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Regents approve fee hikes, name dean of faculties

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Inflation is hitting all Americans in the pocketbook, and higher education was no exception again Tuesday, as the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents approved a slate of fee increases for the System's four campuses.

The regents also approved a new dean of faculties for Texas A&M, named several University buildings and appropriated funds for the design of several new buildings on System campuses.

Acting on administrative recommendations, the regents authorized room and board increases averaging \$80 per semester at Prairie View A&M University, a \$60-\$70 room rate increase at Texas A&M University-Galveston and a board increase of \$41 per semester for students at Tarleton State University. Prairie View's student service fees were also increase to \$60.

Fee increases affecting Texas A&M students were limited to a \$3.50 raise in the student services fee, from \$30 to \$33.50. Earlier in the year, the regents had approved room and board rate increases for the University.

Texas A&M students will also be hit by an increase in University traffic fines, as the regents approved 100 percent increases in the penalties for parking and moving violations on campus.

New fines will be \$20 for moving violations (up from \$10) and \$10 for parking violations (up from \$5). There was no change made in the \$5 late charge.

Dr. Clinton A. Phillips was named Texas A&M's dean of faculties. Phillips will succeed Dr. Haskell Monroe,

who is resigning from the University to accept the presidency at the University of Texas-El Paso. Phillips has served at Texas A&M since 1967 and most recently held the position of associate dean of business administration.

Names for the two modular dormitories under construction on Texas A&M's north side were approved at the board meeting. One dormitory will bear the name of Oveta Culp Hobby; the other will be named for Marion J. Neely.

Hobby, the mother of Texas Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, is

chairman of the board of The Houston Post Co. and a past secretary of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Neely, a 1922 Texas A&M graduate, is a University distinguished alumnus, and a 25-year member of the Texas Christian University board of trustees.

The remodeled mechanical engineering shops, expected to be ready for use in the fall, will be named for J.R. Thompson, a major contributor to the University's industrial distribution department.

The board also named the varsity tennis courts in honor of Omar Smith, a 1937 Texas A&M graduate who ended a 15-year tenure as tennis coach in 1975.

President Jarvis Miller assured the regents that appropriate ceremonies for dedicating the facilities would be planned in conjunction with fall home football games.

In other action the board approved allocations of: — \$152,000 for the detailed design of the Meat Science and Technology Center, to be located next to and west of the Kleberg Center;

— \$10,000 for a program of requirements for an all faiths chapel at Prairie View;

— \$175,000 for the detailed design of a new 414-bed dormitory at Texas A&M-Galveston. Funds for the structure will come from a \$4.1 million bond issue, also approved Tuesday by the regents.

The other major personnel matter decided by the board was the appointment of Dr. Leroy S. Fletcher as associate dean of engineering. A 1958 Texas A&M graduate, Fletcher is currently chairman of the mechanical engineering department at the University of Virginia.

Class fees OK'd

Several departments received authorization from the Board of Regents to raise or institute fees to be charged to students. The regents approved:

— An increase in the Geology 300 Field Geology field camp fee from \$50 to \$200;

— The establishment of a \$50 field trip fee for Geology 319;

— The establishment of a \$50 field trip fee for students enrolled in Range Science 604 Grazing Management and Range Nutrition.

The fees become effective with the 1980-81 school year.

Count shows him 30 delegates short

Carter sweeps four primaries

United Press International
President Carter swept four more states and his spokesman said a new count of delegates may give Carter enough to claim the Democratic presidential nomination today — a full week ahead of the final primaries of the 1980 campaign.

Ronald Reagan, with more than enough delegates already in hand and his opposition gone, padded his margin with three more primary victories.

According to the UPI count, Carter's four-state sweep of Sen. Edward Kennedy left him slightly more than 30 delegates short of mathematically clinching re-nomination.

