

Battle Against Big Oil Spill Continues

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as being one inch thick and covering more than three quarters of a square mile in an area off Bolinas.

Some of the oil earlier had washed ashore on the Stinson Beach sandspit protecting the lagoon.

Another reaction to the spill came from vandals in San Francisco who threw sand mixed with oil onto the home of a real estate man apparently thinking it was the home of a Standard Oil official. Others struck at the company's skyscraper headquarters at 555 Market Street throwing plastic bags full of oil and dead fish in an outdoor pool and smearing paint on a wall there.

The oily sand damaged the home of Martin Lieberman at 2985 Lake St. who had purchased it from Otto Miller, Standard Oil board chairman, four years ago.

Thousands of wildfowl were collected by adult volunteers, students and schoolchildren who were let out for the purpose by at least one school district in Marin County.

The birds were being taken to a number of designated places and cleaned with mineral oil, hopefully to save their lives.

Other crews of volunteers, as well as 500 men being paid by Standard Oil, worked to clean up the Bay shoreline, as well as coastal areas including San Francisco's Ocean Beach.

Among those hired by Standard Oil were 20 youths from the South Side Community Center, 745 S. 14th St., Richmond. The youths are high school dropouts undergoing pre-apprenticeship training under the Manpower Act.

Mayor Joseph Alioto of San Francisco, who was in Washington on other business when the spill occurred, met yesterday with William Ruckelshaus, head of the Environmental Protection Agency, and David Dominick of the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration.

Alioto said they discussed federal assistance now and legislation later.

Ruckelshaus said today he was dispatching a team to the Bay Area to assess the situation and indicated he himself would come to San Francisco soon.

Alioto said Coast Guard Vice Adm. Thomas Sargent in Washington promised him he would lend official support to legislation now before Congress setting up stricter controls over waterfront terminals and ship movements.

Supervisor Robert Mendelsohn, acting mayor in Alioto's absence, said he would push for regulations keeping vessels carrying hazardous cargo in port under conditions of low visibility. He said he would also seek stronger Coast Guard controls.

"Suppose one of those ships had been carrying explosives," Mendelsohn said. "Goodbye Golden Gate Bridge."

The spill occurred when the outbound tanker Oregon Standard was rammed by its inbound sister ship, the Arizona Standard, in a dense fog in the early morning darkness Monday.

The company yesterday still didn't have an official figure on the amount of oil released.

A spokesman said that as many as six of the 28 cargo tanks on the Oregon Standard may have been ruptured, and these contained a total of just over a million gallons.

Charles Fullerton, chief of operations of the California Department of Fish and Game, said it was "too early to tell what the total impact will be" on wildlife.

He said that the main threat at present seemed to be to bird life and was optimistic about the chances of recovery for some tidal zones that have been hit by oil.

Fullerton said that after the Santa Barbara spill many of the abalone, mussels, snails and bivalves recovered much faster than anyone expected.

Several oil-covered birds were found yesterday as far north as Drakes Beach on the Point Reyes National Seashore.

Some oil slicks were seen off the entrance to the Oakland Estuary yesterday and the beaches at Brooks Island and Point Richmond were slightly soiled, the East Bay Regional Park district reported.

A boom was strung across the entrance to the Berkeley Marina and no boats were allowed in or out.

But there was no oil on the 2 1/2-mile stretch of Alameda Memorial Beach or at the San Leandro Marina.

