

# Supreme Court Rules Against 'Mayor-Judges'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today barred small-town mayors from sitting as judges when the fines collected upon conviction are a major source of village revenues.

The 7 to 2 decisions in a traffic case from Monroeville, Ohio, will have an impact in 17 states with laws authorizing such dual roles.

Justice William J. Brennan Jr. delivered the majority opinion, which drew dissenting votes from Justices Byron R. White and William H. Rehnquist.

Brennan said a citizen charged

with violating an ordinance is entitled by the Constitution's "due process" provision to a "neutral and detached judge."

He said a mayor or official whose responsibilities include the village's finances could be biased on the bench.

The case involved a local man, Clarence Ward, who was convicted by the Monroeville mayor of failure to stop his truck at a police check-point and refusing to produce his driver's license. He was fined \$100.

The mayor in Monroeville had

both executive and judicial powers. Besides sitting on the bench, he was president of the village council, had general over-all supervision of village affairs and had to account to the council on village finances.

A major part of the village's income came from the fines collected in the mayor's court. In 1968, for example, this was about \$23,000 of the \$53,000 village revenue.

The ruling reverses Ward's conviction and invalidates the state law that authorized the

mayor's court and casts a shadow on similar laws in 16 other states — Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia,

Iowa, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

## Prof Fired For Lobbying, Gets \$48,000 From Regents

ODESSA, Tex. (AP) — Permian Junior College System regents have paid a \$48,000 out-of-court settlement to an instructor who was fired in 1969 and carried his case to the U. S. Supreme Court.

Bob Sindermann, now staff director of the Texas Senate's Committee on Public Junior Colleges, flew here over the weekend and picked up the check, representing back pay and attorney's fees.

Sindermann, 43, alleged his contract as a government teacher was not renewed because of his lobbying activities in Austin to get a teacher tenure law for junior college teachers and to have Odessa College elevated to four-year status.

Dr. Jack Rodgers, Odessa College president at the time and

now system chancellor, said he discharged Sindermann for missing classes without permission to go to Austin.

At the time of his dismissal, Sindermann was president of the Texas Junior College Teachers Association.

Sindermann filed suit May 22, 1969, two days after he was told he would not receive a new contract. A federal district court judge issued a summary judgment in favor of the college and against Sindermann. The U. S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit reversed that ruling, and the school's regents appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The high court ruled June 29, 1972, that Sindermann had an unwritten right to job tenure and sent the case back to trial court for a hearing.

## Don't Complain, Just Buy Cheaper Beef

So you think steak is too expensive?

"If you complain to me about the price of steaks — I suggest that you buy a cheaper cut of beef," said Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"There are plenty of low-priced cuts of beef available to you, such as hamburger, stewing beef, short ribs and others."

"If consumers complain that beef is too high, then my advice

would be simple — don't buy it! I certainly wouldn't want you to buy something you can't afford," pointed out the associate professor at A&M.

He cited an example. "If a person can't afford a Cadillac — he simply doesn't buy one. Yet, he doesn't go around complaining how expensive they are."

Uvacek listed three factors which account for the increased demand for beef — higher per capita incomes, beef is a luxury

food, and the change in tastes and preferences of Americans.

The specialist has some significant observations concerning beef prices. "Relative to other foods, beef is now actually cheaper than it was in the early 1950's or early 1960's. Relative to your income, beef is cheaper today than it has ever been in history."

The livestock industry has tried to produce more beef, but during 1971 and 1972 production has not been able to keep up with the rising demand.

