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Possibility of budget vote raised

WASHINGTON (AP) — Faced with President Reagan's continued intransigence on key elements of his 1983 budget, the Democratic chairman of the House Budget Committee is threatening to force a potentially embarrassing vote on the unpopular spending plan.

"I've explored every possibility of trying to break this logjam and this is the only one that I can see as of now that has a realistic chance of moving us forward," said Rep. James R. Jones of Oklahoma.

Jones, who presented the proposal to a closed meeting of House Democrats Wednesday, said later that "nobody spoke against it" during the session.

Top House leaders appeared to withhold their full support for the plan, but Jones indicated he expected the leadership would support the move after he has had a chance to explain it in more detail.

"I'd hate to go that route, to tell you the truth," House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., said. "What are we going to do it for except to embarrass the president?"

But a Democratic leadership aide said that while O'Neill "has some doubts" about the plan, "I know his mind to be open" on the idea.

Even Reagan's congressional allies concede that his big deficit budget as submitted last month could not win approval in either House of Congress. Thus, forcing a vote now would result in defeat and embarrassment for the president.

However, Jones — who lost a series of budget battles on the House floor last year — denied his move is aimed at embarrassing the president. Instead, he said, it is the only way to demonstrate that it is time for the partisan name-calling to end and to open the way for serious negotiations on a bipartisan alternative to Reagan's proposals.

"So maybe the only thing we can do is to report the president's budget out of committee and make it subject to a vote... I don't see any other way of moving us off the dime... unless (simply) the threat of doing this results in some real action," Jones said.

House Democratic Leader Jim Wright of Texas, who also appeared cool to the idea, conceded Wednesday that such a tactic might prompt Reagan to be more willing to compromise on his budget.



Biting the bullet

Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker of Tennessee, left, and Sen. Paul Laxalt, R-Nev., sample some "Bitin' Bullets" they were presented Wednesday. Each member of Congress

received one of the bullets from the Northern Nevada division of the Associated General Contractors, along with a request to get the economy moving through further budget cuts.

OPEC talks expected to be rough

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — OPEC's emergency meeting Friday to deal with the world oil glut is going to be a rough one, but the Saudis will defend the \$34 benchmark price, Venezuela's energy minister said today.

"It's going to be a difficult meeting. It's a difficult situation. I don't believe we can make a final decision of production levels," said Energy Minister Humberto Calderon, who was among the early arrivals for the meeting.

Calderon said Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil exporter, will defend its price before the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. "I think the effort is needed, that's our position," he told reporters.

Venezuela has had trouble selling some of its oil products since the glut developed, being forced to cut production and exports.

The glut is pushing prices lower. OPEC production is at a 13-year low and its petrodollar surplus is fast dwindling. Internal bickering, while always present, seems to be growing.

Some analysts believe that unless OPEC drastically reduces its production, its members will launch a free-for-all in price cutting to avoid losing customers. That could push oil prices to \$25 a barrel or lower. The current contract price averages about \$33 a barrel.

For nearly a decade OPEC flaunted its power to set prices, and in doing so

reshaped the economic paths of the industrialized West. Now OPEC is seeing its strength sapped by such non-OPEC producers as Mexico and Great Britain.

By forcing prices higher in the 1970s, OPEC spurred the importing nations to conserve, to find oil outside the Middle East and to use alternative fuel sources.

As a result, Great Britain and Norway — which had virtually no oil production before 1967 — have rapidly developed rich oil fields in the North Sea. Production there now exceeds 24 million barrels a day and is growing.

The increased output from non-OPEC countries has come at a critical time for the oil group. Its competitors have cut prices far below the Saudi Arabian price of \$34 a barrel, around which other OPEC members set their prices. As a result, oil customers are walking away from OPEC contracts.

And many energy analysts believe OPEC will be forced to reduce its benchmark price in order to avoid a further, possibly disastrous, erosion of its finances.

If OPEC lowers the \$34-a-barrel base, which is far above the cost of production, it would mark the first such collective price reduction in the group's 21-year history.

Many economists say OPEC would not solve its problem by cutting prices.

American action in El Salvador possible

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Chances are better than 50-50 that the United States will step up its activities in El Salvador, and those activities could come in the form of soldiers, according to Dr. John A. Booth, a Monahan native who spoke Wednesday to the Rotary Club in that town.

A professor at The University of Texas at San Antonio, Booth talked to The Reporter-Telegram about the turmoil going on today in Central America and the U.S. involvement in those countries.

Fluent in Spanish, Booth has lived 3 1/2 years in Spanish-speaking countries, including Spain (1968-1969), Costa Rica, (1972-73 and 1979-80) and Mexico (1978-79). His views on the problems in Central America will be published soon in his book, "The End and the Beginning: The Nicaraguan Revolution."

Without outside intervention coming from the U.S. and the Soviet Union, Booth said those Central American countries would be going through the turmoil because of internal problems. Those problems he listed as worsening economic conditions for the lower and middle classes, the government's "frustrating" response to elections and the government's actions of repression.

"There is a massive amount of repression to discourage the opposition," Booth said.

The opposition in El Salvador and Guatemala comprises a broad range of people, including those in the professions, political parties, clergymen and other religious people.

Outside help won't resolve these inner problems, he contended.

"The Administration is correct in that there is some subversion from abroad. That hasn't been trumped up by outsiders," he said. "But the U.S.

foreign policy is mistaken in its approach. They're treating this as a conflict between the United States and the Soviet Union."

This attitude limits the U.S. response to those countries. Booth, who keeps in touch with friends in Central America and by reading newspapers from those countries, would prefer seeing the U.S. withdraw all aid.

"We have limited our potential for responding in a reasonable way. It's leading us into a bloody conflict. I think El Salvador will last only as long as we continue to prop them government up."

By pulling out entirely, Booth reasoned the U.S. then would have the flexibility to work with whoever wins.

"The cost of escalated intervention of the U.S. will be awful," he said. "And the chances are better than 50-50 that the U.S. will step up its activities there, either through aid or direct interven-

tion. In fact, the chances of jumping into direct intervention stand at better than 40 percent."

