

187 brings border boycotts

SAN DIEGO (AP) — From boxers to businessmen, foreign and U.S. groups are threatening to boycott California over its anti-immigrant Proposition 187.

The Republicans, on the other hand, have put San Diego at the top of their list as a possible site for their 1996 national convention. And some state officials are predicting the threats may never result in full-scale boycotts.

"The argument we make to Latino groups is that it harms the Latinos they profess to want to help. Boycotts don't help anyone, they end up hurting people," said Tom Walsh, a spokesman for Gov. Pete Wilson, a Republican and long supporter of the new immigration law.

So far, activists in Texas, Arizona and Colorado have called for boycotts of California businesses. The World Boxing Council, based in Mexico City, is refusing to participate in any world title

fight in California for four months to protest the measure.

Proposition 187, approved by the voters last week, would deny schooling, welfare and non-emergency health care to illegal immigrants. It has been blocked by legal challenges.

Despite the state's assurances, some California business people are jittery because of the boycott threats.

"If it becomes fashionable, which apparently it is, it could have a tremendous consequence," said Ernesto Grijalva, a trade relations expert for the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce.

Part of his concern is for the grocery, clothing and electronics stores along San Diego's southern edge and in its malls downtown, all heavily dependent on middle-class shoppers who cross each day from Tijuana, Mexico.

"We understand there's an emotional reaction to Proposition 187,

but two wrongs don't make a right and that's what's happening right now," Grijalva said.

The National Association of Hispanic Journalists has dropped California from consideration as host for its 1998 convention, the first national organization to take such action. The convention would have brought about \$1 million to the San Diego region's economy.

The retaliation recalls a boycott of the Colorado tourism industry in 1992 after voters there approved an amendment against gay rights. The amendment was later ruled unconstitutional — after Colorado reported losing \$39 million in tourism revenue.

Last week, Colorado minority groups demonstrated against California's new law, calling it racist. Denver Mayor Wellington Webb, a critic of the Colorado boycotts, said his office would support a selective boycott of California.

Catholic church stands firm on morals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Euthanasia and assisted suicide will never be allowed at the 100 Catholic hospitals and other facilities that make up the nation's largest private health care system, U.S. bishops declared Tuesday.

A week after Oregon voters approved physician-assisted suicide, the bishops said the practice never will be morally acceptable. They told Catholic institutions not to honor directives that violate the church's moral teaching.

The bishops said doctors may use pain medication to terminal patients even if that indirectly hastens their deaths. And they said patients have the right to forego extraordinary means for extending life.

In cases of considerable moral complexity, the directives reflect the church's teaching while preserving the legitimate freedom of conscience the church provides," Bishop Alfred C. Hughes, chairman of the Doctrine Committee, told the bishops.

The Roman Catholic Church spent more than \$600,000 in an unsuccessful attempt to defeat

Ballot Measure 16 on physician-assisted suicide in Oregon. This week, the bishops' conference added \$80,000 to the Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities budget to fund educational efforts in opposition to euthanasia.

When the church speaks on health care, its size gives it considerable influence. In 1992, Catholic hospitals recorded more than 5 million admissions, accounting for more than 15 percent of all hospital admissions.

In their new "Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services" the bishops say all people have a right to adequate health care. They also say Catholic institutions should distinguish themselves by service to and advocacy for the poor, uninsured and underinsured persons, addicts, minorities, immigrants, refugees and the disabled.

The directives affirm traditional church teachings opposing abortion, euthanasia and artificial contraception, but admit the church cannot have a ready answer in every case, particularly in evaluating new technologies

that can prolong life. "Suicide and euthanasia are never morally acceptable options," the bishops state.

They also say a person may forgo extraordinary or disproportionate means of preserving their lives if those means do not offer a reasonable hope of benefit or if they pose an excessive burden. Even giving a patient food and water by medical procedures is not morally obligatory if it would bring no comfort to a person close to death.

In ethical issues at the beginning of life, the bishops say abortion must never be permitted in a Catholic health care institution. Nor is prenatal diagnosis permitted "when undertaken with the intention of aborting an unborn child with a serious defect."

