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Strike leaves Israeli mariners marooned at Corpus

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Corpus Christi, with the surf and sand of nearby Padre Island, is very nice this time of year. But a group of strike-bound Israeli sailors have enjoyed about as much of it as they can stand.

The 34 crew members of the Israeli freighter "Mazda" expected to be back home by February. Instead, they have spent the last two months in and out of the Port of Corpus Christi, sometimes anchored several miles offshore for weeks at a time.

It seems the union that represents the ship's officers and crew went on strike in January while the "Mazda" was steaming toward Corpus Christi to pick up a load of grain.

The wage dispute between the Israeli maritime union and the Israeli shipping industry has dragged on more than 88 days, the longest marine strike in Israel's history.

"The men are getting restless," said Capt. Shabtay Samarias in a telephone interview from his ship anchored a few miles off the Texas coast. "They are impatient and quite naturally (so). We have people who have been a long time abroad not knowing what is happening."

Zim Israel Navigation Co. Ltd., the partly state-controlled firm that owns the "Mazda" and controls 65 percent of Israel's seagoing trade, could have ordered the "Mazda" back home. But Capt. S. Zucker of Zim's New

York office said it is too costly to send out a freighter and have it return empty.

"No one expected the strike to last this long," he said.

Both officers and crew are members of the Histadrut, Israel's general trades union. Both groups are striking to increase the ratio of foreign currency in their paychecks now that the value of Israeli money is declining, said a Histadrut spokesman.

Because food and supplies are paid for by the ship's owner, during a strike, Zucker calls the situation on the "Mazda" a "strike deluxe." It's costly, however, for both Zim and the sailors.

The company pays \$5 per day to each sailor for food and pays for laundry. The Port of Corpus Christi bills the firm \$192 for each day the ship spends at dockside.

Naturally, the ship's crew prefers the sheltered harbor and access to the city, says Corpus Christi harbormaster Fred Bingham. They got three weeks in port during February and recently completed an 11-day stint at dockside.

"You'd get pretty tired of four walls and the wide open yonder," said Bingham. "We let them stay here for as long as we can allow them, then when we need more space we have to ask them to go to anchor in the Gulf."

"There's not much for them to do except watch TV," said Gail Basdekis, a volunteer at the local seaman's center.

The sailors are also running low on money. A few draw wages during docking or collect advances, but an agreement between the maritime union and the ship owners stipulates that the crew must perform maintenance chores without pay.

Negotiations have broken off between the union and Zim, placing the firm in financial straits.

"Right now, the strike has gotten to a stage where the future of this company is threatened," said Zucker, whose firm has three strike-bound ships along the East Coast of the

United States.

It costs Zim \$2,500 in tugboat and pilot expenses for each round trip from dock to anchorage and back again.

One local shipper estimated that the 30,000-ton "Mazda" can cost \$3,000 per day in maintenance costs and penalties. Penalties accrue if the company has prior commitments for the ship.

Eight crew members have returned home — fired by Zim in a cost-cutting measure. One had to borrow money to finance his flight home, friends reported.

The remaining crew members do a lot of fishing, Samarias said.

Lockheed's loss is also Big Spring's

By KAY HORD

BIG SPRING — "Lockheed did not get the contract to modify the F-4C aircraft. Therefore, Big Spring won't get Lockheed," Col. Harry Spannaus, director of the Big Spring airport, said late Wednesday.

Lockheed was competing against five other firms for an Air Force contract for the aircraft modification. The five-year contract for a total of about \$71 million was awarded Wednesday by the Department of the Air Force to McDonald-Douglas, builders of the aircraft.

The company will operate out of their Tulsa, Okla., facility. The contract will become effective January 1978, a spokesman for Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's office said Wednesday.

"They gave their best shot but didn't come up with the apples," the spokesman said.

Spannaus said, "We were extremely surprised that McDonald-Douglas won the contract over

Lockheed. No explanations were given except that, money-wise, McDonald-Douglas slightly underbid Lockheed. We thought we had the best facilities for the job. We think Lockheed was the best company to provide the modifications.

"There's no comparison to the airspace availability and the weather conditions, which are much better than Tulsa, where they (McDonald-Douglas) will perform the modifications."

"It means we're going to have to regroup and go out and search for a larger industry once again to make up for this serious impact we have just had," he said.

Spannaus also said that a group of industrial developers and leaders in the community met Wednesday to discuss the situation. "Although they are taking it with some sadness, there is nothing but fire and spirit in their bones to go out and get something as good or better than Lockheed. They're ready to go into battle."

The steering committee for the conversion of Webb Air Force Base is negotiating with several firms, ranging from manufacturers to aviation.

"And many of the smaller companies would be happy to rent some of the prime property we had reserved for Lockheed," Spannaus said. "We lost the medical extension and we lost Lockheed, but it's not going to stop the progress of Big Spring."

Earlier reports said that a Lockheed aircraft maintenance facility would have produced a weekly payroll of \$250,000 from a projected 500 to 700 jobs in the Big Spring area.

Other companies competing for the Air Force contract were Boeing Aircraft for a site in Wichita, Kan.; Hayes Aircraft Corp., Birmingham, Ala.; Northrup Aircraft Corp., Lawton, Okla., and Fairchild Aircraft, Florida.

President gives Israeli head vote of confidence

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) — President Carter declared today that he is confident the government of Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin "is completely capable" of negotiating a peace settlement in the Middle East.

News reports from the Middle East have claimed that a Carter administration official urged Israeli politicians to replace Begin with a

more flexible leader.

At a news conference in the capital of Brazil, Carter flatly denied that any responsible official of his administration had insinuated that Begin should be replaced in favor of a more flexible Israeli leader.

"I think that Prime Minister Begin and his government are able to negotiate in an adequately flexible way to reach an agreement with

Egypt and later Jordan and other countries," Carter said. "We have not given up on the possibility of a negotiated settlement in the Middle East."

But Carter acknowledged that he has no clear solution yet on steps to surmount the impasse over the Israeli government's refusal to commit itself to withdraw from the occupied West Bank of the Jordan River.

Carter flatly denied that his administration would like to see Begin replaced.

"I can say unequivocally that no one in any position of responsibility in the United States administration has ever insinuated that Prime Minister Begin is not qualified to be prime minister or that he should be replaced," Carter said.

He said the Middle East issues are sharply drawn and that key differences are clear, chief among them the Begin government's unwillingness to concede that Israel is committed to withdrawal from occupied Arab territory.

In a news conference broadcast and televised in the United States, Carter said that shared concerns and friendship far transcend differences between the United States and Brazil over human rights and nuclear power development.

Carter said that violation of human rights is an international problem. (Continued on Page 2A)

Principal receives probated \$200 fine

A Midland school principal received a probated \$200 fine after he pleaded no contest Wednesday to a charge of killing birds in Midland — a bird sanctuary by city ordinance.

Edison Freshman School Principal Rufus L. Williams entered the no contest plea before Municipal Court Judge William Anders. Other than the no contest plea, there was no testimony given in the hearing, Judge Anders said.

Williams could have received a \$200 fine under a four-year-old city code which designates Midland as a bird sanctuary.

Midge Erskine, a federally licensed bird rehabilitator in Midland, filed a

complaint with Assistant City Attorney Bill Clifton after she found what she estimated to be 2,000 dead and dying birds in a dumpster behind the school on March 11.

Williams has been quoted as saying he fired three shots from a 12-gauge shotgun at the birds while they were in trees in the school patio. He also has said the birds were creating a nuisance, damaging trees and benches on the patio.

Mrs. Erskine said Wednesday she was satisfied with the sentence.

"My whole issue was the killing of them (the birds) and the inhumane treatment, and to let people know that this is a bird sanctuary."

Kindergarten decision postponed

By MARLEEN RAY

Still claiming that not enough information was available to come to a conclusion, the Midland public schools Board of Education Wednesday tabled its decision concerning the organization of the kindergarten program.

Before a board room packed with people, members voted down school trustee Ann Page's motion to accept Plan 7b of the kindergarten organization report.

Plan 7b calls for extending full-day kindergarten sessions to Title I schools which now operate only half-day programs. It proposes that an aide be hired for each teacher in a self-contained, half-day unit.

In a prepared statement, Mrs. Page pointed out what she believes is the

"inequity" in the staffing of the school district's self-contained kindergarten program.

"I don't believe . . . that there is any way this board can justify maintaining full-day, Title I kindergarten and full-day, multi-age kindergarten without giving aides to our self-contained classroom teachers," she said.

Mrs. Page said one of the teachers in the self-contained units once remarked to her, "I feel as if my program is a stepchild." It is "only fair and only right" for the district to divide its funds equally between the self-contained and full-day program, she said.

"There is no way a teacher in a self-contained classroom can effectively teach under this program without help — two hands are just not

TOW BOATS Wednesday work barges filled with coal on the Monongahela River near the Clairton, Pa., Coke Works of United States Steel. Coke is a

purified form of coal and the Clairton Works is the largest producer in the world. U.S. Steel is also a major coal producer. (AP Laserphoto)

Altered testimony ends state's kidnapping case

TYLER, Texas (AP) — The state ended its case against accused kidnapper Don Trull on Wednesday, minutes after his millionaire witness Billy Pyron altered his testimony under withering cross-examination.