President Reagan's remarks that the U.S. won't become involved always are accompanied with a qualifier, such as "not at this time," Booth pointed out.

Continuing, he questioned if the Reagan administration had realized "it won't last with protracted intervention."

Critics who have compared the U.S. involvement in Vietnam with the involvement today in El Salvador are correct in Booth's opinion. "These are the same steps taken toward escalation in Vietnam. The process is almost identical by which we are becoming involved."

What the administration hasn't considered is the growing opposition by the Hispanic community throughout this country to involvement in Central America. And Booth said they are

aware that the U.S. is preparing its Spanish-speaking military forces for possible direct intervention.

"Virtually all U.S. advisers in El Salvador are Spanish-speaking," he said. And persons with family members or friends in the military have told him these Spanish-speaking people who were stationed elsewhere, such as Europe, have been suddenly called back to the U.S. And most of those people are being stationed in Texas.

Texas, he said, is headquarters for the Fifth Army and that is the branch which would be involved in an intervention, he surmised.

Booth's interest in Central America began as a high school student when he was sent there as a foreign exchange student. He received a bachelor's degree in political science from Rice University, a master's degree in gov-



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INSIDE TODAY

On to the semi-finals

Another win advances the Midland College Chaparrals to the semi-finals in the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament at Hutchinson, Kan. They'll go up against Vincennes, Ind., at 6:30 p.m. Friday. — Page 1C

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Caribbean initiative gets quick start in Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — A key Republican senator says he is "absolutely convinced" Nicaragua and Cuba are controlling leftist guerrillas in El Salvador, but that the Reagan administration should reveal more evidence to garner public support for its Central American policy.

Sen. Robert Kasten of Wisconsin made his comments Wednesday as a Senate subcommittee began hearings on President Reagan's proposal to send \$350 million in emergency aid to the Caribbean Basin, including \$128 million to El Salvador.

The hearings got under way just hours after the president's aid package was sent to Congress. Besides emergency money, the proposal calls for a 12-year period of duty-free entry into this country for virtually all Caribbean exports and tax incentives to encourage U.S. private investment.

The trade subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee called a hearing for today on the economic aid package.

Kasten, chairman of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations, said he had no doubt about outside involvement in El Salvador's insurgency.

"I am absolutely convinced of Cuban and Nicaraguan support and control of terrorist guerrillas in El Salvador," Kasten told Thomas O. Enders, assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs.

Readers are encouraged to 'speak out' in R-T

"Speaking Out," a new column by Reporter-Telegram readers will begin on this Sunday's Viewpoint Page, opposite the Editorial Page.

Similar in format to "Letters to the Editor" now featured on the page, "Speaking Out" columns can be longer (up to 750 words). Writers may be nostalgic or state their opinions and views on local, national or international subjects. The columns may be light in nature or contain a serious message. Periodically, The Reporter-Telegram will solicit articles from local authorities on topics of special interest.

"Speaking Out" columns should be typed if possible, written in good taste and we reserve the right to edit to conform with libel laws, proper grammar, etc. Contributions must include the writer's name, address and daytime telephone number for possible verification. When possible, columns will be accompanied by a photograph of the writer and a brief biographical note.

Address articles to "Speaking Out," Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79701.

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Volunteers strengthen efforts of American Cancer Society

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the last of a five-part series on cancer and its diagnosis, treatment and effects.

By GAIL BURKE
Staff Writer

Approximately 2.5 million people will give up their spare time this year to help save your life.

They are rich or poor men, women and children of all races who want you to live a long, healthy life.

These concerned Americans include neighborhood workers, club members, civic organization members, businessmen and women, housewives, physicians, entertainers, retired people and many more.

They are the American Cancer Society volunteers — the strength and backbone of the organization.

In the early 1900s a group of physicians and laymen established the American Cancer Society as a result of notice

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ing that if some cancers were detected early, they could be cured. About \$10,000 was raised in 1913 and a pamphlet, "Facts about Cancer," was published to educate the public.

SINCE THEN, the American Cancer Society has raised approximately \$100 million each year and in April, during

the organization's fund raising crusade, more than 78 million leaflets containing lifesaving facts were distributed on a house-to-house, person-to-person basis in last year's crusade.

The American Cancer Society also granted \$50 million in 1981 to institutions and scientists worldwide for cancer research.

According to the society, research in the past 30 years has brought about 50 useful anti-cancer chemicals, 36 of which have become prescription medication. In addition 11 forms of cancer including acute leukemia, Hodgkin's, lymphoma and testicular cancer are now able to be controlled or cured as a result of cancer research.

Contributions to the American Cancer Society in 1980-81 were spent as follows: research, \$60.3 million; public education, \$30.9 million; professional education, \$18.1 million; patient services, \$21.6 million; community services, \$13.2 million; fund raising, \$24.1

million and management and general, \$16.5 million.

MIDLAND'S AMERICAN Cancer Society is one of the organization's 2,915 local units.

Its main goal, according to Delia Presley, District 2 executive director, is to educate the public with emphasis on regular health checkups, the seven warning signals of cancer and informing people of the six cancers that are the most preventable and curable.

The American Cancer Society in Midland conducts an extensive Service and Rehabilitation programs for patients and their families.

In Midland, Rhonda Sawyer, chairman of the service and rehabilitation programs, oversees various patient services and support groups such as Reach for Recovery, I Can Cope and CanSurvive.

She explained there are many services available for the cancer patient,

such as sickroom supplies and equipment. These include hospital beds, wheelchairs and walkers which would be returned. All this equipment is free to any cancer patient.

And, there are also gift items that the patient can keep such as wigs, dressings, sheepskin, ostomy supplies and prosthesis.

FROM SEPTEMBER 1981 until February 1982, \$16,112 was spent for these services.

"If we gave money, it would not be enough for the patients' expenses," Ms. Sawyer said. "So we take the money made from the crusade and buy hospital equipment and such for these services. We can provide more services this way."

In the future, the Society hopes to have an information and referral service, providing additional information to cancer patients on what resources are available for financial needs, trans-

portation and meals.

