

# Commission names panel of 20 for Grand Jury

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The 85th District Court Grand Jury Commission Wednesday selected a panel of 20 to serve as potential grand jurors for a term that began Oct. 7.

Names on the panel were drawn from voter registration lists. Twelve will be selected from the panel Oct.

30 in district court to serve on the new grand jury. Its term will expire April 7.

A grand jury commission, consisting of three to five members, is appointed twice a year by District Court Judge W. C. Davis to select two grand juries. A grand jury term normally lasts six months unless the jurors request an extension.

The commission, selected Oct. 18 by Judge Davis consists of Mrs. John V. Bishop, Marlow Ervin, Harmon Bell, Pete L. Rodriguez and W. W. Humphries, who was out of town Wednesday when the panel was selected.

"The members of the commission are friends of mine and people who I am acquainted with," Davis said.

A new grand jury commission will be selected in March.

The present grand jury's term was extended for a month, beginning Oct. 1, in order to continue its investigation into county bail bond practices. The extension was approved by Judge Davis Sept. 30.

The recommendations of the grand jury will be heard in district

court today.

The names of grand jurors selected by the commission are:

The Rev. L. W. Campbell, 504 East 19th, Bryan; Gregory Rodriguez, 405 Tatum, Bryan; Leon Trenchman, 4109 Nagle, Bryan; Mrs. Gerry Chandler, Rt. 3, Box 131B, Bryan; Mrs. Beatrice Toliver, 1518 Lincoln, Bryan; Paul A. Garza,

1606 Cedar, Bryan.

Also, W. Lewis David, 2706 Pinehurst, Bryan; Mrs. Mel Pruitt, 804 Waco, Bryan; Joe C. Patranella, 206 S. Haswell, Bryan; Mrs. Wes E. Donaldson, 1215 Ridgefield Circle S., College Station.

Also, Thomas R. Richmond, 505 Crescent Dr., Bryan; Mrs. Mack Cooner, Wellborn; The Rev. Milton

Jones, 2910 W. 28, Bryan; Claude A. Davis, 1608 Oakview, Bryan; W. L. Penberthy, 603 Hensel Dr., Bryan; Mrs. Gerald Bratton, 1203 Village Dr., College Station.

Also, D. A. Anderson, 1202 Foster E., College Station; Henry Cortez, Jr., 204 S. Sterling, Bryan; Hershel Burgess, 112 Lee, College Station; and Mrs. Vince Court, Rt. 1, Bryan.

# The Battalion

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY  
Learn to dwell at the center of your being  
For the more you leave it, the less you learn

Lao-Tzu

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# Prosecutors set to try Jacobsen

DALLAS (AP)—U.S. District Court Judge Robert Hill appointed three special prosecutors Wednesday to try milk lobbyist Jake Jacobsen—a case the Justice Department refused to pursue.

Jacobsen, a figure in the Watergate investigation, was indicted on

charges of misapplication of \$825,000 from the San Angelo, First Savings and Loan Association.

Justice Department lawyers have refused to present evidence in the case. They say Jacobsen has immunity from prosecution in all current cases because of his promise to testify against John Connally, formerly secretary of the Treasury and Navy and former Texas governor. Connally for a time was mentioned prominently as a possible GOP nominee for president.

McNeelis said from Washington Jacobsen probably would testify according to his agreement with federal prosecutors, and he added, "I feel sooner or later the executive end of this agreement will be fully accomplished."

McNeelis said he questions Hill's authority to appoint the special prosecutors, but said he would have no definite comment until he had seen Hill's order.

The Justice Department moved last Sept. 6 to dismiss the misapplication charges against Jacobsen, an Austin resident. Judge Hill refused.

This presumably would have required the Justice Department to prosecute the case, but on Sept. 12, federal lawyers said they would present no evidence.

