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## **Picketers** protest unplanned layoffs at nuclear project

BAY CITY (AP) — Dozens of people picketed in front of the South Texas Nuclear Project after 392 co-workers were laid off ahead of schedule and more than 100 oth-ers were fired Thursday.

Ebasco Services Inc., the plant's job contractor, laid off the 392 electricians and pipefitters Wednesday as part of a planned reduction of Unit 2's workforce, Houston Lighting & Power Co. spokesman Glen Walker said Thursday.

The plant foremen, meanwhile, "turned in their hats" and demoted themselves to ordinary workers in a dispute with management. Their action Wednesday caused a shortage of supervisors for the workers.

Ebasco Services Inc., the job contractor, replaced the foremen in about two hours from its management and supervisory personnel, Walker said.

However, since there was still a shortage of supervisors, Ebasco decided to go ahead with a planned reduction in the workforce that had been scheduled in about three weeks, Walker said. The workforce, now about 6,000 people, is slowly being reduced as construction at the nuclear plant near Bay City, about 90 miles southwest of Houston, nears completion.

"We are proceeding as scheduled with Unit 1 and we don't know whether or not it will have an effect on construction of Unit 2," Walker said

More than 100 workers reported to work Thursday morning but failed to accept work assignments and were terminated, he said.

"They did come in the plant and passed by picketers, but refused to work and because they were under contract they were fired," he said.

Walker said he is not sure why workers decided to strike. About 100 of them picketed.

"It's not unusual that when a construction job is of this magnitude, they are working themselves out of a

job," he said.

three or four people appeared at the front gate carrying signs," he said. "When workers began arriving at the plant, some of them joined the pick eters

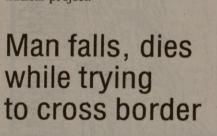
About 60 percent of the employees entered the plant and were

working Thursday morning, Walker said. No one was prevented from starting at work

Several hours after the strike began, several hundred workers milled around about three-fourths of a mile from the plant's main gate, causing an extensive traffic jam, he said.

Ebasco filed an injunction Thurs-day morning in Matagorda County requesting the pickets be removed, he said.

The foremen's voluntary demotions coincided with a visit by the Committee of National Presidents of the Building Trades Union. The national union negotiates contracts for the craft workers at the \$5.3 billion nuclear project.



LAREDO (AP) — An illegal alien deported to Mexico died Wednesday while trying to cross back into the United States, officials said.

Police said Juan Lopez Cruz, 28, was killed instantly when he fell off a catwalk under the Tex-Mex Rail-road Bridge as he attempted to cross into the United States near downtown Laredo.

A railroad official estimated the distance to the ground as 35 feet.

Members of a group of aliens who also were attempting to cross the border told police they met Cruz on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande.

He offered to show them how to get across the railroad bridge, they said

The witnesses told police Cruz was walking ahead of the group when he fell. The group of about five, which included children, continued on the catwalk, crossing successfully, and notified a security offi-

The other aliens were turned over to the U.S. Border Patrol for depor-

Officials said Cruz had been picked up by U.S. Immigration offi-cials in San Antonio and was deported Tuesday.



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## Dallas medical centers combine organ transplant programs

DALLAS (AP) - A cooperative brogram between Baylor University Medical Center and Methodist Medal Center will be aimed at making Dallas a national center for organ ransplants, officials said.

The pioneer Transplant Associa-

"Based on Methodist's and Baylor's work alone, transplants have contributed as much as \$75 million to this city's economic base since transplants began in 1981," Powell

What's Up

Friday

DISTINGUISHED VISITING EXECUTIVE SERIES: Jerry E. Lorenz, president of Lorenz Housewares, will speak on his career and business at 10 a.m. in 114

ASSOCIATION OF AMATEUR ASTRONOMERS: Dr. Sergey Averin of the Moscow Physical Engineering Institute will speak on "Soviet Astrophysical Ex-periments in Space" at 7 p.m. in 502 Rudder.