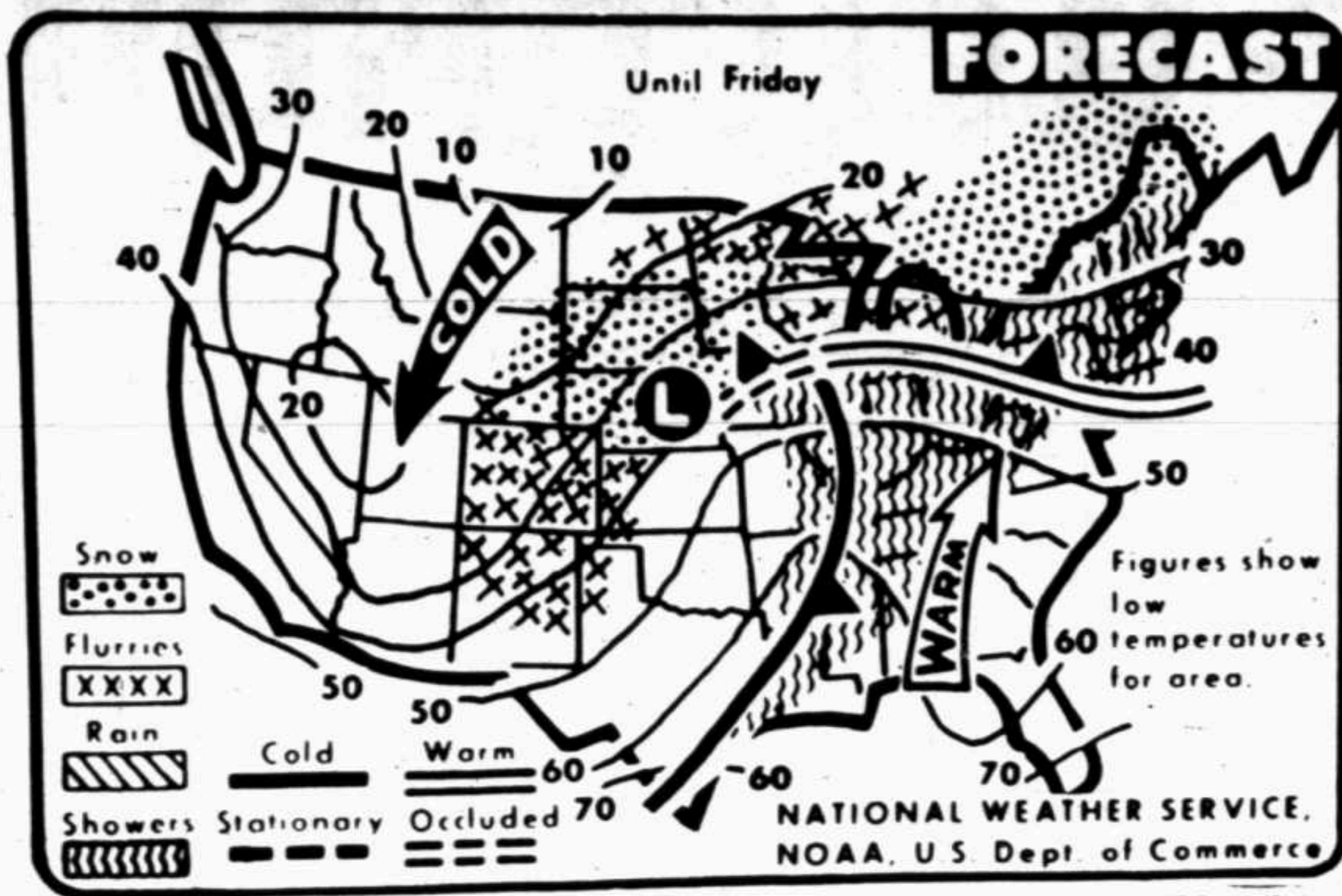
A transportation program to provide rides to and from the treatment center is now being organized. "Volunteers would pick up the cancer patients at home and bring them back again, free of charge," Ms. Sawyer said.

Support groups have not only been successful in helping the cancer patient, but vitally important. The ACS support programs for patients are implemented by volunteers, who are now or have been cancer patients themselves. Both the cancer patient and cancer volunteer must have written permission from their physicians before becoming active in any of the programs sponsored by the Society.

I CAN COPE is an upbeat, positive approach to living with cancer, with a main goal of helping cancer patients

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WEATHER SUMMARY



Snow is expected from the Southwest to the upper Great Lakes. Showers are forecast for East Texas and colder weather is expected in the West.

Midland statistics

Table with weather forecast details for Midland, including temperature ranges and precipitation chances.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities across the United States, including Albany, Albuquerque, and Houston.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas - Considerable low cloudiness and fog central and south this morning. Otherwise partly cloudy through Friday.

Professor addresses Rotary Club

(Continued from Page 1A) ernment from The University of Texas at Austin and a doctorate from UT-Austin. His dissertation was centered on politics and citizen participation in Costa Rica.

High for Friday predicted to be in 80s

Early morning fog may revive memories of fall, but the possibility of thunderstorms tonight and the expected high Friday in the 80s suggest an early entry into spring.

Odessa boy dies of traffic injuries

ODESSA - An Odessa boy has died of injuries suffered in a traffic accident here late Tuesday afternoon.

Eight racing pigeons reported stolen

In theft and burglary complaints to city police during the past 24 hours, Anita Brown of 4626 Ric Drive told officers eight racing pigeons valued at \$1,000 were stolen from a pen in her backyard sometime Wednesday.

Burglar apparently shot Goss's wife

HOUSTON (AP) - The wife of impresario-entertainer Dean Goss apparently was shot to death by a burglar, authorities said.

nia and in 1979-80 he was a Fulbright lecturer with the School of International Relations at National Autonomous University of Costa Rica.

The high Wednesday of 83 was considerably below the record 91 in 1977, while the overnight low of 56 was double the record for the date of 23 in 1934.