Reagan's margins were huge — in excess of 80 percent in Kentucky, Idaho and Nevada. Carter polled 60 percent or better in the first two but won with less than a majority in Nevada, where a full one-third of Democratic voters cast ballots for "none of the above" — or uncommitted delegates.

Carter also won Arkansas' Democratic-only contest for his 10th consecutive prim-

ary victory over Kennedy, who ran behind the uncommitted line both there and in Nevada.

The wins gave Carter and Reagan their 21st primary victories each since New Hampshire Feb. 26.

Carter probably will have to wait until Tuesday, the nine-state finale of the primary season, before reaching the 1,666 delegates needed for nomination. However, press secretary Jody Powell claimed Carter was within four or five delegates of the magic number and said the White House will recalculate the figures today — perhaps pushing him over the top.

Reagan last weekend passed the 998 needed for the Republican nomination, and his last major opponent, George Bush, threw in the towel Monday.

Tuesday's primaries brought Carter's delegate total to 1,634 and Kennedy to 850. Reagan's total went to 1,058, or 60 more than needed for the nomination at the GOP convention in Detroit and Bush added one to the 270 he had when he announced his

withdrawal this week.

Rep. John Anderson of Illinois, now campaigning as an independent, ran ahead of Bush in Idaho and got two GOP delegates.

Kennedy, who gave little time to the four states that voted Tuesday and concentrated on the larger states that choose delegates next week, said in Charleston, W. Va., he is "convinced that June 3 can be decisive. And I'm also convinced a powerful showing on June 3 by a candidate can't be denied at the Democratic convention."

The voting in the individual primaries:

— Kentucky: 99 percent of precincts reporting, Carter 160,288 or 67 percent, 38 delegates; Kennedy 54,876 or 23 percent, 12 delegates.

Reagan 78,430 or 83 percent, 27 delegates; Bush 6,848 or 7 percent, 0 delegates.

— Idaho: 76 percent, Carter 22,963 or 63 percent; Kennedy 8,231 or 22 percent. Delegates were selected earlier; Carter eight; Kennedy five; Uncommitted four.

Reagan 61,637 or 85 percent, 15 delegates; Bush 2,784 or 4 percent, 0 delegates;

Anderson, 6,119 or 8 percent, two delegates.

— Nevada: 85 percent, Carter 21,611 or 38 percent, five delegates; Uncommitted 19,296 or 33 percent, four delegates; Kennedy 16,504 or 29 percent, three delegates.

Reagan 29,041 or 83 percent, 14 delegates; Uncommitted 3,671 or 11 percent, two delegates; Bush, 2,202 or 6 percent, one delegate.

— Arkansas: 90 percent reporting, Carter 225,212 or 61 percent, 23 delegates; Uncommitted 66,155 or 18 percent, five delegates; Kennedy 64,663 or 17 percent, five delegates.

The uncommitted vote in Nevada was the highest in any state this year. It was 9 percent in Idaho and 8 percent in Kentucky.

It was an ordeal to vote in Idaho, where some voters wore masks to protect themselves from volcanic ash from Mount St. Helens. In some areas, rain turned the ash to a sticky mud that made movement difficult.

U.S. ready to sell hardware to China

United Press International
WASHINGTON — Seeking to bolster military ties with China, the United States is on the verge of approving several high technology items and military-related equipment for export to Peking.

Defense Secretary Harold Brown told China's top military official, Geng Biao, at a welcoming dinner Tuesday night at the National Picture Gallery.

"We are now working on concrete cases involving actual sales and transfers and hope to approve some export license applications during your visit."

President Carter planned to meet with Geng at the White House later today after the Chinese visitor calls on Secretary of State Edmund Muskie at the State Department. Geng is on a 10-day tour of the United States.

Defense officials said they had received Chinese inquiries about several possible purchases in the United States of high technology with both civilian and military applications as well as some military support equipment.

Some of the Chinese requests will be approved — with export licenses forthcoming shortly — and some will be denied, officials said.

