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"It is obvious that the voters have spoken and have given their verdict. This will be the last contest in which I will participate." — California Gov. Edmund G. Brown

Carter, Reagan win two; Gov. Brown calls it quits

MILWAUKEE (AP) — President Carter crushed Sen. Edward Kennedy's campaign comeback with a double-landslide in Wisconsin and Kansas, gaining the votes that put him more than half-way to renomination in what is now a two-man Democratic contest.

Ronald Reagan strengthened his virtually unbreakable grip on the Republican nomination and stands as the candidate the Democrats almost certainly would have to defeat to hold the White House. He captured Wisconsin's primary election on Tuesday, ran away with Kansas, and said that while he wasn't claiming to have the nomination clinched, "it does make for a substantial lead."

California Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr., a distant third to Carter and Kennedy, said he was through as a candidate. "This will be the last contest in which I participate in 1980," he said.

Rep. John Anderson's Republican campaign hit the skids in Wisconsin. The Illinois congressman had campaigned diligently through the state and hoped Democratic crossovers would fortify his showing. But he placed third, behind George Bush, raising questions about his ability to build a third-party candidacy as some supporters urged.

The midwestern primary victories strengthened Carter and Reagan as they head for a Saturday election in Louisiana. Southerner Carter and conservative Reagan are strong there, and virtually certain to add to their towering leads in nominating delegates.

Carter emerged from the Tuesday primaries with a national total of 852 delegates, more than half the 1,666-vote majority he'll need to win at the Democratic National Convention. Kennedy has 427.

Reagan's victories swelled his total

to 343 of the 998 it will take to gain the GOP nomination. Bush, the former U.N. ambassador who ran second in Wisconsin and third in Kansas, has 72. Anderson has 57.

Bush and Anderson said they would press their campaigns to overtake Reagan, but that will become ever more difficult as the competition moves to southwestern and western states in which the former California governor looms strong.

Kennedy's next target is the April 22 primary in Pennsylvania; he went campaigning there today after gaining the endorsement of the million-member American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

Stephen Smith, Kennedy's campaign manager, said "I think we will have a strong win in Pennsylvania." Without one, Kennedy strategists concede their chances of catching Carter will dwindle toward slim or none.

Carter let the numbers do the talking. Spokesman Jody Powell said the president termed his victories evidence of "very important and very strong support." Wisconsin campaign manager Curtis Wiley said Carter "was elated at the spread" by which he defeated Kennedy.

It was 56 percent to 30 percent in Wisconsin, 57 percent to 32 percent in Kansas.

Brown had concentrated on Wisconsin for a month, but he got only 12 percent of the vote. He needed 20 percent to avoid losing federal subsidies for a campaign that already was running out of money.

So he conceded the election and the campaign. "The voters have spoken and have given their verdict on my 1980 campaign, and that means that this will be the last contest in which I participate in 1980," he told supporters in Milwaukee.

Brown, who defeated Carter in five late-season primaries in 1976, said he would continue to work for the goals of his campaign. He emphasized that he was out for 1980. At 41, he may be back in four years.

"I haven't dropped out," he said. "That implies I've dropped out of the process. I intend to participate in the process as governor of California."

Brown said his name will remain on the ballot in the California primary on June 3. "It's too late to take it off," he said.

Carter's midwestern victories undid the short-lived comeback Kennedy gained by capturing the New York and Connecticut primaries one Tuesday earlier. The president now has won nine primaries; Kennedy three.

These were Tuesday's results:

Democrats
Wisconsin, with 99 percent of the precincts counted:
Carter 348,518 or 56 percent, for 48 delegates.
Kennedy 187,109 or 30 percent, for 26 delegates.
Brown 77,246 or 12 percent, for 1 delegate.

The rest was scattered among two minor candidates and the uncommitted line on the ballot.

Kansas, with returns complete:
Carter 108,651 or 57 percent for 23 delegates.
Kennedy 60,649 or 32 percent for 14 delegates.
Brown 9,362 or 5 percent.
Six percent of the vote was for "none of the names shown," the rest was scattered among minor candidates.

Republicans
Wisconsin, with 99 percent of the precincts reporting:
Reagan 360,314 or 40 percent, for 28 delegates.
Bush 274,383 or 31 percent.
Anderson 246,746 or 28 percent, for 6 delegates.

The balance was scattered. The delegates were apportioned on the basis of congressional district showings; since Anderson carried two districts he won delegates. Bush did not win any district and claimed no delegates.

Kansas, with all votes counted:
Reagan 178,068 or 63 percent, for 20 delegates.
Anderson 51,504 or 18 percent, for 5 delegates.
Bush 35,412 or 13 percent, for 4 delegates.

AN EDITORIAL

It's time for a change

Three men have offered themselves as candidates for Midland's mayor in Saturday's city election.

The three — Martin Allday, Thane Akins and Carl Hollums Sr. — each possess qualities which undoubtedly would prove beneficial to this community. They deserve to be commended for coming forth and offering themselves for this important leadership role.

However, it is the responsibility of the voters of this community to select the one man whom they believe best qualified for the job.

After carefully reviewing the qualifications of each of the candidates and interviewing each personally, it is the opinion of The Midland Reporter-Telegram that Martin Allday possesses the philosophy, qualifications and expertise necessary for the job. We believe he is the candidate who would best serve the interests of all Midland's residents.

The decision was not an easy one. There were many factors to consider and several issues to be resolved.

Not the least of those concerns is the question of the city's position regarding possible future acceptance of federal monies, particularly Community Development funds. During the past, those funds have been rejected mainly due to the federal requirement for inclusion of a rental subsidy program.

We agree with those who believe the less federal control exerted over Midland the better. But by rejecting these funds we are hurting not only those residents in the lower economic bracket who may be able to better themselves with their own efforts but those, such as the elderly and handicapped, who have no means of improving their lot in life.

In addition, Community Development funds can be used for housing rehabilitation, paving, street lights and drainage, and have been so utilized in Midland in the past. The need for such programs now, especially in the south and east sections of the city, is serious.

Midland is a progressive, dynamic city with a bright future. We like to think we don't need to rely on federal funds, administered under the guidelines of the federal government, to take care of our own needs. Unfortunately, despite some local programs, that goal is not being achieved.

Let us be honest. There are poor residents in Midland. Despite the affluence here, their plight is one of hopelessness, and the opportunity of finding and obtaining minimally adequate housing grows increasingly dim.

It's time for a change. We believe Martin Allday's philosophy in this respect truly does represent the best interests of all Midland's residents, including the impoverished.

As for the oil industry, the lifeblood of Midland's economy, Allday is knowledgeable and informed, a result of years of business and legal activities involving the various aspects of this city's economic base.

There are other issues, as well. Midland will face, along with the rest of the nation, major challenges in the future.

There will be questions of providing essential city services. Midland is in a growth period during which our needs must not only be met, but anticipated. We must look to the future with bold visions of what is to come and how we will prepare for it.

There also are the questions of future expansion of the city's industrial base, continued development of adequate transportation services, traffic control and police and fire protection.

Thane Akins has experience on the city council and is a civic leader. We appreciate the service he has given and the contributions he has made to the betterment of Midland. Under previous leadership Midland has prospered and grown.

But it is our belief that this election marks a new era for Midland. And we believe Martin Allday is the best qualified man to lead us as we enter that era.

'Mad' Eddie Chiles raps bureaucracy

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

H.E. "Eddie" Chiles is advocating a sure cure for inflation and for shooting down the encroaching federal government that is breeding socialism and suffocating capitalism.

Chiles is the free enterprise spokesman who popularized the "I'm mad"



"We need to make changes in government. We have the poorest management in Washington that we have in the world.... We must get the big spenders out and get some people in who can tell the truth.... We need to get the federal government's hands off energy: coal, oil and gas, nuclear (power), electricity.... I realized the American dream, but I'm afraid the American dream has been turned into a nightmare." — Eddie Chiles

lashing of the bureaucracy.

On Tuesday, he called for major cuttings in government spending, returning to free enterprise and kicking out socialism, electing "conservative" politicians to public offices and retiring the big-spending liberals.

"We need to make changes in government," Chiles, 69-year-old chief executive officer of The Western Co., told 400 men and a smattering of women at the joint meeting of the Permian Basin chapter of the International Association of Drilling Contractors and the Permian Basin section of the American Petroleum Institute. The dinner was held in Ranchland Hills Country Club.

"WE HAVE THE POOREST management in Washington that we have in the world," he said. "We must change government. We must get the big spenders out and get some people in who can tell the truth."

Chiles, a former Midlander who started his multi-million-dollar oil-well service company in 1939 at Seagraves, lashed out at the federal bureaucracy and proposed ways to return this nation to capitalism and free enterprise.

His Fort Worth-based international company has annual sales approaching \$400 million, has 4,000 employees, services on-land wells via cementing, acidizing and fracturing and operates 11 off-shore rigs.

Chiles' speech was an elaborate dissertation of his television and radio anti-big government spiels which he broadcasts over some 660 radio and television stations in 14 states. His free enterprise advocacy has ushered in the increasingly commonplace "I'm mad, too, Eddie!" white-and-red bumper stickers.

"I KNOW GOVERNMENT does not trust industry," Chiles told the audience that gave him rousing ovations

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Absentee vote sets record

A new record was set this year in absentee balloting for Saturday's school-city-hospital-college joint election as 2,770 persons marked their ballot in the Midland Independent School District Administration Building.

Don Furgeson, school business manager, said another 90 ballots were mailed out. Recipients have until 1 p.m. Saturday to return these to the Administration Office.

In the 1979 election, 1,780 persons voted absentee.

Furgeson attributed the high turnout to the fact that Easter falls on the day after the election and many people will be out of town. State law requires the election to be on the first Saturday in April, he explained.

Polis for the general election will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday. Up for election is the mayor's seat, two City Council positions, two school board members, three Midland College trustees and two at-large positions on the Midland County Hospital District board of directors.

Also on the ballot is a \$3 million school bond issue for repairs and renovation on various schools.

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Estes, Neill uncontested for two hospital seats

By DAVID CAMPBELL
Staff Writer

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Pat Estes and Martin Neill are the two candidates running in an uncontested race for two positions on the Midland County Hospital District Board of Directors.

Both candidates, however, say they have taken a serious interest in the future needs of the district.

Completing and staffing expanded facilities at Midland Memorial Hospital and the Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center are the immediate future needs of the district, Mrs. Estes said.

Neill indicated management of the hospital's operations would become the future need the district must address.

"The goal would be to try to make the hospital fit the operations," he said.

"The days of the private hospitals are gone," he added. "The costs and the expertise to run the hospital are too great."

The challenge, according to Neill, would be to try and make the hospital profitable so it would not become a burden to the taxpayer.

"But, that doesn't mean the hospital will always make a profit," he added.

Parking at Midland Memorial Hospital will become another challenge for the district, both candidates said.

Neill suggested building a new parking facility with revenue bonds to be paid from parking fees, if current parking becomes overcrowded. This way, he noted, the burden would not

be on the taxpayers to pay for the bonds.