The Tidwell youth was riding a pedicycle and failed to yield the right-of-way at the intersection of 20th and Huntington about 6 p.m. Tuesday, according to the DPS. No charges were filed against the driver of the pickup truck involved, 15-year-old Bobby Patterson of Odessa.

Home Park reported the theft of a refrigerator, two fans, a stereo unit and

Police, Fire Roundup

24 arrows from a storage building, the latch of which had been cut to gain entry.

Police, Fire Roundup

The victim's husband operated the Dean Goss Dinner Theatre from 1988 until 1980 and both had been active in civic affairs.

Denton attacks Richard's work absence

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - State treasurer candidate Lane Denton asked opponent Ann Richards to explain a "mysterious" absence from work, and Ms. Richards said that she had taken off to deal with a drinking problem and because she missed her grown children so much.

employees have testified in recent weeks before the Travis County grand jury, but he has repeatedly declined to comment about a possible investigation of his office. Harding was out of town Wednesday and unavailable for comment.

He said drinking had had "an impact" on Ms. Richard's work as county commissioner, "and there is no reason to think it won't happen in the future."

What I did was seek counseling about not drinking any more, counseling to reassure myself that there is a great life after children. And, as far as I'm concerned, I'm a far stronger and a more valuable person than I ever was."



Midland firemen remove a smoldering chair from a mobile home occupied by Mike Jenkins at the rear of 4801 W. Cuthbert Ave. The home sustained heavy damage in a fire that broke out shortly before 2 p.m. Wednesday. The cause of the blaze, which took 900 gallons of water to extinguish, is being investigated by the city fire marshal's office.

Baressi outlines four-point plan for area schools

The deputy superintendent of the Midland Independent School District, speaking Wednesday to the Downtown Lions Club, outlined his four-point thrust in his eventual role as chief administrator of the \$36-million school program in Midland.



growth in the junior high schools is "starting to be dramatic." Enrollment in the high schools is on a "slight" decline. The school system's professional staff numbers about 1,000.

passed, raise school taxes on a \$70,000 house by \$25 per year and \$37 on a house with a fair-market value of \$100,000.

IRS to put emphasis on upper-income taxpayers

WASHINGTON (AP) - An individual taxpayer's chances of being audited by the Internal Revenue Service will drop to an all-time low this year - even though tax cheating is on the rise.

laws. The result has been a near tripling of the annual revenues the government estimates it is losing each year, from about \$27 billion in 1976 to \$72 billion or more now, according to preliminary findings from an unreleased IRS study recently made available to Congress.

individuals who have failed to file returns, targeting more on groups most likely to cheat and replacing "obsolete" computer systems to spot omissions of income from sources for which the IRS has records.

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American Cancer Society

Cancer society depends on volunteers

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become an essential part of their own treatment team.

In eight sessions, the support program includes educational classes by

local health-care professionals.

The group meets at Midland Memorial Hospital. Most of the participants either have been recently diagnosed as having cancer or are going through conventional treatment. The sessions

will range from topics on qualifying for social security to taking care of legal matters.

The purpose is to help the cancer patient gain control over his life, increase his knowledge of cancer and decrease anxiety about his life.

"The sessions are limited to cancer patients and their immediate family," Sawyer said. "We discuss nutrition, define the disease and talk about treatments. We will tell them about surgery, chemotherapy and radiation."

before they can help others."

A program designed for women who have undergone mastectomies is Reach To Recovery.

The support service, a rehabilitation program for women who have had breast surgery, is designed to help them meet their physical, psychological and cosmetic needs.

MS. SAWYER SAID volunteers, who have adjusted to their own surgery, visit mastectomy patients in the hospital, with a physician's permission.

"It's important that our volunteers appear as normal as possible and that they be well-groomed and well-dressed. On their first visit the volunteer will not do anything but introduce herself and leave some literature about the program. If the doctor agrees and the patient is willing, the volunteer may then show the patient certain stretching exercises.

"This is a very regulated program. All the volunteers must go through certification every two years. The mastectomy volunteers can help this cancer patient because they understand what it is like to have a breast removed," Ms. Sawyer said.

For more information on these or any other services or programs contact the American Cancer Society, 601 S. Main St., 683-6374.

High carbon monoxide levels found in smokers' blood, new study says

WASHINGTON (AP) —

Smokers may face an increased risk of complications from heart disease because of high levels of carbon monoxide in their blood, according to a study done for the National Center for Health Statistics.

The study, made public Wednesday, found that nearly 80 percent of smokers have potentially dangerous levels of carbon monoxide, which is produced by burning tobacco.

Only about 5 percent of non-smokers were found to have comparable carbon monoxide levels.

Of the four primary sources of carbon monoxide — smoking, occupational exposures and outdoor and indoor exposures — smoking was found to be "the most significant and widespread."

The study found that exposure to carbon mon-

oxide in winter from indoor sources may be a potential public health problem because there were striking differences between blood carbon monoxide levels in summer and winter.

The conclusions were drawn from data collected by the center in its National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, conducted from February 1976 to February 1980.

About 11,000 people ranging in age from 3 to 74 — a representative sample of the U.S. population — were tested.

A carbon monoxide level above 2 percent in healthy non-smokers was considered to be a potential health hazard. Smokers are regularly exposed to higher levels of carbon monoxide.

"The smoking population showed a mean carbon monoxide blood level

of more than 4 percent; for never-smokers, the mean was less than 1 percent," the report said.

A spokesman for the Tobacco Institute said the association of cigarette manufacturers was puzzled by the report. He said the institute was not aware of any scientific demonstration of health hazards in healthy persons with carbon monoxide blood levels of only 2 percent.

"We have reason to suspect that carbon monoxide may play a role in precipitating heart attacks," said Dr. Edward P. Radford, an epidemiologist

Removing lead paint hazardous

BOSTON (AP) — Health officials warn that the lead paint covering bridges across the United States is a potential health hazard, especially when workers try to remove the paint.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health monitored a repainting job on the Mystic River Bridge in Boston and found high levels of lead in the blood of some workers and children living nearby.

These researchers noted that thousands of bridges and other steel structures around the nation are covered with lead-based paint.