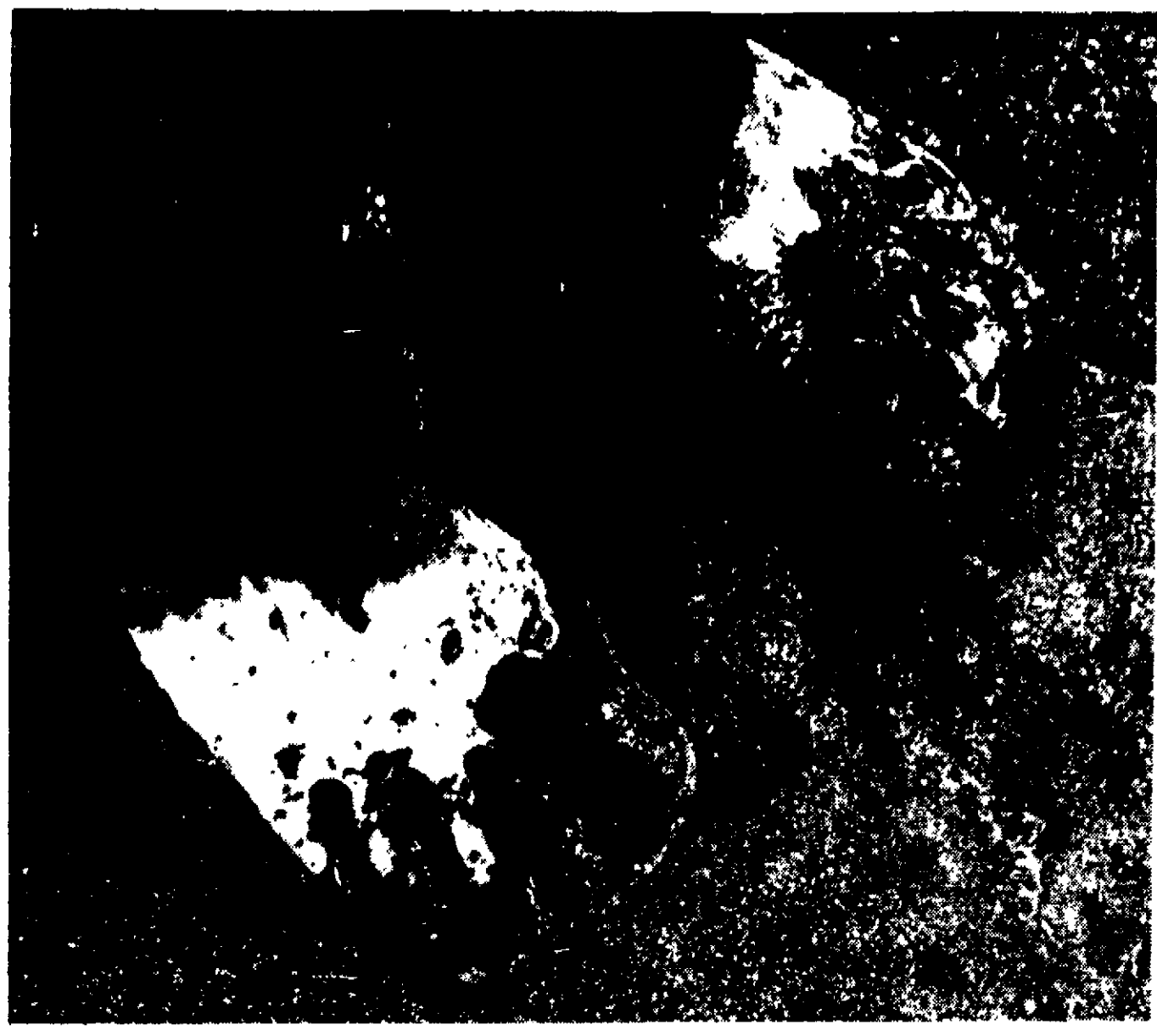
A test on the Bay-Delta

Model in Sausalito showed that some traces of the oil could be expected in the South Bay, according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. It also showed a considerable amount of it would collect near the suspension section of the Bay Bridge.

Coast Guard spokesmen could not explain the current that pulled so much of the oil north to Bolinas Bay. But one observer there said that it did

not surprise some of the old timers who say it's strong enough to bring gravel up from dredging operations at the Golden Gate 14 miles to the south.

Rangers at Point Reyes National Seashore were keeping an eye on six patches of oil, about one-third of an acre in size, hanging off the beaches on the southern part of the shore where a large harbor seal colony is located.



These oil-caked feet belong to Dawn Damas, who spent yesterday working at Bolinas beach

Volunteers Rescue Birds

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more than 10 per cent of them to survive."

The birds either suffocate, lose their buoyancy and drown, swallow the oil and are poisoned, or die from the cold because the oil destroys their insulation.

"I don't let myself think about it," Clow said. "I spend most of my free time bird

watching. If I let myself think about it I break up. I hate everything about what's happening to them."

At the old Ford Motor Co. plant in Richmond, the story is the same — a battle of mostly amateurs against overwhelming odds.

"There aren't too many people who have ever even handled a bird before. Let alone washed one," said Terry Tay-

lor, of Berkeley's Ecology Station.

