

Abourezk, Metzenbaum hold angry, sleepless colleagues at bay

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Fighting to keep natural gas prices under federal control, two junior senators kept a dead-tired Senate locked in filibuster for a third day Wednesday but hinted they might accept a proper "compromise" offer.

Democrats James Abourezk of South Dakota and Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio forced the chamber to work all night for the first time since the 1964 civil rights debates, then dragged it through another day of filibuster with only a "shave and shower" morning break and a one-hour dinner recess.

Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd said Wednesday evening he was still searching for the compromise that might stop the show, settle the gas price issue and relieve colleagues punchy with fatigue.

"I do not anticipate an all night session two days in a row," the weary Byrd said. But he cautioned, "We'll be here awhile yet."

One of the two men who had held the Senate at bay

on this issue since Monday afternoon indicated he might be ready to make a deal, provided it did not involve scrapping federal regulation of gas prices.

"There are areas in which I would compromise," Abourezk told a reporter as the chamber broke for dinner. "I do not know what. It depends on how we, Metzenbaum and one or two allies, feel at the time."

One proposal that might fit their bill was a compromise offered by Sen. Henry Jackson, D-Wash., which would maintain regulation while allowing the price of newly produced natural gas to rise as high as \$2.03 per thousand cubic feet.

The price ceiling on regulated gas is now \$1.46. President Carter's plan, passed by the House but rejected by Senators pushing for decontrol, would allow the controlled ceiling to rise to \$1.75.

The Abourezk-Metzenbaum tactic was to block action on the deregulation proposal indefinitely by introducing, one after another, hundreds of

amendments and demanding roll call votes on each.

They began their effort Monday afternoon after the Senate voted to close off general debate on the natural gas issue. There had been 72 votes of one kind or another — some on matters introduced by other senators — by dinnertime Wednesday.

Byrd, who called the filibuster "an outrage" and "delay for the sole purpose of delay," told reporters early Wednesday the Senate might have to stay in session until Christmas because of the interruption in work on other bills.

The chamber had not seen an all-night filibuster in the 13 years since a coalition of southern conservatives tried to talk the first civil rights bill to death. Leader of that overnight effort was Robert Byrd.

Abourezk and Metzenbaum were fighting any deregulation of natural gas by blocking action on a bill that would lift price controls from newly discovered onshore natural gas and free offshore gas from

controls in five years.

The House has approved President Carter's plan to bring all natural gas under federal price ceilings, with the prices going up.

Abourezk and Metzenbaum rejected any compromise.

Their filibuster technique was novel — not the endless speechmaking of traditional talkathons, a tactic prevented by a cloture vote Monday, but the continuous offering of amendments that kept the deregulation bill from coming to a vote.

They had some 540 amendments ready to roll when the chamber moved into its first overnight session Tuesday evening; succeeded in bringing 38 of these to a vote — a record for any 24-hour period — by the time Byrd called a mercy recess at 8 a.m.; and made the whole process doubly excruciating by demanding quorum calls and roll-call votes each and every time. It was plain nobody but Abourezk and

Metzenbaum knew what they were voting on in many cases. A number of the amendments, which included trivial language changes, were simply called up by number.

Judging by the unkempt, disorderly scene in the Senate chamber, the tactic was taking a painful physical toll on the legislators.

They slept on cots just off the chamber floor through the overnight session, and were rousted out every 20 or 30 minutes for quorum calls and votes. Shirt-tails hung slovenly over belts. Barry Goldwater and Bennett Johnston shuffled in for one vote in stocking feet. Ernest Hollings attended one overnight vote in an iridescent green jogging suit.

Glare focused on Abourezk and Metzenbaum, who ignored them.

Byrd recessed the chamber for an hour and a half at 8 a.m. to give members time for "a shave and a shower."

Candidates start campaigns for alderman slots

Thorpe will seek town board seat; Marshall will not

By MICHAEL WADE
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William H. Thorpe announced Wednesday he will seek election to the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen and stressed the need for effective communication between town government, students and Chapel Hill citizens.

In another campaign development, Alderman Shirley Marshall said Wednesday that she will not seek re-election to the board. She cited personal and financial reasons for the decision.

Thorpe, 36, was narrowly defeated in a 1975 bid for a seat on the board.

The candidate emphasized his desire for student support in the election. "The students need to be a part of the whole town," he said.

He said the town's ban on parking on

some of the town's streets exemplified a lack of town-student communication. He also said the ordinance banning the parking was "rushed through" while students were away.

Thorpe said he wants to see the Board of Aldermen take positive action to institute the Planning Board's Comprehensive Plan for town growth. "It covers everything that Chapel Hill needs for the next 10 to 15 years," he said.

The candidate said he favors construction of the Hillsborough pipeline. The proposed Jordan Lake will help remedy the town's recreational and water-supply needs," Thorpe said.

