



## Lawmakers try to stop gender-based abortion

AUSTIN (AP) — State lawmakers and anti-abortionists on Tuesday proposed legislation to stop what they said is the growing practice of women having abortions based on the sex of the fetus.

"Surely, this is the most frivolous use of abortion yet invented," said Bill Price, director of the Texas Coalition for Life.

Price said more women are having abortions after learning of the sex of the fetus. Usually, the women prefer to have a male child and get an abortion if the fetus is a female, he said.

"In other words," said state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, "abortion on demand has given rise to boys on demand."

Brown and state Rep. L.B. Kubiak, D-Rockdale, said they will introduce legislation that would make it illegal for doctors to perform an abortion based on sex selection.

Price and the legislators conceded it would be difficult to enforce the law, but Price said, "All it will take is

one or two doctors . . . being prosecuted and it will greatly put a damper on the willingness of physicians to do these kinds of abortions."

Danallynn Recer, a local spokesman for the National Organization for Women, said there is no evidence to indicate so-called sex selection abortions are on the rise.

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laws and hypothesize on what kind of atrocities could occur and then they hype them up and make the public believe that it is common," she said.

Recer said she thinks sex selection

abortions are morally reprehensible. "It's the ultimate in sexism," she said.

But, she said, any law limiting a woman's right to an abortion would increase the likelihood of deaths and injuries from illegal or self-induced abortions.

Kubiak said he thinks the situation is tragic.

"My feeling is that if you can do it for that (sex selection), well then, what's next?" he said. "Why can't you do it for hair color? Why can't you do it for eye color? Where are we going?"

Two other legislators spoke in favor of a bill that would require minors to gain parental approval before getting an abortion.

Sen. Gene Green, D-Houston, has filed the bill in the Senate and Rep. Dan Shelley, R-Crosby, said he will file a similar bill in the House.

Recer said the law would "force teen-agers into the underground abortion market."

## Bundy dies in electric chair for murder of 12 year old

STARKE, Fla. (AP) — Ted Bundy, a charming law school dropout who ended years of denials that he was a killer with emotional confessions to the gruesome slayings of 20 women in four states, was electrocuted Tuesday for murdering a 12-year-old girl.

His last words, before a black-hooded executioner pulled a switch at 7:06 a.m. sending 2,000 volts through Bundy's body, were to his lawyer and a minister: "Give my love to my family and friends."

More than 100 proponents of the death penalty waiting in a field across from the Florida State Prison cheered, lit sparklers and set off firecrackers at the signal that 42-year-old Theodore Robert Bundy finally had been put to death for a crime committed almost 11 years ago.

Three earlier execution dates were stymied by appeals. "Burn, Bundy, burn!" some shouted. A group of about a dozen

people parodied an old tune by singing "On top of old Sparky" — a reference to the nickname for Florida's oaken, three-legged electric chair.

Only about two dozen people opposed to the death penalty turned up to keep a vigil in the field.

"The people of Florida today administered justice," Gov. Bob Martinez said after the execution. "If there's ever been anyone on Florida's death row that deserved the electric chair, Ted Bundy was that individual."

Bundy had been a quick-witted, handsome, blue-eyed charmer known for his cockiness and arrogance. He was the subject of five books and a television miniseries, "The Deliberate Stranger."

But he recently claimed to feel God's presence, and was reported at the end to be remorseful about his bloody trail of kidnappings, sadistic sexual mutilations and slayings in his home state of Washington, and in

Utah, Colorado, Idaho and Florida.

His execution, for the murder of sixth-grader Kimberly Diane Leach of Lake City, made him the 20th man put to death in Florida and the 106th in the United States since the U.S. Supreme Court allowed states to reinstate the death penalty in 1976.

Kimberly was kidnapped from the grounds of her junior high school Feb. 9, 1978, just three weeks after the killings of two women at Chi Omega sorority at Florida State University. The child's body was found three months later in an abandoned pigsty. Bundy also was under a death sentence for the two Chi Omega murders.

Until near the end he had insisted he was innocent, although he had been suspected of as many as 36 killings and disappearances.



