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# Vines arraigned in perjury case

DALLAS (AP) — Ousted police Chief Mack Vines faced arraignment Friday on a misdemeanor perjury charge that led to his firing Wednesday.

Vines' attorney, Bill Boyd, said Thursday that Vines would plead innocent at the arraignment, scheduled for 10 a.m. before State District Judge Joe Kendall.

Vines was indicted Wednesday on the misdemeanor count by a Dallas County grand jury that rejected the district attorney's recommendation that Vines be indicted on seven felony perjury counts.

The former chief has denied any wrongdoing. If convicted, he faces a maximum one-year jail term and a \$2,000 fine.

Boyd said he would not file any motions in the case, including a motion to quash the indictment, until it is determined what court Vines will be tried in.

Vines on Wednesday criticized his quick ouster and said he will fight the misdemeanor charge. He was fired by City Manager Jan Hart less than two hours after the indictment was returned.

"I am surprised and saddened by the precipitous action that has been taken by the Dallas city manager," Vines said in a statement. "I plan to fight the minor legal charge returned by the grand jury."

The misdemeanor charge alleges that Vines lied to a panel investigating a police shooting about a conversation he had with his assistant, Greg Holliday, Aug. 2. Holliday said Vines called him late at night and tried to influence his testimony, which he was scheduled to give the next day before the special panel.

On Aug. 3, Hart suspended Holliday and Vines with pay. Holliday later was reinstated.

"It's something you wish it never would have happened," Holliday said Thursday, adding that he never considered not reporting the conversation.

Hart said the city was initiating a nationwide search for a new police chief. The search is expected to take three to four months.

Boyd said any legal action Vines might consider against the city would have to wait until the misdemeanor charge is dealt with.

"The chief is concerning himself only with defending the one misdemeanor charge that he is facing and that's all in the world that's underway at the present time," Boyd said.

Vines' publicist, Lisa LeMasters, did not immediately return a telephone call for comment Thursday.

Prosecutors had urged felony charges against Vines for statements he made in August to a panel investigating the firing of Dallas police officer Patrick LeMaire.

LeMaire was fired in June 1989, about two weeks after he killed an unarmed Mexican national. He was reinstated in July by an administrative law judge who ruled his firing unjustified. However, he did not rejoin the Dallas force.

During LeMaire's appeal of his firing, reports surfaced that police internal affairs documents on his dismissal were altered. Hart appointed a special panel to look into those charges.

When Holliday notified Hart about his conversation with Vines, she asked the district attorney's office to look into it.

## Puppy Love



Photo by Phelan M. Eberhart

Sophomore Liz Brown got a surprise Wednesday when her Labrador puppy greeted her with a wet kiss. Brown had been waiting for her boyfriend to pick her up. She was not expecting her puppy, Sudan, to come also and surprise her from behind.

# Administrators try to alter campus newspaper

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Incarnate Word College journalism students say school administrators are trying to silence the campus newspaper with a push to get creative writing in the publication.

"The English department complains there is no avenue for their students," said Javier Bustos, editor of the Logos, the 55-year-old student newspaper at Incarnate Word. "We feel that's not what a newspaper is for."

The college has ceased publication of a literary magazine. Now the publications board wants to find a way to publish poetry and short stories, Florence Guido-DiBrito, dean of student life, said.

The board last week discussed the need for a publication allowing creative expression and opinions and considered designating creative writing space in the Logos.

"We feel we're the voice for the students," Bustos said Wednesday. "We're their avenue." He

added that the newspaper has published articles criticizing the school administration.

Incarnate Word President Louis Agnese said he has no problem with the student newspaper.

"I'm not trying to squash the newspaper," he said. "That's something I don't get involved in. It's not an administrative issue."

Sean Cassidy, director of the communications arts program at Incarnate Word and a publications board member, said there is a strong tradition in journalism for mixing fiction and news.

"The bottom line is Javier is editor and he makes the editorial decisions," he said. "I still think he should give serious consideration to a creative outlet for other students," Cassidy said, pointing out the infrequent publishing schedule of the Logos.

The newspaper staff hopes to publish three or four issues this semester.

Bustos and other editors of the Logos also say they are upset that money from advertising they

sell goes to the university instead of the newspaper budget and that their office is ill-equipped.

"We have freshmen here coming from high schools with award-winning newspapers," Bustos said. "We want to build our quality."

The newspaper has a \$10,750 budget for the coming school year — down from the \$12,200 last year, according to Guido-DiBrito.

