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee, will be part of the report.

10:30 4 CHET HUNTLEY REPORTING

Tonight's upbeat show is the first of two programs about Finland. This show is primarily a look at the country and the people, leading to a second show (not yet scheduled) which is concerned with the way the Finns live with constant Russian threats. The show opens with scenes at the Helsinki Airport, dominated by Russian and by American planes.



AT STANLEY TONIGHT—Baritone Earl Wrightson, noted TV and concert star, will be featured with Rhonda Fleming and Skitch Henderson in the star-studded stage show, "A Night With Gershwin" tonight at the Stanley Theatre, Journal Square. The in-person presentation will also feature the Ray Charles Singers, tenor Saverio Saridis and the Skitch Henderson orchestra. Curtain will be at 8:30 p.m.

Hollywood

Brigitte Bound for U.S., But Not to Do Film

By LOUELLA O. PARSONS

HOLLYWOOD—After swearing up and down that she would never come to Hollywood, French cutie Brigitte Bardot arrives in all her glamorous glory in April! I suppose that would be a "stop the presses" flash if she were going to make a movie in our midst, but the visit is purely for exploitation.

Her new French movie, "A Very Private Affair," is being premiered in Los Angeles in April, and since Brigitte has a big financial chunk of it (I hear it is based on her life story), anything that drums up business is good. Jacques Barr, the producer, is in Hollywood now to start the ballyhoo with MGM, the releasing company.



Louella Parsons

before for "Anatomy of a Murder," but didn't win it.

Charlie Chaplin is the only other actor I know who declined a nomination—But Chaplin's a non-conformist. When he refused the New York film critics' award for "The Dictator," it seems to me no matter how an actor feels personally, it's the greatest discourtesy to his fellow actors to refuse an honor as important as this.

SNAPSHOTS: Dorothy Provine, not waiting around for Frank Sinatra's call, and good-looking Peter Mann have discovered each other.

A very new twosome is Gussie Moran, former tennis champ, and actor Mark Stevens.

Joan Fontaine will return here Tuesday on her way to Tokyo, where she will be the guest of the Japanese government at a special celebration in honor of her and her sister, Olivia de Havilland, who were born there and attended school there.

NAACP Gets Data in J.C. School Study

Negro students comprise more than 50 per cent of the enrollment in eight Jersey City public schools, according to a survey made by the superintendent of schools staff.

This was one of the facts revealed in the study that was made at the request of the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

THE FOLLOWING are the schools, their location and the estimated percentage of Negro pupils:

School 9, 65 Brunswick St., 66%;
School 12, 91 Astor Place, 73%;
School 14, 153 Union St., 99%;
School 18, 75 Storms Ave., 53%;
School 22, 264 Van Horne St., 95%;
School 29, 123 Claremont Ave., 89%;
School 30, 171 Seaview Ave., 58%;
and School 35, 299 Sip Ave., 89%.

Maris Wants To Save Home Runs For Season

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Sports Parade

Senators Can Only Look

Rog Won't Be Aiming For Fences Out to Improve His Timing

By CHARLES FEENEY

FORT LAUDERDLE, Fla. — Tomorrow the Yankees begin playing their exhibition games. And tomorrow, many fans who are paying big league prices for these pre-season affairs, expect Roger Maris to start slugging home runs.

Now the major league home run king never has been a terror with the bat in March. But until this year nobody seemed to care, least of all the fans. But now Roger is the king of all baseball. His 61 in '61 has made him a drawing power.

SO THE QUESTION is: Will Mar's past March failures continue? Or will the kind dominate?

"If the fans think I'm gonna swing for home runs," Maris said today, "they're mistaken. I'm here to improve my timing. When I swing, I hope to get a base hit, I don't care if it is a single or a home run."

Maris thought for a moment. "Now," he said, "don't write that I don't want to hit home runs. I'll take 'em, if I get 'em. But these are to get in shape, not to set Grapefruit League records."

Manager Sees Yanks Stronger

Houk's Good News All Bad for AL Foes

By LEO H. PETERSEN

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—

(UPI)—Here's bad news for the nine other managers in the American League—Ralph Houk says his New York Yankees will be stronger this year than they were last.

He admits at the same time, however, that some of those other nine clubs are going to be stronger, too.

How does he figure the team which won the American League pennant by eight games in 1961 and then went on to win the world series, 4 games to 1, from the Cincinnati Reds, to be more formidable with Tony Kubek, the all-star shortstop, in the Army?

"WELL, WE WILL have a

stronger bench and our pitching will be stronger, also," he said. "Sure, I have problems. What manager hasn't? I'd be telling a lie if I told you I wasn't concerned about replacing Kubek.

