

# High Court Passes Alaska Pipeline Issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The future of the controversial trans-Alaska oil pipeline rested with Congress Monday after the Supreme Court declined to enter the ecological and legislative tangle.

The high court, without comment or dissent, refused to interfere with a lower court decision blocking construction of the pipeline to bring oil from Alaska's North Slope to the seaport of Valdez.

The 789-mile project costing in

the hundreds of millions faltered over the lack of a few feet of right-of-way.

The U.S. Circuit Court here ruled in February that the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 provided only 54-foot rights-of-way for pipelines over public land. Since the trans-Alaska project would require 146-foot widths in some places, the Circuit court prevented the Secretary of the Interior from issuing the necessary permits.

Roderick A. Cameron, execu-

tive director of the Environmental Defense Fund, said, "The court's action has the effect of putting Congress on the spot. Congress must now decide whether merely to amend the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 to permit wider rights-of-way or to re-examine the specific issue of the best way responsibly to extract Arctic petroleum reserves."

The Environmental Defense Fund, one of four conservation organizations which brought the suit, favors a pipeline across Canada to the Midwest. "The all-land route is superior from an environmental standpoint as well as an economic viewpoint," Cameron said in a statement.

Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, predicted that Congress would amend the act and free the pipeline within the year.

The Senate Interior Committee has already begun hearings on the issue. Its counterpart in the House has scheduled testimony April 11.

Yet to be settled is the question of environmental impact. The circuit court refused to decide whether the government's impact statement was adequate because, it said, the information will be out of date if and when Congress acts.

Jared G. Carter, deputy under-secretary of the Interior, said the environmental question could be settled "in a fairly short time" if Congress acted.

In other actions, the court ruled

5-3 that Pennsylvania may pay \$23 million to church-related schools for services performed before a state aid plan was declared unconstitutional in June, 1971. The justices also agreed to re-

view a lower court decision that for the first time authorizes the federal judiciary to examine and halt race bias in the conduct of state courts and prosecutors' offices.

# Daily Texan Takes Honors

The Daily Texan, student newspaper at the University of Texas, took top honors at the 43rd Southwestern Journalism Congress at Southern Methodist University Friday night, winning 11 out of 28 individual awards. The Daily Texan accumulated 47 points.

Oklahoma State was second, taking four individual first places and a total of 23 points. North Texas State finished third with three first-place winners and 20 points. A&M did not submit any entries.

Mark E. Seibel, managing editor of SMU's Daily Campus received the Southwestern Journalism Congress Scholarship. Only two applications were submitted.

First place winners in the editorial division were Barbara Webb, Oklahoma State, in editorial writing and Quin Mathews,

University of Texas, in editorial page layout.

First place winners in the news division were David Powell and Cliff Avery of the University of Texas; best single issue; Bill Bray, Mark Peel and Bruce Powell, Texas, spot news reporting; Steve Renfrow, Texas, general news reporting; Scott Sumpter, Oklahoma State, general feature writing; and Doris Ann Samples, North Texas, investigative or interpretive reporting.

Other news division firsts went to Mark Sims, Texas, page one make-up; John Van Beekum, Texas, general photography; Steve Monk and John Davis, North Texas State, best picture page; and Steve Hogner and Suzanne Schwartz, Texas, special edition or feature supplement.

Five delegates from A&M attended the conference which lasted through Saturday.

Los Angeles Times reporter William Farr was the keynote speaker at the conference. Farr was recently released from an indefinite prison sentence for contempt of court after 40 days in jail. He failed to divulge confidential news sources to a California judge in connection with the Charlie Manson case.

# Wofford Cain Pool Now Open For Students, Faculty

The Wofford Cain Olympic Swimming Pool is now open, announced Dr. C. W. Landiss, head of the Health and Physical Education Department.

Dr. Landiss said the pool, available for use by A&M students, faculty and staff and families, will be open from 8 to 8 p.m. weekdays and 1 to 6 p.m. on weekends. Additionally, the pool will be open for the "Faculty Noon Swim" program from noon until 1:30 p.m. Monday through

Friday. As the weather gets warmer, the pool hours will be extended, Dr. Landiss noted.

A&M students will be admitted free upon presentation of a valid university identification card. Regular admission is \$1 per adult and 50 cents for children age 12 and under. Season tickets, applicable until the start of the first summer session, are now on sale at the pool, with a single pass costing \$10 and a family pass \$15.

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They are Maria Bottino, environmental design freshman of La Plata, Argentina; Maria del Carmen Medrano Kreideler, pre-med freshman, Cochabamba, Bolivia; Adriana Garza, accounting junior, Nuevo Laredo, Mexico; Lourdes Piewonsky, business freshman, Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, and Alina Rodriguez, English major at Our Lady of the Lake College, of Panama, Panama.

Competition in handball, chess, basketball, volleyball, ping pong and debate are planned among the week's activities.

The Saturday dance will begin at 6 p.m. Participants will select the 1973 Pan American Sweetheart. Entertainment will be furnished by the Ambassadors of San Antonio. A round trip ticket to Mexico City, compliments of Beverley Braley Tours-Travel, will be raffled at the dance.

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