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## Around The County

Hot weather, which left Adams county for about a week, returned with a vengeance over Labor Day, and has again settled on the community. Perhaps the hot, muggy weather kept some folks at home and thus prevented some accidents. Only a couple of accidents involving personal injury happened to local residents over the weekend.

The county council started its annual two-day session to work on various county budgets. This group of seven men, representing four districts, and three elected at large, from within Adams county, has the momentous task of reviewing all county appropriations and tax rates.

One hundred years ago, when this type of government was set up, it was relatively easy to review all the budgets. But today, a century of legislative acts, placing some agencies under the council, some partially under the council, and some without the council, have pretty well clouded up the duties of the group.

The council form of budgetary government can be a good thing. Every member of the council must acquaint himself with local government. The members must know what departments are needed, which ones are slowly atrophying away, and which ones are growing.

Keeping this in mind, the council should help expand the budgets of the growing departments, contract the budgets of the shrinking departments, and make specific budgetary recommendations, so that departments of the county can prepare their budgets accordingly. Each member should be familiar enough with the offices to know when a budget is featherbedded, and should immediately delete such items. General cuts should be avoided unless done for a purpose.

If the council does a good job in the fall, very few special sessions will be needed. Some councils "raise their salaries" by calling unnecessary county council meetings necessitated by too severe a cut in a given appropriation.

Serious problems can be caused by unnecessary cuts. First of all, if the council does not allow a tax large enough for the necessary appropriations, the operating balance may be taken dangerously low, or disappear altogether. So the tax rate must be large enough to leave funds for any special appropriation. The money must be in the fund to be appropriated.

By and large our county council in Adams county has done an excellent job. And they have had good help. The local city and county budgets are very reasonable compared with other cities and counties of the same size and population.

## More Money Is Needed For Cancer Research

(Editor's note: From the Adams county chapter of the American cancer society, this is the seventh in a series of articles explaining the new policy and the cancer society's program.)

"Why do you need more money?" is a question that has been silently, if not openly, asked of the Adams county chapter of the American cancer society.

"Why are you withdrawing, making one more charitable organization to ask the public for funds?" is the question that follows. During the past weeks, articles from the county ACS have showed how more money is needed to help research into the basic cause and cure for cancer. Of each ACS dollar, 30 cents go to research. This partly answers the first question.

Withdrawing from federated funds has not only raised more money for cancer research, but has helped in the ACS's educational program, which can save lives by showing people how to combat cancer and not to be afraid of it, but to be watchful. Whether the advantages of such a drive can come to Adams county depends on the workers who come to the reorganization meeting Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Decatur Youth and Community Center.

**Threat Increases**

Deaths from cancer have been on the increase. With the threat increasing, workers are making slow progress in searching for its cure. To meet the increasing threat, the American cancer society, the board of directors stated in announcing its policy, must continue to expand its program in research, education, and service to patients.

Taking a vote of the members of the ACS, the board of directors issued the new policy that there can be no new participation in federated fund raising campaigns. In addition, the local groups, such as the Adams county group, should review their situation and should arrange for an orderly and friendly withdrawal, if the joint drives cannot support the expanding attack on cancer.

In 1947, the local cancer society, begun in 1946, had a quota of \$500 and raised \$1,330.18. From then on, a clipping in the secretary's book states, the sums raised in the drive see-sawed, going above the quota five times in the early years, and then going below it five times—three of those times in the years 1954, 1955, and 1956.

More can be raised through the independent crusade, and the public has indicated it is willing to contribute to an independent crusade. For instance, in Brockton, Mass., when the new policy was first tried out, the federation offered the society \$3,800. In its own drive, the society raised more than \$15,000. In Lynn, Mass., the federation urged the society to join and accept \$4,000, but in the independent crusade, more than \$33,000 was raised.

**Not Only Money—But Lives**

The independent crusade not only brings more money, but it also helps to educate the public. Because cancer has such a quiet beginning and a tendency to spread, men and women must learn new health habits, and must realize the value of periodic examinations and the significance of

a special problem. In this way they have built settlement houses, hospitals, and laboratories. People have always been free to give money directly to help. The freedom of the organization to ask for help and of the contributors to give to a cause of his choice is very important, the board of directors conclude.

Whether Adams county has enough interested persons to keep the program going is still a question. Thursday may tell the answer.

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#### WANE-TV Channel 15 TUESDAY

Evening  
6:00—Amos & Andy  
6:30—Tom Calenberg News  
6:45—Doug Edwards News  
7:00—Star Performance  
7:30—Lock Up  
8:00—Miss America Parade  
9:00—Tightrope  
9:30—Spotlight Playhouse  
10:00—Andy Williams  
11:00—Phil Wilson News  
11:15—Romona

#### WEDNESDAY

Morning  
7:30—Peppermint Theatre  
7:45—Willy Wonderful  
8:00—CBS News  
8:15—Captain Kangaroo  
9:00—Our Miss Brooks  
9:30—Star Performance  
10:00—On the Go  
10:30—Sam Levenson  
11:00—I Love Lucy  
11:30—Top Dollar

#### WPTA-TV Channel 21 TUESDAY

Evening  
6:00—The Price Is Right  
6:30—Concentration  
7:00—The Tic Dough  
7:30—It Could Be You  
8:00—News and Weather  
8:15—Farms and Farming  
8:30—Yesterday's Newsreel  
8:45—Editor's Desk  
9:00—Faith To Live By  
9:30—Indiana State Fair  
10:00—Blondie  
10:30—Young Dr. Malone  
11:00—From These Roots  
11:30—Truth or Consequences  
12:00—County Fair  
1:00—Burns and Allen  
1:30—Bozo  
2:00—NBC News

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6:00—Gateway To Sports  
6:15—News Jack Gray  
6:30—The Weatherman  
6:45—Wagon Train  
7:00—The Price Is Right  
7:30—Kraft Music Hall  
8:00—Bet Master  
8:30—This Is Your Life  
9:00—Jim Bowie  
9:30—Border Patrol  
10:00—News and Weather  
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11:00—The Jack Paar Show

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