"I'd be telling a lie, too, if I didn't tell you that we are going to be better this year than we were last. I realize we are going to have more to beat. But I predicted last year we would win. I'm predicting the same thing for this year."

In the next breath, he allowed that the Yankees could be beaten, like Managers Bob Scheffing of the Detroit Tigers and Al Lopez of the Chicago White Sox, among other, claim.

"Sure we could," he said. "but I thought we had the best club in the league. It turned out we did, I think the same

thing now, but I might be wrong. 5

"I decided last summer I was going to be a bit more careful in my predictions because of what those Tigers did."

He explained he had not written any clubs off as contenders, but that he classed some others above the Tigers.

"I KNEW they had a fine outfield with Rocky Colavito, Bill Bruton and Al Kaline. No one had to tell me that in Frank Lary, Don Mossi and Jim Bunning they didn't have front line pitching.

"But I didn't know, and I doubt if a lot of others weren't in the same boat, that they were going to come up with a second baseman (Jake Wood) who batted in 69 runs and a third baseman (Steve Boros)

who knocked in 62. That's better than my boys did (Bobby Richardson and Cletis Boyer).

"I didn't know either that that first baseman (Norm Cash) was going to have such a great year.

"IF THINGS like that can happen to the Tigers, they can happen to the other teams. I'm not claiming the pennant—that would be foolish at any time until you have it clinched. I'm just saying we are going to be better this year than we were last. Detroit is going to be better and so are the other teams.

"But they didn't catch us last year. I don't think they are going to catch us this year, either."

As to that shortstop worry.

"I'm going with the two kids. I can't tell you they are going to get the job done, but I will

tell you this—from what I have seen of them so far I don't have any reason to believe they can't do the job."

The kids are Tom Tresh, 22, and Phil Linz, 21. They were the all-star shortstops in the minor leagues they played in last year.



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\$200 Gold Badges

We can be certain that we will hear plenty about \$200 gold badges at today's budget hearing — and long into the future.

Why in the world the city should buy any official — past, present or future — such a badge, we never will understand.

In European cities it is the custom for the lord mayor to wear a golden neck chain. But this bauble goes with the office and is passed on to successive incumbents.

If Jersey City officialdom requires such reinforcement for the dignity of office, then any taxpayer-purchased badge should be passed along with the title. Or the office holder (or his friends) might have the privilege of purchasing the badge as a memento.

But as a symbol of the times, Jersey City must agree that a \$200 gold badge hardly is appropriate.

Rapid but Noisy

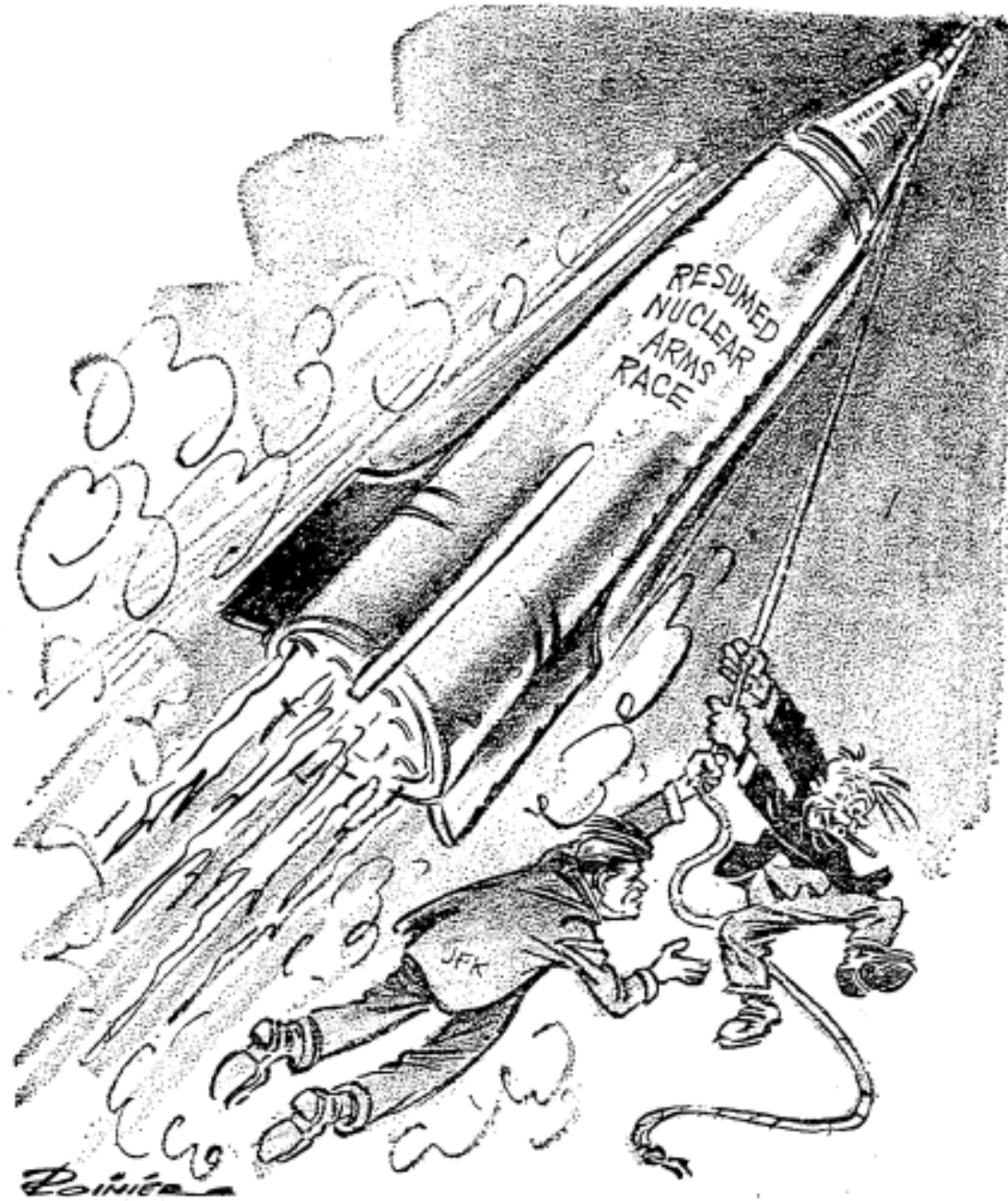
That Air Force B58's rush from coast to coast and back in well under five hours elicited one descriptive remark that will stick in the memory. The pilot was quoted as saying in Los Angeles after the flight: "If a cannonball — an artillery shell — had been fired at the same time we left here we'd have had time to land in New York and have lunch before it got there."