"We need to study with a professional the traffic pattern and future expansion of the hospital in its present location," Mrs. Estes noted, "and work out an overall development of the hospital."

Attracting physicians and nurses was an area where "there is an effective professional recruitment program," she said.

However, Mrs. Estes noted the district would be in favor of cooperating with Midland College to train nurses.

Regarding the Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center, Mrs. Estes said she thinks no tax increase will be needed to fund its operations.

"It would be an asset rather than a

financial deficit," she added.

"I have a great interest in the running of the hospital and the district," Mrs. Estes said of her reasons for filing for the position. "I feel that I know the needs of our people in the district."

Mrs. Estes is currently serving on the board, having been appointed after the resignation of Dr. Michael Burleson last year.

Neill said he is interested in the position because he has always had an interest in the hospital and knew of the complicated nature of operating a hospital in a taxing district.

"I realize the tremendous danger," he noted, "of Father Government."

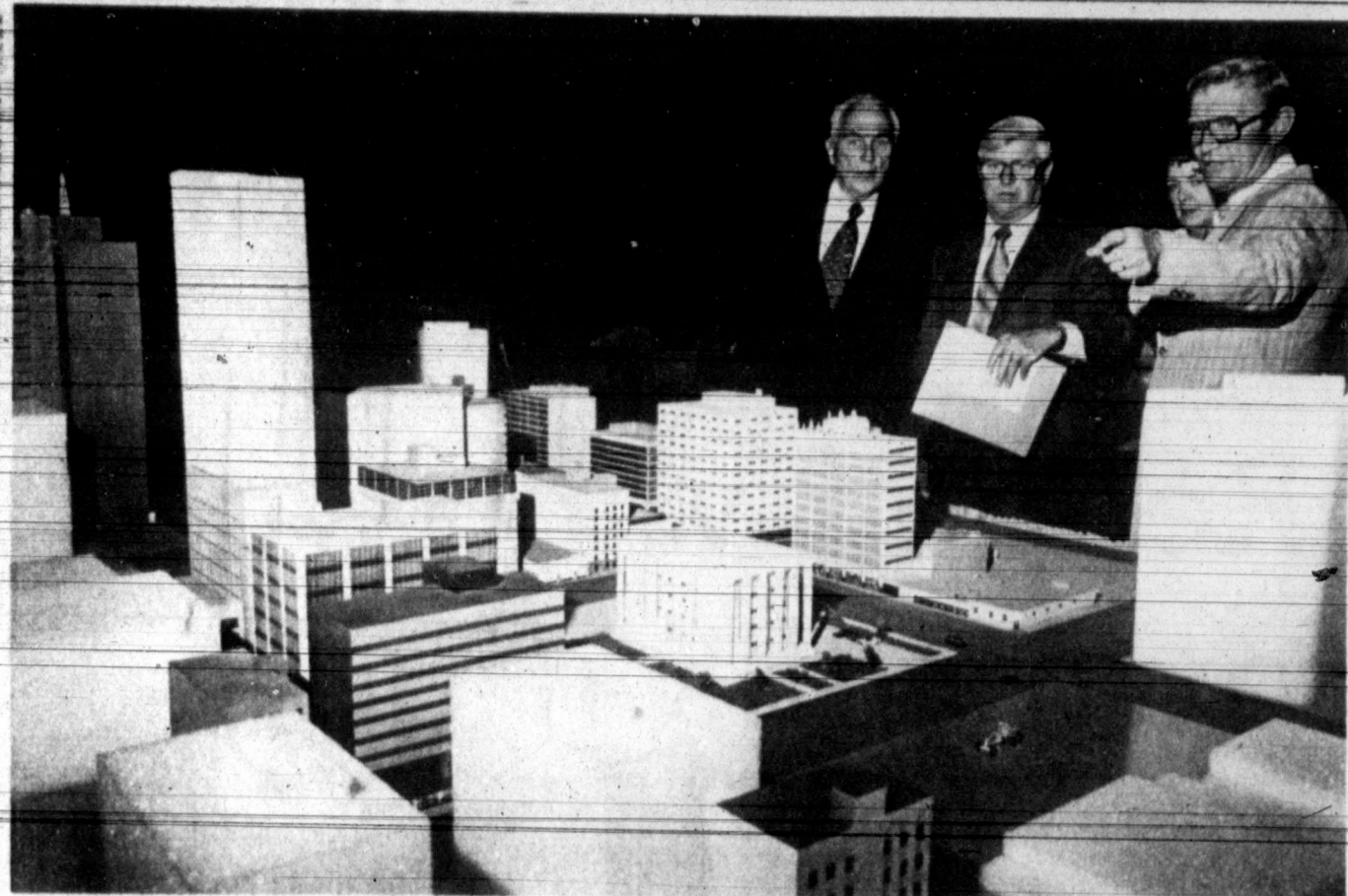
He noted there needed to have citizens on the board to watch how the taxpayers' money is spent.



Pat Estes



Martin Neill



A scale model of downtown Midland reflects the growth over the past 10 years as styrofoam blocks at the left and foreground depict the additions since 1970. Eyeing the model are, from left, Fred Kester, Gene Abbott, Mrs. Gene Abbott and John Raney. The model was on display Monday night in Midland Center for the Midland Chamber of Commerce banquet. (Staff Photo by Bruce Partain)

Gene Abbott, Mrs. Gene Abbott and John Raney. The model was on display Monday night in Midland Center for the Midland Chamber of Commerce banquet. (Staff Photo by Bruce Partain)

Gang claims more grocery poisonings

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The "Poison Gang" that claimed responsibility for placing deadly cyanide in a jar of pickles and a bottle of teriyaki sauce in two Safeway supermarkets reportedly has struck again after raising its extortion demands from 50 to 100 diamonds.

The Riverside Press Enterprise in today's editions quoted an unidentified federal source as saying a Safeway store in Palm Desert had received an extortion threat Monday warning of a poisoned jar of salad dressing and had tried to meet the caller's demand.

The newspaper also said a man acquitted of charges involving a similar plot at a Sun City Safeway store in 1979, is being sought as a suspect in connection with the new poisonings.

The man who called the Pacific Beach Safeway store on Sunday to warn of the tainted teriyaki sauce demanded a payoff in diamonds and threatened to poison food at other Safeway stores if his demands were not met, San Diego Police said. They refused to say if the caller set a time limit.

Police Lt. Ron Seden said "from all indications" the extortion plot appears to be the work of one person, although hand-lettered notes attached to the cyanide-laden foods were signed "The Poison Gang."

Authorities said the caller has not contacted Safeway officials since the call on Sunday. It was not revealed how police learned the extortionist had raised his demand to 100 diamonds.

Safeway officials and law enforcement officers said there have been no reports of poisoned foods in the area since the weekend incidents.

Police refused comment about reported similarities between the incidents in San Diego and the extortion scheme in Sun City last May. The Riverside County extortionist originally demanded \$50,000 and eventually increased the amount to \$150,000.

In the Sun City case, police found a cyanide-tainted box of cereal and an orange injected with the poison. Richard Q. Williams, 45, of Winchester, was acquitted in the case March 21.

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19 3/4 percent prime lending rate posted by third largest bank

NEW YORK (AP) — The soaring prime lending rate has jumped another notch, to an unprecedented 19 3/4 percent, as banks continue to adjust for the rising cost of their funds.

Chase Manhattan Bank, the nation's third largest, posted the new rate Tuesday, four days after it jumped to 19 1/4 percent. Other banks were expected to match the new rate soon.

"The cost of money to the bank has continued to increase," a Chase official said, "and therefore to adequately cover our costs, the 19 3/4 rate was considered more appropriate now."

The prime — the rate banks charge their biggest and most credit-worthy corporate borrowers — has increased eight times since March 4 and 14 times so far in 1980 in reaction to the Federal Reserve Board's attempts to

curb inflation by slowing the growth of borrowing debts. One month ago, the prime stood at 18 1/2 percent.

Soon after Chase and some other banks boosted their prime rate 1/2 percentage point to 19 1/4 percent Friday, a majority of major banks, including top-ranked Bank of America, went to the 19 1/4 percent level.

Chase renewed the climb toward 20 percent Tuesday, shortly after second-ranked Citibank and No. 4 Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. joined the majority at the 19 1/4 percent level.

A growing number of analysts are predicting the rate will hit 20 percent soon as banks are forced to pay more for their funds. The federal funds rate — the rate banks must pay for overnight loans from other Federal Reserve system banks — stood at 19 1/2 percent Tuesday.

"The demand for bank loans continues to be strong, putting banks under increasing pressure, so you can figure the prime will move upward some more before peaking out," said Maria Ramirez, an assistant vice president at Merrill Lynch Co. in New York. "I think it's going to be a couple of weeks before it peaks."

Despite the recent increases, credit demand has been heavy. Figures released Friday by the Fed said commercial and industrial loans by the nation's large banks jumped \$818 million in the week ended last Wednesday. That followed a \$1.4 billion surge the previous week.

Six months ago, shortly before the Fed announced its first round of credit restraints, the prime stood at 13 1/2 percent.

Week's third snowstorm hits Plains

By The Associated Press

The third snowstorm within a week was moving today into the Great Plains where heavy snow already on the ground hampered efforts to restore electricity and rescue cattle.

In the South, rivers climbed in Louisiana, flooding homes and an interstate highway.

As a new storm began to move in from Arizona, Colorado Gov. Richard Lamm on Tuesday ordered a National Guard helicopter to drop hay to 6,000 snowbound cattle. A thousand families were without power on the state's eastern plains.

"Baby calves are being dropped (born) and dying right on the spot," said rancher Joe Ortnier of Holyoke in northeast Colorado. "Some babies are being separated from their mothers. Now the coyotes are starting to work on the calves. I chased some off last night."

The snow storm which dumped up to 4 inches in northern Arizona was heading northeast toward the Plains and winter storm watches were posted for southeastern Wyoming through tonight with Kansas and Nebraska under a winter storm watch.

"It will be dangerous for young livestock," said John Eakin of the National Weather Service in Denver. "We're not looking for a blizzard, merely blowing snow with winds 10-25 miles per hour."

The drifts from the two previous storms hampered rescue efforts by cattlemen and repair work on power lines.

"Our linemen are using snowmobiles to get around and you can't do much line work out of a snowmobile," said Bus Ward of K.C. Electrical Association based in Hugo, Colo. "We have drifts 10 to 12 feet high. We hope to get a plane up this morning to see what the damage is. If we get another storm we'll be in worse trouble."

Duane Jewell, chief statistician for the Colorado Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, said it was still too early to assess cattle losses.

Gov. Charles Thone ordered National Guard helicopters to fly to three western Nebraska towns — North Platte, McCook and Sidney — to be ready for use in medical and other emergencies.

In Mississippi, 300 families forced to flee along the Pearl, Tombigbee and Leaf Rivers hoped to go home soon.

Snow, rain scattered over nation

By The Associated Press

Snow reached from the Arizona and New Mexico mountains through the Colorado Rockies today and into the Nebraska Panhandle.