Each bird is washed and re washed with mineral oil, cotton swabs are used to clean the gummy oil from its eyes and nostrils, and eyedrops are administered to protect its vision.

Then the bird is dusted off with corn meal, towled with rags, put in a heated pen and force-fed shrimp or chopped fish.

"We'll keep them here for a couple of days," Taylor said. "We don't know how many will survive."

"There was a 98 per cent mortality rate among the birds in the Santa Barbara oil spill, but they were using detergents to clean them and we're not."

The effort will go on for another three days. The station has more volunteers than it can use.

No Middle East Peace—Guerrillas

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said. "We reject the U.N. resolution."

Bakr referred to the 1967 Security Council resolution that called for a peaceful settlement, safe borders for Israel, but withdrawal from occupied territory.

In addition, a Palestine Liberation Organization official in Amman, Zuhdi Tera Zi, said, "We will not accept a peaceful settlement unless all of Palestine is liberated."

Another Al Ahran report from Iraq said Iraq has informed the Jordanian government all its troops except one battalion will be withdrawn from Jordan by next Friday. Al Ahran said this involved 36,000 soldiers, which is three times the figures used in previous press reports on troops stationed in Jordan.

Iraqi soldiers have been a source of friction between the radical Iraq regime and King Hussein since the incursion during the 1967 war. Iraq had repeatedly threatened to fight on the side of Palestinians.

In Cairo, plans proceeded for an Arab summit conference to discuss the Middle East crisis. South Yemen became the eighth of the 14 Arab League nations to call for such a meeting to consider unified action against Israel.

Also, the foreign ministers of Egypt, Sudan and Syria met in Cairo to further a four-nation federation plan intended to restore some unity to the divided Arab world. Libya is supposed to join later.

And now for a comment:

If Al Ahran's report is true, it's a miracle. But there are reasons for doubting its accuracy.

In the last place, Arab offi-

cial and press reports are notoriously dubious. Frequently, they are emotional, exaggerated and dictated by political motives. Al Ahran, which for years has spoken for the government, may be an exception but only slightly so.

In the second place, the central committee is an extremely loose confederation of diverse and rival guerrilla groups that has no central authority.

For example, the most belligerent and intransigent member is the Popular Front, which is headed by George Habash, a Marxist revolutionary and a hater of Israel and Jordan's King Hussein in about equal degree. It is unlikely that he would agree to any kind of policy that might lead to an accommodation with Israel on the grounds that the only settlement is destruction of the Jewish state.

In other words, this is one of those situations that can only be delineated by the unfolding of subsequent events.

Vatican Military Corps Disbanded

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The Vatican Gendarmes, one of the Pope's last remaining military corps, were disbanded today. But they can turn into plainclothesmen.

The Vatican said the 140 Gendarmes could join the recently established "central office of vigilance" in plain clothes.

The Pope's only remaining military force now consists of about 60 Swiss Guards, the oldest and most famous of the Vatican corps.

CUTS DUE Big Deficit For Schools In Berkeley

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minutes later and adopted a resolution by the Rev. Mr. Williams saying it was board policy that there would be no blanket firing of either tenured or non-tenured teachers.

The resolution also directed the superintendent to negotiate with employe organizations on ways to solve the financial crisis and report back to the board in two weeks.

Dr. Foster told the board in a workshop last week that the current deficit was caused by less income than was anticipated from both federal and state funds, from local delinquencies and by additional expense for certificated and classified salaries.

He blamed the projected \$2.6 million decrease in income for the 1971-72 budget on the deficit, on state apportionment not being as high as it was in past years because pupil attendance is dropping slightly and on Berkeley's ability to support its schools without extra aid by the state equalization procedure.

Las Trampas Park Job Bids to Open

Bids will be opened Feb. 2 by the East Bay Regional Park District Board on an estimated \$21,000 worth of development work in Las Trampas Wilderness Regional Park in Contra Costa County.

The contract will call for installation of 20 picnic units, 12 barbecue pits, 3 drinking fountains, 2,400 feet of wooden cattle fencing, signs, a temporary waterline and the construction of trails.

Flag Salute Row Boils In Hayward

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diculous thing I have ever heard. It makes me so damn mad I can't even talk. Anyone who refuses to salute the flag I will fight against, and I'm not going to sit here any more and listen to this kind of fellow-traveler talk."

