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the sports pages.

Walter Williams, who died Dec. 19, 1959, in Houston, Tex., at the age of 117, is officially listed as the last veteran of the Civil War.

Largest sailing ship ever built was the France II, launched at Bordeaux in 1911. She was 5,633 gross tons and her hull measured 383 feet overall.

Recreation Panel Seeks Budget Hike

By Jim Broadway
Of the Intelligencer

The Education and Recreation Committee of the Madison County Board has drawn up a tentative 1973 budget of \$207,400 for the county Parks and Recreation Department—a proposed increase of more than \$150,000 over the department budget for the current fiscal year. About half the 1973 budget would be for land acquisition.

Committee chairman Louis Whitsell and member Wayne Bridgewater met Tuesday to prepare the budget. The other committee member, Albert Doerr, was unable to attend.

Whitsell said the increases will be sought to meet the needs of the infant county park development program.

Of the \$57,000 budgeted for the department this year, \$50,

000 was allocated for land acquisition.

The land acquisition money for this year has gone largely unspent because the committee has been able to pick up tracts of ground on low-cost lease arrangements.

For example, the County Board recently approved a 10-year lease of a tract of land owned by the East Side Levee District at a cost of \$1 per year.

The other \$7,000 in this year's budget has been insufficient to meet the county's parks needs, Whitsell and Bridgewater said.

The committee Tuesday approved the purchase of about \$2,000 in equipment from the Miracle Equipment Co. low bidder on items of acceptable quality.

\$1,200 for equipment maintenance; \$45,000 for new equipment; \$1,300 for machinery operation; \$1,150 for office equipment and supplies; \$100,000 for land acquisition, and a 5 per cent contingency fund of \$9,924.

Whitsell and Bridgewater indicated that they consider the proposed budget to be reasonable, but there may be some reductions before the request is approved as part of the 1973 county budget.

The parks budget will have to be approved by the board's Finance Committee and the full County Board before the money will be allocated.

The committee has been getting by this year mainly with workers hired through the county's Emergency Employment Program.

There are no full-time employees of the department. Committee members have handled administration of the parks and coordinated the efforts of the EEP workers.

While funds have been available for land acquisition, the committee has not had the operating budget to clear land, buy playground and picnic equipment, provide utilities and otherwise develop any land it might have picked up. "Even if we bought a tract of land, what could we do with it," Whitsell has said.

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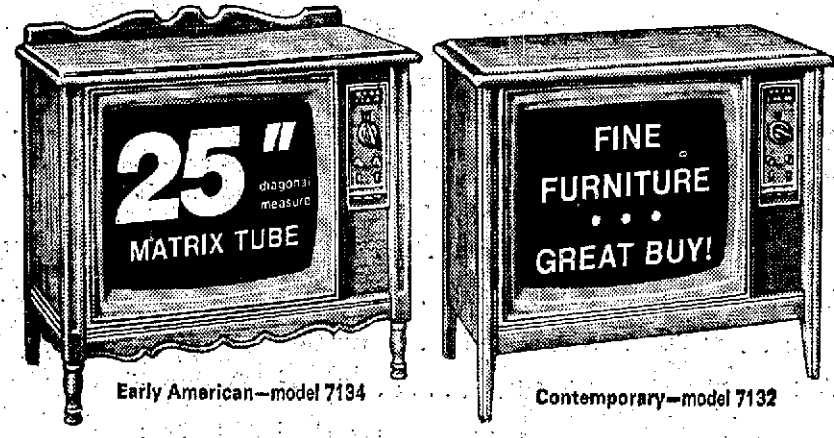
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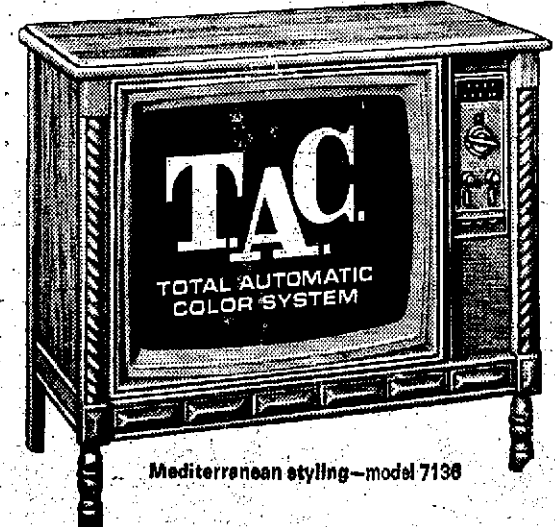


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