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Brothers arrested for harboring, transporting illegal immigrants

The Associated Press

EL PASO — The U.S. Border Patrol has arrested two men accused of smuggling about 60 illegal immigrants from Mexico into Texas and Georgia each month, an agency official said Tuesday.

Martin Zavala, 31, and his brother, Manuel, 24, were being held in the Las Cruces, N.M., jail Tuesday on charges of harboring and transporting illegal aliens, said Jerry Armstrong, assistant chief patrol agent.

Agents from the patrol's anti-smuggling unit apprehended the two brothers and 30 illegal immigrants Friday in Truth or Consequences, N.M., which had been used as a stag-

ing area for the smuggling operation, said Armstrong.

Some of the illegal immigrants have been returned to Mexico, others are being held as witnesses against the Zavalas, he said.

Armstrong said the Zavalas had been smuggling people into the United States for about a year. Illegal immigrants would be transported into El Paso, then moved by van to "drop houses" in Truth or Consequences and ultimately on to Wichita Falls, Dallas, Dalton, Ga., and other areas.

The immigrants were each charged between \$550 and \$750. Most of them were apparently bound for Dalton, where the investigation is continuing.

Hondo police chief fired amid charges of mismanagement

The Associated Press

HONDO — A 1992 incident in which police officers were videotaped kicking and beating five people along with allegations of mismanagement of city funds have culminated in the firing of the Hondo police chief.

The City Council in this town 47 miles west of San Antonio voted unanimously Monday night to fire Joe Aynesworth, police chief since May 1, 1989.

Aynesworth had been placed on administrative leave Oct. 19. City Manager Scott Wall cited allegations of financial mismanagement and insubordination.

In addition, some members of the community have accused Aynesworth of ignoring discrimination by his officers.

Aynesworth denies any wrongdoing and says he will appeal the council's decision. He defended his handling of the beating incident in a telephone interview Tuesday night and said he does not think such occurrences are common in the city of about 6,000 people, the majority of whom are Hispanic.

Relations between the community and police department have been strained since the November 1992 incident in which local authorities were videotaped beating and kicking five Hispanics.

The incident occurred after a car chase, winding from San Antonio to Hondo. When the car eventually was pulled over, the officers handcuffed the car's occupants and had them lie on the ground.

A camera mounted in a state trooper's car then showed several officers kicking and hitting some of the Hispanic men. One officer stomped on what appears to be either the face or arm of one man.

James Myart, a San Antonio attorney representing the Hispanics told NBC News Tuesday that he plans to file a lawsuit against the Hondo Police Department this week.

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years remaining to work out details of their transition to the expanded league, which would begin play in 1996.

But Ellis said several details of the agreement, including what to do with each conference's agreements on bowl games, still must be worked out.

A UT regent told the AP late Tuesday night that the only step needed for a "Big 12" was formal approval by the four Texas school's boards.

"There have been a lot of moving pieces to the puzzle the last few weeks, but at this time I'm almost certain that the proposed merger will happen," said the UT board member, who declined to be identified.

"I won't deny that," Ross Margraves, chairman of Texas A&M's board of regents, said late Tuesday from Washington, D.C.

"I know our president (E. Dean Gage) has expressed the feeling to me that it's a good move for Texas A&M, and I understand the other three presidents feel accordingly."

Margraves said A&M regents, who scheduled a 2:30 p.m. telephone meeting Thursday, had originally planned to discuss another issue.

"But if they need more than that and Dr. Gage says he needs the board's approval by Friday, I'll recommend it to the board Thursday," said Margraves.

Reynolds acknowledged that Baylor would have to invest more money in the athletics department in order to compete with the larger schools.

"We realize, of course, this means that we'll have to upgrade if we're going to be in the upper tier of the new conference," he said.

Reynolds said the athletic budgets at the 12 schools ranged from \$10 million to \$20 million.

Baylor's budget is about \$10 million, he said.

"We'll have added costs of joining the new conference, but we'll also have increased revenue," Ellis said.

However, at the so-called "have-not" SWC schools, officials were trying to figure out what to do after Baylor's action.

"I think it's a good move," Baylor student Patrick Bonds of Denton said Wednesday.

"I think the Southwest Conference has been sort of dead for awhile. So I think maybe this will help."

The Cotton Bowl's future could also be in limbo.

The SWC has had a representative in 57 of the 58 New Year's Day games, but that could change with defections.

"I think it'll raise our caliber of play," another Baylor student, Sonny Olivarez of Fort Worth, said of his school's vote.

"I think there'll be a lot more excitement the weeks before games."

Texas A&M University meets with representatives from the Big 8 conference on Thursday, Texas Tech University and the University of Texas meet on Friday.

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Moderator: Dr. Ronald L. McMahan, president, Resource Data International
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Ms. Barbara Grannell, founder, Western States Public Land Coalition
Dr. John F. Griffiths, professor of meteorology, Texas A&M, and Texas state climatologist
Dr. Ken Kramer, director, Lone Star Chapter, Sierra Club

4:15-5:15 p.m. Energy Security and U.S. Dependence on Foreign Energy Sources
Mr. Richard L. Lawson, president, National Coal Association

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