U.S. officials declined immediate details of what may be approved for export.

In the past, they have talked about such items as communications and electronics equipment, radars, and such relatively simple equipment as trucks.

Pentagon spokesman Thomas Ross emphasized the United States has no intention of authorizing the sale of any lethal weapons to China.

"The ground rules (against lethal weapons) will not change during this visit," Ross told reporters.

Geng, in his toast, to Brown denounced the current Soviet "peace offensive."

"They (the Soviets) are doing this to lull the countries opposed to their aggression and to weaken the struggle against it, wishing to divert people's attention and play down the questions of Afghanistan and Kampuchea or even delete them from the

agenda of international forums," Geng said.

"Together with the people of other countries, including the American people, the Chinese people are determined to fight unremittently against Soviet hegemonist aggression and expansion and make due contributions to the defense of world peace, security and stability," Geng added.

Meanwhile, a congressional report released Tuesday expressed "serious reservations" about the administration's policy to consider case-by-case sales to China of selected items with possible military use.

West shakes from more quakes

United Press International
MAMMOTH LAKES, Calif. — The third major earthquake in as many days swayed buildings in San Francisco and Los Angeles, rattled chandeliers in Nevada casinos, cracked a major dam and raised damage and injury tolls in Sierra Nevada resort areas.

A surface crack in the 100-foot-wide Crowley Lake Dam was discovered after the third magnitude 6 quake rocked the Mammoth Lakes area Tuesday. Two quakes of the same size Sunday loosed rockslides and injured at least seven people. At least three more people were hurt Tuesday, none seriously.

Fishermen at Convict Lake said Tuesday's quake rocked the popular fishing lake "like it was a bowl full of water."

The quakes were part of a rash of tremors that have rattled an area from San Francisco to Sacramento to Los Angeles, as well as several cities in Nevada since Sunday. Hundreds of aftershocks followed Tuesday's tremor and there have been nearly

80 quakes registering 4 or greater on the open-ended Richter Scale, monitored at Caltech in Pasadena.

Tuesday's quake was felt for 45 seconds in Fresno, Calif., and buildings swayed in San Francisco and Los Angeles, about 300 miles away. The quake rattled glasses and chandeliers in some Nevada casinos.

The quakes all were centered in the Mammoth Lakes region near the Yosemite Valley in central California.

Hundreds of campers, hikers and skiers have been evacuated since the major jolts started Sunday morning. The latest big shaker hit at 7:51 a.m., Tuesday and registered 6.1 on the Richter scale.

The Office of Emergency Services estimated damage to public roads, bridges, water and sewer lines and buildings at about \$295,000, with another \$105,000 to private homes and vacation lodges.

The Mammoth Lakes school was closed due to quake damage and the road to Crowley Lake Dam was closed because of boulders shaken loose.

Only the fact the quakes were centered in a sparsely populated area kept down the damage to life and property, officials said.

The most seriously injured were a young couple from Crestline, Calif., who were hiking Sunday with a church group when they were felled by a rockslide, the boulders "raining right over them," said a spokesman at the Fresno hospital where they were being treated.

Larry Samuels improved to serious condition Tuesday with head injuries and two broken legs. His 8-month pregnant wife, Belinda, suffered a crushed leg and internal injuries and doctors could not save her unborn baby.

Damage to the Crowley Lake Dam was described as a surface crack in the concrete and officials said they were keeping a close watch on the dam, although they said apparently there was no structural damage.

Crowley Lake is the main dam in the system that feeds the California Aqueduct carrying 80 percent of the water for Los Angeles.

Woman's 3rd stillborn heightens canal debate

United Press International
NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. — While residents of the contaminated Love Canal neighborhood in Niagara Falls debated whether to boycott a federal health study that began Tuesday, news came that a resident had her third stillborn child.

Some members of the Love Canal Homeowners Association argued Monday that the stillbirth was a vivid example of why homeowners should be given permanent homes outside the neighborhood that rests on a former chemical dump.