Snow also fell from western Kansas into central Wyoming.

Showers and an occasional thunderstorm were widely scattered across southern Florida and the Gulf Coast into central Texas. Showers also fell around southern Lake Michigan.

Temperatures at 2 a.m. EST ranged from 17 in Rawlins, Wyo., to 77 in Key West, Fla.

Snow was expected to spread from the Rockies into the northern Plains, western and central Nebraska and northwest Kansas. Rain was forecast over the rest of Nebraska and Oklahoma with showers or thunderstorms scattered across the central and lower Great Lakes and the central Gulf of Mexico coastal area.

Here are some early morning temperatures and conditions around the nation.

Central U.S. — Chicago 42 rain, Denver 29 snow, Des Moines 43 foggy, Fort Worth 62 partly cloudy, Indianapolis 39 hazy, Kansas City 56 fair, Louisville 43 fair, Minneapolis-St. Paul 38 fair, Nashville 56 fair, New Orleans 67 cloudy, St. Louis 53 fair.

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If it's the squeaky wheel that gets greased, then maybe it's the squeaky-clean dog that gets adopted.

That's the hope of City of Midland Animal Control personnel, who took extra pains to provide an appealing Pet of the Week this time around.

Getting a soapy washing from Animal Technician Patty Heis is Bubba, a 3-month-old male Old English Sheepdog mix.

The Animal Control Center, 1601 E. Orchard Lane, will be closed Friday and Saturday this week.

Regular hours will resume next week: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays and noon to 2 p.m. Saturday.

Staff Photos by Bruce Partain



Parachute rigger charged in death of officer whose chute failed to open

FORT BRAGG, N.C. (AP) — A check of Army parachutes triggered by the death of an officer whose chute failed to open has turned up several sabotaged parachutes, it was reported today.

An Army parachute rigger, 20-year-old Pfc. Alvin Williams, was charged with murder Tuesday in the death last week of Capt. Lawrence D. Hill. After Williams was charged, the Army said it was checking thousands of parachutes.

The News and Observer of Raleigh today quoted unidentified military sources as saying the review turned up several sabotaged chutes. Military spokesmen could not immediately be reached for comment on the report.

Williams, who has been in the Army since February 1979, was being held in the Cumberland County Jail. He is accused of sabotaging the parachute used by the 26-year-old

Hill, whose main chute failed to open during a routine proficiency jump at Fort Bragg.

In nearby Hope Mills, meanwhile, Hill's mother said she was relieved to know her son did not die from lack of skill.

"I feel it was God's will, but I wanted to know what part man played in it," said Laura Hill.

Maj. Tom Woods, public affairs officer at Fort Bragg, said the 82nd Airborne Division was re-checking several thousand parachutes to see if the alleged sabotage is more widespread.

Army officials say parachutes used in the division since the death have been checked prior to use and commanders have been told to advise their troops of the checks to ease fears.

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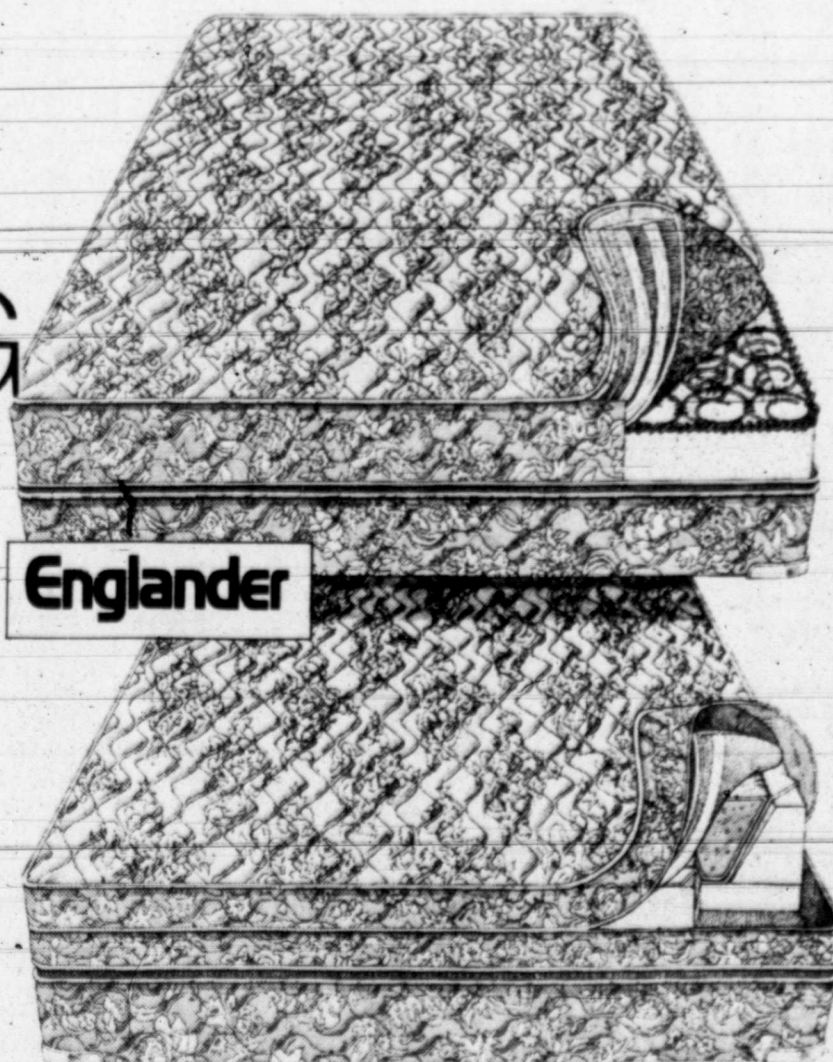
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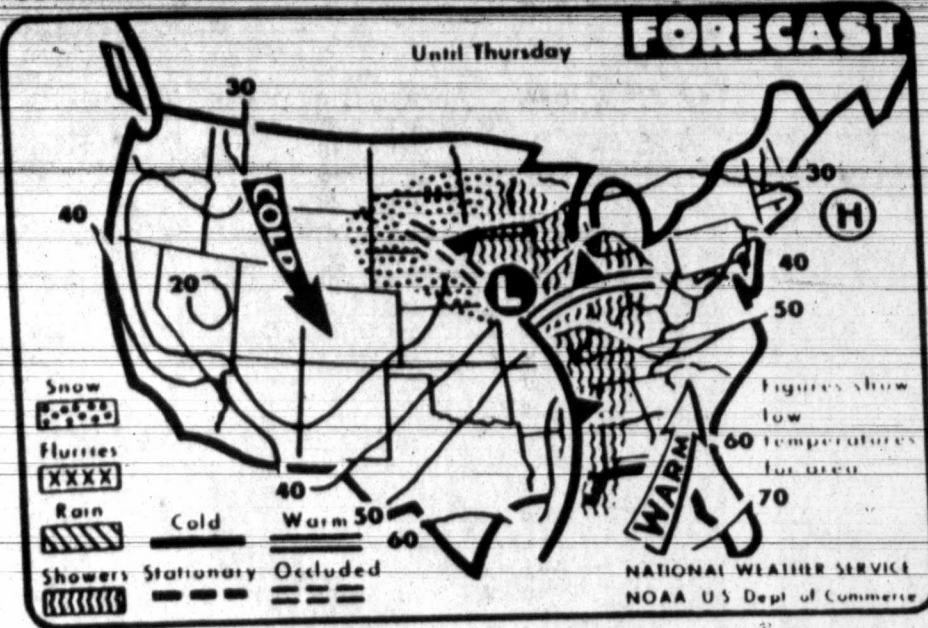
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WEATHER SUMMARY



Shows are forecast today through Thursday from the central Gulf to the Midwest, changing to snow over the northern and central Plains. Warm weather is predicted for the Southeast, cold for the western Plains. Mild temperatures are expected for the West Coast and Northeast. (AP Laserphoto Map)

Midland statistics

Table with columns for 'WEATHER FORECAST', 'NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS', 'LOCAL TEMPERATURES', and 'SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES'. It lists various cities and their corresponding weather conditions and temperatures.

Texas temperatures

Table listing temperatures for various Texas cities including Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Brownsville, Childress, College Station, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Dalhart, Del Rio, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Houston, Lubbock, Marfa, McAllen, Midland, Mineral Wells, Palestine, San Antonio, Sherman, Tyler, Victoria, Wichita Falls, and Wink.

Extended forecasts

Friday through Sunday: West Texas: Partly cloudy through Sunday. Cool Friday and Saturday warmer Sunday. Chance of showers Panhandle Sunday. Low Friday night 30s north to 40s south. Highs Friday and Saturday mid 40s north to 50s south. Low Saturday night 30s north to 40s south. Highs Saturday mid 40s extreme north to mid 50s Big Bend.

'Tilting' may mean lava flow

COUGAR, Wash. (AP) — The ground around Mount St. Helens has "tilted" upward, and scientists said if the swelling increases the awakening volcano might spew lava. Meanwhile, volcanic ash fell in Vancouver, Wash., and Portland, Ore., areas, about 50 miles southwest of Mount St. Helens, after the smoldering mountain issued its most dramatic steam and ash plumes since it started erupting last week.



Mount St. Helens, above, an active volcano near Cougar, Ore., Tuesday spews more smoke and ash — to rain down as far away as 60 miles. At right, particles of ash are enlarged 4,000 times by a special scanning electron microscope at MEI-Charlton, Inc., in Portland. (AP Laserphotos)

One good indication of whether a lava eruption is likely is a phenomenon known as tilting, which occurs when a mountain swells under the pressure of magma — molten rock moving beneath the surface. The ground near Spirit Lake just north of the mountain bulged upward about a half-inch Tuesday. The tilting on St. Helens so far has been "insignificant," said Don Mullineaux of the U.S. Geological Survey, but if it intensifies, it is a "good sign" that a lava eruption might be on the way.

Bani-Sadr won't take custody of hostages until Carter acts

By The Associated Press President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr said President Carter has not met his terms for removal of the American hostages from the control of the militants holding them, and the Revolutionary Council won't take custody of the captives until he does. A top White House official said the Carter administration is not sure what the Iranian leader wants.

to whether he intended to accede to Bani-Sadr's conditions. Asked whether the silence meant acquiescence, a senior White House aide said, "This government is not aware that it has engaged in any hostile action or provocation.... The president's remarks constitute our statement on this matter. I think I have made myself abundantly clear." The aide also declined to say whether Carter had any private assurances that the hostage transfer would take place.

Eddie Chiles calls for change

(Continued from Page 1A) before and after his speech, "and I know damn well I don't trust government." Chiles suggested routes to rid the nation of "devastating" inflation, which "is made in Washington (D.C.)" and is not made anywhere else. Inflation is made by spending more

money than we're taking in. They'll bankrupt this country." Chiles suggested: —Balance the federal budget by cutting down on spending and lowering taxes. "We're already taxed more than we can pay." —Eliminate the U.S. Department of Energy. "They could do away with

the Department of Energy" and put the department's \$14 billion a year budget into building up the nation's defense. Then, Chiles said, the DOE people should be "put in the Army."

are in the Republican Party, except for (Illinois Senator and presidential hopeful) John Anderson. —Re-institute capitalism to its fullest. "We've got to get rid of this trend toward socialism." —Stop courting President Carter. "Big oil" is funneling money to Carter, apparently asking for favors. "That's just like feeding an alligator, hoping he'll eat you last."