Judge Hill said Wednesday in a brief order: "This court is of the opinion special prosecutors should be appointed in order to fulfill and protect the public's interest in vigorous prosecution of such an indictment."

Named by Judge Hill as prosecutors were Wayne O. Woodruff, Patrick E. Higginbotham and Andrew Barr.

Woodruff and Higginbotham were named special prosecutors while Barr was named first assistant to them.

The prosecutors' jurisdiction, Judge Hill said, is limited to the prosecution of Jacobsen in the \$825,000 misapplication case.

Ray Cowan, a former Jacobsen partner, pleaded guilty in the savings and loan case. Judge Hill said Friday that sentencing was awaiting

the usual pre-sentencing report.

The Justice Department plea for dismissal of charges was fought by Texas Atty. Gen. John Hill acting for the commissioner of the Texas Savings and Loan Department and by Royal Hart, state district attorney at San Angelo.

Jacobsen pleaded guilty to bribing Connally with \$10,000 to use his influence as Treasury Secretary to get President Nixon to increase milk price supports.

Connally denied the charge and said the \$10,000 was placed in a safety deposit vault and was not touched. Investigators claim some of the bills were issued after the date on which Connally is charged with accepting the money.

Jacobsen refused to testify in the bribery case until later when he was granted immunity in other cases.

Judge Hill said in refusing to dismiss the San Angelo indictment that he could not perceive "how the best

interests of justice could be served by dismissing serious charges with the potential penalty of 35 years imprisonment and a \$70,000 fine in exchange for a guilty plea in an unrelated case carrying a maximum penalty of two years and a \$10,000 fine."

Jacobsen at the time of the alleged bribe was lobbyist for the Associated Milk Producers, Inc., a huge milk cooperative with San Antonio, Tex., headquarters. It has been under investigation about political donations.

Details of the \$825,000 misapplication indictment have not been revealed by the government.

The staff of Leon Jaworski, Watergate prosecutor who recently resigned, agreed to drop the Texas indictment against Jacobsen.

The three special prosecutors are from Dallas.

Hill's order granted the trio full powers in pursuing the Jacobsen case.



AS MORE CAMPUS BECOMES blanketed in concrete, land lovers are forced into crowded conditions on the remaining grassy spots in the inner campus. This scene is between the Academic Building and the Library. (Photo by Glen Johnson)

## TSA workshops open to students

Students can attend workshops free-of-charge during the Texas Student Association Convention when it meets here Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The students can register Friday on the second level of the Rudder Tower.

TSA is a "vehicle for student governments to get together and exchange ideas," said John Nash, student government external affairs chairman.

Workshops and assemblies are part of the agenda. In the workshops schools knowledgeable in an area will give a presentation and then hold a question and answer period.

The workshops at 10 a.m. are:

1. Student Fees-University of Houston (U. of H.)

2. Health Insurance-University of Texas (UT)
3. Community Relations-Texas Tech
4. Title IX Regulations-Texas A&M

The workshops at 2 p.m. are:

1. Legal Panel-Tom Henderson, former TSA president
2. Discount bookstore-U. of H.
3. Financial Aid-TAMU

The workshops at 3:30 p.m. are:

1. Legal rights of dorm residents-Pan American University
2. Incorporation of student government-U. of H.
3. Liquor on campus-UT
4. Private school interests in TSA

Oscar Mauzy, a state senator from Dallas, will speak at the convention banquet Saturday night. He will discuss the future of education in Texas.

# Petition may stop Dominik zone change

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The College Station City Council voted four to three to grant a zone change request to Harry Seaback on land behind Dominik Drive, however, a petition submitted at the meeting by Dominik street residents may nullify the decision.

The petition, signed by 280 citizens including a number of Dominik residents, was given to the council by Scott Manning, spokesman for the group. The petition calls for the denial of Seaback's request for apartment zoning and a buffer zone of duplex and single family residences between the apartments and the Dominik Street homes.