Thorpe said he supports the town bus system. "It is vital to the interests of the citizens of Chapel Hill that the board continue to plan and implement adequate public transportation.

Thorpe said he wants to improve labor-management relations within town government. He said his experience as a personnel analyst for the state personnel department and his present job as district representative for the N.C. Department of Labor will give the town "needed expertise" on labor-management relations.

John E. Thomas says he will run for Carrboro board

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John E. Thomas announced his candidacy for the Carrboro Board of Aldermen Wednesday, saying, "My number one reason (for running) is to try to heal the schism between the board and the homeowners."

Thomas, 49, was an unsuccessful candidate for the board two years ago.

Thomas said, "There's too much fussing and fighting and open dissent on the board." He said he would attempt to "restore civility" so the board can function effectively.

He said the present board is divided because some members represent only the needs of blacks, while others represent only the needs of apartment dwellers.

Thomas, an assistant budget officer at UNC, also wants to initiate a three-year study of the Carrboro budget. He said the

study would help control the budget and determine "where we stand financially."

Thomas said the town must control its tax increases or it will have to cut town services to keep the rate under the \$1.50 limit imposed by the state. Thomas said another result of spiraling taxes might be forced annexation to Chapel Hill.

Thomas said he supports the bus system as a solution to the parking problems on the UNC campus. He said he also supports a street-and-sidewalk — paving program for Carrboro.

Concerning the water situation, Thomas said he supports both the Hillsborough pipeline and the construction of the Jordan reservoir. He said he feels the water situation is a crucial issue in the campaign.

The candidate said he wants to reduce the salaries of the mayor and the alderman in Carrboro. He said, "Being an alderman doesn't demand that you be paid for this service."

He said he would try to reduce the aldermen's salaries from \$2,400 to \$1,200 and the mayor's salary from \$2,600 to about \$1,400.

Thomas has a bachelor's degree in accounting and business management from East Tennessee State University.



It's getting cooler, but days are still warm enough for an ice cream cone. Sophomore Anna Reddin found that out on Franklin Street last week, and DTH Photography Editor Allen Jernigan caught her in the act.

Japanese guerillas threaten to execute American hostage

By United Press International
Dacca, Bangladesh — Japanese Red Army guerrillas holding 155 hostages aboard a Japan Air Lines DC8 jetliner told airport authorities early Thursday they planned to execute an American Jew within hours because all their demands had not been met.

Authorities identified the hostage only as John Gabriel and told newsmen at the Dacca airport that he was a friend of President Carter. Authorities released no further information on the hostage.



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Cease-fire violated

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Palestinian gunmen fired on Israeli reconnaissance flights over south Lebanon Wednesday in the first violation of the U.S.-mediated cease-fire in three days.

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Egypt criticizes Israel

UNITED NATIONS — Egypt accused Israel Wednesday of pushing the Middle East toward "an explosion" from which "no one in the world" would be safe. Israel called the charges "a flagrant violation" of their agreement to halt political warfare.

The charges and countercharges — the sharpest exchange yet at the 1977 U.N. General Assembly — were launched at the United Nations by Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmi and Israeli U.N. Ambassador Chaim Herzog.

An Irish peace?

LONDON — Britain and Ireland Wednesday pledged to work jointly to bring an end to eight years of bloodshed in Northern Ireland and Britain promised to restore self-government to the embattled six counties of the north.

The agreement came at the end of daylong

talks between British Prime Minister James Callaghan and his Irish counterpart Jack Lynch at No. 10 Downing Street.

Three B-1's still alive

WASHINGTON — The House Appropriations Committee Wednesday refused to cut \$463.4 million from the Pentagon's budget for construction of three B-1 bombers.

The surprise 34-21 vote was to reject President Carter's proposal to eliminate the B-1 funds from the current 1977 budget. Under a 1974 budget law the panel's vote apparently is not subject to further consideration in the House.

Florida execution delayed

NEW ORLEANS — A three-judge federal appeals panel Wednesday delayed the execution of convicted murderer John Spenklink until Oct. 13 pending further court hearings.

The order by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was moot in practical terms. Spenklink cannot be executed until Florida Gov. Reubin Askew signs a death warrant and the governor is on a European trip until mid October.

Elvis to be reinterred

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The family of Elvis Presley, burdened by security problems since his death, won permission Wednesday to move the bodies of the entertainer and his mother to a garden burial site at Graceland — the family's 13-acre estate.



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MHCO provides health career info

A new campus organization, the Minority Health Careers Organization (MHCO), has been created to help students become aware of various careers in the health field.

The MHCO was started during the 1977

spring semester and is planning many activities for this academic year. The major aim is to provide information on medical careers and the requirements needed for these jobs. The group also plans to host a series of talks by well known persons in the health field.

While the organization was originally set up to help minority-group students, MHCO stresses that anyone is welcome to become a member.

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