Tanker, freighter collide; All crewmen reported safe

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — An empty oil tanker and a freighter collided and burst into flames in the fog-shrouded Gulf of Mexico just off 'Prophet' misses call for 'rapture'

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Millions of Christians remain on earth today, but the credibility of self-proclaimed prophet Willie Day Smith may have vanished. According to Smith's Biblical calculations, he and millions of other believers were to have instantaneously and inexplicably disappeared from the earth Tuesday afternoon. The occasion was the "rapture," the day when the Christian faithful are summoned to heaven to be with Jesus Christ.

the Texas coast today, but all the crewmen on both ships jumped to safety, the Coast Guard said. Coast Guard Petty Officer Kenneth Harry said 35 crewmen from the tanker Amoco Cremona were plucked out of the water after the collision with the freighter Mason Lykes. It was not known immediately how many crewmen were aboard the freighter. One injured crewman, apparently suffering from smoke inhalation, was taken to a Galveston hospital. Fog had reduced visibility to about one-half a mile at the time of the collision, Harry said.

The collision occurred about one and a half miles off the Galveston jetties, near the entrance to the Galveston Ship Channel. The ship channel was closed to traffic because of the collision. The Coast Guard Cutter Point Monroe was sent to the scene from Freeport, Harry said. He said poor visibility at the collision scene prevented the use of a helicopter to rescue the crewmen.

LIQUIDATE THE U.S. Department of Education. "The federal government hasn't done anything but what they ought not to be doing. (Youngsters) can't read. We need to get the government out of schools," cut the federal budget by \$10 billion and put the education bureaucrats in the Army. "We need to get God back in the schools, and we need that very badly."

Five killed in fire CHICAGO (AP) — Five persons died early today when fire broke out in a basement and swept rapidly through a four-story apartment building on Chicago's West Side, authorities said. A spokesman at Mount Sinai Hospital said the dead included a man, a woman and three children. An injured woman also was taken to the burn unit of Cook County Hospital. One man was being treated for smoke inhalation.

CHILES THEORIZED that the United States is in the "apathetic" stage in its evolution. The country is dangerously close to bondage after 200 years in which the nation fought off an earlier bondage, developed a spiritual faith, grew in liberty, reveled in abundance, and then degenerated to selfishness and complacency just before sinking into another depraved step — apathy. "I think we are a nation divided against ourselves. We are part free and part controlled. We are part capitalists and part socialists."

Slightly cooler temperature to accompany dust, wind The Permian Basin will have slightly cooler temperatures with its dust and wind Thursday, the weatherman said. Fair tonight and Thursday and a little cooler Thursday is the best part of the official forecast from the National Weather Service office at Midland Regional Airport. Winds should be only about 15-20 mph tonight, but should shift to the northwest and increase to 15-25 mph Thursday.

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degrees with the overnight low a very mild 57. Record temperatures for comparison are 99 degrees set in 1946 and 29 set in 1938. The Midland Reporter-Telegram (USPS 661-900) Published by Midland Newspapers, Inc. evenings (except Saturday and Sunday) and Saturday and Sunday morning, 201 E. Illinois Street, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702. Second Class Postage Paid at Midland, Texas. HOME DELIVERY Paid-in-Advance 1-Yr. 6-Mos. 1-Mo. \$48.00 \$27.00 \$14.00

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Lenten Gag'

To The Editor:
Your series from the Newspaper Bible must be your idea of a "new twist" in journalism in which you endeavor to bring the scriptures to those of us who otherwise would not understand it (most of us do have a Bible.) But I wonder if the levity of your version or the modernization of your language makes it any more understandable, readable or religious.

If your newspaper, and the others around the country who are going along with the "Lenten Gag," were really trying to help us find the "truth," (in this case Christian) you would not be promoting John's Gospel, the latest and thus the most remote from the actual life of Jesus.

As a matter of fact if you really wanted to help us to find this Christian truth and the "true" gospel of Jesus you would send your reporters back to the original sources of which there are still many as yet unreported. Even Matthew and Luke were not primarily interested in proving that Jesus walked on the water therefore he was chosen the Master, or performed many miracles, therefore he was the chosen Messiah.

It just seems to me that there is too much reporting what the Bible said Jesus did to help us all get on the good side of God. If Jesus were to be resurrected following Easter Sunday he would no longer recognize his own greatness. I have always felt that the news media had other objectives than the reinforcement of the religious doctrines of its readers.

Rev. John Stewart MacPhee
Midland Unitarian Church

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What better way

To The Editor:
As a concerned parent, teacher or taxpayer, are you alarmed about the many conspired programs that are infiltrating the public schools? What better way is there for the humanist (communist) to gain a one world government than through our children?

Many teachers who would otherwise speak out against such programs as immoral films, sensitivity training, busing, psycho-drama, free dress, third force, child advocacy and many other programs won't anymore than they will stop contributing to the United Way, as many people are forced to do, if they wish to keep their job. I'm just thankful we still have some Christian teachers and principals who know what's taking place in the system and not afraid to admit it.

I say let's start by first protecting our children, cleaning up our school board by replacing them with Christians who are more concerned with morals being taught to our children and not afraid to get rid of all these mind-conditioning materials, immoral films and textbooks. Even if it means schools not having the government funds — I say who needs them! Are not our children more important than being subjected to all this government authority of replacing morals and God with no values at all — go absolutes — and instead of education using psychology and picture shows?

Faye Russell
Midland

EDITOR'S NOTE: We appreciate your comments. However, not all our readers agree with you. Three have called and another wrote (not for publication) to compliment us on adding this feature.

The 'new math'

To The Editor:
Last night I heard the great news from President Carter. The "windfall profits tax" is good for the country and will reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

We have already been told that approximately 15 percent of this "windfall" will go toward developing and producing more domestic energy. What happened to the axiom "a whole is equal to the sum of all its parts?" This "new math" is really confusing. Can we be made to believe that 15 percent of 227.7 billion dollars can produce more energy than 100 percent of it? Also, he failed to say whether this 15 percent is of the gross 227.7 billion dollars, or what is left after administrative costs of the "middle man."

Another confusing thing is that Mr. Jack Anderson stated in his column of March 10, 1980, and I quote, "his windfall tax proposal would leave half of the oil profits untaxed." This is untrue, and a request from Mr. Anderson for an explanation went unanswered. I assume from this that he had no defense. This is typical of the biased reports from much of the news media on the excise tax (possibly a confiscation of property.)

I hope that we remember this "new math" in November and vote accordingly.

Douglas W. Rice
Midland

Vote for change

To The Editor:
The time has come for the public to prove to our government we want a change. It seems the politicians only listen to us just before an election, so I suggest voting against all incumbents. A partial replacement will not make our point.

When an elected official starts telling the public what we can or cannot do, such as President Carter telling the athletes they will not go to Moscow, then that official no longer understands his function. A quick inspection of our income tax returns makes it quite obvious that our representatives think the cure to all their problems is to raise more taxes.

Well, I am tired of the working people solving their problems. They have that backwards too. We have much to gain and little to lose, so vote for a change. "I'm mad too, Eddie!"

John G. Merritt
Odessa

I wonder...

To The Editor:
Mr. Reese's expressions of racial bias are so outrageous that they are ineffective, but I wonder if The Reporter-Telegram is not being had in paying this man for the privilege of publishing on the editorial page, his vicious, venomous anti-Arab invective.

Bruce Pearson
Midland

Texas man torches Census form, leads protest against national count

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Libertarian Jeff Hummel said he was standing up for his right not to be counted when he torched his census form Tuesday.

"If I came into your house and said I was going to fine you \$100 if you didn't tell me how many people were living there, you'd throw me out," Hummel said as he debated a heckler.

Hummel, a self-styled anarchist, attracted a small crowd on the University of Texas campus as television cameras rolled and he put his cigarette lighter to his census form.

"A lot of people are putting false information down. One person I know listed his cat as a person," he said of other efforts to resist the census.

The burning came on the day Americans were asked to tell their government who they are, how much money they make, how many bathrooms they have, and a list of other questions Hummel found intruding.

Covering up?

To The Editor:
Re: The recent statements by two school board candidates relating to school discipline.

According to Mr. Ramsoure "in the 20 years I have been with the school district we have not had an incident of students attacking teachers or the use of foul language in our classrooms."

Either someone is covering the facts from Mr. Ramsoure or he needs some information. I taught for five years in our school district. These are a few of the things I have seen or have witnessed:

1. I heard the foulest language I ever hope to hear while I taught school. At the time I was teaching, some of the worst of it happened to have come from a Bible class. I found it almost impossible to control because there was little back-up for my position that foul language does not have a place in schools. Not all of it was directed at teachers, of course; but its mere presence is degrading.
2. On one occasion a small group of students "ganged" at my classroom door between classes. While their teacher stood there, they refused to let me leave the class before their class began. I did discuss the problem about the other teacher, but the "taste" lingered on...
3. Students were eating, smoking, spitting tobacco all over the school. One administrator actually was perturbed because I asked him to put a stop to the tobacco spitting in the halls so that other students could make use of the trash cans and water fountains.
4. The windows of my home have been bashed in. So have the doors.
5. My husband's car was pushed through our garage door, causing us to have major repair work done on that.
6. My car was damaged in the parking lot.

Some teachers have never faced any situation like this. But many have, and many have quit just like me.

Name Withheld

Eye for Midland

To The Editor:
I served on the Midland County Commissioner's Court from 1951 to 1967. During that time, I knew no one with a better eye for Midland's future than Martin Allday. Long before most people had even thought about building a county library or a local college or buying some choice land for rights of way, Martin Allday had seen these possibilities and was working hard to get them for Midland. He knew then and he knows now what is good for Midland. He worked then and he's working now to improve the lives of Midlanders.

In light of Martin's near perfect qualifications for mayor, I am not surprised that one of his opponents has felt the need to talk about an issue that has nothing to do with this campaign. What does surprise me is that this opponent has talked about an issue which does not even score him any points. Specifically, he has talked about who knows and who does not know the oil business. He's trying to say that Martin does not know it, but I know from experience that Martin does. On more than one occasion, Martin's knowledge of the ins and outs of the oil business has helped me a lot. Implications that Martin doesn't have that knowledge are plumb silly.

Martin Allday has been pushing for the betterment of Midland ever since he moved to town 28 years ago. Midlanders must feel darn lucky and proud right now that they have the opportunity to elect him mayor.

Alvey Bryant
Midland

Telling it like it is

To The Editor:
I saw on TV last night where Martin Allday had listed on the required Candidate's Financial Report that he had received about \$19,000 and that his opponent, Thane Akins, had received only \$150. I checked with the City Secretary's office where these reports were filed and found out that almost 200 people had contributed to Allday but that Akins had reported only one contribution for \$150! That's "1" folks. Who do you believe? The same TV report indicated Akins had spent no money for his campaign!