"The potential for serious occupational and environmental exposures to lead during the future work on these structures is large," they wrote in today's New England Journal of Medicine.

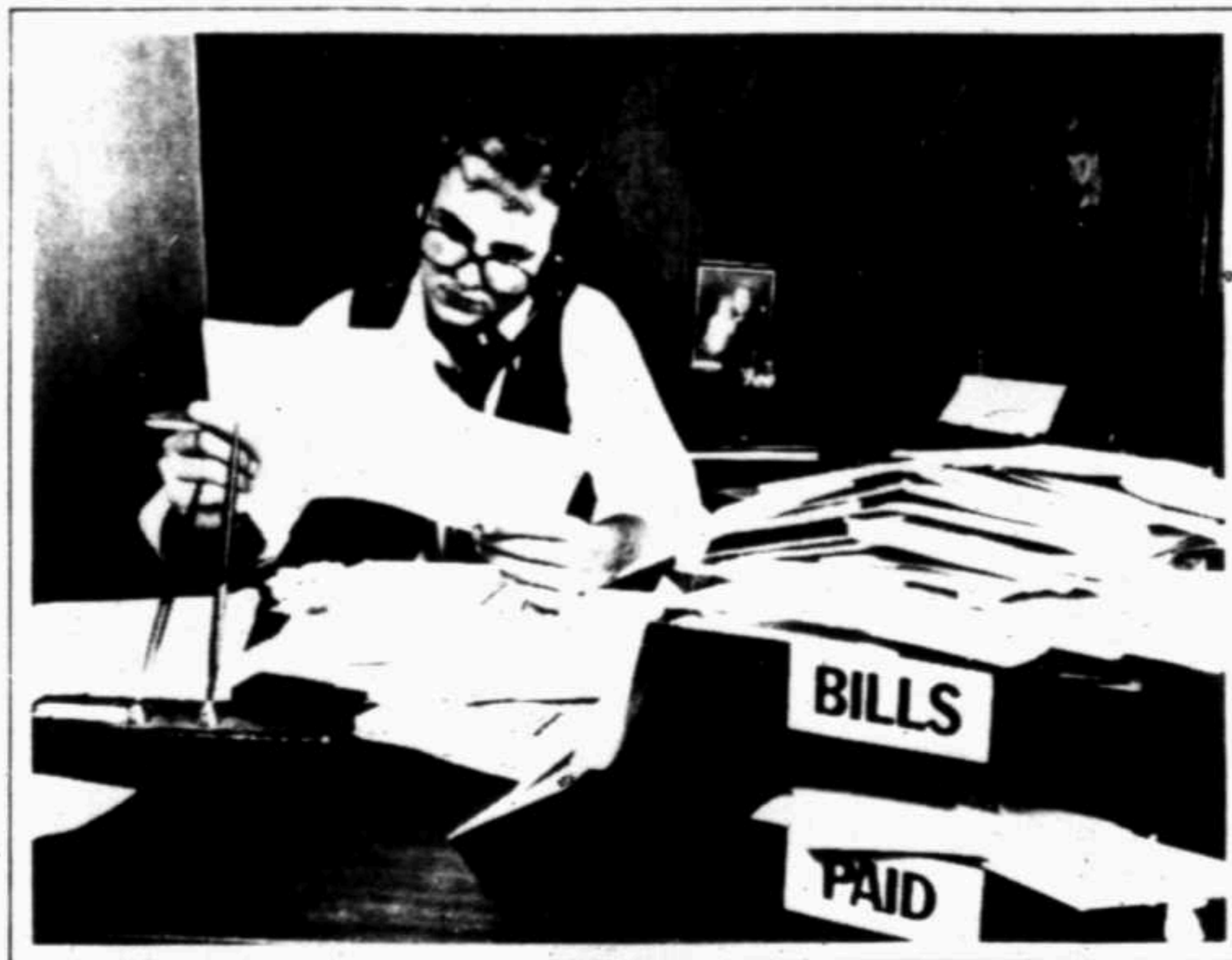
The Massachusetts Port Authority began the project in 1979. Officials feared 1979 flakings off the span was a health hazard, so they decided to sand blast all the paint off and repaint it.

However, the health officials found that the blasting filled the air and covered the ground with bits of lead paint.

After the state's initial health studies, the sand blasting was more carefully controlled to prevent lead dust from escaping, and the work continued safely.

The researchers found that 58 percent of the workers on one section of the bridge had blood levels of lead that were higher than standards set by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