The zoning ordinance requires that when a petition against a zoning proposal containing the names of 20 per cent of the property owners within 200 feet of the property involved is presented to the council, a

three-fourths vote of the council is necessary to change the zoning.

Mayor O.M. Holt said the city attorney would look into the legality of the petition submitted and would inform the council if the vote would stand.

Manning said the petition calls the proposed apartments a detriment to the Dominik residents. The petition cites aural and visual harassment as causes of their complaints.

"I don't think the city should rezone to suit developers," said Manning. "If property is made residential why do I have to fight to keep it?" he asked, adding, "If zoning is not kept, why have it?"

Manning said the people are becoming subservient to big business in the city. "There's more property in town, why does it (apartments) have to be in this area?"

Seaback, who owns the Planta-

tion Oaks and Scandia apartments, did not attend the meeting nor send a representative to argue for the zone change.

Thomas Kozik, another Dominik resident, said the people who signed the petition are objecting to arbitrary zoning in the city. "It is possible to develop apartment concept without destroying residential areas," he said.

Councilman Jim Gardner said he thought the buffer zone planned by Seaback was fairly adequate. Gardner said this was more buffer than has been required in other areas of the city.

Councilman Fred Brison said the proposed zoning would result in the aggravation of an already congested traffic situation at the intersection of Dominik and Kyle Streets. Brison questioned the need for such a concentration of apartments.

Councilman Don Dale said the city was following a plan of transition from single family residences to apartment buildings. He said the people in an area should not be able to control what is built there. What must be considered is the sense of fair play and what is good for development in the community, said Dale.

The problem is balancing the rights of the developer against the vested rights of the property owners to protect their property values, said Councilman Larry Bravenec. Bravenec said the proposed change would adversely affect the property values in the area, will be visually unpleasant and would cause noise and traffic problems.

"What we're fighting for here is our rights," said Kozik.

When the vote came after over an hour of discussion Bravenec, Jim Dozier and Brison sided with the Dominik Street residents. Mayor O.M. Holt, Homer Adams, Dale and Gardner voted to allow the

change.

In other action, council voted to zone 6.5 acres on University Drive as general commercial.

The land, located across from Fedmart, is owned by E.L. Putz. Councilman Jim Gardner said the zoning would result in the creation of a strip of commercial property along University from Texas Avenue to the Highway 6 by-pass.

Gardner presented a map showing all the land zoned commercial in the city. The map indicated that only a small percentage of the land now zoned for commercial is actually being used.

Councilman Larry Bravenec suggested two possible plans for alleviating the problem. He advocated implementing a heavy tax on land zoned commercial but not in use. Secondly, he recommended that land not developed in two years should revert to the original zoning.

A request for the rezoning of two lots behind the Aggeland Inn from single family to apartment was tabled at the request of the owner. The lot was to be converted into parking for the Inn.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial of the request due to traffic problems on

Milliff and Redmond Streets, and the unsightly nature of the lot when placed across the street from single family homes.

The tabling motion will allow the owner to work out possible solutions with the city staff, avoiding the six month wait when zoning requests are denied.

Zoning requests necessary to create a small shopping center between Live Oak and East Gate Square were approved by the council.