Neveau later came back to the meeting, apologized for the walkout, then formally moved to dismiss the four commissioners — Mrs. Evelyn Schneider, Dr. Hermann Yeager, Robert Wilgus and Frank Morales.

His motion died, however, for lack of a second after Mayor Leo Howell and other councilmen argued the issue should be taken up in a closed session, which Mayor Howell called for next week.

Another motion, by Councilman George Oakes, to make it mandatory for all city boards and commissions to take the pledge at their meetings also died for lack of a second.

Oakes, who supported Neveau's stand, argued passionately for proper observance of the flag in the American tradition, contending that anyone who feels he should not recite the pledge has no business holding a public office.

"I honestly had hoped this issue wouldn't be coming up again," he said, "but now that it has I sincerely believe that people serving office in Hayward should show respect for the flag and I move to make it mandatory."

Other councilmen, squaring under the motions by Oakes and Neveau, also hoped the issue hadn't been raised.

Several, including Daniel Cooper, Herb Weinreb, Charles Santana and Vice Mayor John Pappas asserted the flag issue was a divisive and divisive issue for the community.

Mayor Howell argued that the matter be discussed in a private session. He Oakes refused. Neveau would not attempt to bring the Hayward City Council conference on a matter of such importance. We then repeated his motion.

Howell, however, with backing of other councilmen and making personal pledges, left the room for a private session.

Two Reappointments

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — Mayor James D. Jones of Sacramento, Calif., has reappointed two commissioners to the California Highway Commission yesterday by Gov. Ronald Reagan. Both are Republicans.

Bay Area Food Clerks' Strike Deadline Nears

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the Edgewater-Hyatt House, Oakland.

A union spokesman said a complete revised package proposal was presented to the employers at the conclusion of an all-day bargaining session yesterday. He stated also that both sides removed from the bargaining table several proposals that were "quite objectionable" to one or the other.

The spokesman did not elaborate on either the new package proposal or the so-called objectionable items.

This was the first substantial progress toward accord since the new contract talks began early last month. Sessions have been held almost daily since Dec. 15. The old agreement expired on Dec. 31, but was extended by mutual consent through tomorrow.

Representatives of some 15 other union locals and the Alameda and Contra Costa County and San Francisco labor councils have been sitting in on the negotiations as the deadline approaches.

About 20,000 more workers belonging to other unions would be affected if the food clerks went on strike. These include butchers, bakers, truck drivers, office employees and utility employees.

Originally, the food clerks were demanding a 5 1/2-hour pay raise, substantial pension and health care improvements and changes in working conditions — all in a one-year agreement. The old journeyman rate is \$4.09 an hour.

Upon negotiations, the food clerks' union offered a 5 1/2-hour pay raise and fringe benefits.

Alaska Oil Hearings

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The first public hearings on the proposed oil pipeline across Alaska will be held in Washington Feb. 16 and 17, the Interior Department announced

The seven clerks union locals bargaining together for the first time are 870, Alameda County; 1179, Contra Costa County; 373, Solano and Napa counties; 428, Santa Clara County; 648, San Francisco County; 775, San Mateo County, and 1119, Marin County.

New also is the alignment of the supermarket chains and independent operators as a single bargaining unit under the banner of Food Employers Council, Inc.

New Plans Outlined By Nixon

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon began his third year in office today by promising to send Congress the most comprehensive, far-reaching world domestic program on record.

Some 60 top members of the White House staff were gathered in the White House theater for a discussion of their own, followed by remarks by Nixon.

A small group of reporters was admitted briefly as the chief executive began speaking, then was shooed out.

Nixon himself gave the exit signal when, perhaps joking, he declared "now the press can leave and I'll tell them the staff members what they really want to hear."

Nixon said the state of the world message to Congress tonight will be only the beginning. He said it will be followed by a series of specific legislative proposals that, he predicted, would be unprecedented certainly in the modern history of the Congress.

REPS. HALE BOGGS (LEFT) AND CARL ALBERT New House Democratic leaders met today—(AP)

Anderson Retains Key GOP Berth

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. John B. Anderson of Illinois withstood a conservative challenge today and narrowly won re-election to the House Republicans' No. 3 leadership post.

Anderson, a moderate, defeated Rep. Samuel L. Devine of Ohio, a conservative, for chairman of the House Republican Conference. The vote was 89 to 81.