I understand that the election laws require a candidate to list all contributions received and expenses made. I admire Allday's political guts in listing all of his contributions — even down to the smallest amount. I may be politically naive, but I went a mayor who tells it like it is — up front. That's the kind of guy Midland can trust and needs. I intend to vote for him on Saturday.

Don Phiffer
Midland

EDITOR'S NOTE: The television report was not up to date. Latest candidate spending reports, which were published in The Reporter-Telegram Tuesday, showed Martin Allday received \$25,670 in contributions from more than 190 people while Thane Akins reported receiving \$9,444, including a \$2,000 personal loan and contributors totaling 28. This was not the final report, however. That will be issued following the election.

Professional look

To The Editor:
I just spent some time in Washington, D.C., working for the independent's exemption from the windfall profits tax. While there, I was shocked by the way some Washingtonians treated oil men like me. Rather than carefully consider what we had to say, they treated us like greedy, thick-headed idiots, simply because we were "oil men."

When I returned to Midland a few days ago, I was equally shocked by the attacks one mayoral candidate — Thane Akins — was making on another — Martin Allday. Rather than deal with legitimate issues, Akins discounts Allday's candidacy simply because Allday is a "lawyer."

More than anyone else, we in the oil business know how foolhardy and unfair it is to discount a man on the basis of his profession. We know that a man should be judged on his merits and not on some simple-minded conception of what he does for a living. I am confident that Midlanders in general and Midland oil men in particular will rise above Mr. Akins' empty attacks and cast their ballot for the best qualified candidate, Martin Allday, on April 5th.

Robert A. Dean
Midland

Those who know

To The Editor:
During a time in which our nation is "suffering from economic, moral and governmental woes, we are looking for a leader of highest integrity, moral responsibility and uncompromising leadership. This week we will have the opportunity to select such a man to lead our tiny section of the world.

Those of us who know Thane Akins recognize these qualities in him. Those who don't know him need only look to his record as community leader and city councilman. He can be seen as a man of almost integrity who can direct the future of Midland with idealism tempered with fiscal responsibility. Having been associated with Thane and Jean Akins for the past seven years, I can confidently endorse him as the type of mayor Midland needs for the 80's.

Those who know Thane Akins will be at the polls Saturday casting their votes for him, and for Midland.

Em Bartlett
Midland

No 'power play'

To The Editor:
As a member of Penny Angelo's steering committee for her school board campaign last year, I take extreme offense at M.E. Burns' statement that Mayor Angelo "ran his wife" for that office in an attempted "power play" to take over the public schools. Perhaps M.E. Burns should check his facts before writing false accusations to the public!

Penny Angelo was urged by many friends and supporters who felt that the west side of Midland and the Lee High area in particular was not (and still is not) proportionately represented on the School Board. If anything, Mayor Angelo hindered her decision and, therefore, hindered the beginning of our campaign planning. The Angelos agonized for weeks before Ernest finally gave in and said he would not stand in her way! In NO WAY was he attempting a "power play," as M.E. Burns accuses.

In fact, those close to the Mayor knew he was going to be very involved in the national elections and was not going to run for mayor again. Had we been at liberty to make those decisions public, the ridiculous rumor created by those in opposition that the Angelos were trying to run Midland would have been completely invalidated and probably had a great effect on the election outcome!

Joan Sutherland
Midland

Our preferences

To The Editor:
The American Automobile Industry is amazing! They have seen the energy crunch coming since the early seventies. They have seen the Japanese and Germans capture a little more of the market each year. And what do they do? They continue to produce large, gas-guzzling cars with a variety of options which add much to the basic car price.

Instead, one would think they'd manufacture cars that would compete with the Datsun, the Honda, the Toyota and the VW on the open market; but they do not. And now they are going to the U.S. government, asking it to limit the influx of foreign cars, so the American consumer will have no choice but to buy what he has already indicated is a less than desirable choice.

Instead of crying about a wrecked industry and the loss of thousands of jobs, it's high time the Mo-Town executives reassessed their own approach to the problem. For seven years the American car-buyer has been telling Detroit what they want, through their purchases of compact foreign models. And as soon as the auto industry awakens to the obvious, they'll start marketing attractive, reliable, economical automobiles that will capture the American market. At least, they oughta.

Hugh G. White
Midland

Up with lawyers

To The Editor:
I resent Thane Akins' implication that there is something "wrong" with being a lawyer. More than half of the 39 delegates who signed the U.S. Constitution were lawyers, which hardly prevented them from being outstanding leaders.

Mr. Akins should focus on campaign issues not on irrelevant and unfair innuendoes about an entire profession of people.

John D. Swallow
Midland

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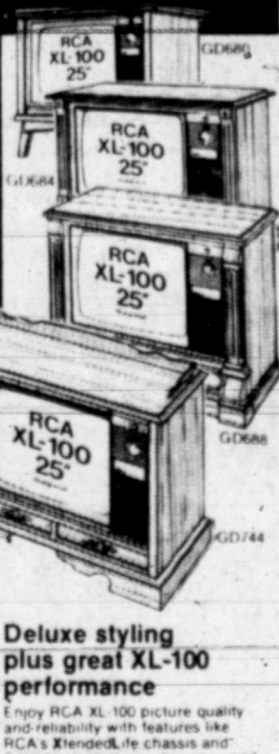
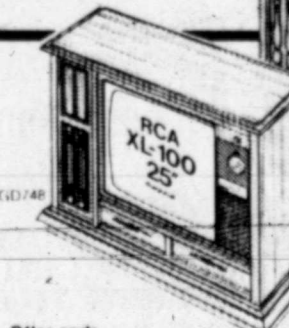
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DEATHS

Alma Gibson

Alma Gibson, 93, died Monday in Trinity Towers, a Midland retirement center.

Services were Tuesday in the First United Presbyterian Church in Alpine with burial in Elm Grove Cemetery directed by Geeslin Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gibson was born Jan. 22, 1887, in Elmo. She was married to F.P. Gibson in 1906 at Dallas. She homesteaded land north of Van Horn, moved to Alpine in 1944, and to Midland in 1972. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, the Order of the Eastern Star and First United Presbyterian Church in Alpine.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter, Ruth Anguish.

Survivors include three daughters, Freda Powell and Ann Harlow, both of Fort Worth, and Katie Thomas of Alpine; a son, W.H. "Bill" Gibson of Houston; 10 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Ben Hogue

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. Ben (MaeFair) Hogue, 81, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She died Monday in a Big Spring hospital after a long illness.

Mrs. Hogue was born June 16, 1898, in Ferris. She was married to Ben Hogue Jan. 19, 1916, in Abilene. He died Oct. 31, 1968. She had lived in Big Spring since 1914.

Survivors include a foster son, Ledford L. Hicks of Friendswood; two foster grandchildren and two foster great-grandchildren.

W. 'Bill' Reidy

LUBBOCK — Services for W.J. "Bill" Reidy, 71, of Lubbock, brother of Mary Reidy of Midland, are pending with Rix Funeral Directors here.

He died Tuesday at his home after a brief illness.

A native of Pennsylvania, Reidy

Tito develops infection

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — President Josip Broz Tito has developed an infection which is resisting medication and there has been no notable improvement in his condition, which remains very grave, his doctors said today.

The eight-doctor medical panel said that in spite of its reports over the past week that Tito's pneumonia was abating, there had been no change in the 87-year-old leader's condition over the past few days.

The doctors said Tito still had a high temperature because of the infection. They did not give details of the infection.

Tito is also suffering from kidney

failure, heart weakness and outbreaks of internal bleeding. The complications developed in early February after the Jan. 20 amputation of his left leg because of a circulation blockage. Tito has been hospitalized for 83 days in the medical center in Ljubljana, some 350 miles northwest of Belgrade.

Mattie Wolf

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. Charlie (Mattie) Wolf, 69, of Coahoma were to be at 4 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

She died Tuesday in a Big Spring hospital after a short illness.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie Wolf of Coahoma; three sisters, Mrs. D.S. Phillips of Coahoma, Oma Buchanan of Big Spring and Mrs. Bob Bailey of El Paso; and three brothers, Sam F. Buchanan and Roscoe Buchanan, both of Big Spring and Douthitt Buchanan of Mexia.

Mary Windland

Graveside services for Mary Etta Windland, 80, of Midland will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Dudley with burial there directed by Thomas Funeral Home of Midland.

She died Monday afternoon in a Midland nursing home.

Mrs. Windland was born May 15, 1900, in Callahan County and moved to Midland six years ago from Abilene.

Survivors include her husband, Marion W. Windland; a daughter, Wynnearah Fuller of Midland; two brothers, Earnest McNelly of Cottonwood and Oscar McNelly of Cisco; two sisters, Bertha Winfield and Faye Ferguson, both of Houston; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ona Fay Turner

Ona Fay Turner, 40, died of natural causes Monday at her rural Midland residence.

Services are pending with Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Billy Turner.

Brown falls off 'existensial edge'

MILWAUKEE (AP) — As he conducted his poor-boy campaign for president, Edmund G. Brown Jr. told his following he was "standing on the existential edge" to see whether the dream begun four years ago would finally take form in Wisconsin's 1980 primary.

He was, said the California governor, aiming for a new kind of world, in which "We will build for the future, not steal from it." Edward M. Kennedy, he said, wouldn't do that, leaving him — Jerry Brown — as the only Democratic alternative to President Carter.

"I'm the last person standing between him and renomination and I would like you to have that choice," Brown would say.

But what he offered the voters of Wisconsin was more a different brand of politics based on visions of a conserving earth, an emerging Third World, a future that would include exploring the universe.

"I believe in this country and we can rebuild it," he told audience after audience. "I'm offering alternatives to mobilize for peace, for prosperity,

for putting America first instead of having Uncle Sam be the sucker for the rest of the countries of the world."

But it would take that victory in Wisconsin, he said, to send him on his way. "I forecast this," he told reporters on election eve. "I've got my best chance right here."

But Tuesday night, Brown fell over the edge, existential or not. He came in third in a field of three.

"It is obvious that the voters have spoken and have given their verdict on my 1980 campaign and that means that this will be the last contest in which I participate in 1980," Brown said.

Brown had gotten off to an earlier start this year, hoping to repeat his stunning showing in 1976 when he burst, belatedly, onto the political scene as an ABC candidate — "Anybody but Carter." He managed to slow the Georgian's march to the White House, winning five primaries, but too late.

But Brown's political spaceship virtually burned out on the launching pad this time. In New Hampshire, he

got less than 10 percent of the vote. In New York, he failed to get on the ballot. He ignored the other primaries to make his big stand in Wisconsin.

But although the California governor nor promised to campaign "as long as there is a dollar in my pocket and a breath in my body," Wisconsin did him in.