Pyron, reacting angrily to questions by diminutive defense attorney G. Brockett Irwin, was at one point threatened with a contempt of court citation by State District Judge Glenn Phillips for his responses.

Irwin, who said he had intended to call parolee witness Billie Sol Estes as a defense witness Wednesday, vowed he would try again today. He said he had not anticipated questioning Pyron as a state witness, however.

The opportunity arose and the Tyler investor endured about six hours of cross-examination.

Trull, a 40-year-old acknowledged gambler, is charged with dousing

Pyron's Tyler office with gasoline, then threatening to ignite it while holding Bill May, a Pyron employee, hostage during a tense four-hour standoff with police on Aug. 9, 1977.

During the standoff, Trull claimed Pyron and Estes had bilked him out of \$1.5 million on a land deal.

Irwin's questions were aimed at discrediting Pyron's testimony. At one point, he produced a document purporting to show Pyron's power of attorney signed over to Sue Goolsby, an Estes business associate.

Pyron said he did not recall signing the document, which bore his name and authorized Ms. Goolsby to use his financial backing for a series of Abilene-based companies in which Pyron had an interest.

Later, when questioned by Smith County District Attorney A.D. Clark III, Pyron flatly denied signing it.

The document is considered important by the defense. Trull claims his actions concerning on Aug. 9 were prompted by a desperate attempt to retrieve his \$1.5 million investment in several now-defunct companies listed on it.

Trull blames Estes and Pyron for his involvement in the ventures.

During taped telephone negotiations with Pyron and authorities, Trull repeatedly said, "All I want is my money." He settled for \$10,000 in cash, a promissory note from Pyron for half of his alleged missing investment, a silver Cadillac and, finally, a jail cell.

Phillips allowed the power of attorney document admitted into evidence only after Irwin quizzed Pyron about an interview with The Dallas Times Herald.

"Didn't you tell . . . the Times Herald the only document you ever signed to Mr. Estes was a \$78,000 check to an Abilene bank?" Irwin asked. Pyron agreed.

"Didn't you tell . . . the Times Herald that Billie Sol never did anything but cost you money?" Irwin asked.

Pyron nodded and replied, "I'm saying anything is possible with the people we are dealing with."

"Have you filed forgery charges against Billie Sol Estes or Sue Goolsby?" Irwin asked, biting off the words.

Pyron said he had not, adding that Trull had urged him during one of the taped telephone conversations on Aug. 9 to go with him to Abilene and file such charges.

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DEATHS

Steve Winkler

ODESSA — Steve Craig Winkler, 23, of Odessa died Wednesday in an Odessa hospital.

Services will be at 4 p.m. today in Hubbard-Kelley Funeral Home. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Winkler was a lab technician for El Paso Products. He was born June 3, 1954, in Edmond, Okla. He came to Odessa in 1954 from Edmond.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Winkler of Odessa, and one brother, Robert Winkler of Midland.

G. F. Nicholson

LEVELLAND — Services for George F. Nicholson, 76, brother of F. M. Nicholson of Andrews, will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Verna Rhodes, pastor of Northside Assembly of God Church in Lubbock, officiating. Burial arrangements are pending with Smith Funeral Home here.

Nicholson died Wednesday in a Lubbock hospital.

He had been a resident of Hockley County for 75 years and had owned and operated a wrecking yard on the Littlefield Highway.

Other survivors include nine

daughters, two sons, five sisters, 36 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

F. Gonzales

STANTON — Services for Fermin Gonzales, 85, were to be at 4 p.m. today in First Baptist Church of Stanton.

Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery directed by Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Gonzales died Tuesday in a Martin County hospital.

Gonzales was born July 7, 1892, in Laredo and had lived in Stanton a short time. Prior to that, he had lived in Midland for 12 years. He married Jocinta Riojas on Nov. 29, 1913, at Pearsall. She died in 1943.

Survivors include three sons, Pascual R. Gonzales and Thomas R. Gonzales, both of Midland, and Refugio Gonzales of Ovid, Colo.; two daughters, Mrs. John Revilla of Midland and Mrs. Domingo Equinones of Stanton; one sister, Nicolasa Longoria of Pearsall; one brother, Florencio Gonzales of Amberst, 35 grandchildren and 41 great-grandchildren.

H. L. Harrington

BIG SPRING — Services were to be at 2 p.m. today at Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home for H. L. "Frog" Harrington, 39, of Coahoma. Burial was to be in Trinity Memorial Park.

Harrington died Tuesday of injuries received in an automobile accident that day.

He was born March 27, 1939, in Howard County. He owned and operated Harrington Welding Service. He was married to Shirley Kitts on Oct. 10, 1977, in Sand Springs. He was a member of Sand Springs Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Cody Harrington of Big Spring and Greg Harrington of Coahoma; two stepsons, Clay Kitts of Coahoma and Glenn Kitts of Coahoma; one stepdaughter, Mrs. Eddie Doss of Midland; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harrington of Coahoma; five sisters, Faye Daugherty of Colorado City, Mary Wilson of Lovington, N.M., Rita Hull of Forsan, Lydia Sutphen of Amarillo and Cynthia Wintanupe of Big Spring.

William Ratliff

ANDREWS — Services for William H. Ratliff, 85, of Andrews will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Singleton Funeral Home with Rev. Carl Grissom, pastor of First Baptist Church here, officiating.

Burial will be in Andrews Cemetery directed by Singleton Funeral Home.

Ratliff died Wednesday in an Andrews rest home.

He is survived by a stepson and a stepdaughter.

C.L. Davidson

Services for Charles L. Davidson, 46, of Route 1, Midland, was to be at 4 p.m. today in Bellview Baptist Church with the Rev. Elbert L. Smithen Jr., pastor, officiating.

Burial, directed by Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home, was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Davidson, shop foreman for the Permian Corp. in Midland, died Sunday in a Midland hospital following injuries he suffered earlier that day in a traffic mishap southeast of the city.

He was born July 15, 1931, in Charlotte, N.C.

Survivors include his wife, Gayle; three sons, Russell J. Davidson of Midland, Charles E. Davidson of Gainesville, Ga., and Mike Davidson of Charlotte, N.C.; a daughter, Renae Hayes of Bessemer, N.C.; three brothers, Royce Davidson of Dallas, N.C., Elwyn Davidson of Belmont, N.C., and Elmer Davidson of Mount Holly, N.C.; nine grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Jimmy W. Smith

ANDREWS — Services for Jimmy Wayne Smith, 18, will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Singleton Funeral Home here with the Rev. Benson Kennedy, pastor of Grace Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Andrews Cemetery.

Smith died Tuesday in an Irving hospital following a short illness.

He attended Andrews public schools. He was a member of Grace Baptist Church.

Survivors include his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Smith of Andrews; his mother, Mrs. Bill Holbert of Midland; a sister, Mrs. Allen Leftwich of Midland; two step-sisters, including Mrs. Eugene Rhodes of Baytown; a brother, Danny G. Smith of Dallas; a stepbrother, Robert Carroll of Andrews; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Taft, all of San Saba, and a stepgrandmother, Mrs. Holbert of Duncannonville.

Ed M. Tyson

ARLINGTON — Ed M. Tyson, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jont Tyson, a Midland pioneer ranching family, died Wednesday in Arlington.

He is the brother of Mrs. H. H. Lawson and Peter B. Tyson, both of Midland.

Services will be Saturday in Campti, La.

Other survivors include his wife, a son and four grandchildren.

Midland schools raise retirement age to 70

By MARLEEN RAY

The Midland public schools Board of Education Wednesday approved a retirement

policy revision which raised the mandatory retirement age for school employees from 65 to 70 years.

Schools Superintendent Dr. James Mailey said the policy change was needed since pending federal legislation is expected to allow school employees to remain on the job until they reach 70 years of age.

Also, Mailey said, without the policy revision, if the school board retires school employees between the ages of 65 and 70, it might have to pay them unemployment compensation—if they are judged to be "willing and able" to work.

In other business, board members called for a special meeting at 4:30 p.m. Monday in the school administration building to canvass the results of the Saturday school elections.

The trustees authorized the district to requisition six 71-passenger, four 15-passenger and one 35-passenger school buses for replacement purposes.

Schools Business Manager Don Furgeson said the 71-passenger buses cost \$17,300 apiece, the 15-passenger ones amount to \$11,350 each and the 35-passenger bus costs \$12,750. The total cost adds up to \$162,000, he said.

Garland Chapman, assistant superintendent of administrative services, said this requisition will "help to update" the district's stock of buses. He said 16 buses are about 10 years old, the age the district prefers to replace them. Most of these, he said, have more than 150,000 miles on them.

In a tax collections report to the board, Furgeson noted that 10.04 percent of the collections are delinquent as compared to 7.8 percent the previous year.