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST: will have its weekly meeting at 7:30 p.m. in

CHI ALPHA: will worship with song, prayer and a Bible study at 7 p.m. in 156

ASIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION: will have a meeting to discuss the fund-raiser and the picnic at 8:30 p.m. in 026 MSC. There also will be a social at 6 p.m. in 145 MSC.

LATTER-DAY SAINTS STUDENT ASSOCIATION: will have a sandwich semi-nar at noon in the Institute Building and a LDSSA council meeting at 3 p.m. in

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES: will have an Aggie supper at 6 p.m. at A&M

INTRAMURALS: Wrestling entries close in 159 Read. INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: will have a theatrical presentation

of the "Gospel" at 7 p.m. in 301 Rudder. HONORS COUNCIL: will have a brown bag lunch with Dr. Pisani of the history department at noon in 026 MSC.

Saturday

COLLEGE STATION PARKS AND RECREATION: will have a "Grunt & Grind" five kilometer run and 10 kilometer bike race at 8 a.m. at the Southwood Athletic

NSBE/MAES/NABA: will have a Placement Center drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Placement Center in Rudder Tower.

Sunday

MSC ALL-NIGHT FAIR: will have its spring retreat from noon to 5 p.m. in 308

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION: will have a Bible study at 9:30 p.m. at

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES: will have a peanut-butter fellowship at 11:30

Monday

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY: will discuss "Maintaining Long-Term Productivity in Southern Pine Forest Soils" at 7 p.m. in 103 Soil and

AGGIES ABROAD CLUB: Representatives from the American Youth Hostel

will speak at 8:30 p.m. in 308 Rudder. MSC AGGIE CINEMA: will meet to discuss film programming for Fall 1988 at 7

HONORS COUNCIL: will have a general committee meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 510 AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL: will show a film and have a membership regis-

PSI-CHI/PSYCHOLOGY CLUB: will have a general meeting and officer elec-

tions at 7 p.m. in 206 MSC. LECLUB FRANCAIS: will meet at 9 p.m. at the Flying Tomato. HART HALL: will have its spring bike auction from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Rudder

ALPHA ZETA: Dr. Ron Knutson will present "Agriculture and Election '88" at 7

Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDonald, no later than three business days before the desired run date. We only publish the name and phone number of the contact if you ask us to do so. What's Up is a Battalion service that lists non-profit events and activities. Submissions are run on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no guarantee an entry will run. If you have questions, call the newsroom at 845-3315.

p.m. in 115 Kleberg. ENVE: will have a general meeting to elect officers at 7 p.m. in 110 Blocker.

The alliance also will make trans-

man, director of transplantation at Methodist.

"One reason we're doing this is to help the image of Dallas," Dickerman said

"We (Dallas) already are a national transplant center," he said. from across the country to the two facilities, Dickerman said.

be the country's first arrangement in which two hospitals joined their transplant services to attract more

patients.

The new agreement is believed to

But, he said, "I'm not sure what tipped the scale." "It started at about 5 a.m. when cer of the accident, police said.

era for Baylor and Methodist, which" intil recently had a history of cometition in organ transplants. "We want this alliance to call at-

ention to the significant contribution transplants make to the Dallas economy," Boone Powell Jr., chief executive officer of Baylor Medical Center, said Wednesday

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ore efficient by standardizing treatment, eliminating duplication of some services and paperwork now performed at both hospitals, Baylor spokesman Susan Hall said.

The two hospitals will coordinate their care of transplant patients, ed-

We just haven't been recognized as such.

Both facilities have performed only a small number of heart transplants, but Baylor has become a center for liver transplants, as has Methodist for kidney transplants.

The accord, which is being fiucation of doctors and research on techniques, said Dr. Richard Dicker-

Patients or health-care organizations would contact the program, which would make all arrangements for an organ transplant, Dickerman said.

The new agreement is believed to be the country's first arrangement in which two hospitals joined their transplant services to attract more patients.

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