Foes say his flip-flopping on issues such as California's Proposition 13 tax cuts finally caught up with him, tagging him with the image of an opportunist. His appeal to liberals was tarnished by his swing to the right on fiscal issues; conservatives were put off by his alliance with liberal folk heroes like Cesar Chavez and Jane Fonda.

He had counted going one-on-one with President Carter, but the entry of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy denied him the opportunity. He got some comfort out of Carter's big early victory over Kennedy.

But then Kennedy won big over Carter in New York and that dealt a

blow to the Brown strategy. "I don't think the governor has had a fair hearing," said Brown's chief of staff, Gray Davis. "People are preoccupied with yet another challenge by a Kennedy to a sitting president. That drama has to play out before there is any room for a third alternative."

Brown also suffered from the wide perception of him as "a flake" or what campaign aides characterized as "the Gov. Moonbeam factor."

Gov. Moonbeam is a tag humor columnist Mike Royko first pinned on Brown, ridiculing his sometimes mystic musings about spaceship earth, his numerous friends and appointees from San Francisco's Zen center, and Brown's widely publicized romance with rock star Linda Ronstadt.

The Gov. Moonbeam theme was expanded in about two dozen Doonesbury comic strips and Johnny Carson television monologues.

"By the time Jerry Brown hit the presidential campaign trail in September, 1979, the dream publicity and attention had evolved into a huge, uncontrollable nightmare," wrote Charlotte Perry, who served three months as Brown's campaign press secretary.

"He drew crowds, to be sure, but in the same way that (comedian) Steve Martin draws crowds. By being eccentric — a wild and crazy politician. By being a celebrity," she wrote in a recent article.

In Wisconsin, the crowds weren't there, and neither was the press.

For two days last week, Brown's press entourage consisted of three reporters riding in a van behind his station wagon — a lonely caravan of two cars. While other candidates and their staffs stayed in the best hotels in town, the money's worth Brown was put up in private homes.

And today, Jerry Brown went back to his own home.

Government, guerrillas promise indefinite holdout over hostages

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Both the guerrillas holding 27 hostages in the Dominican Republic's Embassy and the Colombian government say they will hold out for months — "as long as the students in Tehran," said the guerrilla negotiator.

The leftists and the government scheduled their ninth negotiating session this afternoon, the 36th day of the siege. The guerrillas were to respond to proposals presented by the government Tuesday.

Reliable government sources said the proposals were:

— To invite the Inter-American Human Rights Commission to Colombia to attend military trials scheduled for some 300 suspected guerrillas and to investigate allegations of torture and human rights violations. The government said Tuesday night that the invitation has already been sent.

— To transfer the trials from military to civilian courts. Removing them from under military law could lead to freedom for some of the suspects who have been in jail more than 180 days without trial.

— To invite Amnesty International, the human rights watchdog group, to observe the trials. A spokesman in London for Amnesty said it would be willing to take part in moves to free the hostages but had received no invitation.

The guerrillas of the leftist M-19 organization originally demanded that the Colombian government free 311 jailed leftists but later reduced the number to 28. A Cabinet spokesman

said Tuesday there was no possibility of a free in the government's stand that to free the 28 by executive order would be unconstitutional, and their cases would have to be disposed of by the courts.

Gunman robs service station

A black male toting a pearl-handled pistol robbed the Kent Oil Co. Station, 3310 W. Wall Ave., of \$125 Tuesday night, according to police reports.

Michelle Bailey, the station-store clerk, told officers the man entered the store around 8 p.m. He went to a soft drink case in the northeast portion of the store, opened the case door but didn't find anything, said Ms. Bailey.

He then came to the counter and bought a package of cigarettes.

The man walked out of the store, but then turned around and came back in, pointing a blue steel .38-caliber revolver at Ms. Bailey, police said.

The man demanded all of the money, which Ms. Bailey gave him, and he fled eastbound on foot.

The man was described as a black male, 5-foot 3-inches tall, 200 pounds, approximately 25 years of age, wearing a short afro hair cut, tan shirt, red and white striped pants and tennis shoes.

The masked woman who represents the guerrillas in the negotiations told the newspaper El Espectador by telephone that the leftists were prepared to hold out as long as the young Iranians who have held the U.S. Embassy in Tehran and 50 American hostages for nearly five months.

The hostages in Bogota include U.S. Ambassador Diego Asencio and 18 other foreign diplomats.

The woman guerrilla confirmed an earlier report that those hostages who were not diplomats would be released this week, Holy Week, "in honor of the Catholic Church, the church of the oppressed," she said.

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Panel backs spending boost

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a vow to balance the 1981 budget, Senate budget-writers are increasing outlays for two politically sensitive areas of government spending: defense and water projects.

The Senate Budget Committee voted 10-8 Tuesday night to raise defense spending \$5.8 billion above the level recommended by President Carter only a day earlier.

It also approved, 10-5, a \$300 million increase for water projects above the target proposed by the panel's chairman, Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, D-Maine.

Although the committee is still considered certain to recommend a balanced 1981 budget, the two votes mean either that deeper cuts must be made in domestic spending or that the panel must scale back its plan for a \$16.3 billion tax cut.

Late Tuesday, the panel voted to cut energy spending by \$700 million from the \$7.6 billion recommended by Muskie. The \$6.9 billion approved was set in an amendment by Sen. Gary Hart, D-Colo.

The energy reduction assumes termination of the Clinch River breeder reactor in Tennessee and would reduce research and development for nuclear fission.

Hart, a liberal who is facing re-election this fall, also played a key role in the committee's approval of \$156.3 billion for defense as proposed by Sen. Ernest F. Hollings, D-S.C., a leading backer of Pentagon spending.

Hart cast the deciding vote on the amendment which primarily drew support from Republicans and conservative Democrats.

In his revised budget Monday, Carter asked for \$150.5 billion in military spending for fiscal 1981, which starts Oct. 1,

failure, heart weakness and outbreaks of internal bleeding. The complications developed in early February after the Jan. 20 amputation of his left leg because of a circulation blockage. Tito has been hospitalized for 83 days in the medical center in Ljubljana, some 350 miles northwest of Belgrade.

Meanwhile, Yugoslav and Common Market officials signed a new five-year trade agreement, communist Yugoslavia's third with the Common Market. The pact is intended to help Belgrade cut its massive \$3 billion annual trade deficit with Common Market nations, Yugoslavia's biggest trading partners.

The House Budget Committee has recommended \$147.9 billion for defense.

The full Senate could reverse the committee's defense spending vote. However, the Senate went on record last year as favoring steep increases in military outlays. The Senate figure also will need to be reconciled with the House total.

The Senate committee's defense debate was marked by an unusually bitter exchange between Muskie and Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, over a graph on military spending by NATO and the Warsaw Pact.

The chart was contained in a committee report and showed relative balance in East-West military outlays. Hatch, a prominent Senate conservative, denounced the graph as "improper, false and misleading."

Hatch's charge angered Muskie, who accused the Utah senator of "indulging in your paranoid, conspiratorial point of view." The two senators shouted back and forth at each other for about 15 minutes.

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Spurs, Rockets open NBA playoffs in Houston tonight

HOUSTON (AP) — With roller coaster regular seasons behind them, the Houston Rockets and San Antonio Spurs start over tonight in the first game of their best-of-three National Basketball Association playoff mini-series in The Summit.

Houston's Del Harris, completing his first season as head coach, watched the Rockets career through a season that was filled with injuries to key personnel from start to finish.

The Spurs, the defending NBA Eastern Conference Central Division champions, likewise sputtered under two coaches. At one point, the Spurs lost eight consecutive games and then put together seven victories in nine games to clinch a playoff berth.

Now, both teams are ready for the new season.

"I understand the reason we had the season we had," said Spurs forward George Gervin, the NBA scoring champion for the third consecutive year. "That's why it doesn't bother me. We had our chance to sit on top of the Central Division for two years, now we have to regain the crown another way."

"This is my time of the year because this is definitely for the money. I don't care who they put against me. I'm going to be ready. And whoever guards me had better be ready."

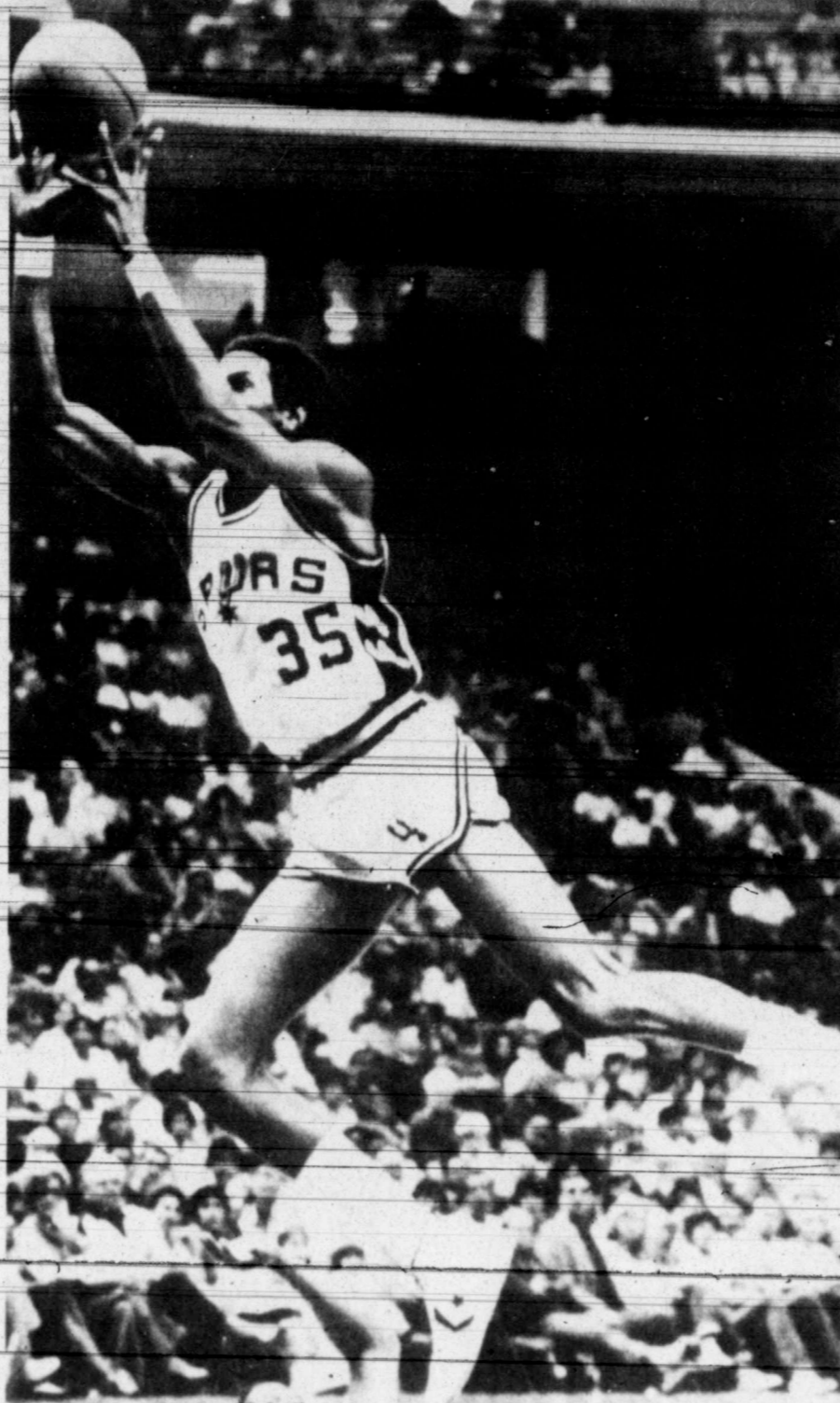
San Antonio Coach Bob Bass, who replaced Doug Moe during the season, said Houston's home-court advantage won't be that important in a brief series.