He said the increase in the amount of delinquent taxes is explained by the amount of collections tied

up in pending tax suits, totaling \$205,000. Also, he said some persons only paid half of their taxes earlier and should pay the rest in June. He estimated close to \$600,000 in taxes is due from them.

The trustees awarded a bid of \$2,219 to Boyds Carpet of Midland for carpeting for classrooms at DeZavala Elementary School. Also submitting bids were Clyde Green of Midland, \$2,337; Mid-Tex of Midland, \$3,062, and Moffatt Carpets of Midland, \$2,409.

Clyde Green was awarded a bid of \$1,846 for carpeting for classrooms at Bonham Elementary School.

Among the other bids were Boyds Carpet, \$2,260; Mid-Tex, \$2,562, and Moffatt Carpets, \$2,045.

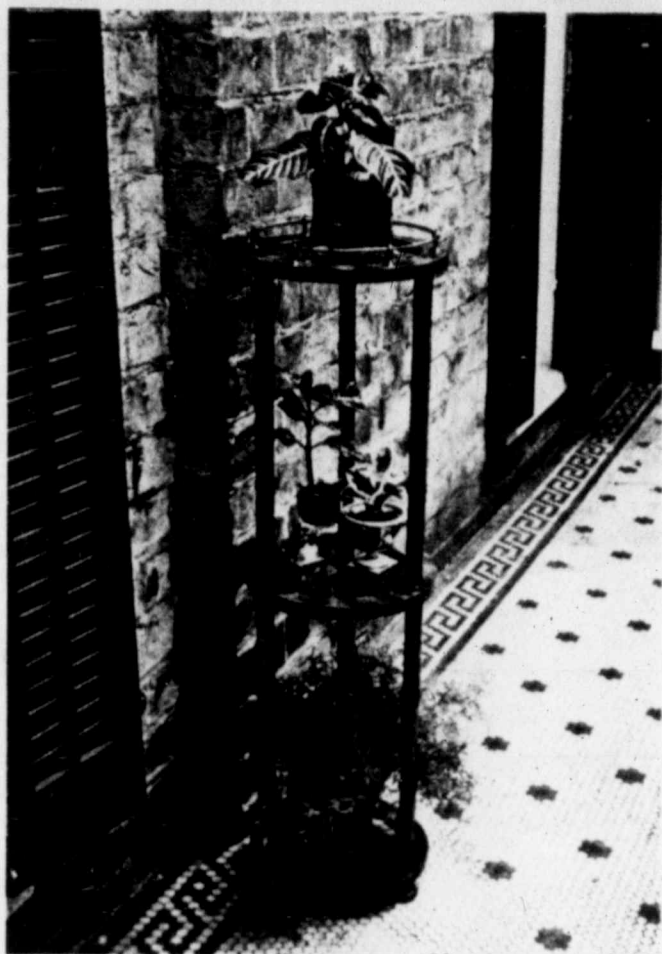
After meeting more than an hour in executive session to discuss a personnel matter, trustees announced that no action was taken. Subsequent executive sessions concerning a real estate matter and administrative evaluations also produced no action.

Board members were notified by school trustee Ann Page that some parents have requested to appear before them at their next meeting to discuss the possibility of a uniform discipline code for all elementary schools.

The board approved recommendations to re-appoint teachers and staff personnel for the 1978-79 school year. They deferred hearing a report on art and music activities and enrollment until the next meeting.

Since the trustee elections were not postponed, the scheduled executive session with the schools attorney was cancelled.

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Tom Sloan is a man of vision who believes in Midland and its future...an independent thinker, a man with the ability and the determination to do a better job, to represent ALL the people, and a man of integrity who believes that our City Government ought to keep its promises. He will give us the kind of leadership Midland needs.

Please join us Saturday, April 1st,
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Shocking action!

Many Midlanders undoubtedly are shocked, and with good reason, at both the method of selection and the actual selection Tuesday of an interim county judge by the Midland County Commissioners Court. It was a disappointing action, to say the least.

Blake Hansen, Democrat candidate for the office of Midland County judge in this year's elections, was appointed to the office by the court, filling the vacancy left by Barbara Culver, who last week resigned the post to accept appointment by Gov. Dolph Briscoe as judge of the 318th District Court here.

The action came at a so-called public hearing before the four county commissioners, three of whom had called the session to interview candidates who might be seeking the temporary judgeship. Win Brown, the lone Republican on the court, was out of the city when the hearing was called by Democrats Charlie Welch, Durward Wright and Jack Leonard.

Hansen was present at the Tuesday session, but William B. Ahders, Republican candidate for county judge, was unable to attend. He was in Helena, Mont., to attend funeral services for his father-in-law. He had sent a resume to the commissioners.

The very least the court could have done would have been to delay the hearing until Ahders returned to the city. Commissioner Wright, who presided at the session, expressed the opinion that the hearing should be delayed until both declared candidates for the office could appear in person. A motion by Leonard to that effect died for lack of a second.

Hansen also suggested that the hearing should be delayed "in all fairness to Judge Ahders."

But the majority ruled, and the court went right ahead with the appointment.

Brown said the purpose of the session was "to give a whitewash to the appointment and make the commissioners look good."

It appeared to be a cut-and-dried affair — cold-blooded politics — from the beginning.

Brown, who Monday had attacked the "highly unusual procedure" in selecting Judge Culver's replacement, restated

his position at Tuesday's hearing.

Robert Monaghan, a Republican leader, also criticized the method of selection and accused the commissioners of trying to "embarrass Judge Ahders."

Expressions also were heard from several persons in the audience, including J.H. "Timber" Floyd, who, in answer to a question by Brown, said he would consider appointment to the post "if it would help the county." Brown then moved to name Floyd to the interim judgeship, but there was no second. He then moved to appoint Ahders but, again, no second.

Commissioner Welch made the motion to name Hansen. Leonard seconded, and Hansen had the appointment.

The situation was most unfortunate, and certainly unfair to all concerned. It was an example of the worst form of party politics — and at the local level.

The court used poor judgement, to say the least, in naming one of the declared candidates for the county judge position. It very well could backfire.

There undoubtedly are a number of attorneys who could have been drafted for the interim job.

It would have been in much better taste had one of the commissioners been appointed as problem judge until the end of the year. People generally would have accepted such a move wholeheartedly.

The Midland County Bar Association also could have been asked to assist in the hearing and selection, thereby assuming at least part of the responsibility.

But the action has been taken, and the Commissioners Court will have to live with it.

Congratulations and best wishes to Blake Hansen, the interim county judge.

IT HAPPENED HERE —

30 YEARS AGO (MAR. 30, 1948):

The Industrial Committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce met today in the chamber office. James N. Allison is supervising director of the panel and Jno. P. Butler is chairman.

Fred T. Hogan was named chairman of the city's Planning Commission, succeeding Tom Sealy, at a meeting of the group Monday night.



WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Aviation fuel bootleggers?

By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — A four-year-old scandal, involving an estimated \$63 million worth of bootleg aviation fuel, has been gathering dust in the Energy Department. Meanwhile, the official who blew the whistle faces dismissal, and the associate who was implicated in the scandal has been promoted.

We got wind of the scandal a year ago. We reported on Feb. 1, 1977, that foreign airlines had siphoned off U.S. fuel during the Arab oil embargo. Federal energy officials allegedly had accepted gifts from the foreign carriers in exchange for the illicit fuel.

Korean Air Lines, for example, had tripled its allocation from 12,866,844 gallons to 41,362,658 gallons. The Dutch airline, KLM, had received eight million gallons more than should have been allocated. Japan Airlines, Lufthansa and Swissair had obtained about 15,630,000 gallons of excess fuel for "flight training."

Because the United States had frozen fuel prices lower than the world level, the foreign airlines had tankered the cheaper U.S. fuel for use on their other flights. This had worked a hardship on U.S. airlines, which were expected to keep up their flight schedules with less fuel.

The hero of the story is Ralph Rohweder, who worked in the aviation fuels office. He discovered what was happening and dutifully reported it to his superiors. As his reward, he is now losing his job. Energy Department officials solemnly swear his whistle blowing had nothing to do with his firing.

The culprit in the drama is William Zale, who ran the foreign carrier desk. Federal investigators traced

the over-allocations directly to him. Yet he not only is still allocating aviation fuel but has been promoted.

Now we have learned that the investigators recommended Zale be fired. We've obtained a confidential dismissal letter, spelling out the evidence against him. The letter, dated Dec. 19, 1975, apparently was never sent. At least Zale told us he never received it.

The letter charged that Zale was "unsuitable for continued federal employment" and served notice of a "proposal to remove you from your official position."

The letter condemned Zale in hot language, declaring: "You have over-allocated fuel adjustment for foreign air carriers because of failure to work up in-depth analyses and keep pace with refinements in regulations."

On one occasion, Zale was offered "free air fare and a tour" of the Samoa islands by an airline which mysteriously received a 785,000-gallon fuel allotment. Yet "neither (the) request, workpapers nor checklists can be found in the file," the letter reported.

