

## ED ESHLEMAN'S WASHINGTON REPORT

Ever since the President presented his latest budget request, it has been the subject of commentary, criticism and confusion. Many things have been said in favor of it that overstate the case somewhat. On the other hand, many things have been said against it that misrepresent reality.

Much of the talk in favor of the budget centers on it as a symbol of financial responsibility. While there is no doubt that it does hold the line and does not require new taxes, there is a \$12 billion deficit to contend with. It seems to me that any budget that relies on so much deficit spending cannot be called the ultimate in good financial management.

Budget critics, however, are not for the most part, knocking the deficit. The criticism is centered mainly on the proposals to cut out some programs and consolidate others.

The whole business of program cuts has been badly distorted. There are many people who have been given the impression that the budget proposes to cut out all or most money for poverty, education, services for the elderly and aid to the disabled.

Such impressions are being encouraged primarily by groups that stand to be left out in the cold if their particular program gets eliminated or consolidated. Their worries are real, but rather self-serving. And their arguments often bear little relationship to the real budget story. In all categories of social programs, the budget is more generous than stingy.

One of the more controversial items has been the proposal to do away with the Office of Economic Opportunity. I happen to agree with the President that this is an agency which has outlived its usefulness, but that opinion is regarded by some people as an

abandonment of our commitment to help the poor.

What has not been made clear, evidently, is that cutting out OEO will not affect services to the poor. What it will eliminate is the bureaucracy that has made a full-time job out of keeping the poverty crisis going and in the process has eaten up most of the funds.

Services to the poor like Head Start, Medical centers and legal programs are not going to be lost because OEO closes its doors. Those programs that have shown themselves to be worthwhile locally and-or nationally will simply receive their funding from other sources.

Head Start is an example of something which already has left OEO and been transferred to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. This transfer took place several months ago, and Head Start no longer depends on poverty program money for its operation. Now it is a regular part of the HEW budget, and the new requests call for it to get more funds than ever before.

Keeping worthwhile efforts by consolidating them, and eliminating programs that no longer are needed makes sense to me. And, in the long run, the people the government intends to serve will probably be better served because the result will be

## Manure

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Grout noted, it's important to keep bedding out of the manure, because it can clog up the pumps that extract the liquid from the pit.

Because very little bedding is recommended for stanchion barn systems, Grout said cows can become extremely dirty. One solution to this problem is to install wide gutters covered with grates. There's a system operating in Chester County where manure from the barn moves down through the gutters by gravity, through a tile line and into the storage pit, all without mechanical aids.

Lagoons are another method for storing liquid manure, but Grout doesn't feel it's practical for this area. Many farms in the southern part of the country are able to use lagoons because microorganisms and aeration help keep odors under control. With the colder winters in the north, however, these microorganisms are often

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inactive for months at a time.

While liquid manure storage systems help solve daily odor problems, odors can be very pronounced and objectionable when the waste is removed from the pit for storage. To curb complaints from neighbors, Grout recommended plowing manure down as soon as it's applied. It's also possible, he said, to inject the waste directly into the soil, and noted that there are several pieces of equipment available to do this job.

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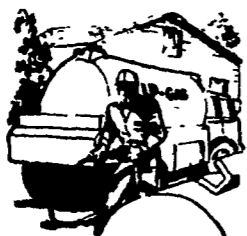
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