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Candidate forum tickets offered

United Press International AUSTIN — The Texas League of Women Voters has free tickets available for the third in a series of tele-vised forums for presidential candidates in Houston April 22-23, the group's president announced Tuesday

Diana Clark of Dallas, president of the organization, said Republican

contenders have been invited to appear April 23 and Democratic can-didates April 22 at the Albert Thomas Convention and Exhibit Center. "The Democratic forum might not occur as planned," Clark said,

however. President Carter turned down several previous League invitations to forums saying he needed to re-

main in Washington to deal with any

developments in Iran. Requests for tickets must be mailed to the League of Women Voters of Houston, 1947 West Gray, Suite 202, Houston, Texas 77019, with a stamped, self-addressed en-velope, Clark said.

Only two tickets per request will be available, she said

Jury finishes with Clayton

United Press International HOUSTON — Texas House Speaker Bill Clayton Tuesday finished a day and a half of grand jury testimony about taking an alleged \$5,000 bribe and said he answered every question and hoped he convinced the panel of his innocence.

We answered every question. We did not hesitate in giving our answers. We never even contem-

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plated taking the Fifth Amend-ment," Clayton told reporters in a short statement.

We hope we were able to tell our story in such a way that they can see our innocence," he said. "The grand jury was very fair. We were given every opportunity. We were questioned extensively

Clayton avoided reporters' questions about the grand jury inquiry into the "cash contribution" he admits receiving from a Houston union official fronting for the FBI Brilab inquiry. Clayton said he had planned to return the money

Minton said he did not expect Clayton to be recalled for further grand jury testimony. He had no opinion on possible indictments. He earlier said prosecutors had no cri-

minal case against Clayton. U.S. Attorney J.A. "Tony" Canales told reporters he thought he was finished questioning Clayton before the grand jury, but avoided further comment about the course of the investigation.

Clayton's lawyers said they surrendered to federal prosecutors Tuesday the same \$5,000 cash Clayton admits he accepted, intending to return it, from Houston union official L.G. Moore Nov. 8.

Flag, cannon called racist

United Press International ARLINGTON — Members of an all-white fraternity at the University of Texas at Arlington say they will not remove their Confederate flag, despite contentions of a black fraternity that the banner represents racism and oppression.

"I guess we'll always catch flak because of our flag, but we won't take it down. It's our fraternity flag, and it represents our Southern heritage, said Reid Dickson, vice president of Kappa Alpha fraternity. The rebel flag and Kappa Alpha's

cannon, which sits atop the fraternity house and points at two black fraternity houses across the street, were included in a list of grievances presented by black students to UT-A officials.

Black students also have asked for state and federal investigations into alleged discriminatory hiring and recruitment practices at the univer-

Parents sent to night class

United Press International AUSTIN — Four parents of truants will have to go to night school to learn how to control their youngsters, an Austin justice of the peace ruled Monday.

Justice of the Peace Mark Mar-



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o ordered tw pay fines ranging from \$50 to \$100. Martinez said he will review the

cases later and impose higher fines if the youngsters' school attendance records do not improve

The night classes, held in the justice's courtroom, will be aimed at teaching parents how to deal with teen-agers.

Three mothers and a father were ordered to attend the night sessions.

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