Zale also flew down to the Virgin Islands for more sun, sand and sea. Not long afterward, he allegedly "adjusted the annual base period volume of aviation gasoline allocated for the Skyways Flight Center, St. Croix, Virgin Islands ... without any documentation to indicate an analysis was performed of the requested adjustment."

The letter also accused Zale of lying about his background. He swore that he had left a previous job with a ski resort voluntarily. But investigators found "four former corporate officials" who were ready to testify that

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Another choice

To The Editor:

It's been a year since 'I rode the white horse' in regard to spending the taxpayers' money.

I would like to suggest the use of the one quarter block owned by the city at Main Street and Illinois Avenue which is used solely for city employees' parking and was given to the city free of charge as a proposed new site for the central fire station.

It has been my experience as a former law enforcement officer and working closely with fire departments that you either lose or win a fire in the first five minutes. It would seem logical to keep the central fire station in the downtown area where we have the large concentration of high rise office buildings, instead of moving it to Crier Park, some 15 blocks from the downtown area. We already have a sub-station on Circle Drive to serve the shopping centers.

I've also heard the tired cliché of companies looking at our city's recreation facilities before locating here. They also take a look at our tax structure which comes out of their pockets instead of their employees'.

R.H. (Rusty) Gifford
610 W. Storey St.

Blowing smoke

To The Editor:

Someone is blowing a lot of smoke about the proposed golf course expansion (and I'm a bit uncomfortable about where they are trying to blow it).

One letter writer implies that our 'nothing to do' young people will flock to the expanded course, presumably abandoning their L Street wonderland (playing, no doubt, with glow-in-the-dark golf balls). The club pro, however, in his March 25 newspaper column, states that those under 18 are not allowed on the course at all unless accompanying a player and caddy for that player. Period. No exceptions mentioned.

Other advocates of the expansion have insisted that the course pays for itself through fees, and actually earns a profit for the city. If true, why are we asked to pay for the course with taxes instead of issuing revenue bonds? An article Sunday admitted that Hogan Park went into the black for the very first time in 1977. After 17 years of absorbing tax money, one year in the black! This is self-supporting and revenue producing?

Sure, I'm going to vote for the expansion; anything which enhances Midland enhances my family as well, even though we don't play golf; I feel we can scrape up the \$3 per year somehow. I just wish the proponents would be a bit more candid with us!

Joe Hathaway
2827 Frontier St.

EDITOR'S NOTE: In his column on March 25, Hogan pro Rex Worrell made mention of a rule which prohibits a minor child from accompanying a player on the course unless the child is actually caddy for a player. Worrell did not imply that minors are not permitted on the course as players — which they are.

Let's vote yes

To The Editor:

The question of improving Hogan Park Golf Course has been discussed pro and con for some time, and finally I feel I must speak out. I have been a resident of Midland since 1935, and believe I have some right to express my views.

I was on the very first Parks and Recreation Board for the City of Midland, and served six years in that capacity helping to establish proper park facilities. It was during my tenure of service that Hogan Park became a reality along with Alamo Swimming Pool, Dennis the Menace Park and Washington Park.

I do not play golf — have no inclination to play golf — and let's face it, way back then I was too old to enjoy Dennis the Menace Park, but I knew then, as I know now, recreational facilities are an integral part of our city. We must have the very best for our citizens, and every walk of life has a part in providing and enjoying some recreation in a healthy, thriving community.

Yes, we must build at least nine more holes for our golfers — we must continue to build every facet of our community. I hope all Midland citizens will realize the value of increasing our own park facilities — our own city. I am marking my ballot to expand the facilities at Hogan Park Golf Course.

Mrs. J.D. Dillard
2007 Harvard Avenue

BROADSIDES



The Country Parson

by Frank Clark



"Nowadays if you want to live in a more expensive house you just stay where you are for a while."

by Brickman.

"For this reason and because we question whether charges based on these incidents would be sustained on appeal, we feel it pointless for the agency to propose an adverse action."

Instead, Rohweder is about to be fired and Zale has been promoted.

Footnote: Zale told us he was "shocked dumbfounded" by the dismissal letter. "I fell out of my chair when I saw the letter," he said. "I take pride in my work." All the allegations, he added, were "totally untrue." His superior, George Hall, said he also had not seen the letter. He had been told that the evidence against Zale was "insufficient," he said. He described Zale as "innocent."

PENTAGON PIPELINE: Defense Secretary Harold Brown has reported to President Carter that the key congressional committees are "less hostile than expected" toward the military budget ... Brown has been working with the Pacific Command to withdraw U.S. troops from Korea.

BIBLE VERSE

The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away. — Psalm 90:10 —

the small society



MAYBE WE COULD TELL THE STOCKHOLDERS IT'S SOME SORT OF COMMIE PLOT —

3-30

"Brickman"

NICK THIMMESCH

Our 'Yankee at large': Hon. Elliott Lee Richardson

WASHINGTON — There he sits in Geneva, patiently listening to Third World delegates obfuscate and complain when he knows full well that the U.S. and other industrial nations would be helping the Third World and everybody else if allowed to mine the seabeds for the billions in hard minerals lying down there.

But Elliott L. Richardson, 57, the quintessential Yankee, has sat through all manner of deliberations, bargaining sessions, and other gatherings of people whose ideas have come into sharp conflict. He shows emotion largely by grinding his teeth or puffing his pipe. As U.S. delegate to the Law of the Sea Conference, he is no different.

"Old Lee Water," as he is called, goes through the tedious negotiations because the U.S. is eager to begin mining. The technology is ready now, and by the year 2000, half the world's consumption of nickel, cobalt, manganese and copper could be taken from the world's seabeds.

Presently, the U.S. imports 100 percent of its cobalt, 90 percent of its manganese and 71 percent of its nickel, and is subject to great price exploitation. If the seabed mines are developed by 1990, we can reduce our nickel imports to 33 percent and our cobalt and manganese imports to zero. We could also substantially reduce our copper imports from the 15 percent level they are at now.

The delay in seabed development comes from an insistence by the underdeveloped nations that an international authority called "The Enterprise" be established to harvest the manganese nodules and control the distribution of profits to all nations.

The U.S. backs this idea but also argues for a "parallel" system of



Nick Timmesch

private mining of the seabeds. By this plan, half the mine sites would be developed by "The Enterprise" and half by private firms which would pay royalties to the world's nations.

Under the Third World proposal, the nations who put the big money into seabed development would probably get small return, indeed, and therefore might not even participate. For example, Nauru, an island state with a population of 7,000 would have the same vote on distributing profits as nations which might be investing billions.

Many seabed mining experts are weary of the five years of negotiations, and Richardson admits that so far, the conferences amount to one long talkathon. But he points out that the meetings have managed to resolve the questions of the 200-mile offshore fishing zone and transit passage rights for all nations through the world's international straits.

"Seabed mining," Richardson says, "is the most difficult issue of all. The absence of a treaty increases the potential for conflict. This conference tests the ability of the world community to develop rules we can live by."

Several months ago, a Massachusetts poll showed Richardson

in a horse race if he should run against Gov. Michael Dukakis. Many Republicans urged Richardson, who is fairly popular in his home state, to run this coming fall. But Richardson then announced that he would not be a candidate for governor because to leave his "present post" would cause damage to "our national interests." Now this sounds pompous, but it isn't, because Richardson actually believes it. "I simply am not free to run," he declared.

So there he is in Switzerland, standing with Canada, the European nations, Japan, and interestingly enough, the Soviet Union, against the 110 developing countries who are using the seabed issue mostly for political purposes. Communist China has stayed out of it for some reason.

If the seabed question isn't resolved when the conference ends in mid-May, the U.S. could go ahead with mining anyway under the existing rights to freedom of the high seas. We could make bilateral agreements, say, with the Japanese, to mine southwest of Hawaii, where the seabeds are smooth and ideal for exploration.

Four U.S. firms — U.S. Steel, Kennecott Copper, Tenneco and Lockheed — have already invested \$100 million in experimental mine sites in the Pacific. They employ high-powered lights and TV cameras to probe the blackness 2 1/2 miles below. Later, giant "carpet sweepers" are lowered to catch up the manganese nodules and bring them to the surface. This involves expensive, rugged equipment, and it is estimated that upwards of \$700 million is needed to develop a single mine site.

The U.S. firms have asked Congress for an "investment guarantee" law

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Officers re-elected by foundation Tower, Bentsen agree in voting

President C. Winston Barclay and other officers of the Industrial Foundation of Midland, Inc., were re-elected at the foundation's annual meeting held this morning in the Reddy Room of Texas Electric Service Co.

The other officers are Howard D. "Rocky" Ford, E. E. Runyan and Tony A. Martin, vice presidents; Wilbur A. Yeager Jr., treasurer; W. H. "Bill" Collins, secretary; Jim Alsop, Doug Henson and Fred Tyler, assistant secretaries, and Martin

Allday, immediate past president. Elected as members of the executive committee are Allday, Martin, T. L. Cauthen, Barclay, Joe Kloesel, Henson, Ford, R. L. Pendleton, Collins, Spencer Blocker, Jim Allison Jr., Runyan, W. J. Mewhorter, Yeager, Ray Moudy, Tyler and Boley Embrey.

