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House may cite Watt with contempt soon

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WASHINGTON — A House subcommittee may still try to cite Interior Secretary James Watt for contempt despite President Reagan's resort to executive privilege in withholding 31 subpoenaed documents, House aides say.

Watt's refusal Wednesday to surrender the documents on a trade dispute with Canada, "is presumptively contempt of Congress," said an aide to Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., chairman of the Energy and Commerce oversight subcommittee. The aide said Dingell could decide to hold more hearings on the issue or call for a subcommittee contempt vote within 36 hours.

She said the executive pri-

ilege doctrine, designed to protect communications between the president and his closest advisers, seems inapplicable to some of the disputed papers that were generated within Watt's agency and never left it.

Reagan invited the constitutional confrontation with Congress Wednesday by invoking, for the first time, his executive privilege to protect the documents.

At a subcommittee hearing, Watt produced a presidential memorandum he had received, stating: "I am compelled to assert executive privilege with respect to these documents and instruct you not to produce them to the subcommittee."

Reagan wrote that the docu-

ments "either deal with sensitive foreign policy negotiations now in process or constitute materials prepared for the Cabinet as part of the executive branch deliberative process through which recommendations are made to me."

Watt said under oath he thought Reagan was shown the 31 documents for the first time Tuesday so he could decide whether to invoke executive privilege.

Congress wants the documents to help it decide whether to retaliate against Canada's allegedly discriminatory National Energy Policy by denying U.S. oil and gas leases to Canadian firms or whether new punitive laws are needed.

Clements urges water fund OK

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AUSTIN — Gov. Bill Clements Wednesday endorsed all seven proposed constitutional amendments on the Nov. 3 ballot, and said he will work for passage of the proposals at every opportunity.

Clements said it is "nonsense" for Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, and other legislators to criticize creation of a proposed water trust fund (Proposition 4 on the ballot) on grounds there had been no listing of projects which would be funded.

"I don't think it is appropriate that we designate the projects at this time, and I don't think it is possible to know how much money will go into that fund," the

governor said. The proposal would dedicate half the state's budget surplus each year to the water trust fund, and use the proceeds to support water acquisition, quality and conservation projects.

On another topic, Clements said he expects a Democratic mini-convention to select a nominee to oppose him in 1982 will fall through.

"Democrats historically have this kind of difficulty choosing their candidates," he said. "Frankly, I doubt the mini-convention will take place. I think they will have a hotly contested primary."

What's up at Texas A&M

Friday

HUGHES HALL: A program on future dorm construction resident hall rates and enrollment controls will be at 7 p.m. in the A-1 lounge between Hughes and Fowler on Oct. 20. It will be given by Jim Ferguson and Ron Blatchley. Everyone welcome.

III ANNUAL ANTHROPOLOGY LECTURE SERIES: Together with the Dept. of Biology and the Graduate Club presents topics in Pleistocene Extinctions, "Ancient Man in the New World: Early Technological Repertoire" by Dr. I. Stenhouse Bonnichsen from the University of Maine at 2 p.m. in 204C of Evans Library.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES: A bible study at 6:30 p.m. in 145 MSC. All denominations are welcome.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION: The Nov. club will have a pot luck dinner at St. Mary's student center then go to Pooh's Park for roller skating (cost-\$2.00). Bring a dish for the supper.

TURKISH STUDENT ASSOCIATION: A meeting to discuss activities will be at 6 p.m. in 607 Rudder.

ACCOUNTING SOCIETY: There will be a "South of the Border" party at 8 p.m. in the Courtyard Apts. party room.

MARANATHA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: Present the movie "Born Again" from the book about Chuck Colson former Watergate conspirator at 7 p.m. in the A&M Main School.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Ingersoll-Rand Co. will sponsor an open house for graduating M.E.'s and all ASME members from 3-6 p.m. in Ballroom C of the Ramada Inn, College Station. Beer and snacks will be provided.

TEXAS STUDENT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION: There will be a District III convention from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the MSC.

INTER-VARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: Bill Lahr will speak on his experience in Russia at 7 p.m. in 607 Rudder.

WORLD FOOD DAY-INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Agrispeakers will speak on world food day at noon by Rudder Fountain.

Saturday

TEXAS A&M FENCING CLUB: A beginning foil clinic competition with voted guest coach Roland Reed at 10 a.m. in 267 East Kyle.

TAMU HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Meet in G. Rollie Walker parking lot at 8:30 a.m. for the Renaissance Festival trip. Cost is \$8.95 for gas and food.