The bishops say a woman who has been raped should be able to defend herself against a potential conception. Under the directives, if there is no evidence that conception has occurred, the assault victim may be treated with medications that would prevent ovulation or fertilization.

How to interview with the Fortune 500 without even getting out of bed.

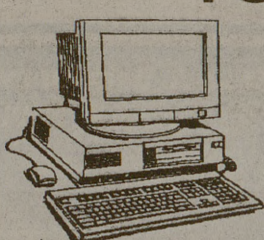
OK, graduate-to-be. You can get up early or you can get Career/NET. It's simple: You give us your resume in a personal profile on the disk we provide. And we guarantee to deliver it to 10,000 employers (including the Fortune 500) in exactly the form they're looking for. Your Career/NET enrollment kit—a preprogrammed disk and a booklet of step-by-step instructions—is \$99.95*. Call 1-800-682-8539.

Career/NET




*Plus \$4.95 for shipping and handling.

YOU DESIGN, WE BUILD



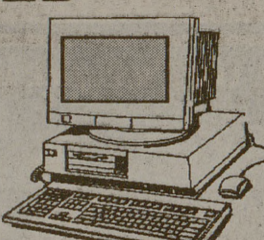
•486SX-33 MHz CPU
•VESA-Local bus video with Windows Accelerator
•340 MB HD with VESA local controller
•256 K CACHE
•A complete system for study.

\$976.00



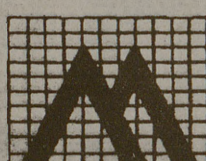
•486DX2-66 MHz CPU
•VESA-Local bus video with Windows Accelerator
•340 MB HD with VESA local controller
•256 K CACHE
•A superior performance for any application.

\$1279.00



•Pentium-66 MHz CPU
•VESA-Local bus video with Windows Accelerator
•340 MB HD with VESA local controller
•256 K CACHE
•A speedy platform for multimedia

\$1582.00



Metrica, Inc.
3833 Texas Avenue, Suite 207, Bryan, TX 77802-4039

Orestes E. Yarbrough 846-4376

Winner of local Newman Award as the fourth fastest growing firm in the community.

DOUGLAS JEWELERS



Class of '75
1667-B Texas Ave.
Cupepper Plaza
693-0677

Texas A&M University Watch by SEIKO

A Seiko Quartz timepiece officially licensed by the University. Featuring a richly detailed three-dimensional recreation of the University Seal on the 14kt. gold finished dials. Electronic quartz movement guaranteed accurate to within fifteen seconds per month. Full three year Seiko warranty.

All gold \$285.00
2-tone \$265.00
with leather strap \$200.00
pocket watch \$245.00
FREE ENGRAVING

TEXAS A&M™ GREETING CARDS!

HOLIDAY CARDS WITH AGGIE SPIRIT...



ITEM NO. MT100
HOLIDAYS AT THE AGGIES



ITEM NO. RT100
HAPPY HOLIDAYS



ITEM NO. BT100
IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!
HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM AN AGGIE

ONLY **\$10** per 8-pack

Each package contains 8 (6 1/4" x 4 1/2") cards of that design.



MASCOTS
School-Spirited Greeting Cards
Licensed by TAMU

ITEM NO. #PKS TOTAL PKS X\$10 \$

RT100 _____ plus \$1 shipping per pack \$ _____

CT100 _____

MT100 _____

BT100 _____

TT100 _____

GRAND TOTAL ----- \$ _____

IMPRESS THE PEOPLE ON YOUR XMAS LIST WITH THESE UNIQUE GREETING CARDS

Simply cut the coupon below and mail a check / money order OR call our toll free line to use VISA, AMEX
YOUR ORDER WILL BE MAILED WITHIN 48 HOURS

NAME _____
STREET _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Please send check or money order to:
MASCOTS
4238 N. Arlington Heights Road
Suite 322
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

Or use our Toll-Free Ordering:
1-800-520-5810 for VISA / AMEX.
Follow the pre-recorded directions.
*Required to process your check & order within 48 hours.
IL Residents must add 8% sales tax to ALL orders.