Following reports by Barclay and Henson on expansion of Midland Industrial Park and the proposed development of additional property, the foundation was authorized to

exercise purchase options on certain tracts of acreage and to proceed with development of other property already owned by the foundation in the immediate vicinity, subject to financing arrangements through Midland banks and savings and loan associations. The cost figure is in excess of \$500,000.

Henson pointed out that only 65 acres of developed land in the Industrial Park remain unsold.

A review of the foundation's operations and land sales during the

last year was heard.

The accountants report for 1977 was reviewed by Frank Kupka of the firm of Billingsley, Johnson, Kubica, Stewart & Co. The report was accepted and approved. The foundation was said to be in excellent financial position.

A report concerning activities of the Midland Area Sales Team (MAST) of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, was reviewed for the foundation group.

WASHINGTON — Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes Mar. 17 thru 23.

HOUSE

CAMPAIGN FINANCING. Referred, 198 for and 209 against, to bring to the floor HR 11315, a bill making major changes in the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. Most of the changes were aimed at reducing the money political parties and political action committees can contribute to

income by such measures as increased price supports. It is opposed by the Administration as inflationary.

Flexible parity would enable a wheat, feedgrain or cotton farmer to set his own price support levels up to 100 per cent of parity, with the actual level dependent on how much land he agrees to take out of production. It would raise 1978 market prices of those crops.

Members voting "yea" were opposed to including the flexible parity provision in the emergency 1978 farm bill.

Mattox, Eckhardt, Brooks, Mahon and Gonzalez voted "yea." Hall, Collins, Archer, Pickle, Hightower, Young, Burleson, Krueger, Gammage, White and Kasten voted "nay." Wilson, Roberts, Teague and Milford did not vote.

SENATE

FARM BILL. Passed, 67 for and 26 against, the Emergency Agricultural Act of 1978, a measure aimed at improving the 1978 income of farmers. Among many provisions, it raised price support and subsidy levels on grains and cotton enabled farmers to gain immediate cash by setting aside more acreage, and provided for "flexible parity" linking price support levels to the amount of acreage set aside. The bill (HR 6782) was sent to conference with the House, where its future was uncertain.

Senators voting "yea" favored the emergency farm bill. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen (D) and John Tower (R) voted "yea."

PANAMA CANAL. Rejected, 39 for and 45 against, an amendment to the proposed Panama Canal Treaty. It sought to prohibit the introduction of any military force, other than that of the U.S. and Panama, into Panama between now and 2000. It was considered as the Senate approached a late-April final vote on the second and final proposed treaty, which would relinquish U.S. control of the canal in 2000.

Senators voting "yea" favored the amendment. Bentsen and Tower voted "yea."

Southwest head quits

DALLAS (AP) — The president and chief executive officer of Dallas-based Southwest Airlines has resigned at a special meeting of the board of directors.

M. Lamar Muse cited personal reasons, and the board accepted his resignation Tuesday.

"He didn't discuss any of it with me," said Southwest spokeswoman Camille Keith. "His things are still here, but he's not in the office."

Muse joined Southwest in 1971 after working as an investment consultant.

Southwest started out flying only among Dallas, Houston and San Antonio. The company fought heated battles with other airlines to remain at close-in airports in Dallas and Houston and was allowed to maintain service at Houston's Hobby Airport and Dallas' Love Field.

It has since expanded its service to several other Texas cities.

Muse told The Associated Press in an interview six months ago that Southwest was exploring the possibility of spinning off another corporation to serve routes in the Midwest, probably flying out of the Chicago area.

Lawyer Herbert Kelleher of San Antonio was elected chairman, president and chief executive officer until a successor to Muse can be found. Kelleher has served as director and secretary of the company, and was one of its founders.

William Franklin was named interim chief operating officer.

ROLL CALL REPORT

House and Senate candidates, and at limiting the money spent by such candidates to gain election. Had the bill been brought to the floor for debate, an amendment to begin partial public financing of congressional campaigns would have been offered.

The bill was drafted by the Democratic-controlled Administration Committee. Much opposition centered on the fact that the Republican Party — which traditionally raises much more congressional campaign money than the Democratic Party — was widely seen as having been unfairly penalized by the proposed cut in campaign spending.

Members voting "yea" favored calling the bill up for debate.

Reps. Jim Mattox (D-5), Bob Eckhardt (D-8), James Wright (D-12), John Young (D-14), Barbara Jordan (D-18) and George S. Mahon (D-19) voted "yea." Reps. Samuel Hall (D-1), Charles Wilson (D-2), James Collins (R-3), Ray Roberts (D-4), Bill Archer (R-7), Jack Brooks (D-9), Jake Pickle (D-10), W. R. Poage (D-11), Jack Hightower (D-13), Kika de la Garza (D-15), Richard White (D-16), Omar Burleson (D-17), Henry Gonzalez (D-20), Robert Drueger (D-21), Bob Gammage (D-22), Abraham Kazen (D-23) and Dale Milford (D-24) voted "nay." Rep. Olin Teague (D-6) did not vote.

EDUCATION AID. Rejected, 156 for and 218 against, a bill providing the middle-class with more federal aid to defray tuition at colleges and other post-secondary schools.

The main thrust of HR 11274 was to change the formula for awarding federal grants under the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant Program. Poverty students would continue to be major beneficiaries of the program, but under the bill a broader range of middle-income students would also become eligible for the federal grants.

During brief discussion on the floor, no supporters or opponents spoke on the merits of the bill.

The Democratic leadership, the Administration and other supporters generally regarded direct grants to middle-income students as the best vehicle for easing the middle-class tuition crunch.

Opponents generally favored the Republican plan of providing tax credits rather than grants to offset tuition costs. Opponents also objected to the short-cut parliamentary procedure (no amendments allowed, two-thirds majority required for passage) under which the Democratic leadership had brought HR 11274 to the floor.

Members voting "yea" favored the bill.

Roberts, Mattox, Eckhardt, Brooks, Pickle, Poage, Hightower, Jordan, Mahon, Gonzalez and Kasten voted "yea." Hall, Collins, Archer, de la Garza, White, Burleson, Gammage and Milford voted "nay." Wilson, Teague, Wright, Young and Krueger did not vote.

FARM BILL. Voted, 224 for and 167 against, in opposition to the so-called "flexible parity" provision for farmers. This vote tabled an effort to have House conferees go along with Senate language implementing flexible parity. It came as the House considered an emergency relief bill aimed at easing the financial plight of farmers. The bill, now in House-Senate conference, would boost farm

BRIDGE

Misused convention real trouble maker

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD

"Please settle an argument for us," a reader requests. "Tell us how to stay out of trouble on this hand:

South dealer
North-South vulnerable

NORTH
♦ QJ3
♥ Q1098
♦ A J
♣ QJ98

WEST
♦ 1072
♥ 6
♦ 97653
♣ A K 42

SOUTH
♦ A K 6
♥ A K J 7 5 3
♦ Q 10
♣ 107

South West North East
1 Pass 3 Pass
4 NT Pass 5 Pass
5 All Pass

Opening lead — ♣ K

"West opened the king of clubs and shifted to a diamond. The defenders got a diamond and two clubs, which is

when the argument started. "South said North didn't have the values for a jump to three hearts. North said that South should not have used the Blackwood Convention. Who is right?"

CULPRIT

South is the culprit for jumping to four notrump. It's foolish to use the Blackwood Convention when you have a weak doubleton in an unbid suit. If you find out about your partner's aces, you still don't know whether or not to bid a slam.

Instead of asking about aces, South should bid three spades at his second turn. This cue bid says: "I am interested in a slam and have control of spades. How does this strike you?"

North would sign off by returning to four hearts. This would tell South just what he wanted to know: that North had minimum values for the jump to three hearts. South would pass, and the partnership would make game and rubber.

DAILY QUESTION

As dealer, you hold: SQJ3; HQ1098; DAJ; CQJ98. What do you say?

ANSWER: Pass. You have 13 points in low cards—not in high cards. Avoid a borderline opening bid on less than 2 Quick Tricks.

Fire station site 'economical'

By JIM STEINBERG

Approval on Saturday of a referendum allowing Midland's new central fire station to be constructed on Crier Park will save the city an initial cost of more than \$300,000 and annual costs amounting to \$175,000, Mayor Ernest Angelo Jr. said today at a called press conference.

"The question is not 'will there be a new central fire station?' but 'where

will the new central fire station be located?'" Angelo said.

The mayor pointed out that a professional study indicated a new fire station was needed and that location of the station on Wall Avenue and Texas Street between E and K streets would permit the closing of the Circle Drive Station.

Personnel from the Circle Drive Station will provide staffing for a new

station to be built at the corner of Haynes Street and Midkiff Road, saving the city \$175,000 in salary expenses, Angelo added.

"If use of Crier Park is not permitted, the Council will have no alternative other than to purchase the vacant property in the 1700 block of Wall and Texas at an estimated cost of over \$300,000. The council would be irresponsible to do otherwise since no

other site with any practical availability would permit the closing of the Circle Drive Station and thereby the saving of \$175,000 per year," Angelo said.

