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# After winning cases, women want abortions

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HOUSTON — "Jane Doe," 19 and single, and "Jane Woe," 22, married but with no desire to increase the size of her family, will proceed with abortions delayed by a guardianship fight for their fetuses, an ACLU lawyer said Thursday.

"Doe and Woe are now free to exercise their constitutional rights to freedom of choice and I assume they'll be able to make the judgment without fear of intervention by

the state," said Matthew Horowitz. "They made firm decisions that they intended to terminate their pregnancies and either they have or they will."

He said the ACLU also will proceed with its efforts to have the state's temporary guardianship law — written in 1911 and last amended in 1955 — declared unconstitutional.

Horowitz said the efforts of Houston anti-abortionists to block Doe

and Woe from the surgical procedure reflected genuine philosophical concerns, but resulted in an abuse of the judicial system and a threat to the physical and emotional health of the women, 10 and 12 weeks pregnant, respectively.

A Probate Court judge Wednesday dissolved the temporary guardianship he had granted anti-abortionist Eileen Brady to the fetus of Jane Doe and hours later a District Court judge said Brady had no standing to block the abortion as she had sought in a separate suit.

Horowitz and the local director of the Planned Parenthood office said the referral to anti-abortionists of Jane Doe's request for information about where she might obtain a safe abortion constituted a breach of the confidentiality to which she was entitled and expected.

"The issue was not whether abortion is morally right or morally wrong," Horowitz said. "The issue all along was whether women, under the Constitution, are entitled to freedom of choice in reproductive matters and the final decision in matters concerning their own bodies and we reaffirmed the 1973 Supreme Court ruling yesterday."

## State briefs

### Houston submits plans for districting

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HOUSTON — The City Council has approved proposed boundaries for new council districts, creation of which was forced by the Justice Department, and the city attorney Friday will present the plan in Washington for federal approval.

The Council acted Wednesday on a consultant-drafted plan that, if approved by the Justice Department, would create two black majority districts and one Mexican-American majority district among nine single-member districts.

Five other council members would be elected at large and the mayor would retain a vote.

### White to act soon on SEDCO petition

AUSTIN — Attorney General Mark White, with the encouragement of a Texas congressman, says he will have to act quickly to rectify SEDCO's "tragic mistake" in filing a petition to limit its liability from the world's largest oil spill.

SEDCO, whose founder, Gov. Bill Clements, has placed his company stock in a trust, this week moved in federal court to consolidate any possible damage suits and limit damage awards to \$300,000. The company owned the \$20 million rig leased by a Mexican firm to drill the Bay of Campeche well that blew out 14 weeks ago and sent oil washing up on Texas beaches.

White said Wednesday the state would be barred from suing SEDCO unless it files a claim by Oct. 23 or wins a ruling from a federal judge to extend the deadline.

White said the SEDCO move was the type of action Clements has been cautioning against in public.

### Dallas-to-New-Orleans air traffic re-routed

DALLAS — The Civil Aeronautics Board Thursday instructed its staff to prepare an order allowing Southwest Airlines to fly interstate routes into Dallas' Love Field.

Southwest's Dallas-to-New Orleans traffic currently must go through Houston and Southwest Board Chairman Herbert D. Keller said the new route would greatly ease the Houston-New Orleans traffic.

"Our Houston-New Orleans service has, in a few short months, doubled the size of that market to over 800,000 passengers per year," he said. "Our one-way, unrestricted pleasure class fare, available evenings and weekends, will be \$35 and Dallas residents will save millions of dollars in airfares and ground transportation by being able to use Love Field."

# Connally bank friends under investigation

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DALLAS — Government officials are probing seven national bank charters granted friends of Republican presidential candidate John Connally during his service in the Nixon administration, The Dallas Morning News reported today.

The newspaper said a source with the Senate Banking Committee said several charters were given special treatment by the comptroller of currency, William B. Camp, between 1970 and 1973 — against advice from the comptroller staff.

Four of the charters for Texas banks were granted while Camp's office was under the jurisdiction of Connally when he served as treasury secretary from 1971 to 1972. The other three came out when Connally was a member of Nixon's Advisory Council on Executive Or-

ganization.

