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Evaders of draft, with or without amnesty, can vote

By MICHAEL GERST

Draft dodgers and military deserters can legally vote in the November presidential election while taking refuge outside the United States.

Acting Government Department Chairman Dan C. Heldman said the refugees would be fully entitled to vote absentee, providing they are now registered voters.

"Only upon conviction of a crime can a person, to my knowledge, be deprived of his right to vote," Heldman said. He added that even a person on trial may exercise his vote or other privileges of citizenship which would be lost following sentencing.

Each county has distinct voter registration procedures, but all have a minimum length of residency requirement. In Tarrant County, according to the tax assessor-collector's office, applicants must live in both the county and state for 31 days prior to registration.

Mailing Addresses

Once a citizen is registered, he is eligible to vote absentee, the county clerk's office says. If that person has a mailing address outside the country, the office will send him a ballot upon request. The ballot can then be mailed back to the county clerk for tallying.

Registered refugees would be ineligible to vote only if they had formally renounced or forfeited their U.S. citizenship, Heldman said.

He also said recent Supreme Court decisions have been "narrowing considerably the degree of latitude the government has in 'fiddling around' with a citizen's rights of citizenship."

Before those decisions, Heldman continued, "there were some fairly standardized situations that the government would presume as indicative of a citizen's desire not to maintain U.S. citizenship." He cited serving in another nation's armed forces and seeking public office in another country as examples.

Written Statement

In accordance with Supreme Court decisions, the government can no longer make such presumptions.

Heldman said Americans wishing to renounce their citizenship have to do so in "a precise,

written, notarized statement" presented to some member of the diplomatic staff of the American embassy or consulate in the refugee's new country.

The Sept. 4 issue of U.S. News & World Report says a movement supporting Democratic presidential candidate Sen. George McGovern is growing among draft evaders and deserters living in Canada.

The Democratic platform endorses amnesty for draft dodgers, while the Republicans are flatly opposed to it.

Bad Impression

Heldman said the impact of the refugees' votes would not be felt in the number of ballots cast, but could be significant in the impression such action would have on U.S. citizens.

He said the impression wasn't

likely to be in McGovern's favor.

"I don't think McGovern would be jumping for joy at a McGovern movement (among draft evaders and deserters) that became well publicized in this country," Heldman said.

"Regardless of the pros and cons of the Vietnam issue and the issue of amnesty," he said, "most people, I think, would not look kindly" upon support from military deserters or draft evaders.

Heldman said the situation was similar to President Nixon's not being "terribly overjoyed" at support from former Teamsters' Union President James Hoffa.

He suggested certain segments of the voting public might be swayed in the opposite direction in both cases.

Residents balk at dorm tax levy

Clark Dormitory students refusing to pay the hall's \$5 programming assessment may move from the dorm on a voluntary basis, or they may be asked to move, Stephen Johns, coordinator of Housing Administration, said Wednesday.

Some 10 Clark residents had not paid the dorm tax by 10 p.m. Tuesday when the hall council

met, according to Dick Burke, hall president.

Burke said unyielding "tax evaders" would not be allowed to remain in the hall.

Few Options

Johns explained that previous campus procedure for dealing with residents who refuse to pay their hall's programming fee has been to allow those students to



DEMOCRATIC PROCESS—Pam Roberts (left) and Kathy Pence cast their ballots Wednesday for freshmen cheerleaders and town student representatives as Bill Robinette looks on. Runoffs will be held Friday at Dan Rogers Hall and the Student Center. Photo by Bill Bahan

move to another dorm or to make such a move mandatory.

In effect, Johns said, persons who refuse to pay dorm taxes are saying they do not want to participate in the dorm's programming.

Almost all residence halls have some kind of programming fee, leaving the options slim for students who want to avoid paying such a tax.

Several Clark residents said they had not paid the tax because use of hall council funds is not yet clear.

One resident, Jeff Hines, said he didn't want to pay because nobody would tell him concretely how the money would be spent.

Hines said he was in the dorm to study, not to drink. He said the dorm council's "only reason for wanting the money" was to finance a mammoth beer party.

No Booze

Burke said several proposals had been made for using the money, including parties, barbecues, dances and other such entertainment. He declined to say "beer busts" were in the plans.

"No money from the Clark Hall dorm council funds either under the table or over the table will be spent on booze," Mike Hinson, hall director, said Wednesday, because of dissension and school rules."