"If Crier Park site is approved, little or no local tax funds are expected to be necessary for construction since Revenue Sharing funds have been committed to both new stations. If the Crier Park site is voted down, the purchase price of additional land would have to come from local tax revenues," Angelo said.

Angelo said defeat of the Crier Park referendum would not necessarily mean a tax increase, but that the need to purchase other land might "generally" lead the city in that direction.

Angelo said he was concerned about the "disruption" of the neighborhood around the park if the station is located there, but he said he believes the station would be an asset to the neighborhood, as plans call for one third of the park to be landscaped and beautified. It is this landscaped section that would be closest to the residential neighborhood, he added.

Angelo added that the City Council is committed to remodel the Circle Drive Fire Station for use as a Senior Citizens Center.

Angelo noted that the City Council was unanimous in urging approval of the \$500,000 Hogan Park Golf Course expansion bond. He said that the possibility for the need of even a very small increase in taxes to retire the bonds is "minute."

Hansen appointment blasted

The campaign treasurer for William B. Ahders, Republican candidate for county judge, today blasted Midland County commissioners for appointing Democratic candidate Blake Hansen to be interim county judge.

Robert Paxton, in a prepared statement, called Tuesday's hearing at which Hansen was appointed a "mockery," and charged that the decision had been made in advance.

Ahders, currently municipal judge for the city of Midland, was not at the hearing because he is in Montana to attend his father-in-law's funeral.

"The public testimony presented to the commissioners was overwhelmingly in favor of appointing a neutral party as judge. The resumes presented leave no doubt that Judge Ahders is the most qualified to serve in the post. Yet, the commissioners abdicated their responsibility to the public and arrogantly carried out their pre-determined course," Paxton said.

He added: "Fortunately the voters of Midland County have the opportunity in November to reverse the outcome of that shabby proceeding by choosing objectively the most qualified candidate for Midland County judge."

Hansen's appointment as judge was effective Tuesday. He was sworn into office by County Clerk Rosanelle Cherry at 1:30 p.m.

Houston's mayor supports march protesting Torres convictions

HOUSTON (AP) — Mayor Jim McConn says he supports a scheduled Sunday demonstration to protest one-year prison sentences assessed three former Houston policemen in the Joe Campos Torres case.

McConn said Wednesday he might join the planned silent march. He is currently recuperating from surgery.

The City Council approved the demonstration as a march but issued no parade permit, so participants will be limited to sidewalks and observation of traffic regulations.

Arnold Arevalo, a spokesman for the League of United Latin American Citizens, invited councilmen to participate. He said it will begin near the

City Hall and then participants will march to the Buffalo Bayou site where Torres drowned while in custody of police.

"Although I cannot participate in the march, I feel a peaceful demonstration by the Mexican-American community is understandable," McConn said. "Mexican-Americans have a real complaint right now and I can really sympathize with them."

The former patrolmen, Terry Denison, Stephen Orlando, and Joseph Janish, received one year sentences last Tuesday in federal court on misdemeanor convictions for beating Torres. They also received 10-year probation sentences for felony convictions for conspiring to deprive Torres of his civil rights.

The three officers were convicted in state court last year on misdemeanor negligent homicide charges.

The body of Torres was found in Buffalo Bayou last May, three days after he had been arrested in a bar disturbance.

Arevalo called Tuesday "a bleak day not just for the Mexican-American community in Houston but for the nation as a whole" when U.S. District Judge Ross Sterling "handed down shocking sentences."

He called the convictions acceptable "but its enforcement was poor and ineffective. This cannot be allowed to set a precedent to future cases of this nature."

Lions nominate officers, hear student's program

Officers of the Downtown Lions Club for 1978-79 were nominated and a Foreign Exchange student from Denmark presented the program at the club's Wednesday noon meeting in the Midland Hilton.

George Weis is unopposed for the office of president, as is Ray Gwyn for first vice president.

B. M. Hulsey and Marshall Surratt are the nominees for the second vice presidency, while Chuck Logue and Jerry Speck are nominees for third vice president.

Frank Marlow is unopposed for secretary-treasurer, and Carol Hisey is the club sweetheart nominee.

Larry Ivy and Tom Mixon are the Lion Tamer nominees.

Four directors will be elected from among the following nominees: Al Dirnberger, Payton Cook, Larry Hunnicutt, Ab Ellis, Mike Nance, Randall Lundy, Art Oestmann, Bruce Hart, Paul Murray, Parker Powell, Robert Truitt Jr., Bob Faris and Dr. Norman Gould.

Nominations for the office of

tailtwister will be made and campaign speeches heard at next week's meeting.

The club's annual officer election is scheduled April 12.

The Foreign Exchange student presenting the special program was Torben Qvist, who is attending Lee High School.

He showed a series of slides of points of interest in his country and offered interesting observations concerning same. He also compared Denmark's climate, schools, housing, resources and modes of travel with those of the United States, particularly West Texas.

Qvist, whose father is a past president of the Vraa, Denmark, Lions Club, presented flags of the Vraa Lions Club and of his homeland to President Garland Chapman of the Midland club.

Lion Bull Hulsey reported that receipts received to date from the club's annual Pancake Jamboree held earlier this month total \$18,988.35.

Verdict not surprising to Kleason's attorney

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Robert Kleason's lawyer said he was not surprised Wednesday when a federal jury found Kleason guilty on six firearms charges.

"I sort of anticipated something along those lines," said Marvin Teague of Houston at the end of the

three-day trial. "There will be an appeal to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals."

Federal marshals whisked Kleason out the back door of the federal courthouse to a Bastrop jail, where he will await sentencing April 21 by U.S. District Judge Jack Roberts.

Maximum punishment for the six counts is 30 years in prison.

Kleason, dressed in the same blue sweater and striped pants throughout the trial, clasped his hands behind his back and showed no emotion as the court clerk read the verdict.

The jury deliberated approximately 1½ hours.

Teague offered no witnesses in defense of charges that Kleason lied when he swore in 1973 that he was not under indictment at the time he purchased a revolver and two rifles.

Prescription said forged

A 17-year-old Midland youth was arrested Tuesday for attempting to pass a forged prescription for a pain killer and an antibiotic at Walgreen's, 215 Andrews Highway, police said.

An off-duty police officer, working as a plain-clothes officer, was notified of the forged prescription by pharmacists Terry Wall and Paul Tunell.

According to the pharmacists, the youth had used the same prescription Sunday, but the pharmacist was unable to fill the desired quantity, police said.

The youth returned with the prescription Tuesday, in an attempt to obtain more of the drug, at which time the prescription was found to be forged, Tunell told police. The doctor who reportedly issued the prescription was telephoned, and he denied writing the prescription, police said.

Revision asked

The Midland City Council on Tuesday voted to return to the Planning and Zoning Commission a proposal that would allow apartments, offices and retail stores on a 40-acre tract of land on the northwest corner of Midland Drive and Wadley Road.

John Younger, owner of the land, asked the council to approve the plan which would change the zoning from the existing single family district to local retail district, office district, two-family district and multiple family district zoning.

Younger was told by council members that unless his plan is significantly revised it would probably be voted down.

Official won't identify site for new prison

AUSTIN—Bob Heath with the Attorney General's Office refused to comment today on whether Hidalgo County could be considered for a prison, authorized by the state Legislature to be located in West Texas.

"Since we apparently will be writing a formal opinion on this subject, I'd better not comment," Heath said. He also said that the formal request for the opinion had not been received this morning.

Legal questions surrounding a possible state prison in West Texas were raised Tuesday by Gov. Dolph Briscoe during a meeting by the approval board for state prison land purchases.

The Attorney General's Office will be asked to offer an opinion on whether Hidalgo County can be considered as part of West Texas. Another legal question revolved around funds to be used for the purchase of land for the prison. The Legislature authorized purchase of the land with a combination of tax funds and money from the sale of the prison system's Blue Ridge Farm. Briscoe indicated that the Hidalgo County purchase involved only tax money.

Until the opinion is offered, the approval board has delayed action indefinitely on purchasing 6,740 acres in Hidalgo County for \$8 million.

Briscoe also noted Tuesday that appraisers from the General Land Office and Texas A&M placed the market value of the land at \$6.8 million, considerably under the negotiated \$8 million purchase price.

Windham, however, defended the proposed purchase of Hidalgo County land from Big Five Farms. "What we need is a growing season and water. This land is the only one that has these two items, which are necessary for us," he said. "We looked at several places in West Texas, and the places we looked at didn't have either a growing season or water."

The purchase also is being challenged in state district court in Austin by Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants, alleging that the board of corrections violated the open-meetings law when it voted on the land acquisition behind closed doors

without including the subject in its meeting notice. The Legislature, during 1977, approved an appropriation of "not more than \$8 million" for a prison to be constructed "somewhere west of the Colorado River."

Commissioners name constable

ODESSA—Harry Boucher was appointed Monday by Ector County commissioners to replace Leonard Garcia as Precinct 4 constable.