Photo by Mike C. Mulvey

### Drying out

Firemen's work isn't quite finished after the fire is out. Here College Station firefighters work out- side the fire department to dry their hoses after putting out a blaze Monday afternoon.

## A&M black leaders host conference

By Richard Tijerina

STAFF WRITER

Texas A&M black student leaders, hoping to create a link between themselves and other black student organizations across the Southwest, will be hosting a conference this weekend on campus.

The Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference (SBSLC) is being sponsored by the Multicultural Services Center.

Joselyn Anglin, marketing director for the SBSLC Conference, said the conference was created because of a need to link black student leaders across the Southwest. She said A&M student leaders attended two similar conferences that served as the inspiration for the SBSLC.

"In 1987 and in 1988, students from A&M attended the Big Eight conferences," she said. "They were for black student governments, and it was to strengthen the black student leaders at universities. We decided there was a need for that type of conference in the Southwest. We went to work on it and used it basically as our model."

Several workshops will be held during the three-day conference, including seminars on picking a major, surviving on predominantly white campuses, preparing for the work world, leadership and affirmative action.

Anglin said the group's main goal is to build successful communication skills between students and student leaders.

"The conference is to build leadership skills," Anglin said. "We also want to start a network of leaders in different campuses that may build interaction between students and them."

Kristin Ruffin, co-chairman for the SBSLC, said the

conference would help bring unity to the University and show the A&M Board of Regents there is a group of black students trying to do some good.

"Basically, we just want to get a little more unity on campus," Ruffin said. "We want the regents to see that there are some black students who are actually doing some good towards success and bettering themselves in leadership-type positions."

Anglin said special emphasis is being placed on high school students attending the program. She said it is important for high school students to attend college, and the workshops they'll attend may help them.

"The high school students are going to learn things like how to make decisions about college," she said. "We want to encourage them to attend an institute of higher education. We're not pushing A&M, but are pushing higher education itself. They'll learn about college entrance exams and why they should do well on them. I'm sure they'll learn about study skills and what courses will prepare them for higher education."

Tickets may be purchased at the Multicultural Services Center office, located at 151 Bizzell West. One of two ticket plans may be purchased. The \$45 ticket includes all luncheons and banquets for the entire weekend. The \$20 ticket buys a choice for any of the first three meals, but does not include the banquet on Saturday night. All seminars and workshops are included in both plans.

Ruffin said the conference will benefit the University because it will increase awareness of a black population at A&M. She said more activities such as the conference will attract more black students.

"It would be good for Texas A&M," she said. "It shows that there is a black population that is trying to succeed and to fit in and show other black students that this is not a terrible place to go."

## Cisneros stands by decision not to seek re-election in May

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Mayor Henry Cisneros reaffirmed Tuesday his decision not to seek a fifth mayoral term after key supporters said they would back the campaign of his opponent even if he sought re-election.

In a statement released by his office, Cisneros said he appreciated the encouragement of some supporters, but said he was sticking by a decision made in September not to seek re-election in order to devote time to straightening out personal matters.

The 41-year-old mayor had said

earlier in the week that he might reconsider his decision, but said he would first speak with former mayor Lila Cockrell, who is running again, after he returned from speaking engagements in Massachusetts.

He was scheduled to return Tuesday afternoon, but missed a flight and relied on his office to deliver the statement.

"In September, I said I would not seek re-election," Cisneros said in the statement. "When I made that declaration I, in effect, gave my word. I stand by it. My name will not be on the city election ballot in May."

When he announced last September he would not seek office, Cockrell said she would enter the race. She already has raised about \$40,000 and has commitments from key supporters.

"Certainly the part that I least desired was the role that I think I would have had to run against a good friend, but I would have felt a responsibility to remain in the race," Cockrell said after hearing of Cisneros' decision Tuesday.

"I've already pledged that I will continue the major thrust that he would leave possibly unfinished. We agreed on all major issues, and I feel that a lot of the groundwork for the current economic development and growth of our city was laid when I was mayor," said Cockrell, who was mayor from 1975 to 1981.

On Sunday, Cisneros said he might reconsider his decision after voters approved a plan to raise a half-cent tax over five years to pay for a \$174 million, 65,000-seat domed stadium.