The committee began investigating to determine if Connally influenced the issue of charters when it was noticed the charters were granted to Connally associates despite negative staff recommendations, The News reported.

The charters being studied were issued to Love Field National Bank of Dallas in 1972, Chevy Chase National Bank in Austin in 1971, Guaranty National Bank in Houston in 1970, Metropolitan National Bank in Houston in 1972, Peoples National Bank in Houston in 1970, First National Bank of Round Rock in 1972 and Meadowbrook National Bank in Fort Worth in 1973.

An aide traveling with Connally in Ohio denied the one-time Democratic Texas governor influenced the charter decisions.

# TIA tries for TWA, but no go

United Press International  
HOUSTON — Ambitious Texas International Airlines, which turned a \$46.5 million profit on stock bought in the fight for control of National Airlines, today tried to open negotiations for an interest in Trans World Airlines. Trans World representatives, however, did not appear interested in the proposal.

"Trans World has indicated no desire to explore further TI's interest and no additional discussions are

currently planned," a Texas International spokesman said.

Texas International Vice President Jim O'Donnell said the Houston-based regional carrier had acquired stock or other interest in TWA's parent company, Trans World Corp., but he declined to disclose the nature of the investment.

The airline serving the Sun Belt and Mexico in June 1978 started a 14-month-long contest with Pan

American World Airways and Eastern Airlines for control of National Airlines. Pan Am won the contest July 28.

Texas International, which ultimately acquired 25 percent of National's stock, agreed to sell Pan Am its shares in two installments for \$108 million.

The second installment has not yet received final approval, but Texas International expects a \$46.5 million profit.

# Rate hike hinted for mortgages

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AUSTIN — There are reports Gov. Bill Clements may ask a special session of the Legislature to raise the state's interest ceiling on home mortgage loans again because the lift to 12 percent has not helped home financing, a House committee chairman says.

"What it boils down to is, with the law we passed we're still out of the secondary money market," Donaldson said.

Rep. Stan Schleuter, D-Salado, suggested to a meeting of the Financial Institutions Committee that the interest ceiling on home mortgage loans be abolished or allowed to float with no upper limits.

"I think that's the only way we're ever going to solve this problem," Schleuter said.

"He (Clements) hasn't said it publicly, but I talked to some people he has talked to, and they said he was saying that," Rep. Jerry Donaldson, D-Gatesville, chairman of the House Financial Institutions Committee and House sponsor of legislation abolishing the old 10 percent ceiling, told reporters Wednesday.

Donaldson's legislation allowing the old ceiling to float up to 12 percent is not sufficient to enable Texas lenders to acquire money on the national market to finance home construction in the state, the lawmaker said.

He asked the committee staff to immediately begin preparing information on mortgage loan rates and the status of the money market in Texas.

Donaldson said he does not look forward to another legislative battle concerning the interest rate issue.

The law passed this year sets the interest ceiling at 2 percent higher than the interest rate on 10-year Treasury Bonds, up to a maximum of 12 percent. And legislators provided that the state will revert to the 10 percent limit in 1981 unless the Legislature again votes for a higher ceiling.

# Amarillo chief seeks curb on prostitution

United Press International  
AMARILLO — This Panhandle city's police chief has asked city commissioners for help in curbing prostitution along a neon-lit stretch where streetwalkers earn up to an estimated \$50,000 tax-free each year.

Chief Lee Spradlin said the prostitutes, who work a five-to-six block area, near the central business district, are treated "like racehorses" by crime syndicate members.

Spradlin made the comments Tuesday during a pre-session meeting with city commissioners.

In recent weeks, Spradlin reported, Amarillo police officers have slowed the prostitution that usually flourishes along Amarillo Boulevard. But Spradlin said the success has been at the expense of other police functions.

"It's up to the city manager and the commission. If they want more enforcement than they are getting, then they will have to provide the funds," Spradlin said.

The chief said he had requested four additional men, but apparently would be given only one by commissioners eager to please a tax-weary community.

Spradlin said prostitutes from "Los Angeles and Lubbock and you name it" flock to Amarillo to earn \$10 to \$100 a trick.

Mayor Jerry Hodge said he has noticed streetwalkers on the "boulevard" at all hours of the day, adding the problem "is so bad that they come out while you drive down the boulevard in the daytime and solicit business."

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