Now that is the stuff of excitement. Nothing else could have illustrated quite so graphically the astonishing speed of the bomber. Yet something other than pleased astonishment has fixed itself in the public consciousness as a result of this record-breaking flight. For as the plane hurtled along much faster than the speed of sound it was trailed by a sonic boom that shattered windows and startled the populace.

An Air Force spokesman was reported to have said that the sonic boom is "the sound of freedom" — a characterization which ignores the fact that when commercial planes achieve supersonic speed they will make booms every bit as disturbing as those made by military aircraft. If one B58 can break windows and jerk people to alert at points clear across the nation, what will conditions be like when scores of passenger craft are operating at such speeds?

The question is primarily the concern of aircraft designers and engineers, of those who plan flight patterns, of federal regulatory bodies. Secondarily, it also is the concern of the public, whose ears will be assaulted. Now is the time to let it be known, through Congress and other appropriate channels, that the public interest will have been served only if every effort is made to minimize and curb sonic boom.

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Comments from Neil - wish we had more of these from our '62 brothers!!

Comments:

The first third of my career was spent "in computers" and was great fun. To be honest, I might have paid them to play with those toys! The last two-thirds were spent in supposedly better jobs, but I was actually experiencing what it was like to work for a living. Overall there were several really great experiences and I still socialize with some folks I haven't worked with in over 40 years. One such event was being part of the management team at McNeil Consumer Products during the 1982 Tylenol/cyanide tamperings in Chicago.

No surprise, family was and is the focal point. Scott became a Veterinarian and operates his own practice in West Berlin, NJ. Jeff recently made partner in an Engineering firm. They found great wives, built strong families, and - since all are nearby - we are blessed to share in their lives and the day-to-day activities of the grandchildren.

Petreaan - 2012 Update:

At Boston College it took one year to lose the scholarship, and only one more to get kicked out. A year and a half later I discovered the computer, and I guess I finally decided here was something worth studying. So I quit school and took a job with NJ Bell as a programmer trainee. One year later I began a 35 year career with Johnson & Johnson, retiring as President of the operating company that launched Splenda. Barb and I have been married 45 years, and having a career and a family simply wouldn't have been possible without her.

Hobbies/Interests:

- Computers and associated technology. Build desktops for friends and family (gamers), and make the occasional service call :)
- Select MMORPGs. Semi-hardcore end-game raider for the last ten years. Love the challenge and teamwork, and its better for my arthritic hands than physical therapy.
- Siberian Huskies. We've been owned by two or more Siberians for over 30 years now.
- Baseball, both Yankee and "grandkid". Watching the gkids play brought back my own childhood, and reminded me how much I love the game.
- Target shooting, pistol/rifle/shotgun. Recently dug out the rifles I hadn't used in 45 years and acquired a few more. Shoot once or twice each week.

My Bucket List:

Honestly, it's empty. Except perhaps to find a way to laugh out loud more than once each day.