## Rape victim takes stand to retell story

SAN DIEGO, Texas (AP) — Discussions of nymphomania will play a role in the second trial stemming from the reported abduction and gang rape of a woman near this South Texas city, a defense attorney told jurors Tuesday before the woman reluctantly took the witness stand.

The 20-year-old woman had submitted an affidavit Tuesday stating she did not want to testify in the aggravated-kidnapping trial of Felipe Chew, 29, one of 10 men indicted last year based on her testimony before a grand jury.

In a later trial, Chew faces a sexual assault charge in the same case.

The woman said media publicity from the case had disrupted her life and she did not want to continue publicity by testifying.

But District Judge Gilberto Hinojosa refused to dismiss the case and compelled her to testify or go to jail for contempt of court. He said he could not drop the charge unless she recanted her grand jury testimony against Chew.

She stood by her grand jury testimony Tuesday.

## CIA recruitment sparks students to protest

By Richard Tijerina

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The CIA wants you. To co-op.

In recent years, the Central Intelligence Agency's recruitment on college campuses through cooperative education has increased. As more students apply, protests against the organization have risen.

Protests on several campuses across the country, including Northwestern, Duke and North Carolina, have increased dramatically in recent years. However, Sharon Basso, a spokesman for the CIA, said these protests often enhance recruitment.

"We've been told by recruiters and campus newspapers that interest after a protest increased among students," Basso said. "I think that some of them just think about the agency as a possible career and then the protest sparks interest."

Basso said the protests often center around debate about the federal administration's policies, not necessarily against the CIA.

"A lot of the protests are with the administration, not us," she said. "For example, people protest the Contra issue on college campuses. The complaint was with American support there. However, it's a policy with the Reagan administration. The complaints are really coming to the wrong agency. We don't make the policy, we implement the policy of the United States."

Basso said the agency doesn't keep track of the number of protests around the country. She said the agency averages 1,200 applicants a month, and that often only 200 students are hired each term.

Dr. Steve Yates, director of A&M's Office of Cooperative Education, said he was apprehensive about CIA recruitment on campus because of student protests on other college campuses in the past.

"I was apprehensive about it at first because I knew other campuses had protests about CIA recruiting in general," he said. "I wondered what would happen here at A&M. There's been no problem though."

"The people I have dealt with at the CIA have been very open and

above board. They will tell you publicly what they're about as an agency — to gather information about other governments that can help keep us informed and protect our national interests."

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A&M for five years, and the agency considers the University a prime recruiting prospect, Yates said.

"The CIA likes to recruit at Texas A&M," Yates said. "There is a feeling among a sizeable portion of the student body that things related to defense and defense intelligence are necessary to maintain a free and strong democracy. I feel A&M probably attracts more people with those

types of thoughts than maybe any other school in this part of the country. I think that's why A&M is such a fertile recruiting program for the CIA."

Kent Cargisle, the Chief of Recruitment for Student Programs, is the chief CIA recruiter on the A&M campus. He said the agency is no different from other employers in that they all are looking for the same type of individual.

"I think we're fairly no different than most employers," Cargisle said. "We look at academic achievements, campus activities, their communication skills. And for us, their willingness to relocate to the Washington area is a definite plus."

Cargisle will be on campus Monday trying to recruit minority students into the organization. He will give a presentation on minority internships with the CIA. He also will be showing students the different programs available for minorities with the agency.

Shawn Mulligan, assistant coordinator for the Multicultural Services Center, said Cargisle's presentation will be a good opportunity for mi-

norities to hook up with the agency.

"We do this every semester," Mulligan said. "We give them information about internships, and those that want to apply for it can go ahead and start the application process."

Applications for internships with the CIA are due Oct. 1 for Summer 1990's program.

Minority students with a grade-point ratio of at least 2.75 are welcome to attend Monday's 4 p.m. presentation in 231 MSC.

Sasso said there is a variety of jobs students will be assigned to depending on their experience in different fields of study.

"If you can think of any job, we have it," she said. "The thing that makes us unique is that we have people who serve overseas in a covert capacity and their job is to collect intelligence, which is unique. Otherwise, we have computer specialists, mathematicians, political scientists who do analysis, historians and finance personnel."

Sasso said the agency often tries to

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