FLORICULTURE ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE: Plant sale in the floriculture greenhouse from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

TAMU ROADRUNNERS: Talk on "Variations in Training Techniques" followed by 2- and 4-mile runs at 8 a.m. on the aerobics track. Donuts and coffee served after the runs.

TEXAS STUDENT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION: District III Convention from 9-12 p.m. in the MSC.

Sunday

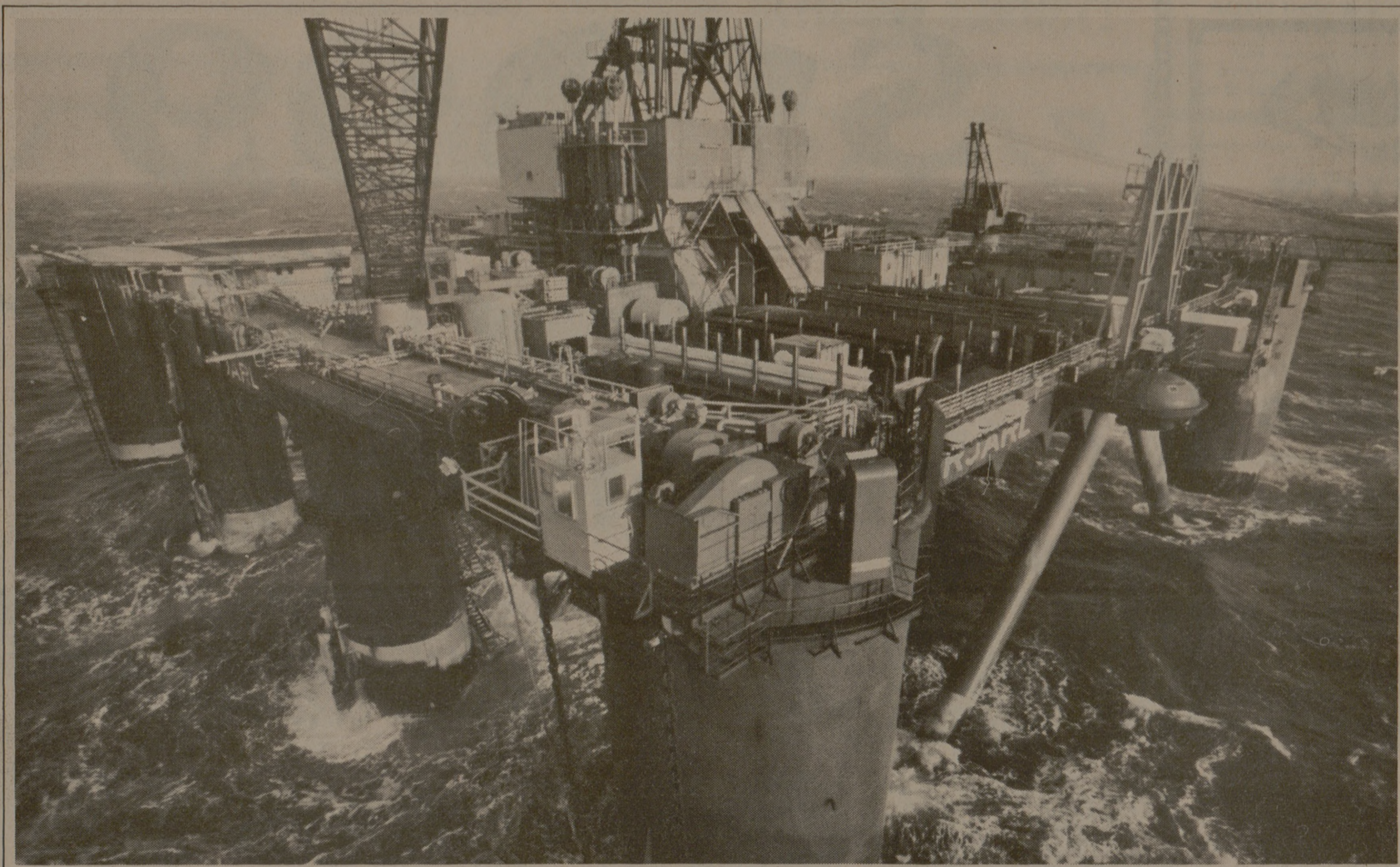
APO: Pledge active at 8 p.m. in 401 Rudder.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION: Bible study at 8:15 p.m. in St. Mary's Student Center.

OPAS: Victor Borge Pianist will perform at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

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