The staff is expected to raise \$500 through advertising revenue, and the rest goes into the general fund of the college. The paper collected more than \$3,000 in advertising revenue last semester, Bustos said.

It costs about \$1,000 to publish an eight-page newspaper, he said. All typesetting and printing is done off campus because the paper has one computer, one electric typewriter and a desktop publishing equipment, Bustos said.

"They have not offered to give us any facilities to produce a credible newspaper," associate editor Lydia Yznaga said.

# Hunt clear to pay debts Bankruptcy court ruling results in liquidation

DALLAS (AP) — One-time billionaire Nelson Bunker Hunt and his major creditors have tentatively settled a longstanding dispute over mineral rights that has held up the sale of more than \$20 million in real estate.

Hunt will receive cash, a handful of expired geothermal leases and a few oil and gas properties in the settlement over non-producing mineral rights he owned before seeking bankruptcy protection.

The agreement, filed earlier this week in federal bankruptcy court in Dallas, divides the disputed mineral rights on hundreds of properties between Hunt and the trustees overseeing the liquidation of his empire.

Hunt retains all the minerals under some properties and shares the right under others with the trustee, according to the settlement.

Trustee Carter Pate retains mineral rights on the rest of the real estate formerly owned by Hunt, including the Circle T ranch in Westlake and beachfront property in Florida and Hawaii.

The former billionaire, who was forced to sell nearly all his assets to

repay his debts, is expected to receive little cash or future income from the mineral leases.

"I'd love to say we killed a fat hog, but we didn't," Hunt's son, Houston Hunt, told the Dallas Times Herald in Thursday's editions. "We salvaged what we could, and that's it."

The settlement has been joined by Hunt's largest creditors: Minpeco S.A., a Peruvian minerals concern that won a \$134 million judgment against Hunt and his brothers; and Manufacturers Hanover Trust, a New York bank.

The Internal Revenue Service, which claimed nearly \$1 billion in back taxes from Hunt and his brother William Herbert Hunt, agreed to be bound by the pact but is awaiting final approval from the U.S. attorney general.

If the agreement isn't challenged by other creditors by early October, it is expected to be approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Harold Abramson.

The settlement allows Pate to sell about \$20 million in real estate and stock, including two Kentucky

ranches, the Circle T and a pair of Canadian oil exploration companies.

"This agreement frees up \$20 million of sales to go on through," Pate said Thursday. All proceeds from the sales go to the estate, he said. An estimated \$100 million in property remains to be liquidated, he said.

Hunt will receive \$315,000 from the sale of Procan and Cancal, the Canadian oil companies he owns with his brother. In addition, he can keep half of the coal and lignite leases on the Buffalo Creek Ranch, which generates about \$18,000 a year. He also retains a 60 percent interest in the non-producing oil and gas leases on 17,000 acres in Atoka County, Okla.

The sale of the Kentucky ranches and oil companies' stock is scheduled to close next week, Pate said, adding that a deal on the Circle T is imminent.

Both Hunt brothers emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy early this year, but have continued to battle creditors over what assets they can keep.

## State ignores fault zones

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The state overlooked major geological faults that surround a proposed location for a low-level nuclear waste dump, a witness testified Thursday.

Jeffrey Keaton, senior engineering geologist consultant with Sergeant, Hauskins & Beckwith said consultants who helped the Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Authority study the state for potential sites didn't even consider the Rio Grande Rift.

The rift extends from southern Wyoming through Colorado, crosses New Mexico and travels along the U.S.-Mexico border to Presidio.

"The Rio Grande Rift was not recognized as a major tectonic fault zone in the state of Texas," Keaton said.

El Paso and Hudspeth counties have sued the state, saying it did not follow state health and safety code standards when it picked a site near Fort Hancock, about 30 miles southeast of El Paso, for a low-level nuclear dump.

Scientists believe the rift is the result of two chunks of the Earth's crust pulling away from each other.

Keaton said the rift is well documented and was the subject of a 1979 paper that appeared in the American Geophysical Union literature.

"There's no way those faults were unknown to professional working in geology," he said.

Keaton said there are a number of other faults in the area that should have prompted the state to exclude the Fort Hancock site in its search for a dump site.

He said the authority excluded an area near Laredo because of faults of lesser magnitude than the Rio Grande Rift.

"It can clearly be seen that not all faults were treated in the same way for a reason that is unknown to me," he said.

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