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Boulter: Bentsen not friend material for energy industry

LUBBOCK (AP) — Republican U.S. Senate nominee Rep. Beau Boulter on Tuesday again questioned Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's loyalties to Texas, saying the Democratic vice presidential nominee is teamed with an enemy of the state's oil and gas industry.

Continuing the campaign theme that portrays two different Bentsens running for Senate and on the Democratic presidential ticket, Boulter, R-Amarillo, said Bentsen's alliance with Dukakis proves he's no friend to the energy industry.

"Now, one of the Lloyd Bentsens is trying to convince you and I and Texans all over as a part of his vice presidential campaign that Governor Michael Dukakis is going to be the savior of the oil and gas industry," he told supporters at a GOP gathering.

"I find it incredible, absolutely incredible, that Lloyd Bentsen could pander Mike Dukakis off as someone who is going to help the domestic petroleum industry, especially when you compare Mike Dukakis with George Bush," he said.

Boulter said Dukakis has opposed deregulation of natural gas and oil prices and repeal of the windfall profits tax.

"Michael Dukakis has made a political career out of energy baiting," he said.

"When Mike Dukakis is on the stump, he talks about biomass, passive solar energy, wind and wood."

Boulter charged Bentsen with holding up passage of legislation that he and GOP Sen. Phil Gramm that would provide tax incentives for exploration and marginal well stimulation by refusing to hold hearings on the proposals.

"I honestly thought Senator Bentsen wanted to help our energy industry here in Texas, but now I think we've got to ask whether he would rather serve with a person who is truly a liberal," Boulter said. "I think he's sending a clear message that he really doesn't want to serve in the U.S. Senate for Texas anymore."

Meanwhile, Boulter said he saw reason for optimism in a recent poll that showed him trailing Bentsen by 30 points.

The poll, conducted by the *Houston Chronicle* and the *Dallas Morning News*, showed 58 percent of voters preferring Bentsen, while 28 percent supported Boulter for Senate.

Boulter said that poll showed him as gaining 20 points on Bentsen.

Falling price of oil could damage U.S.

DALLAS (AP) — As crude oil futures dropped to a near two-year low, Texas oil industry analysts disagreed Tuesday on what immediate effect there would be on consumer prices.

But they said as Iran and Iraq move toward peace, the result is likely to be an increase of oil on world markets, which could mean bad news for U.S. oil production.

Pressured by skepticism about OPEC's ability to restrain its production, crude oil futures tumbled Tuesday. On the New York Mercantile Exchange, contracts for October delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark grade of U.S. crude, had dropped 43 cents a barrel to \$14.36 by early afternoon. Crude prices haven't been that low on the exchange since November 1986.

Futures prices of refined oil products traded on the exchange dropped almost a penny a gallon. Contracts for October delivery of wholesale unleaded gasoline were down 0.98 cent at 43.00 cents a gallon, while October wholesale heating oil had fallen 0.93 cent to 41.95.

James L. Smith, associate professor of economics at the University of Houston, said Tuesday's drop in the price of oil is not significant, but is part of a series of recent fluctuations.

"I don't put any particular weight on today's move down, versus other moves up," Smith said. "The day-to-day fluctuations are going to mirror political developments, and rather minor developments."

The latest decline probably will not mean a drop in consumer prices, he said.

But in the long run, if peace is reached between Iran and Iraq, the country with the potential to expand oil production is Iraq, Smith said.

"There's a good chance that they will expand their production, which poses a problem for OPEC," he said, adding that it will be difficult to hold down the amount of oil on world markets.

Dale Steffes, principal and founder of Planning & Forecasting Consultants of Houston, said the oil-price drop is good and bad.

"That's terrible for the Southwest oil patch in the United States," Steffes said. "But it's just wonderful for the consumer."

He said Tuesday's drop translates to a consumer savings of about a penny a gallon in gasoline prices and said prices can be expected to drop even further.

"It's going to go down lower and lower," Steffes said. "OPEC wants to try lower prices."

As the Iran and Iraq war winds down, he said, it does not mean the Middle Eastern nations will work together to hold down the flow of oil onto world markets.

"The position in the Middle East is people still hate each other. They've just stopped killing each other," Steffes said.

Peter Beutel, assistant director of the energy group at Elders Futures Inc., said, "There's too much oil right now. OPEC is showing a complete lack of discipline."

The market's pessimism about the willingness of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to trim its output was deepened by published reports appearing Monday.

The Middle East Economic Survey, an influential weekly published in Nicosia, Cyprus, reported that OPEC Secretary-General Subroto has made little headway in his efforts to persuade Iraq to accept an oil production quota and Iran to allow its Persian Gulf foe one equal to its own.

Now that they have agreed to a cease-fire, Iran and Iraq can turn to rebuilding their war-damaged oil industries, raising the prospect of a fresh surge in oil production and a fall in crude prices, some analysts

18 universities will receive federal grants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Grants totaling \$2 million soon will be awarded to 18 predominantly black land-grant colleges and universities, the Agriculture Department announced Tuesday.

Deputy Secretary Peter C. Myers said the grants will help the schools upgrade instructional programs in agriculture, strengthen faculty and recruit and retain minority students in the fields of agriculture and food sciences.

The grants will be administered by the department's Office of Minority Research and Teaching Programs, which primarily serves the interests of colleges and universities authorized under an 1890 federal law, the Second Morrill Act.

Officials said the grants, minus administrative costs, will provide each of the recipients a total of \$102,496.

Some of the schools include: Prairie View A&M University, Texas

Alabama A&M University, Huntsville.

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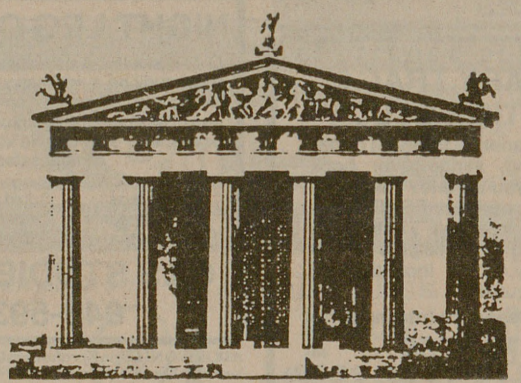
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