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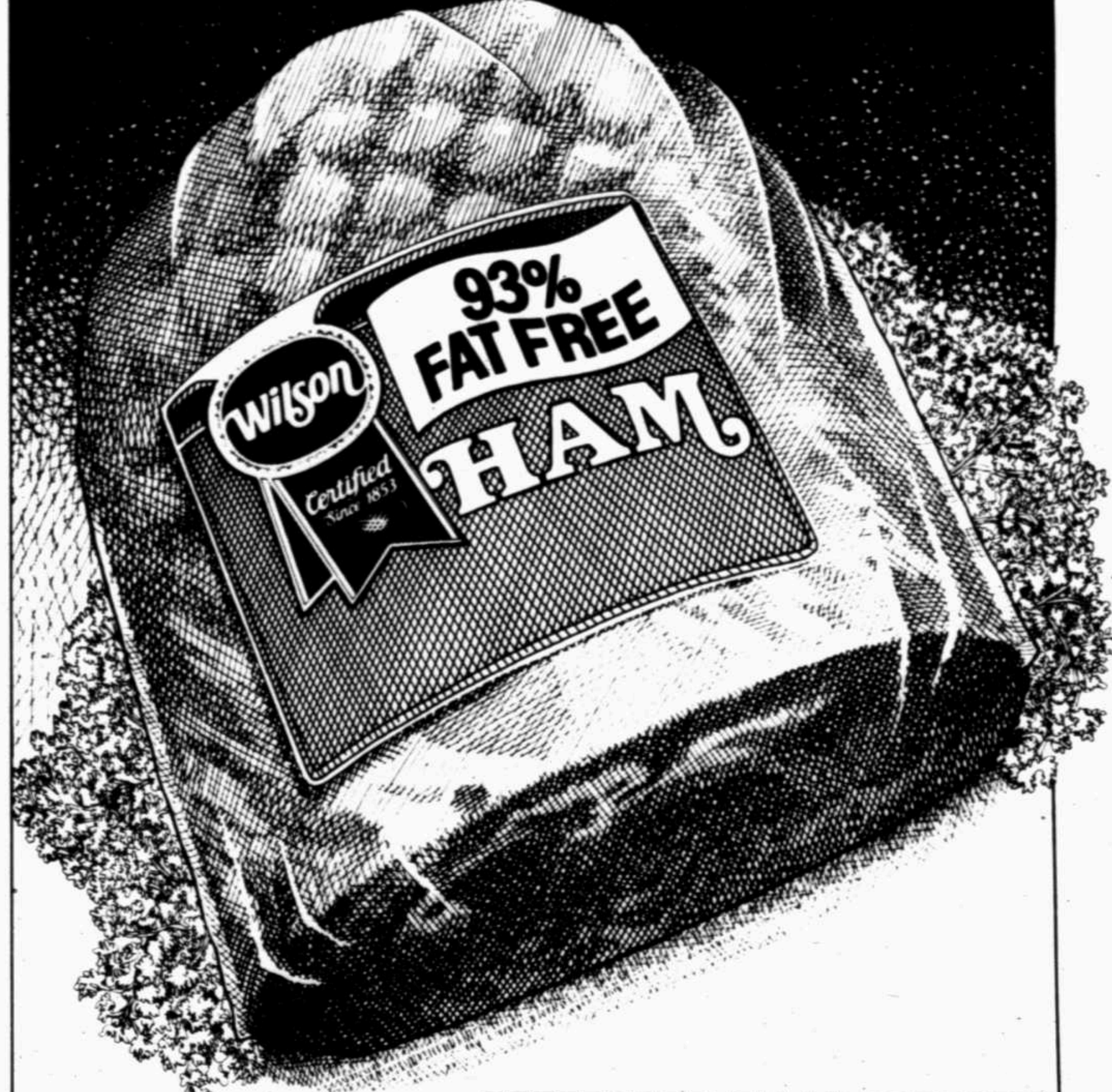
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DEATHS



William E. Terrell

Services for William Edward "Ed" Terrell, 59, of 3310 Windsor Drive, will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Methodist Church in Hobbs, N.M.

Terrell died Tuesday at an Odessa hospital from injuries suffered in an automobile accident March 8.

He was born July 15, 1922, in Foster, Okla. He lived in Hobbs for 23 years and in Andrews for eight years before moving to Midland in 1979. He was transferred to Hobbs from Duncan, Okla., while working for Halliburton. He was branch manager for Ruthco, Inc. in Hobbs and at the time of his death he was the vice president and regional sales manager in Midland. He

married Hilda Clark May 28, 1949, in Hobbs. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, El Maida Shrine and St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Hobbs. He was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Terri Lynn of Lubbock; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Terrell; a brother, James Everett Terrell and a sister, Cletus McKay, all of Elmore City, Okla.

The family requests that memorials be made to The Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children.

John W. Blanton

BARTLESVILLE, Okla. — Services for John Wesley Blanton, 82, father of Mary Kennedy and Johnna Curle, both of Midland, will be at 2 p.m. Friday in First Methodist Church in Bartlesville, Okla.

He died Tuesday in a Bartlesville hospital.

Other survivors include his wife, another daughter and 10 grandchildren.

Michael Owensby

OZONA — Michael Robert Owensby, 32, of Ozona and formerly of Midland, died Wednesday in an Ozona hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Friday in Ozona United Methodist Church.

He was born May 8, 1949, in Concordia, Kan., and graduated from The University of Texas at Austin Law School.

He was an attorney, a broker and member of First Baptist Church in Tamona, Calif. In Midland he had been employed by Shearson.

Survivors include his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Owensby of Ozona; a brother, Mark Owensby of San Diego, Calif.; and a sister, Sue Owensby of Austin.

The family asks that memorials be directed toward favorite charities.



Natasha Anderson

Services for Natasha Lynn Anderson, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Anderson of Houston, will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Glenn Shoemaker, minister of the Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Monday in a Houston hospital.

She was born Aug. 20, 1981. Survivors include her parents; her

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Anderson and Mrs. Pat Jeffcoat, all of Midland; and several aunts and uncles.

Lelia Holbrooks

SEMINOLE — Lelia Pittman Holbrooks, 67, of Seminole and mother of Celia Gilliam of Midland, died Tuesday in Seminole after a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Singleton Funeral Home's Chapel of Chimes with burial in Seminole.

She was married to Cecil Holbrooks in 1939 and was a member of World Wide Church of God.

Other survivors include her husband, three sisters, three brothers and three grandchildren.

Madeline Wheat

Services for Madeline M. Wheat, 78, of 1707 Western Drive, will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Steve Edwards, senior minister of the First Christian Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday in a Midland hospital.

Mrs. Wheat was born Sept. 23, 1903, in Blum. She grew up in Blum and moved to Midland in 1938. Her husband, the late A.C. "Buck" Wheat, preceded her in death in 1966. She was a member of the Rio Vista Chapter Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors include a son, Charlie Wheat of Midland; a brother, J.W. Maxwell of Blum; seven sisters, Adella Cooper, Emily Erwin and Clova Jones, all of Cleburne; Maxie Roscoe of Seguin; Maude Camp of Austin; Christine Krownfelter of Dallas and Mrs. Bill Gathings of Rio Vista; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

White Sands being readied as emergency landing site

By STEVE BREWER Associated Press Writer WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, N.M. — Technicians and officials at White Sands Missile Range are working overtime schedules to prepare for the increased possibility of a space shuttle landing at Northrup Strip here.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration senior engineer Alex Paczynski says telephone conferences scheduled for today and Friday will determine whether Northrup Strip's status as a landing site will be upgraded.