"The home-court advantage is not as prevalent in the playoffs as it is during the regular season," Bass said. "During the season, it's always a two-or-three-game trip. This is just over there and back."

Harris, who has had to improve his starting lineup throughout the season because of injuries, expects center Moses Malone to be back in the lineup tonight despite an ankle sprain suffered in the regular season finale against Indiana.

That has been the story of the Rockets all season and the major reason they did not equal last year's 47-35 record, Harris said.

"There was nothing I could do," said Harris, whose Rockets finished 41-41. "My moves were primarily dictated by our injury situation."



San Antonio's Larry Kenon glides through the air in recent NBA game. He and his teammates take on the Houston Rockets tonight in the first game of the playoffs in Houston. (AP Laserphoto).

Zachery paces MHS victory

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hit by Marl Clifton, a wild pitch by Doug McLean and sacrifice fly off the bat of Decker.

The Bulldogs scored one run in the sixth when Portillo legged out an infield hit, stole his second base of the game and came home after Ismael Tavezze bobbled Bobby Stovall's single in right.

THEN CAME the seventh inning. Russell Wickman was safe on an infield hit and Frank Garramore reached safely on another error by Tavezze. Shawn Mowles, pinch-hitting for Paul Cox, singled sharply past first to score Wickman, making it 5-3. Darrin Matlock came in to hit for McLean and went down swinging, but Portillo scored pinch-runner Teddy Bartley on a grounder with Mowles alertly breaking up a possible double play. Zachery's triple tied the game. Odessa scored a run in the top of the

ninth off Steve Miller. Weatherford tripled past Gann in center when Gann tried to make a shoestring catch and scored on Sanchez' sacrifice fly to left for a 6-5 lead, but the Pack wasn't dead yet.

In the bottom of the ninth, Mowles singled past second when Weatherford broke the wrong way on the ball, Miller walked and Portillo singled. Tavezze' third error enabled pinch-runner Justin Morett to score, setting up Zachery's game-winning hit. OHS Coach Ronnie White brought in an extra infielder, giving the Bronchos only two outfielders, but the ball skipped over Weatherford's glove and Miller scored the winning run.

MILLER PICKED up the victory in relief of McLean to give MHS a 6-7 season record. OHS, meanwhile, has lost eight in a row after going 5-0 in pre-district play and the Red Hosses are 0-5 in 5-4A competition.

Tewell, Pate trying again

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Doug Tewell and Jerry Pate, the winner and loser in a playoff showdown for the Heritage title, will try it again this week in the \$250,000 Greater Greensboro Open golf tournament.

"I'm still in a state of shock," the 30-year-old Tewell said after scoring his first career victory in a one-hole playoff Monday in the rain-delayed final at Hilton Head Island, S.C.

"I don't feel like I got beat. I feel like I beat myself," said Pate, who hit one in the water and made bogey

on the playoff hole.

Those two head a surprisingly strong field for the Greensboro event that gets started Thursday on the 6,984-yard, par 72 Forest Oaks Country Club course.

The old event often is bypassed by golf's more illustrious performers who take the time to put the final touches on their preparations for next week's Masters.

This time, however, the 144-man field includes six of the top 10 money-winners for the year.

Strike is confusing

By The Associated Press

Tuesday's decision by major league baseball players for an on-again, off-again strike is as confusing as Abbott and Costello's "Who's on first" comedy routine.

The Major League Players Association executive board, in a move aimed directly at the wallets of baseball's owners, voted unanimously to cancel the remaining 92 exhibition games but to return to the field on opening day, April 9.

The board also voted to allow players to stay in training camp and to play intrasquad games until the regular season begins. But that will be up to the owners, and that's where the confusion begins.

Capitals capture 6-2 ice victory

By BOB GREENE
AP Sports Writer

The Washington Capitals are in "last place" in the National Hockey League and doing their best to stay there.

In this case, last place is the final spot among the 16 teams that will qualify for the postseason playoffs — an honor the Capitals have yet to achieve in their five-year history.

Tuesday night, Robert Picard assisted on three third-period goals to pace Washington's 6-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins, a triumph that kept the Capitals in the race for the Stanley Cup playoffs.

In other NHL games Tuesday, Toronto edged Hartford 5-4, Buffalo beat

Atlanta 5-2, St. Louis downed Chicago 5-2, Philadelphia and Quebec played a 3-3 tie, the New York Islanders and Minnesota tied 1-1, Vancouver shut out Edmonton 5-0 and Los Angeles nipped Colorado 4-3.

Bengt Gustafsson gave Washington a 1-0 lead in the opening period after taking Rolf Edberg's pass from behind the net. The Caps dominated the first session, outshooting the Penguins 14-4.

Washington increased its lead 62 seconds into the second period as Paul Mulvey knocked in Mike Gartner's pass. After Pittsburgh's Dale Tallon tallied on a deflection of Rick Kehoe's shot, Edberg pushed in a puck that had stopped on the goal line.

Rebels topple Mojo

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when Velarde tallied after a throwing error by Mojo backstop Jimmy Sample.

With a little help in the sixth from Permian in the form of an error by leftfielder Jimmy Morris, the Rebels went ahead for the first time, 4-3.

The uprising began on Koonce's single up the middle. He was lifted for pinchrunner Ricky Wright, who promptly swiped second. Two outs later, Velarde delivered an RBI single to left, which Morris muffed, allowing Wright to score from second. On the play, Velarde hustled to third, and later he rode home Gilliland's single to left.

LEE'S BIGGEST run, however, didn't cross the dish until the seventh.

The groundwork was laid when Perez, who finished the day 3-for-4, lashed a leadoff single to left. He went to third when Cartwright drilled a double into the leftfield corner. With

one down, designated hitter Jeff Hicks looped a how-did-that-one-avoid-getting-caught single between the Permian shortstop and left and center fielders, scoring Perez from third.

Permian, which got three of its run as gifts from the Rebels, finally earned one in the seventh, but it was only enough to give Lee partisans a slight scare.

Mike Williams pounded a leadoff single and then flew to third when Fowler blasted a ground-rule double. Williams scored on a wild pitch by Koonce, but Fowler was left standing on third after Koonce fanned the last two batters.

Centerfielder Barry Corley, who collected three hits, made a big defensive play for Lee in the seventh with a running catch of what appeared to be a hit from the bat of Richard Hanfeld.

But that seemed to be the exception rather than the rule on this day, one that saw the Rebels more lucky than good.

Hog arrested

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Randy Wessinger, 21, a University of Arkansas football player, pleaded innocent Tuesday to a charge of theft of property in connection with the theft of a pizza from a delivery man.

Wessinger was arrested near a dormitory when "one of the officers saw a young man trying to run up and take the pizza from the pizza delivery man," according to the campus police report.

Wessinger is a sophomore from Sherman, Texas.

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Midland Cubs will use honorary batboys in 1980

The Midland Cubs will recognize a different honorary batboy (or girl) during each home game this season.

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Young people may register at each of the four Citizens Savings & Loan locations in Midland and at the McDonald's restaurants in Midland and Big Spring. Entries are limited to one per visit, but a person may enter each visit.

A drawing will be held prior to each home stand, and parents of the honorary batboy will be notified several days in advance. The honorary batboy and his parents will be introduced at the game.

Citizens Savings & Loan offices are located at 1100 Andrews Highway, downtown at Colorado and Texas, in Oak Ridge Square and in Dellwood Plaza Shopping Center. McDonald's is located at 1111 Andrews Highway.

Who will Ali fight?

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — The question is who Muhammad Ali will come back against. The fact is Larry Holmes is the No. 1 heavyweight in the world today.

Holmes rules the World Boxing Council share of the planet as heavyweight champion. He has won all 34 of his fights and has scored knockouts in all six of his defenses, the last being an eight-round battering of big Leroy Jones Monday night at Caesars Palace.

The World Boxing Association part of the globe is ruled by Mike Weaver, who ascended to that position with a crashing left hook that left John Tate out cold with 45 seconds left in the fight Monday night at Knoxville, Tenn.

Weaver's record is 21-9. He has lost a 12-round decision to Jones and he was stopped in the 12th round last June 23 after a tough effort against Holmes.

All says he will come out of retirement against Weaver and then fight Holmes.

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New direction for utility firms?

By JILL LAWRENCE

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — By investing in conservation equipment and services instead of new power plants, the owners of Three Mile Island hope to save customers \$1.2 billion over the next 30 years.

The shift is outlined in a 200-page energy plan that General Public Utilities Corp. filed last week with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

"This alternate use of capital will mark a new direction for the electric utility industry," GPU said. "It can also serve as a model for the rest of the nation."

In addition to encouraging the conservation with energy audits, weatherization programs and solar demonstration projects, the company will try to persuade its 1.6 million customers to use electricity during cheaper off-peak hours, when the demand is low.

GPU's three subsidiaries — Metropolitan Edison, Pennsylvania Electric and Jersey Central Power & Light — have been pressed for power since the country's worst commercial nuclear accident shut down the Three Mile Island plant a year ago.

While customers would pay for the conservation hardware and services called for in the energy plan, GPU says that price tag will be much lower than what it costs to build new power plants.

GPU believes its plan will halve projected growth in electricity demand by 1990, permitting the company to abandon the scheduled construction of three power plants in the late 1980s.

Through reduced energy costs and deferred or

scrapped construction plans, the company expects to save \$2.08 billion over the next 10 years. The company plans to spend \$580 million on the plan.

In addition, GPU said an estimated 200 million barrels of imported oil would be saved and environmental pollution would be reduced because a large coal plant would not be built.

GPU said it will seek separate approval from regulators in Pennsylvania and New Jersey for each component of the plan, with time-of-day rates and storage water heaters a priority.

Crucial to program are off-peak rates, where customers receive discounts if they use electricity during weekends and from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. on weekdays. The company hopes to increase time-of-day customers from the present 600 to 374,000 by 1990.

Storage water heaters, which heat water during low-cost off-peak hours and discharge hot water during peak hours, are another important part of the plan.

GPU said 40,000 customers now use the equipment and 296,000 units could be installed by 1990 at a cost of \$107 million. Storage space heaters, which work on the same principle, are now used by 40 customers. The number could rise to 77,000 by 1990 at a cost of \$170 million.