An association spokeswoman declined to identify the woman but said it was her third stillbirth since she moved to the Love Canal area.

The Environmental Protection Agency said it would begin a study Tuesday, expected to cost \$4 million to \$7 million, to determine the scientific effects on residents' health of toxic chemicals, buried by the Hooker Chemical & Plastics Co. years ago.

Officials say the tests must be made before the federal government will decide whether to permanently relocate 700 families.

Lois Gibbs, head of the homeowners association, charged Sunday that the decision to permanently relocate residents will be based on political grounds, not scientific evidence.

"It sounds like the old state Department of Health line," Gibbs said.

"The state finally found some health effects, but we're still here," she said, referring to a study that showed 11 of 36 residents tested had chromosome damage. "Many of the residents aren't going to participate (in the new study) until they get some guarantees of relocation."

The follow-up study will take six to nine months, EPA officials say, and there is no guarantee that homes in the area will be bought and families moved.

More indictments expected in Abscam investigation

United Press International
WASHINGTON — Fresh indictments involving congressmen are expected this week in the growing scandal stemming from the FBI's undercover investigation "Operation Abscam."

In the first indictment Tuesday, a New York grand jury charged Rep. Michael "Ozzie" Myers, D-Pa., with accepting \$50,000 in bribes from undercover agents.

The indictment also charged Myers shared another \$35,000 with Mayor Angelo Errichetti of Camden, N.J., Philadelphia City Councilman Louis Johanson and Philadelphia lawyer Howard Criden.

The four allegedly conspired to promise for \$100,000 to introduce legislation that would let supposed Arab sheiks — actually FBI undercover agents — remain in the United States.

The charges are expected to mark the start of a series of sweeping and controversial indictments against as many as a half dozen members of Congress in perhaps the worst scandal to rock Capitol Hill since Watergate.

Another indictment was possible today in the unprecedented Abscam investigation in which FBI agents posed as Arab businessmen and their associates to tempt

politicians to trade their influence for bribes.

Abscam was named for Abdul Enterprises Inc., a fictitious firm set up by the FBI to provide cover for the agents.

"I had no indication it was coming," Myers said of the indictment.

The congressmen declined direct comment until he had a chance to study the indictment.

Myers' Washington lawyer, Plato Cacheris, accused prosecutors of breaking a promise to give him advance warning of the indictment.

"He will plead not guilty," Cacheris said.

Myers, 36, a second-term congressman, recently won the Democratic nomination to seek a third term despite leaks in February that brought wide publicity about his involvement in Abscam.

The indictment accused him of conspiracy, bribery and interstate travel in aid of a racketeering enterprise. The other three defendants were charged with aiding and abetting a bribe and the other two counts.

All four face maximum penalties, if convicted of all counts, of 25 years in prison and \$40,000 in fines.

The main evidence against them came from FBI videotapes of their meetings with

undercover agents, including Myers' session last August at the Kennedy Airport Hilton Hotel in New York where he allegedly took an envelope stuffed with \$50,000.

The indictment said FBI agents paid \$50,000 to Myers. It said Myers passed \$35,000 of the money to Criden; to Johanson, a law partner of Criden; and Errichetti.

Myers then sought and received another \$35,000 for himself from the undercover agents, the indictment said.

Errichetti and Criden allegedly served as unwitting "middlemen" in the investiga-

tion, leading FBI agents to Myers and several other of the politicians implicated.

Criden was charged with six felony counts last week in the first major Abscam indictment against three Philadelphia City Council members, including Johanson, his private law partner. Besides Myers, Criden also was alleged to have led undercover agents to Reps. Raymond Lederer, D-Pa., John Murphy, D-N.Y., Frank Thompson, D-N.J., and John Murtha, D-Pa.

Criden's attorney, former Watergate prosecutor Richard Ben-Veniste, said his client would plead innocent unless he gets full immunity from prosecution.