

Hints Teacher Exodus In Jericho Dismissal

Jericho—The president of the Jericho Teachers Association said yesterday that he knew of some teachers in Jericho who plan to resign because the Jericho school board refused to grant tenure to Elvin Albaum, a high school English and humanities teacher.

George Batjaica, president of the teachers group, declined to say how many teachers were talking of quitting, but he said that "morale has hit a low point" in the Jericho school system because of Albaum's dismissal. He said Albaum was being punished because of his work for the association.

Batjaica made the statement at a press conference called by supporters of Albaum at the home of Mrs. Stanley Epstein at 115 Schoharie Dr. Mr. and Mrs. Epstein are leaders of a citizens committee for Albaum. The school board on Feb. 23 refused to renew Albaum's contract because a report of his work indicated it was questionable whether he had shown ability to work with his superiors in matters of administration, according to School Board President Arthur Carin.

Batjaica charged yesterday that "one of the bigger" reasons for dismissing Albaum was his activities as head of the negotiating committee of the teachers association, which is trying for the first time this year to get a contract with the Jericho school board.

Michael I. Gandin, attorney for the teachers association, said a suit on Albaum's behalf is under consideration, but no definite decision has been made. Gandin said that Albaum, who is in his third

year at Jericho High School, was not given sufficient warning that his tenure was in danger. He said past evaluation of Albaum's work showed that he had been a superior teacher and had represented the school at two regional and state educational conferences. Albaum has been a teacher for 18 years, most of the time in Florida.

Wydler Raps Nick On Wetlands Plans

Newsday Washington Bureau

Washington—Rep. John Wydler (R-Garden City) continued his attack on Nassau County's plans to fill wetlands in Seaford yesterday, calling on County Executive Nickerson to preserve 40 to 50 acres on which the county plans to build a golf course.

Wydler, in a telegram to the county executive, said he saw nothing wrong with the county's plans to build a sewage treatment plant on an adjacent wetlands site. But he said the land being reserved for a golf course should instead be set aside as "Nassau's contribution to any further Long Island national wetlands area."

Last week, Wydler criticized Nickerson in testimony before a House wetlands hearing for having preached conservation while planning to fill part of Nassau's South Shore wetlands.

Doctor Testifies That Gilmour Could Have Suffered Amnesia

New York—Harness driver William D. (Buddy) Gilmour could easily have suffered amnesia after being slugged in a motel on Jan. 22, 1966, a neuropsychiatrist told a State Harness Racing Commission hearing yesterday.

The testimony came near the end of Gilmour's four-week-old appeal before the racing commission to have his license renewed. The hearings are expected to close today with summations by attorneys for Gilmour and the commission. A decision on the appeal will be mandatory from the commission within 30 days. The commission refused to renew Gilmour's license Feb. 7 because he allegedly made false statements about a race at Roosevelt Raceway last year and the subsequent attack at the motel on Jan. 22.

The attack occurred, racing authorities have charged, after Gilmour, 34, won an allegedly fixed race at Roosevelt. Gilmour has maintained that he does not remember who hit him or even being hit until a day later when he was told by friends that he had been struck.

Testifying as an expert witness for Gilmour, Dr. Samuel Brock, a practicing neuropsychiatrist for 50 years, said that the punch could easily have given

Gilmour a cerebral concussion and retrograde amnesia. Dr. Brock said the fact that Gilmour was drinking added to the possibility of amnesia.

Justice Dept. Shuns DeJesus Probe Role

Wyandanch—An NAACP lawyer said last night that the Justice Department has turned down the organization's request that it enter the investigation of the murder of Carlos DeJesus.

Peter Newman of Wyandanch state counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said the Justice Department denied the request, saying that it found no violation of federal statutes. DeJesus' slashed and battered body was found on the shore near Greenport last Dec. 15. The NAACP charges that he was killed because he had dated white girls in the area, but Suffolk police have ruled out any racial motive. Newman said the Justice Department gave its position in a letter that he received during the weekend.

Sonny Aide Denies Theft Rap

Mineola—John (Johnny Irish) Matera, former chauffeur and bodyguard to Cosa Nostra underboss John (Sonny) Franzese, pleaded innocent yesterday to larceny, assault and conspiracy charges in connection with a house robbery last June that he and Franzese allegedly engineered.

Matera, 33, was arraigned before Nassau County Court Judge Albert A. Oppido and held without bail on charges of first-degree grand larceny, second-degree assault and conspiracy in the June, 1966, robbery of \$3,000 in cash and jewelry from the home of Al Ezrati at 432 Links Dr., Oceanside. Franzese, arraigned on the same charges Jan. 5, also pleaded innocent and is free in \$25,000 bail. No trial date has been set. Franzese, of Roslyn Heights, and Matera, with four others, are awaiting sentencing on their March 3 conviction on charges of conspiring to rob banks and, with three other men, also are facing trial May 15 in Queens on murder charges. Matera, who was represented at the arraignment by the Nassau County Public Defender's Office, was told to return to court March 22 for a hearing. After the arraignment, U.S. marshals took

him back to the federal House of Detention in New York City. Matera's address was given as 253-53 149th Ave., Rosedale, Queens.

The indictment alleges that, after planning the robbery with Franzese, Matera and two companions forced their way at gunpoint into Ezrati's home, handcuffed his two sons to a basement support post and fled with the cash and jewelry.

Busing Foes Cancel Trip

Malverne—Members of a statewide group based here have canceled plans to travel to Albany by bus tomorrow to lobby for bills prohibiting the busing of students away from their neighborhood schools.

Edward Nasierowski, president of Neighbors United to Save Our Schools and a former member of the Malverne School Board, said last night the plans to bus 100 persons to Albany were scrapped after the Assembly voted last week not to debate a proposed anti-busing measure. Nasierowski said that instead, "We're going to blast the (Democrats) for pulling a deal in Albany."

Democrats voted against discussion of the bill.

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