A large scale solar demonstration program would offer \$500 to 1,000 GPU customers who want to install solar hot water heaters, with 500 units installed by 1982.

Another \$500,000 demonstration program would allow Jersey Central Power & Light to turn off the central air conditioners of 1,000 customers for a few minutes each hour.

President ready to sign compromise 'windfall' bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — After an 11-month contest with Congress, President Carter is ready to sign a compromise \$227.7 billion "windfall profits" oil tax bill that he called "the key to our nation's first comprehensive energy policy."

Long eager to put his pen on the legislation, Carter scheduled a special signing ceremony today in the East Room of the White House.

"You can leave the ribbons off this one in order to get it on down here," Carter told Senate leaders last Thursday after the measure passed on a 66-31 vote.

"This is good news for the country and, I think, good news for the whole world," Carter told Senate Democratic Leader Robert S. Byrd of West Virginia and the bill's sponsor, Sen. Russell Long, D-La.

In addressing a conference of the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department here Tuesday, Carter said the bill will be "one of the biggest construction projects in the history of the world."

The bill is a compromise version of the \$294 billion tax Carter recommended last April after deciding to phase out federal price controls on U.S. crude oil in an effort to spur domestic oil production and reduce reliance on imports.

Although often called a tax on "windfall profits," it actually would not apply directly to profits but rather to price increases above 1979 levels.

Decontrol would allow U.S. prices to rise to world market levels and cost consumers an estimated \$1 trillion in the 1980s. The tax, retroactive to

March 1, will take \$227.7 billion of that "windfall" and, after other federal and state taxes, will leave the oil industry \$221 billion it would not have had under continued controls.

Sixty percent of the proceeds from what technically is a federal excise tax, or \$137 billion, is earmarked for income tax reduction, although specific legislation would be needed before any tax cut could be enacted.

Another 25 percent, or \$57 billion, would help the poor meet rising energy costs after 1981, with \$3.1 billion authorized for that purpose next

year. The remaining 15 percent would be earmarked for energy and transportation development, originally the centerpiece project for Carter's major energy legislation.

In the fine print, the new law boosts to \$4,000 the existing tax credits for homeowners who install wind or solar energy systems.

An unrelated amendment will allow up to \$200 of interest and dividends to be tax exempt in 1981 and 1982. Present law exempts \$100 of dividends from tax, or \$200 on a joint return.

Algeria tells El Paso not to expect current deal

NEW YORK (AP) — Algeria has informed El Paso Co. that it will "not continue deliveries" of liquefied natural gas (LNG) at current prices.

An El Paso spokesman would not say the company's 700 million cubic feet a day of LNG imports had been halted. But David Mackie added, "one could conclude that unless something is worked out very quickly," a cutoff is "a distinct possibility."

Algeria provided about 1 percent of U.S. natural gas needs last year. LNG is natural gas which has been condensed in Algeria, shipped in specially-built tankers and then re-gasified here.

Three Eastern utility systems buy Algerian gas from El Paso — Colum-

bia Gas System Inc., Consolidated Natural Gas Co. and Southern Natural Gas Co.

El Paso said Tuesday the three utility companies believe "a temporary interruption in the LNG supply pending the resolution of outstanding issues between" Algeria and El Paso "would not affect operations" in their service areas.

El Paso had been buying LNG for \$1.95 per thousand cubic feet under an amended contract that expired Monday. Algeria has been demanding its European buyers pay \$6.11, or more than triple the old El Paso price, but Mackie said the Algerians have not yet set a price on new sales of gas to the company.

Algeria steps up drive to get more money for its liquified natural gas

By WILLIAM GLASGALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Algeria has stepped up its drive to gain higher prices on its liquefied natural gas (LNG), which accounts for about 1 percent of U.S. natural gas consumption.

The exporter, which also sells the highest-priced oil in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, told El Paso Co. of Houston it will "not continue deliveries" of the fuel at the latest price of \$1.95 per thousand cubic feet, El Paso said Tuesday.

Algeria has sought more than \$6 per thousand cubic feet from European customers recently. The country's LNG exports provided about 1 percent of U.S. natural gas needs last year.

El Paso, the largest U.S. buyer of Algerian gas, imports 700 million cubic feet a day.

Negotiators from the U.S. State and Energy departments and El Paso officials have been holding talks with the Algerian government oil and gas

company Sonatrach on the gas price issue, a company spokesman, David Mackie, said in a telephone interview from Houston.

"It's too early to tell" if shipments will be cut off, Mackie said, adding, "no one has walked away" from the negotiations. The Energy Department refused to comment on the Algerian talks.

The Algerian government said Tuesday it has extended for 15 days the deadline for delivery to El Paso, and that it hoped a new agreement on price would be reached by April 15. Sources in Algiers, however, said Sonatrach could take unilateral action if no accord is reached.

The Algerian natural gas developments came as Iran raised its oil prices by \$2.50 per 42-gallon barrel.

The increase raises the official price of high-quality Iranian light crude oil to \$33.50 a barrel, but is expected to have little effect here because U.S. purchases of Iranian oil have been barred by President Carter.

Iran also charges a premium of \$3 a barrel on half the oil it sells under long-term contracts, meaning the average price paid by Iran's major customers for light crude will rise to \$35 a barrel from the previous \$32.50.

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LNG is natural gas which has been condensed in Algeria, shipped in specially built tankers and then re-gasified in the United States.

Under an amended contract that expired Monday, El Paso had been buying LNG for \$1.95 per thousand cubic feet, well under the \$4.47 per thousand cubic feet the United States will pay Mexico and Canada under recently concluded agreements.

RK completes Mississippi discovery in Dawson County

RK Petroleum Corp. of Midland No. 1 Norris Barron has been completed as a Mississippi discovery in Dawson County, 3.5 miles southeast of Lamesa.

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It is two and one-quarter miles east of the Block 35 (Dean) field.

IRION COUNTY C&K Petroleum Inc., operating from Midland, has completed its No. 1-14 Noelke as a pumping well from the Canyon 20 miles northwest of Mertzon in Irion County.

It is one mile south of production in the Taos (Canyon oil) pool. The operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 11 barrels of 40-gravity oil and 80 barrels of water, through perforations from 7,307 to 7,326 feet. The pay was acidized with 20,000 gallons.

The gas-oil ratio is 3,182-1. The project was drilled to 8,994 feet as a wildcat. Operator set 5.5-inch casing on bottom and plugged back to 7,350 feet.

Wellsite is 1,083 feet from north and 1,586 feet from east lines of section 14, block H, TCRB survey.

CRANE COUNTY American Quasar Petroleum Co. No. 12-A Munn, which was drilled as a deeper pay wildcat in the Wynne multipay field of Crane County, has been completed as a San Andres-Clear Fork producer as a field well.

The well finished for a daily pumping potential of 16 barrels of oil and 25 barrels of water, with a gas-oil ratio of 1,246-1.

Completion was through Perforations from 2,090 to 2,201 feet which were acidized with 3,500 gallons, and perforations from 3,081 to 3,098 feet and from 3,530 to 3,628 feet. Each set was acidized with 2,000 gallons.

Total depth is 3,810 feet. Location is 990 feet from northwest and 2,310 feet from southwest lines of section 40, block 2, H&TC survey.

HOWARD OILER Texaco Inc. No. 2-F Howard-Fee

has been completed 5/8 mile south and slightly west of Mississippi production in the multipay Coahoma field of Howard County, three miles east of Coahoma.

The well potentialed on a pump in the Mississippi for 33 barrels of 48-gravity oil and four barrels of

water, through perforations from 8,808 to 8,822 feet. The gas-oil ratio is 2,212-1.

Total depth is 9,100 feet, 5.5-inch pipe is set on bottom, and hole is plugged back to 8,781 feet.

Wellsite is 2,050 feet from north and 467 feet from west lines of section 45, block 30, T-1-N, T&P survey.

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SCHLEICHER TEST Exxon Corp. of Midland No. 1 Horace W. Linticum has been spotted as a 1,100-foot wildcat in Schleicher County, 16 miles northwest of Eldorado.

It is 755 feet from north and 1,982 feet from west lines of section 35, HE&WT survey, abstract 466, certificate 629.

The drillsire is two and three-quarter miles northwest of the W.O.D. (Canyon gas) field.

FISHER COUNTY J. A. Wilburns of Roby staked No. 1 J. A. Wilburn as a 3,900-foot wildcat in Fisher County, two miles north of Roby.

It is 495 feet from north and 475 feet from east lines of section 28, Bastrop County School Land survey.

The site is a southwest twin to a former well in the depleted Roby-Barnes (Swastika) field.

NOLAN EXPLORER Frank W. Bruger of Abilene announced location for a 6,700-foot wildcat in Nolan County, four miles south of Sweetwater.

It is No. 2 Bessie Sproul, 600 feet from south and 2,169 feet from west lines of section 74, block 23, T&P survey.

It is one location south of Burger No. 1 Sproul, a 6,885-foot dry hole and one-half mile east of the JMR (Mississippi) pool.

FISHER OPENER Bedford Oil & Gas Inc. of Hust No. 1 Aiken has been completed as an Ellenburger discovery one mile west of Claytonville in Fisher County.

The operator reported a daily pumping potential of 105 barrels of 42-gravity oil and 380 barrels of water.

Completion was from open hole at 6903 feet, where 4.5-inch casing is cemented, and total depth of 6,916 feet. The pay was acidized with 2,500 gallons.

The Ellenburger was topped at 6,903 feet on ground elevation of 2,177 feet.

Wellsite is 467 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 214, block 3, H&TC survey.

RUNNELS PROJECTS Four wildcat projects have been announced in Runnels County.

H&R Oils Inc. of Dallas will drill No. 2-A Jonnie H. Barr in an attempt to reopen Capps lime gas production in the Balliger, South (Capps lime oil) pool one mile south of Ballinger.

Location is 1,543 feet from north-east and 6,708 feet from southeast lines of J. G. Wagner survey No. 424. Ground elevation is 1,633 feet. It is scheduled to 4,500 feet.

H&R Oils also will dig No. 2-A Otto Gottschal as a 4,500-foot wildcat in the same area.

It is 1,164 feet from southeast and 1,640 feet from southwest lines of F. W. White No. 370. Ground elevation is 1,615 feet. It is 2,310 feet southeast of Capps oil production.

Walsh & Trant Petroleum Corp. of Tyler No. 1 Cora Petrie is to be dug as a 4,500-foot wildcat 12 miles southeast of Winters.

Drillsite is 1,044 feet from south and 1,000 feet from east lines of ETRR survey No. 124. Ground elevation is 1,958 feet.

The Townsend Co. of Abilene No. 4 Charles Matscheck is a 4,600-foot Ellenburger oil and gas wildcat 3.5 miles north of Rowena.

Location is 710 feet from northwest and 2,100 feet from southwest lines of F. Helmer survey No. 417, abstract 247.

It is one location northwest of Gardner oil production in the Rowena, North field.

It is 660 feet from south and west lines of section 12, block A, John H. Gibson survey. Ground elevation is 3,014.2 feet.

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