The conservative bloc had mounted a drive to defeat Anderson in his bid for a second term in the chairmanship.

Their head-to-head race came as the 180 Republicans elected to the 92nd Congress caucused to name leaders, adopt rules and consider a report on seniority before Congress convenes tomorrow.

House Democrats settled their only serious leadership battle, electing Hale Boggs as majority leader over Morris Udall.

Senate Republicans caucused tomorrow and may face a rematch of the 1969 battle in which Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania defeated Howard H. Baker Jr. of Tennessee for the GOP leadership.

House Republican Leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan

and Leslie C. Arends of Illinois, the whip, are unchallenged in their bids for new terms.

Democrats turned today to attacks against seniority's grip on House power.

The minimum seniority reform package before the House Democratic Caucus would require a band of 21 elderly and powerful House committee chairmen to give up some of their subcommittee chairmanships to younger members.

But a group of young House liberals pressed for broader reform to oust 11 of the present chairmen in 1973 by barring the power seats to anyone who is over 70 or who has been a chairman more than eight years.

There was also a move afoot to elect Democratic whips from now on, rather than appoint them, since they traditionally move up to majority leader and then to speaker.

Democratic Whip Boggs won a five-way race for majority leader during a marathon closed-door caucus in the House chamber yesterday which lasted eight hours with no break for lunch.

Capturing a substantial North-West vote and holding many Southern votes, Boggs was elected on the second ballot with 140 votes to 88 for Udall and 17 for Rep. B. F. Sisk of California.

Reps. Wayne L. Hays of Ohio and James G. O'Hara of Michigan dropped out of the race after poor showings on the first ballot.

Reform candidate Udall, pledged to support Albert and Boggs, said the five-way majority leader campaign had left no bitterness and said of Boggs: "He has the credentials of a national leader and that's why he won."

Udall wrily told newsmen at a crowded, noisy hallway news conference he felt like a football coach who was asked after losing a game 140 to 0 where the turning point came and replied, "I think it was the playing of the Star-Spangled Banner."

It was not a very happy day for House liberals, he said. But he said the seniority reform was up for vote today showed the forces of change and in negotiation, this institution is under way. It's remarkable the way we've moved."

Former Majority Leader Albert was a nominated speaker which assumes his position as the eighth full House speaker with 230 to 201 votes with 144 opposition from Republicans. The election of Udall was the first back-to-back speaker elections in modern times.

Udall's victory stirred the so-called "liberal" Albert refused to endorse the drive to strip all five Mississippi Democrats, including powerful Rules Committee Chairman William M. Colmer, of their seniority.

Panel Asks Mayor's Job Be Full-Time

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on the amount. No specific salary was mentioned, but there was discussion that it might be tied to the sum paid a municipal judge, currently \$22,126 annually.

The group suggested the city council name a blue ribbon citizens' committee to conduct the campaign for passage of the charter amendment.

The panel told Reading they believe the climate is probably better now than at any time in the past for a vote on the question because of a widespread conviction the city needs a full-time mayor.

The city council must act to place the measure on the ballot, but no time was set for presenting the matter before councilmen. Deadline for placing a measure on the primary ballot is Feb. 18.

Members of the panel, named by Reading at the request of the Chamber of Commerce to study the matter, were Neil Larson, president of the Chamber of Commerce; William F. Knowland, editor and publisher of The Tribune; Thomas L. Berkeley, publisher of The Post; Robert M. Johnson, Oakland Press; and Commissioner Hal E. Land developer. Councilman George Vukasin and William Spurling, general manager of the chamber.

Postal Strike Grips Britain

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the day of five years. The strike has cost the government more than £100 million in lost revenue and £100 million in extra costs.

British officials said that each day of the strike costs the government £10 million in lost revenue and £10 million in extra costs.

Even worse paralyses is

throughout the country. Engineers and postmen have been on strike since the beginning of the year. The government has warned they might have to go on strike to push their demands for higher wages.

Spokesmen for the Union of Postal Workers and the Post Office said the strike was an important step in the fight for a 10 per cent pay rise.

The union is demanding a 10 per cent pay rise in base pay, with targets of 5 per cent and 5 per cent a week. The Post Office said it can't afford more than 8 per cent and the Govern-

ment is expected to resist the demand for a 10 per cent rise.

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