Last year's hall council actually did spend money for alcoholic beverages, Hinson said, but that would not be done this year.

Hinson said no resident would arbitrarily be evicted from Clark, while Burke expressed the desire to iron out any differences between the hall council and the tax evaders before drastic measures are taken.

News digest —from the Associated Press

NEW YORK—Police bomb experts removed from the General Post Office three "devices" contained in envelopes mailed from the Netherlands to three officials of Israel's mission to the United Nations, authorities reported Wednesday.

In Europe, some envelope bombs addressed to Israelis were uncovered Wednesday and disarmed. Police there plotted to foil a mass murder scheme against Israeli diplomats and officials.

An Israeli official was killed in London Tuesday after opening a mailed package which blew up.

WASHINGTON—The Environmental Protection

Agency asked the Justice Department Wednesday to prosecute Ford Motor Co. for alleged tampering with the antipollution tests on its 1973 cars.

EPA Administrator William D. Ruckelshaus wrote to Atty. Gen. Richard G. Kleindeinst, EPA announced, that "there is evidence" the test tampering, first reported to EPA by Ford itself, was deliberate.

SAIGON—North Vietnamese forces tightened their hold Wednesday in Quang Ngai Province in an apparent attempt to counter South Vietnamese victories on the Quang Tri front.

Attacking just before dusk, enemy infantry and sappers broke into a government ranger compound on the northern edges of Ba To district town and fierce fighting was reported continuing after nightfall.

BELFAST, Northern Ireland—British troops captured an Irish Republican Army leader Wednesday and seized an arms hoard including rocket launcher equipment. The seizures came as another soldier died of guerrilla-inflicted wounds.

The soldier, shot by a sniper in Belfast three days ago, was the 84th army victim this year.

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Balderdash! you say? Not I! I am a reasonable, sensitive, intelligent driver! you say? Wrong! If you drive a car you are hooked. Hooked on the sound of squealing tires, blaring horns and the sight of pedestrians transfixed by fear.

Sure, during lucid moments you will promise to improve, to "drive friendly" and to leave for class early. But you won't!

On that last fateful day I felt my pulse quicken as I roared down University Drive and beat the yellow light on Berry Street. Hands instinctively tightening on the wheel, I smiled an evil smile as I sifted through two lanes of traffic attempting to nail a frightened coed.

Curses

Ah! A pretty thing she was. Standing two feet from the curb, white with fear. Mesmerized by the one ton beast bearing down on her. I would have had her but some do-gooder pulled her back to safety.

Thwarted, I turned off University and headed for the parking lot only to find an old friend waiting for me. There she sat, the "let's stop in the middle of the street and talk awhile" coed driver.

On this day she had met one of her sisters and they sat waving and smiling idiotically at each other, with traffic backed up for miles in both directions. There they sat for a full five minutes.

Once past the ladies I pulled into the parking lot and began my search for the most coveted of

Opinion

prizes, a parking place. Seeing what appeared to be a vacant place, I head for the opposite end of the lot only to encounter another familiar phenomenon.

A massive blue Buick, glistening in the morning sun. Its rear window adorned with Greek letters and the parking permits of semesters past. The bumper a forum of political philosophy.

Foiled Again

Only a driver of rare skill and daring could have maneuvered the beast into its berth at such an angle—an angle which renders the places on either side useless. Backing out of the lot (a green Volkswagon had the "out" drive completely blocked) I headed for the next lot.

In the second lot I was held up for some time by a group of "parking lot circlers"—a strange group who seem to believe if they circle a full lot enough times a parking place will magically appear.

In the third lot I found my place. Only ten minutes late for class I began to gather up books, notebooks and pens scattered about the car, vaguely aware a white Mustang had pulled in beside me.

Everything in order, I was reaching for the door handle when I heard a sickening crunch. The girl beside me had caved in the side of my car when she opened her car door.

I looked up into cold hard eyes. Smiling cruelly she said "Oops! Sorry."

Two hours later they found me, still bent sobbing over the steering wheel. —JOE NOLAN



THE JUNGLE—Auto hysteria has been known to fester in parking lot jungles, particularly during surges (real or imagined) in metallic beast population. Photo by Bill Bahan

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Nixon adviser gives administrative insight

Assistant adviser to the President on domestic affairs, Lewis A. Engman, presented to a relatively small audience Tuesday night his view of the Nixon administration.

