



Protest under the Lone Star

Agriculture specialists and officials from across the nation came to Texas A&M University Monday for the beginning of a three-day conference on problems in agriculture. Along with them came farmers to protest the meet-

ing and also participate in it. Farmers in about 30 trucks with half a million pounds of wheat are in College Station on their way to the port of Houston to sell the grain directly.

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Tractorcade might not roll

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SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — A nation-wide tractorcade to Washington may be canceled if the government increases loan rates for storable grains to the maximum allowed under the farm bill, a spokesman said Monday.

Wayne Peterson, a rancher from Holabird, S.D., and a spokesman for the American Agriculture Movement, said the organization wants Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland to authorize 90 percent of parity on storable commodities.

"That's the one goal we are asking for," Peterson said. "The Carter administration could enact that in 30 minutes under the 1977 farm bill. If they do, we'll probably keep our tractors at home."

Peterson stressed that the parity goal on loan rates was not an abatement of the goal for which the movement was established in 1976 — 100 percent of parity, which the agriculture movement considers minimum wage for farmers.

Delegates from several farm states gathered Monday in College Station, where agricultural issues are being discussed at Texas A&M University, Peterson said in a telephone interview.

The parade of tractors, farm vehicles and pickup trucks will leave for Washington from seven cities on Jan. 15 and enter the nation's capital from three main highways, Peterson said.

"I expect between 300 and 300,000 people to be in the tractorcade when it arrives in Washington," he said. "Even if 300 people arrive, 100 tractors stretch a mile."

A revised set of starting points was proposed Sunday night at a delegates meeting, Peterson said, but these still are tentative: Bismarck, N.D.; Mitchell, S.D.; North Platte,

Neb.; Lamar, Colo.; and Amarillo, Dallas and Houston.

The Houston tractorcade is expected to unite with Florida members, he said.

Fargo, N.D., and Denver were dropped as starting points because "wagon masters" were trying to establish routes that have the same length, Peterson said.

He said wagon masters will organize the routes to Washington and do such chores as finding rest areas for each tractorcade.

Peterson, a 53-year-old former state representative, said more plans for the tractorcade will be made at a Dec. 16 delegates meeting in Topeka, Kan.

Conspiracy cited by Davis defense

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HOUSTON — Telling jurors the prosecution evidence was not what it seemed, Richard "Racehorse" Haynes Monday began his defense of T. Cullen Davis by trying to prove the millionaire was victim of a conspiracy between a karate instructor, an FBI informant and others.

Haynes moved quickly to identify others who might have plotted to entrap Davis in a murder solicitation case, calling as his first witness the defendant's estranged wife, Priscilla.

Mrs. Davis, wounded by gunfire in 1976 which she attributes to her husband, testified she talked with karate instructor Pat Burleson almost daily and coincidental with the time he contacted the FBI on behalf of his best friend, David McCrory.

On the basis of McCrory's allegations that Davis wanted 15 persons killed, the FBI notified state authorities and cooperated in a four-day investigation and surveillance of the industrialist, resulting in his Aug. 20 arrest.

Haynes said the relationships between Burleson, McCrory, Mrs. Davis and her boyfriend, Rich Sauer, and the "answer to the question of who these people are and what their relationships are will raise more questions than it does answers."

During the month prosecutors presented their evidence before resting Monday, McCrory testified Davis provided him with employment of a legitimate and clandestine nature, but eventually pressured him to find a professional hit man to eliminate Mrs. Davis and others, including the couple's divorce judge.

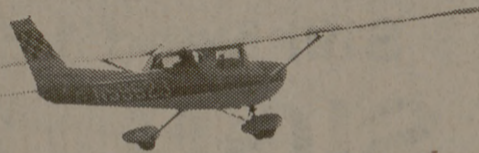
Haynes suggested to the jury in his opening remarks that Mrs. Davis obtained sums of money totaling \$30,000 in the weeks before Davis' arrest for allegedly passing \$25,000 to McCrory in exchange for faked evidence Judge Joe H. Eidson had been killed.

Mrs. Davis did not deny relationships with Burleson or McCrory, saying her acquaintance with both dated to around 1970 when she and Davis were living together. The couple separated in 1974.

Mrs. Davis testified she saw Burleson Aug. 17, the same day the karate instructor arranged for McCrory to meet an FBI agent, and saw him again the 18th and 20th. But she maintained the meetings were about business and Haynes obviously was content to establish the encounters to allow jurors to decide for themselves if the timing was coincidental.

District Judge Wallace Moore overruled the defense request for an instructed verdict of acquittal when prosecutors rested.

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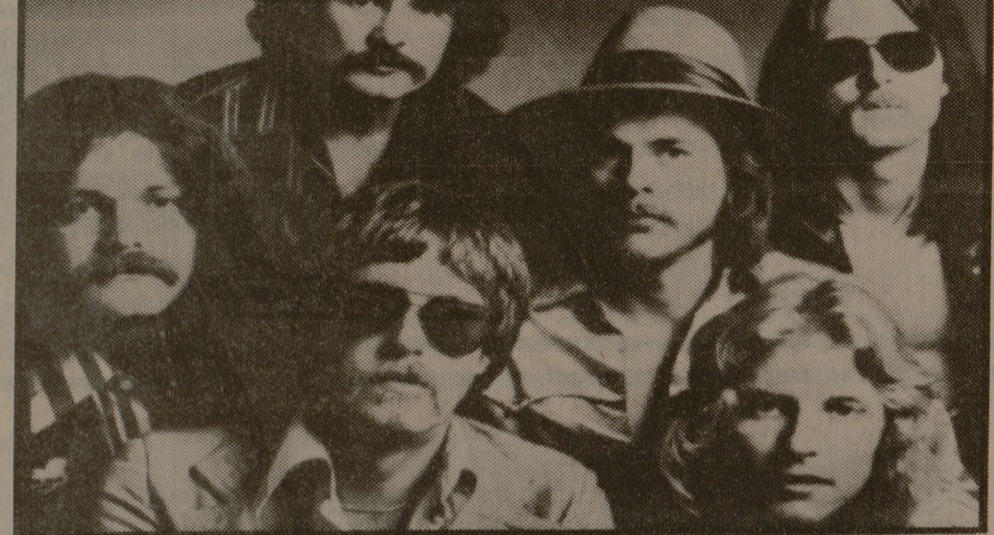
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