Garcia was declared ineligible for the post by County Attorney Mike Atkins because Garcia failed to complete law enforcement officer training by March 15 at the Permian Basin Law Enforcement Academy.

Absentee voting turnout 'normal'

At the close of absentee voting in Midland's joint elections Tuesday afternoon, 706 persons had cast their ballots, according to Don Furgeson, Midland public schools business manager and election clerk. Furgeson said turnout was "about normal," with the heaviest voting Tuesday when 300 persons showed up to vote for city, public schools, Midland College and Midland County Hospital District officials.

The election for those four government bodies is Saturday.

He was scheduled to complete the course in February but was released from the academy for missing three days of classes when he was arrested by Midland police and charged with making a false report to police.

Garcia is charged with making a false report to Midland police after they found him lying in a water puddle the morning of Feb. 18 at Midland Regional Air Terminal.

Garcia reportedly claimed he had been beaten in an attempt to silence him on the Jan. 22 death of Ector County Jail inmate Larry Lozano.

Lozano, 27, died in a hallway just outside a padded cell in the county jail. Ector County Sheriff Elton Faught claimed that Lozano committed suicide by beating his head against the plexiglass window in his cell. An El Paso medical examiner hired by Lozano's family, however, said Lozano's death appeared to be homicide. A Houston medical examiner is studying autopsy reports from an Ector County medical examiner and the El Paso medical examiner to determine cause of death.

Garcia served as Precinct 4B constable since September 1977, when he was appointed to fill the post vacated by Ray Trujillo.

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GM chairman points to constructive ideas

HOUSTON (AP)—The chairman of General Motors Corp. said Tuesday a constructive approach to reverse unfavorable energy trends requires at least some deregulation of wellhead prices of new natural gas.

Thomas A. Murphy said there also is need for removal of price and allo-

cation controls from crude oil and all petroleum products.

"A slowing of demand for gas and oil, voluntary conservation, and promotion of best uses would be induced simultaneously for all fuels by allowing U.S. prices to freely reflect market conditions," Murphy said.

"Removal of oil price controls would increase demands for more fuel-efficient vehicles and make a further contribution to reducing gasoline consumption."

Murphy spoke before a civic leaders luncheon group.

He said the automobile is not the only consumer of energy that must be considered while encouraging energy conservation.

"The energy required to heat a home up north for 2.5 hours in zero weather would be greater than that required to commute 30 miles to and from work on a wintry day," he said.

Murphy said General Motors continues to participate in natural gas curtailment cases and has adopted the position that curtailment priorities should be based on end use principles which consider the relative costs of conversion to alternate fuels.

"The prime objective is to preserve natural gas for high priority uses such as residential heating and petrochemical feedstocks for other products," he said.

"Also, we must preserve gas for industrial uses where alternatives are not available or economically feasible."

He said it is essential that Congress reach agreement on such important matters as price decontrol and allocation policies as soon as possible.

"We've waited a long time for an energy policy in this country, and we sincerely hope that when it comes it will do the job, and do it effectively, that must be done in this absolutely critical area," he said.

Well finals, test slated

Sundance Oil Co. of Denver, Colo., reported potential test for its No. 2 Oakson-Federal, new well 1/2-mile southwest of the Tom Tom (San Andres) field in Chaves County, N.M.

It finished for the San Andres for a daily pumping potential of 130 barrels of oil and 29 barrels of water, through perforations from 3,838 to 3,892 feet. Gravity of the oil was not reported.

Total depth is 4,015 feet and 4 1/2-inch casing is cemented at 4,013 feet. The plugged back depth is 3,992 feet.

Location is 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 33-75-31e and 16 miles southeast of Elkins.

NEW TEST
MWJ Producing Co. of Midland No. 1 Mobil-Graves has been spotted 15 miles southwest of Kenna in the Cato (San Andres) pool.

Slotted for a 3,900-foot bottom, it is one location south of production and 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 7-8-31e in Chaves County.

Drilling increases
HOUSTON (AP)—Domestic oil and gas drilling operations reached their highest level last week since late 1959.

A weekly survey compiled by Hughes Tool Co. indicated 2,196 rotary drilling rigs were in use throughout the country compared with 2,143 a week earlier and 1,904 a year earlier.

The new average is the highest since a 2,213 count for the week ending Nov. 30, 1959.

Texas accounted for most of last week's increase. The Texas count of 864 active rigs compared with 831 a week earlier and 752 a year earlier.

Louisiana's count of 328 compared with 317 the previous week and 283 a year ago.

The survey is distributed each week by the International Association of Drilling Contractors.

Producers complete
Gulf Po; Corp. No. 1 Cardenas-Federal, a project in an undeveloped area between the Russell and Burton Flat (Morrow) field of Eddy County, N.M., has been completed.

The well finished for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 11,505 million cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 11,116 to 11,237 feet.

Hole is bottomed at 11,478 feet. Location is 1,680 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 29-20-28e and seven miles north of Carlsbad.

CROCKETT WELL
Gulf Oil Corp. announced potential test for its No. 1-B Pierce-State, 3/4 mile west of Clear Fork gas production in the V.I.P. (Clear Fork oil and gas) field of Crockett County, 12 miles southwest of Ozona.

The well finished for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 3.3 million cubic feet of gas per day, with a gas-liquid ratio of 24,721-1. Gravity of the liquid is 69.2 degrees.

Completion was through perforations from 5,594 to 6,449 feet after 2,200 gallons of acid and 117,000 gallons of fracture solution.

Total depth is 6,515 feet and 4 1/2-inch casing is cemented at total depth. Location is 2,341 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of H. C. Fryer survey No. 105, abstract 5487.

GLASSCOCK WELLS
Estoril Producing Corp. of Midland No. 1 Edwards and No. 1 Neil are new strikes in the West Texas area.

The operators No. 1 Neil was completed in Gaines County through perforations from 2,970 to 2,990 feet opposite the San Andres for 18 barrels of oil per day and five barrels of water on the pump.

Gravity of the oil is 36.2 degrees, and the gas-oil ratio is too small to measure.

Location is 115 feet from south and east lines of section 53, block H, D&W survey and 20 miles east of Seminole.

CROCKETT WELL
Estoril No. 1-23 University, wildcat in North Crockett County, was completed from the Ellenburger for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 2,423,500 cubic feet of gas per day. Completion was from open hole section at 8,124-8,163 feet. Hole is bottomed at 8,124 feet, and casing is cemented at 8,124 feet.

The discovery is 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 23, block 38, University Lands survey and nine miles southeast of Barnhart.

The project blew out and caught fire while making hole at 6,681 feet. The wellsite is four miles northeast of the Block 29 Ellenburger field.

Gas wells complete

The Millman (Morrow) field of Eddy County, N.M., has been spread 1 1/4 miles west with the completion of Southland Royal Co. of Midland No. 1-19-F State Communitized.

The extender finished for a daily flow of 612,000 cubic feet of gas per day, on a 3/4-inch choke, and through perforations from 10,863 to 10,892 feet. The gas is dry.

Operator acidized the producing zone with 2,000 gallons. Total depth is 11,100 feet in the Mississippian, and 4 1/2-inch casing is set at total depth. The plugged back depth is 10,950 feet.

Wellsite is 1,980 feet from north and 2,043 feet from west lines of section 19-19s-28e and 18 miles southwest of Loco Hills.

PENN WELL
Amoco Production Co. No. 1-ET State has been finished as a long extender to the Buffalo Valley (Pennsylvanian) field in Chaves County, N.M.

The project, 12 miles southeast of Hagerman, was finished for a daily flow of 720,000 cubic feet of gas, through a 24/64-inch choke and perforations from 8,918 to 8,922 feet after 1,000 gallons of acid and 9,000 gallons of fracture solution. No petroleum liquid was produced with the gas.

Total depth is 9,050 feet and 5 1/2-inch pipe is set at that point. Location is 990 feet from north and 1,650 feet from west lines of section 36-15s-27e.

Atlantic exploration now in second day

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP)—The first exploratory drilling off the eastern United States went into its second day today as the Exxon drilling ship Glomar Pacific searched for oil and gas under the Atlantic Ocean.

Drilling superintendents here said Wednesday they expected to complete 250 feet of a planned 14,000-foot well by the end of the first day. Exxon plans to take 90 days, at \$110,000 a day, to drill the first of at least six exploratory wells.

The Glomar Pacific is working in 398 feet of water 101 miles east of here. Other major oil companies plan to join the search off the New Jersey and Delaware coasts within weeks.

Oil experts say the area may hold up to 1.4 billion barrels of oil and 9.4 trillion cubic feet of gas. The industry paid \$1.1 billion to the federal government in August 1976 for right to explore 530,000 acres offshore during the next five years.

Packed with the most modern electronic and drilling gear, the 452-foot ship had to sit out four days of rough seas before sinking the first well at 2:45 a.m. Wednesday.

"We've waited for this moment for a long time," said Crandall Jones, Exxon's offshore and Alaska exploration manager.

