

Commission tossed out

AUSTIN (AP) — Disregarding its own committee's recommendations, the Texas Constitutional Convention Monday wrote the historic Railroad Commission out of the proposed new state constitution.

The vote was 87-78.

Much of the hot debate centered around the commission's actions, or lack of action, in the energy crisis and the inability of Coastal States Producing Co. to service Austin, San Antonio and Corpus Christi with contracted natural gas for electric generation.

The convention also:

- Decided 108-49 on a new constitutional provision that would

have the approximately 230 state agencies self-destruct every 10 years unless renewed by the legislature.

• Voted 114-33 to put the Pardons and Paroles Board back in the proposed constitution against recommendations of the Executive Committee and the Constitutional Revision Commission.

The action by the convention, if finally approved by voters, will leave the future of the Railroad Commission to the legislature. Its present makeup, including state-wide election of the three members, will remain as it is unless changed by the legislature.

Sen. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, and Reps. Wayland Simmons,

D-San Antonio, and Ronald Bird, D-San Antonio, led the attack on the commission.

"The Railroad Commission did nothing to prevent or to keep the situation from continuing," Doggett said.

"We are going into a period of crisis and Texas is one of the most important oil and gas states," said Sen. Bill Meier, D-Eules, in defense. "The reputation this agency has maintained over the years is worth preserving in the constitution."

Campus Briefs

Film classic

"The Weavers," a silent film classic, will be shown Tuesday night.

The film was produced in Germany and depicts "the desperation of Silesian weavers in the Nineteenth Century and, through mass scenes of characters, shows their

attempt at revolt."

The presentation sponsored by the Department of Modern Languages, is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, in Room 228 of the Chemistry Building.

The public is invited to attend the admission-free showing.

American poet

Laurence Lieberman, one of the major young American poets, will present a reading of his poems at 8 p.m., Tuesday, in the Rudder Center Forum. There is no charge for the program which is sponsored by the Arts Committee of the Memorial Student Center.

The 39-year-old Lieberman, a native of Detroit with degrees from the University of Michigan, is a professor of English at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, and a reviewer of modern poetry for Yale Review. A recently published book, "The Osprey Suicides" (Macmillan,

1973), has been widely praised. Fellow poet Mark Strand termed Lieberman's new poems "radiant with energy and intelligence . . . grand, big-gestured, hypnotic."

There will be a question period after the reading, and refreshments will be available.

Lieberman is the fifth literary attraction this year, either under Arts Committee or Department of English sponsorship. Earlier programs featured Pulitzer Poet Gwendolyn Brooks, One-Man Chaucerian Rob Inglis, and poets Donald Hall and Ric Masten.

ACTION recruiters

Three ACTION volunteers will be recruiting on campus until March 20 for VISTA and the Peace Corps.

An information booth will be located at the Memorial Student Center and the Agriculture Building. VISTA is a national corps of volunteers who work to allevi-

ate poverty in the United States. The Peace Corps now helps to develop 69 countries overseas.

ACTION volunteers are usually required to hold a college degree but people with an agricultural background are the heaviest need of both programs.

Chemical engineer

The Great Issues Committee will present March 19, John J. McKetta, E.P. Schoch Professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Texas.

McKetta will speak on "Energy Needs." McKetta is the co-author of the 10 volume reference on "Advances in Petrochemicals and Refining" which has been translated into nine different languages. He has also just started a new 15-volume encyclopedia of

chemical processing and design.

McKetta has been engaged in environmental work almost all of his professional life. He was appointed in 1970 by President Nixon and Secretary Hickel to the chairmanship of the Committee on National Air Quality Management for the National Academy of Science and Engineering. McKetta will speak at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center, Rooms 225-226.

Bridge tournament

Two TAMU students will compete in the Inter-Collegiate Bridge Tournament at Memphis State University.

Tom Proulx, a graduate in Chemistry, and Carlson Yost, a graduate in English, will play in the Tennessee tournament on May 3 and 4. They will give bridge tips on the Channel 4 Community Cablevision program, "Show of

Hands," at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

"We won the chance to play after winning two Texas tournaments," said Proulx. "We're TAMU's first representatives to this tournament."

Proulx said the Association of College Unions International sponsors the tournament and was financing their trip.

bulletin board

TONIGHT
SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL will meet in Room 401 of the Rudder Tower at 7 p.m.
FREE UNIVERSITY will present an in-

roduction to auto mechanics in Room 101 of the Mechanical Engineering Shops Building at 7 and 8 p.m.
JUNIOR COUNCIL will meet in Room 302 of the Rudder Tower at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
SOPHOMORE CLASS COUNCIL will meet in Room 302 of the Rudder Tower at 7:30 p.m. to make arrangements for the Sophomore Ball.
SPORTS CAR CLUB will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Mimosa Room, Old College Station City Hall, 101 Church Street.
MEXICAN-AMERICAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION will meet in Room 510 of the Rudder Tower at 7:30 p.m.
CAP & GOWN will meet in Room 501 of the Tower at 6:30 p.m.
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING will hold a seminar with Dr. Tom Craft at noon in Room 105-A of Zachry Engineering Center.
CHEMISTRY GRADUATE LECTURE will be presented by Dr. Kazuo Nakamoto of Marquette University at 4 p.m. in Room 231 of the Chemistry Building.

Traffic flow may improve with rezoning

College Station's Planning and Zoning Commission approved a zone change request for land at the intersection of Highway 6 South and FM 2818 at its meeting last night.

Nine tracts totaling 276.5 acres in the Crawford Burnett League were rezoned to include an inter-subdivision service road to aid in traffic flow within the planned residential area.

What the road will do is provide a means of traveling from one section of the subdivision to another without having to use Highway 6. In Bryan, residents on the north side of the highway must use the highway to gain access to other parts of their subdivision. They have no service road such as the one proposed for the College Station subdivision, one commissioner pointed out.

The Commission also:

- Approved consideration of the preliminary plat of Southwood, Section 20;
- Postponed consideration of rezoning for the Shiloh Club land tract at the request of the club's owner.

Temporary senior science senator sought

The position of senior senator from the College of Science is vacant.

Randy Ross, student government president, announced that filing for the vacant position would be open until 5 p.m. Wednesday. Ross will appoint someone to fill the position until the regular elections on April 4.

Applications are available in the Student Government office on the second floor of the MSC. Applicants must have at least a 2.25 GPR.

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