

Independent may enter race

Tower called 'ineffective'

By United Press International
AUSTIN — Sen. John G. Tower, R-Texas, has been ineffective during his 17 years in the U.S. Senate and has been insensitive to the rights and dreams of minorities, his Democratic challenger said Monday.

Americans should know about Tower's record on civil rights. "What he has not told the Mexican-Americans is that he voted against the 1964 Civil Rights act that would let them stay overnight in a motel, and talked and voted against the Voting Rights Act," Krueger said.

Rep. Bob Krueger, D-Texas, who defeated Joe Christie for the Democratic nomination and the right to oppose Tower, said Tower already has started his general election campaign with advertising on Spanish language radio stations aimed at attracting Mexican-American votes.

Krueger said he expects independent Henry Grover to join in criticizing Tower's record in office. Grover, a former GOP candidate for governor, is now attempting to qualify for a place on the ballot through petitions signed by 17,000 voters who did not participate in either the

Democratic or Republican primaries. Krueger contended Tower is vulnerable on several issues in the long general election campaign.

"He is most pointedly vulnerable on his opposition to the rights and hopes of minorities," Krueger said. "He is vulnerable certainly on things like allowing the Social Security system to go bankrupt. He didn't care enough about our older Americans to vote to keep the Social Security system from going broke."

"Throughout, his record of ineffectiveness is one he's going to have to live with and one Mr. Grover and I are going to have to address."

Cadets traveling all over world during summer military training

Texas A&M's ROTC programs send more than 300 cadets all over the world this summer for military training.

Completion of spring semester final exams Friday signaled their departure for four to six weeks training aboard ship in the Mediterranean, at Air Force bases from

Florida to California and the Army's Fort Riley, Kan.

Active duty training for Navy, Marine Corps, Army and Air Force cadets meshes with ROTC academic and Corps of Cadets programs to prepare officer candidates for commissioning.

The 76 Air Force, 135 Army and

127 Navy and Marine Corps cadets attending summer camps is an increase of 18 percent over 1977.

Training at Fort Riley will involve 135 cadets, including five women, in two five-and-a-half week phases. Another seven Army cadets will substitute the physically-demanding Ranger School for Riley training, according to Col. James R. Woodall, professor of military science.

Air Force training will send students to Lackland and Dyess Air Force Bases in Texas, and to Davis-Monthan, Ariz.; McDill and Tyndall, Fla.; Dover, Del.; Plattsburg, N.Y.; McConnell, Kan.; and Vandenberg and McClellan, Calif.

Naval ROTC training will involve seniors, juniors and sophomores. Twenty-four of 53 seniors will be at Bulldog training at Quantico, Va.

Navy option cadets are assigned to ships in the Mediterranean, Western Pacific and U. S. ports. Seven will serve aboard nuclear-powered ships. The program also has two women assigned to Naval stations and a student on foreign exchange cruise with the Royal Netherlands Navy.

Attorney wants legal status given to surrogate mothers

By United Press International
DETROIT — An attorney has filed a lawsuit designed to allow couples physically unable to bear a child to pay a "surrogate mother" to have the baby for them.

Lawyer Noel Keane said the suit, filed Monday in Wayne County Circuit Court, seeks to clarify the state's adoption law which bars paying a mother to encourage her to give up her child.

Keane already is handling three cases involving "surrogate mothers" — women who agree to be artificially inseminated with a husband's sperm, bear the child and then give it up to the biological father and his wife.

In two of those cases, babies have been born to surrogate mothers chosen by the couples and adoption

procedures are under way. Keane said the payment provision is "overly broad and unconstitutional" in cases involving surrogate mothers, violating individual rights to privacy.

"Our contention is that there are certain private rights of the individual that the state cannot interfere with unless they have an adequate interest," he said. "We don't think they do."

Keane, who two years ago used newspaper advertisements in seeking a surrogate mother for a couple he represented, said the suit would not lead to "baby selling" or black marketeering in adoptive children.

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