Drilling manager Sam Loy said the operation was particularly vulnerable to rough seas until drilling began. He said the 17,450-ton ship could drill around the clock under similar sea conditions once drilling began.

As seas subsided around midnight Tuesday, crewmen carefully lowered a 12-foot square steel box called a guide base to the bottom within 250 feet of a spot Exxon geologists think has the best chance of holding gas or oil.

Crewmen then lowered a pipe bristling with five drill bits through a hole in the guide base's center. Satisfied they were on target, crewmen sent the whirling bits into the sandy sea bottom and the well was "spudded," or started.

Jones, who has 33 years' drilling experience, said this week that chances are 5-to-1 the first exploratory well will come up dry. Jones said drillers are more likely to find gas than oil.

Continental Oil Co., expected to sink the second well off the East

Texans explain how it works to Easterners

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP)—Oil isn't found in vast underground pools and drill bits don't bore like corkscrews. The new Texans in town smile politely when Easterners ask about gushers.

Oilmen expect to find gas before oil off the East Coast—if they find anything at all. Experts say the odds are 5-to-1 against hitting paydirt.

When the Exxon drill ship Glomar Pacific finally began its work

prevent "blowouts," which can cause pollution when pressure inside the well blows out the bits, pipe and casings.

What comes up when you drill? Drillers pump a special fluid called "mud" down the drill pipe to turn and lubricate the drill bit, seal the well wall and blow away the soft earth ahead of the bit.

The "mud" is brought up to the surface where it is filtered and recirculated. The drilling product is usually small stones which have been torn up by the drill bit.

Some of the debris is analyzed and some is discarded overboard under maximum pollution prevention standards regulated by the U.S. Geological Survey.

Crandall Jones, Exxon's offshore exploration manager, said this week his geologists are most interested in the stones between 9,000 and 14,000 feet, which they believe are most likely to contain signs of gas and oil.

Exxon plans at least six exploratory wells to see how much commercial

gas and oil is under the 30 mid-Atlantic lease tracts it purchased for \$342.7 million.

Other oil companies plan their own exploratory drilling during the next two years. Experts say it will be at least five years before any Atlantic oil and gas reaches shore.

If oil and gas are found, it won't be waiting in vast caves or pools. Like water in a damp sandbox, gas and oil molecules are among the rock formations and must be sucked out.

The Glomar Pacific and the drilling rigs to follow won't be working over the Baltimore Canyon, one of the many underwater valleys that lie off the mouths of major Eastern rivers.

The Glomar Pacific is 398 feet above the continental shelf about 101 miles east of here, 15 miles southwest of the Hudson Canyon and 90 miles northeast of the Baltimore Canyon.

The Baltimore Canyon Trough is a geological formation scientists believe has all the elements of hiding oil and gas deposits. But no one knows for sure.

ENERGY OIL & GAS

Wednesday, it also launched the industry's billion-dollar gamble for oil and gas in the Baltimore Canyon Trough about 100 miles off New Jersey and Delaware coasts.

Glomar Pacific crewmen Wednesday used five whirling drill bits, weighing a total of 2,500 pounds, to open a hole 36 inches in diameter to 250 feet below the floor of the Atlantic Ocean.

The 90-day plan is to use smaller and smaller bits as the drilling continues through sand, shale and carbonate rock. Most of the well will be just over a foot in diameter from 4,200 feet to its planned depth of 14,000 feet.

The well is lined with cement and steel casing to make a closed system. A tall mechanical apparatus sits on the ocean floor above the well to

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS—Rial No. 1-B University, drilling 8,830 feet in shale. Continental Oil Co. No. 32 W T Ford, drilling 8,200 feet, ran 3 1/2-inch casing, set at 8,100 feet, preparing to perforate and test.

BREWSTER—Amoco Production Co. No. 1-B Winnie Powell Cooper, perforated 3,653-721, acidized with 1,000 gallons, preparing to test.

BELTON—Petroleum No. 2 Edwards, drilling 10,054, waiting on completion unit. Belco No. 1 Underwood, drilling 4,965 feet.

ESTORIL—No. 1 Edwards, perforated 2,970-2,990, acidized with 2,000 gallons, preparing to perforate another section and test.

Monsanto No. 1 Glass, drilling 8,900, taking drillstem test from 8,850 to 8,900 feet.

Pennell No. 2 L C Clark, set 12 1/2-inch casing at 302 feet, now drilling 1,000 redbeds and anhydrite.

HOCKLEY COUNTY—Amoco No. 2 Boyd Unit, drilling 6,723.

IRON COUNTY—Hytech No. 1-88 Rocker R, drilling 8,600, shut down.

NRM No. 3 Rocker R, pumped 62 barrels of oil, 3 barrels of water, 24 hours, still pumping.

NRM No. 4 Rocker R, installing new pump.

NRM No. 5 Rocker R, drilling 5,700 shale, line and shale.

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International Oil & Gas No. 1-19 Spud, drilling 3,380 shale.

Union Texas No. 30-A State, drilling 2,655 feet in line and anhydrite.

Energy Reserve Group No. 1 Gulf State, drilling 9,800 feet in dolomite.

Mesa Petroleum No. 1 North Sch -B State, drilling 3,732 feet in line and anhydrite.

Mesa Petroleum No. 1 Matile Burns, drilling 9,165 feet in shale and dolomite.

Petroleum No. 2-A New Mexico-Federal, drilling 3,220 feet in line and salt and anhydrite.

DAWSON—Amerasia Hess No. 1 Dyer, drilling 10,210 feet in straw zone.

Alkman No. 1 Kidd, drilling 7,300 feet in line and shale.

Cola Petroleum No. 1 Bowlin, drilling 8,800 feet, running rods and installing pumping unit.

Gulf No. 1-A Woodward, drilling 8,900 feet, setting up completion unit.

EDDY—Eastland Oil Co. No. 1-B City of Carlsbad, drilling 1,170 feet in anhydrite.

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Lease sale goes slow

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP)—The country's major oil firms have exhibited a lack of interest in oil exploration off the Southeast coast by bidding on only 57 of 224 leases offered by the government.

"We don't feel confident of the area," said Robert W. Bybee, operations manager of the exploration department of Exxon Corp., the nation's biggest oil company. But he added:

"Finding oil is a high risk, inexact science... Exxon is large enough that we wanted to take the risk at this level."

Only eight firms took part in the auction Tuesday, the second sale of oil drilling rights off the East Coast. The first sale was for rights to explore the Baltimore Canyon area of the Atlantic off New Jersey.

Exxon, which early today sank the first well in that area, was the apparent high bidder on 21 tracts off Florida and Georgia. Tenneco Inc. was the apparent high bidder on 13 tracts and Getty Oil Co. on nine.

Leases will be awarded later by the Secretary of the Interior after comparing the high bid to the government's own estimate of fair market value for the tract.

Total high bids were \$109.6 million, which the government may accept or reject. Bids ranged from about \$140,000 per tract to \$9.2 million.

Basin work includes wildcat, new wells

J. Penrod Toles and McClellan Oil Corp. of Roswell, N.M., will re-enter a 1,495-foot dry hole in Chaves County, N.M., and clean out to 1,375 feet for wildcat tests.

The project is No. 1 McCrea-Federal, 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 31-9s-26e and 12 miles southwest of Elkins. It was plugged and abandoned in July 1976.

ECTOR WELL
Atlantic Richfield Co. No. 13 Johnson Deep Unit has been completed in the Johnson (Glorieta) field of Ector County.

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 225 barrels of oil and 15 barrels of water, through perforations

from 5,442 to 5,494 feet. Gas-oil ratio is 225-1.

Wellsite is 1,925 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 39, block 43, T-1-S, T&P survey and eight miles northwest of Odessa.

EDDY WELL
Yates Petroleum Corp. of Artesia, N.M., is a new well in the Crooked Creek (Morrow) field of Eddy County, N.M., nine miles northwest of White City.

One location northwest of another Morrow well, it finished for a 24-hour flowing potential of 3,400,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through a 1/2-inch choke and perforations from 9,891 to 9,981 feet.

No liquid was produced with the gas.

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Lodge Notices

Keystone Chapter No. 173 and Council No. 112. Assembly first Tuesday each month. 7:30 p.m. Midland, Texas. Poin Meyer H.P. Varn A.B.M.S., T.I.M., G.W. Madley, R.E.C. All York Rite Masons welcome.

Acacia Lodge No. 1474. A.F. & M. 1900 Upland. Called meeting March 16th. 7:30 p.m. work in E. A. Degree. Called meeting March 21st. 7:30 p.m. work in M. Degree. Charles, Couch, W.M. at table.

Midland Lodge No. 623 A.F. & M. 1600. West Wall. 682-2092. Stated meeting and proficiency exam. March 24th. 7:30 p.m. work in E. A. Degree. Charles, Couch, W.M. at table.

Midland Commandery No. 4. K. T. Stated. 3rd Tuesday. Order of the Temple. Tuesday, March 28. 7:30 p.m. Eastern observance. At the Temple, March 28. 8:15 a.m. Paul Hicks, Commander. George Madley, Recorder.

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