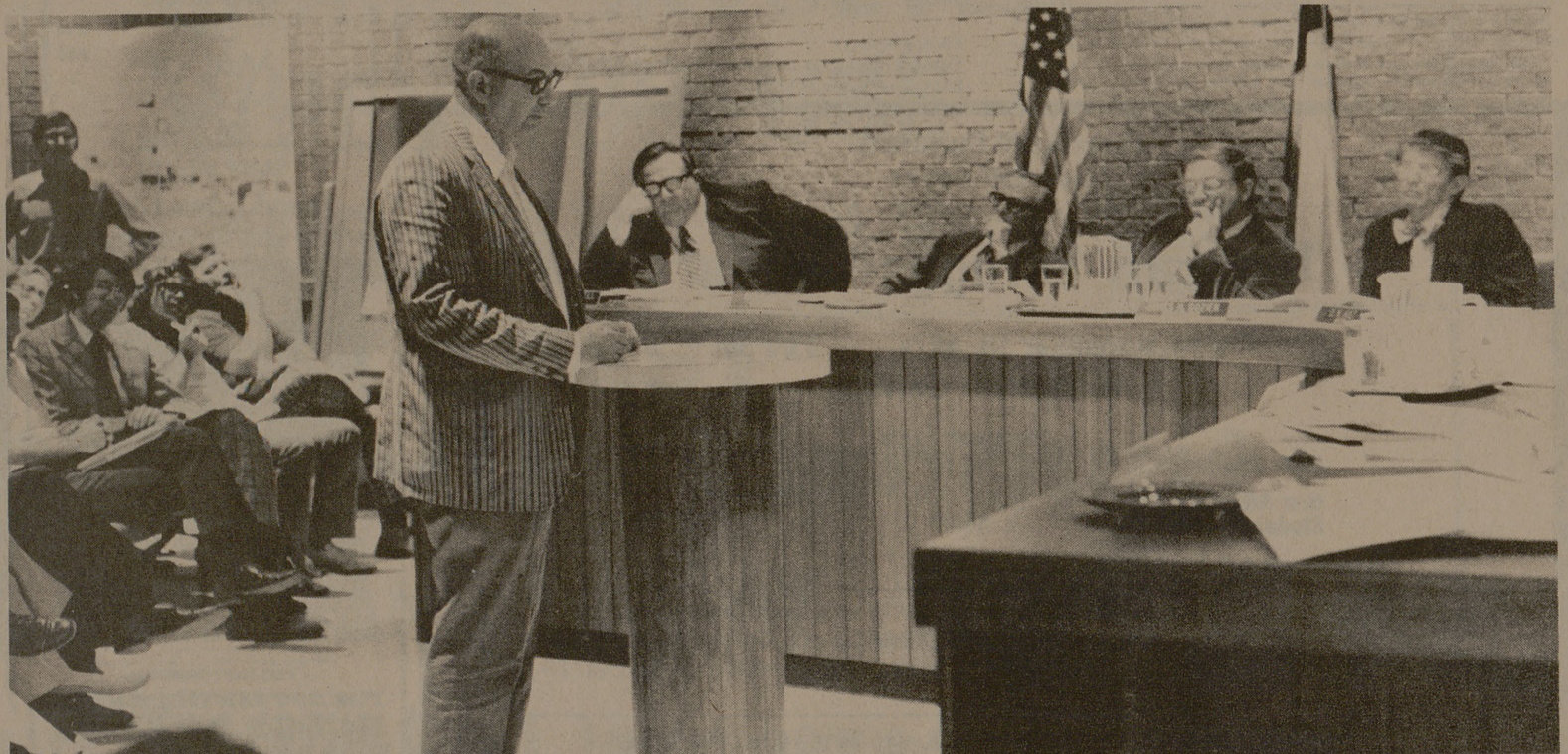
The council delayed appointment of a task force to study developmental controls in the city. The delay

was caused by the need to reactivate or reappoint some of the committees which will send representatives to the task force.

Some standing committees of the city have not met in over a year and the chairman of one committee was deceased, the council learned.

The council accepted bids from Beal Ford for the purchase of three police cars. One of the cars will be the standard police special. The other car will be a Torino.

The council also accepted bids for the paving of Thomas Street and the installation of a sewer line on South Texas Avenue.



A DOMINIK STREET resident, Thomas Kozik, argues against a proposed zoning change before the College Station City Council and a large crowd at City Hall last night. (Photo by Steve Krauss)

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### Weather

Mostly cloudy today and tomorrow. 30% chance of rain both days. High Thursday 82°; low tonight 63°; high Friday 84°.