NASA officials announced Wednesday that they planned to stick to the scheduled Monday morning launch of the shuttle, even though bad weather has ruled out the primary landing site — at least for the first day of the seven-day mission.

Rain at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., the primary site, has dampened the prime runways to the extent that they are not

safe for an abort-once-around landing. Abort-once-around is the contingency that would allow for a landing after one orbit of the Earth because of an emergency.

Depending on how fast the California landing site dries out, Northrup could also become the primary landing site for several days into the mission.

Paczynski said NASA officials were to make the final decision Friday on whether to upgrade Northrup's status for an emergency landing during the mission and for the end-of-mission landing.

NASA officials have hoped that a landing at Northrup won't be necessary because it would mean more expense and time to ship recovery equipment here from California. Northrup is equipped with a crane to jumbo jet for its piggy-back return flight to Florida, but other support equipment would have to be moved to New Mexico

by train. Paczynski said the weather system that has disrupted plans in California is expected to reach Northrup during the weekend, but he expects that it will not bring as much rain to the white gypsum flat as it did further west.

"Actually, we could use about 1 to 2 of an inch to keep the sand packed down and keep it from blowing," he said. He said technicians and Northrup administrators would work extra hours Thursday and Friday to complete final preparations for a possible landing. Extra drills were being scheduled, he said.

Merillat family to be buried

DALLAS (AP) — The secret of the disappearance and death of the Kenneth Merillat family will be buried with the couple and their younger daughter Saturday in their hometown of Adrian, Mich.

Medical examiners ruled the three and another daughter drowned in Lake Lewisville after disappearing on a family outing Feb. 14. Investigators closed their case without being able to determine how or why the four were in the water.

Services for 6-year-old Kayleen Merillat, whose body was found three weeks ago, were last Saturday in Adrian.

The body of Merillat, 32, surfaced Monday. The bodies of Alice Hood Merillat, 27, and 5-year-old Kendra Lee Merillat were recovered from the lake Saturday.

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lowed the mysterious disappearance of the family after they went to the lake to gather firewood on Valentine's Day.

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We checked out Falcon Reservoir near Zapata about two weeks ago, so we thought we might need to find out what's happening in the way of fishing at another South Texas hot spot, Amistad Reservoir near Del Rio.

We fished with Amistad guide, H.S. "Smockey" James on Monday. For those of you who know of Smockey, or have fished with this fine individual, you know that he's probably one of the finest guides on this sprawling border reservoir and seldom fails to find and catch fish for his clients.

But, we guess the word is out. Smockey, who originates from Sundown, Texas is a retired farmer who has been a guide for 10 years. His reputation as a fishing guide on one of Texas' most productive largemouth and striper lakes equals none. James who is one great fisherman is also a gentleman like we've never met. I've fished with guides all around the United States, Mexico and Cuba, but never fished with anyone like Smockey.

Whether you catch fish or not, you're going to have a wonderful time trying. And fishing with Smockey, if the fishing might be slow, is nothing to get upset over. Mr. James makes you think you are going to catch a fish on every cast. He has way of keeping you pepped-up all day long. He's one of the

best and nicest guides I've ever fished with. It would be a great thing to book James sometime in May. You won't regret the fishing trip. And booking a guide on Amistad is a way, especially for the first timer of one who is not too familiar with the huge reservoir to learn how to catch those scrappy Amistad bass and where to catch them.

March is always a good month on Amistad. Like most southern Texas lakes, the water begins to warm more rapidly than those North Texas lakes. Fish, especially largemouth bass, begin searching for spawning areas and do some extra heavy feeding to primp their bodies for the grueling spawn. This is how we found the fish to be on Monday.

James had been catching fish in 15 to 25 feet of water in February for the most part. Water temperatures at Amistad normally do not dip much below 52 or 53 degrees in the extreme winter months. Therefore, when warmer weather hits the desert-setting region near Del Rio, those bass do not need much to turn them on.

The water temperature while fishing on Monday was hovering near the 59-degree mark, only a few degrees away from true spawning time for the largemouth bass.

James said, "I'm just waiting for some real warm weather to turn these bass on. We may have a streak of several

Checking out Amistad Reservoir bass

warm days. On the last day, let's say before a cold front moves in, I start to catch my bass in shallow water...those looking for a place to spawn. But just as I think it's time, another cold front moves in and disturbs the fish.

"But I've been fishing Amistad long enough to know that when spawning time is just around the corner, I've got a pretty good idea where and how to catch fish...cold front or no cold front."

Two days before we fished with James, a cold front invaded South Texas. Just prior to the front, James had been catching some really nice strings of bass anywhere from five to 15 feet of water. They were bass almost ready to spawn, but conditions due to

the cold fronts just wouldn't allow them to progress. The weather on Monday was cold and windy. In my opinion, I didn't think we would do much good on bass, but wow, was I wrong.

James very seldom fishes the upper end of Amistad for bass. We're talking about the regions directly north of Diablo East launching ramp, the JSan Pedro area and Devil's Canyon. His main target for largemouths is up the Rio Grande arm of this international reservoir. "I just feel like I can catch more bass up the river and on the Mexican side than I can elsewhere. I think that's because there isn't nearly the fishing pressure way up the lake like other regions," said James.

We were fishing the Zorro Creek areas near marker 14 throughout most of the day. We couldn't find any fish in the shallow water due to the recent cold front, but we were fishing in the same regions that James had been catching some bass on previous trips. He had been taking them in shallow water, but said, "Since this cold front, I know those bass probably won't be in the shallowwater, but let's still fish the same general areas and drop back off to about 15 to 25 feet." We did just that and commenced to catch a nice string of keeper bass.

Our day began casting plastic grubs in the smoke and black colors. We managed to boat a few bass but the

wind wouldn't allow us to fish the places and the methods we needed to. We then began to work deeper water, off rocky points and submerged island with black plastic lizards. This was the key to our day's success. We managed to boat 18 bass from two to five and one-half pounds on that special Monday...most coming off the lizards.