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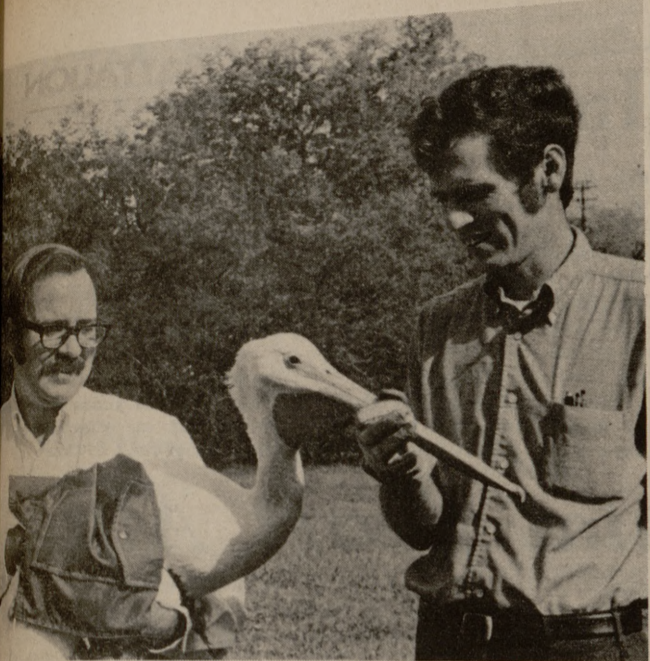
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**ECOLOGY FREAKS UNITE.** White pelicans migrating inland lakes as far north as Canada have been spotted recently in the Bryan and College Station area. A&M wildlife scientists say the birds that winter along the Northern Gulf of Mexico have shown signs of fatigue. They request that persons spotting the pooped pelicans protect them and notify Bob Thomas at the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences (845-7471) of their whereabouts. The birds will be cared for and transported on to the Gulf coast. In a photo graduate student Randy Simpson and Thomas, a student and teaching assistant in wildlife and fisheries sciences, retrieve a pelican reported by Mrs. V. E. Schember the 500 block of Ayrshire, College Station.

## Bulletin Board

**TONIGHT**

San Angelo-West Texas Home-Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Room 3A of the MSC.

Grande Valley Hometown Club will meet in Room 3C of the Memorial Student Center at 8 p.m. to discuss the football game against Pan American University.

Pecan Valley Hometown Club will meet on the third floor of the Zachry Engineering Center at 7:30. Plans will be made for Christmas-New Year's Eve party.

Graduate Planning Society will meet in Room 309 of the Architecture Building at 6:30.

A&M Horsemen's Association will hear Dr. Greeley, DVM, at 7:30 in the lecture hall of the Animal Industries Building.

Phi Sigma Beta Fraternity will meet at 7:30 in Room 2C of the MSC.

Brazos Ornithological Society will meet at 7:30 in Room 146 of the Physics Building to hear Dr. Charles Fisher talk on "Birds of Western Australia."

Aviation Meteorology will meet in Room 303 of the Meteorology Building to hear W. K. Henry speak on flying safety.

Society of the Sigma Xi announces a Sigma Xi-resa national lecture entitled "Learning Centers of the Brain" at 5 p.m. in Lecture Room 102 of the Zachry Engineering Center. The lecture is open to all students.

**SATURDAY**

A&M Soccer Team will host Rice at 10:30 a.m. on the Soccer Field.

**Big car insurance dividends?**

State Farm is now paying eligible Texas policyholders a big 20% dividend on expiring six-month policies.

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Sunday, 8 and 9:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.  
Tuesday, Canterbury Eucharist and Supper, 6: 30 p. m.  
Thursday, Holy Eucharist and Breakfast, 6:30 a. m.

The Rev. James Moore, Chaplain. The Rev. W. R. Oxley, Rector

**THANK THE LORD WITH US SUNDAY AT 10:45 A. M. AND/OR 6 P. M.**

God has indeed been good to all of us. Let us rejoice together and praise His name!

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**it's easy to live in Wolfpen Village**

The last section of College Station's most interesting residential community for young, creative "now" people is open for your inspection.

The life style at Wolfpen is open and easy. Living spaces are simple and uncluttered. Thoughtful design subdues the plastic "outside" world and encourages pleasant contact with the natural green world. Wolfpen is in a world of its own. Yet the university campus is within walking distance.

The fedium of lawn care and grounds maintenance is handled by others. So there's time for a swim in Wolfpen's pool. Or a stroll along a curving path along Wolfpen Creek. Or other pursuits that contribute to living a full, fun life.

Wolfpen's ultra-modern design includes the features proven most popular with creative people living in similar projects on the Coast. These amenities for leisure-lovers include glass walls opening onto inside patios and courtyards, fireplaces, covered two-car garages with generous storage, wall to wall shag carpet, custom cabinetry, one-piece fiberglass tub/showers, rheostat-controlled lighting, wooden decks, spacious closets, all electric kitchens, two-level vaulted ceilings and exposed beams, to mention those features that are obvious.

The features not so obvious include the fine attention to detail, the careful craftsmanship, the surprisingly thoughtful design that contribute to enjoyment and value now and at resale.

There is still a choice of one or two story models and two or three bedroom floor plans. A limited number are priced under 25K. Financing arrangements include low down payment, payments extended to 30 years, a unique lease-purchase plan and even a guaranteed equity buy-back option.

The model home is open every day until dark. Come see for yourself. You'll be surprised how easy it is to live in Wolfpen Village.

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