After a brief introductory speech concerning the responsibilities his job demands, Engman, speaking in the Student Center Ballroom, commented on the president's administrative methods and personality.

Engman said the domestic policy of the government has to deal with greater restrictions than its relatively flexible foreign policy counterpart, primarily due to intervention by interest groups, Congress, and the federal bureaucratic system.

"Nixon," the Forums speaker said, "is a very cool character when under fire." Nixon maintains an extremely thorough and analytical attitude

towards all issues, Engman continued.

Engman said the President prepared for the Peking trip for three years, exploring every possible consequence.

Engman predicted a "generation of peace" concerning domestic problems under the Nixon administration.

Engman said the force necessary to alleviate present domestic strife lies in the hands of the average citizen.

There is no room for complaints, Engman said, unless commitments are also made.



LEWIS A. ENGMAN

Local act plays Coffeehouse

Terry and Nancy, a local act from campus, will perform Thursday through Saturday in the Coffeehouse. Performances will be from 8 to 10 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

Rick Smith, Coffeehouse chairman, said the duo was a "real crowd-pleaser" when they appeared last year and packed the house every night.

Governor's race

GOP candidate to speak

Henry C. "Hank" Grover, Republican gubernatorial candidate, will be speaking in Student Center room 205 today.

Grover, Democrat Dolph Briscoe's opponent in the fall election, is a guest speaker for the Forums Committee. He is expected to speak on major issues in the gubernatorial race, including crime, insurance and educational reform.

The program will begin at 11

a.m. in Student Center rooms 205 and 206. Admission is free.

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For Frog defense

Ends due first starting role

By JERRY McADAMS
Sports Editor

A couple of Frog defenders will be getting their first real varsity test this Saturday at Indiana. And their performances could play a key role in the outcome of TCU's opening game.

After a successful spring and three weeks of pre-season work this fall, Ed Robinson and Rusty Putt have emerged as the Frogs' top two defensive ends.

Robinson was an impressive Wog two years ago and earned MVP honors on the '70 frosh team.

The New York native got married this summer and finds himself on the Purples' first team in his junior season.

"We thought enough of Ed last year that we used him as our swing man (top substitute)," says assistant coach Ralph Smith. "He's a good athlete and he looked real good by the end of last season."

Rusty Putt's presence on the first team represents something of a comeback for the Lancaster senior.

After playing enough to letter in 1970, Putt saw little action when the new coaching regime took over last year.

But through hard work and a good spring, Putt has moved back up the depth chart to the first unit.

The main concern of the Frog coaching staff, according to Smith, is that "neither has started and both have played very little with the first team. Potentially, they both could be real good ends, though."

Backing up Robinson and Putt is durable Frankie Grimmer.



RUSTY PUTT

After starting nine games at the strong linebacker post last year, Grimmer was moved to defensive end in the spring.

The West Texas native from Snyder is considered a valuable asset to the end corps and is expected to see a lot of action this year.

Sophomore Robert Shipley supplies extra depth which Smith termed as quite adequate.

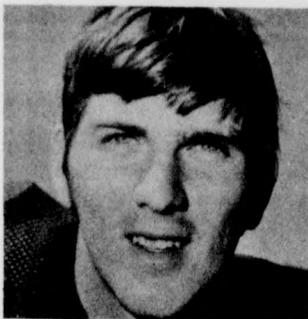
Added containment strength for the defense comes from strong linebacker Gary Whitman, who underwent shoulder surgery this summer after establishing himself as a clutch player last year at rover.

Whitman is backed up by J.G. Crouch, the only freshman on the roster to reach second team status. At 6-3, 210 lbs., Crouch's size has impressed the Frog staff.

When Whitman was moved to strong backer, sophomore Chad Utley, another varsity rookie, ably filled the gap at rover.

"Chad's a real hitter," says Smith. "In fact, he may be a little too aggressive sometimes."

Senior Gary Stout is playing behind Utley along with sophomore Chester Young.



ED ROBINSON



FRANKIE GRIMMETT

Powerlifters to compete in three fall meets

The Powerlifting team, sixth in the nation last year, has three meets scheduled for the fall semester—Oct. 7 in Houston, Nov. 11 at TCU and Dec. 9 in Beaumont.

The team was hit hard by graduation, with only five lifters back from last year's squad. Anyone interested in powerlifting should contact Clay Patterson at

3:30 p.m. daily or John Pettitt, powerlifting coach, at 7 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays in room 139E of the Rickel Center.

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