As I sit here typing this column, the weather outside is about 75 degrees and tomorrow is supposed to hit near 80. I know as sure as I'm sitting here that if this warm weather continues, the fishing at Amistad should be fantastic. Only a few more warm degrees are needed for the water temperature and Amistad fishing will boom.

TPWD propose changes in state hunting regulations

AUSTIN — A number of amendments to the state's hunting regulations have been proposed by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, some subject to approval by local county commissioners courts.

Public hearings are being held in 241 counties under the TPWD's regulatory authority during March to review the proposed changes and receive public comment.

Hunters are advised to check regulations in the county to be hunted by obtaining the department's 1982-83 Guide to Hunting Regulations brochure, which will be available in early fall from hunting license outlets and department offices prior to opening of the hunting seasons.

The following is a brief summation of some of the more significant recommendations:

—Antlerless deer permits no longer would be attached to a foreleg of the animal. The regulation requires only that the permit be attached to the carcass.

—Duvall County would be added to those South Texas counties having a buck permit system for quality deer management. Issuance of buck permits would be on an unlimited basis for the 1982-83 deer hunting season.

—In counties offering the either-sex deer hunting season, the department would issue special antlerless deer tags to landowners on an unlimited basis. The antlerless deer tags differ from antlerless deer permits now required in most counties, as the tags could be issued on an unlimited basis to landowners while permits are issued on a

compartment and acreage basis.

—Deer hunting regulations would be standardized in Dimmit, Harrison, Kinney, Medina, Robertson, Uvalde and Zavala Counties. They would have the standard 51-day deer season, ending Jan. 2, 1983, with the standard bag limit of three deer, no more than two bucks.

—The commission would add 14 counties to the "either sex" deer hunting regulation, wherein tags are issued to landowners on an unlimited basis. Counties added would be Bandera, Comal, Crockett, Edwards, Gillespie, Rays, Kerr, Kimble, Lampasas, Mason, Real, San Saba, Sutton and Val Verde. This proposal is subject to approval or disapproval by commissioners courts (CC) in these counties.

—In Medina and Kinney Counties the buck bag limit would be increased from one to two; subject to approval by the County Commissioners Court.

—Duvall County would be given the early antlerless-only deer hunting season, Oct. 23-Nov. 7 to provide landowners additional hunting days in which to remove surplus antlerless deer.

—Harvest of antlerless deer by permit would be allowed in Robertson County.

—Dimmit, Edwards, Kendall, Kinney and Real Counties would receive the standard archery-only deer season, Oct. 2-31, which provides five weekends of hunting subject to approval by CC.

—Controlled archery-only deer hunts conducted by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service would be permitted on the Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge in Grayson County. The deer season would remain closed in the remainder of Grayson County.

TPWC approves new park, wildlife management area

AUSTIN — Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission members meeting here last week gave final approval to a master plan for developing a new state park and wildlife management area in Kimble County.

The South Llano River State Park and Wildlife Management Area is a 2,630-acre tract of scenic limestone hills and pecan bottomland along the South Llano River, three miles south of Junction.

The land was a gift to the Parks and Wildlife Department from Walter Buck, who operated the property as a ranch.

Park development will cost approximately \$2 million to \$2.5 million. Facilities will include a multi-use camping

area with 29 sites, a day-use area with 25 sites, primitive camping area, hiking and wildlife observation trails and an exhibit ranch. Support facilities will include a headquarters/interpretive center, maintenance complex and residences.

Officials expect the facility to be open by summer 1984.

One of the most unusual aspects of the site is the presence of a major wild turkey roost near the river. The master plan centered around developing the site without causing disruption of the turkey's activities. Officials said the only development in the bottomland area will be a day-use area designed for river access and two wildlife observation trails.

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Two factors contribute to absence of TPC favorite

By BOB GREEN
AP Golf Writer

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. (AP) — Two factors — the unknown demands of a new and potentially controversial course and the failure of the pro golf tour to produce a dominant figure this season — contributed to the absence of a clear-cut favorite in the \$500,000 Tournament Players Championship.

"We're still learning the golf course. Everyone — even the officials — are still learning the golf course," said Ray Floyd, the defending titleholder in this, the annual championship of golf's touring players.

"We still don't know, the officials don't know, if the course will play easier or harder if it's set up this way of another way," said Floyd, who won last season a few hundred yards away at the Sawgrass links.

This time, he and the other 146 men face the tests and demands of a brand-new course, the Players Club, owned by the touring players themselves and a permanent site for the event that is growing annually in prestige and importance.

It was designed by Pete Dye, who said the underlying thought was "to create a golf course to bring out all the shots, all the great shots the professional players are capable of playing."

There have been suggestions, however, that the penalties for a missed shot are too severe.

Hall of Fame players Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer, both of whom also are professionals in the field of golf course design and construction, have lauded the course, however.

"You've got to play golf here," Nicklaus said after his last practice round. "I like it. I like the golf course. I think Pete has done a tremendous job."

"The golf course is fine. It's a good test," said Palmer, but couldn't resist adding, with a twinkle in his eye:

"With some wind, you're going to see some very high scores. You're going to see some withdrawals. You're going to see any number of things."

"With a 25-30 mile per hour wind there could be some holes out there you might not be able to finish."

"To be able to play this course, you have to have all the shots," he said, and listed Nicklaus, Tom Kite and possibly Tom Watson as potential challengers for the \$90,000 first prize.

Kite, who has finished 10th or better in 26 of his last 33 starts, has won once and finished second twice this season, probably the tour's best record. With 10 tournaments played this season, no one has won twice.

Nicklaus has won not at all. But he's been in contention in five of six starts.

"The last month I haven't hit the ball very well," said the man generally regarded as the most proficient the game has produced. "I'm a little further off that I'd like to be. I keep saying I've found something, then find that it doesn't work."

"Well, I think I found a fundamental problem today. But whether I can take this and use it on the golf course remains to be seen."

He said the demands of the course are such that it will require experience and great patience to win.

"There is a saying in Scotland that golf is not a fair game and wasn't intended to be," Nicklaus said.

"You're going to see a lot of that this week. A player is going to play a shot and not get the result from it that he expects. It's going to take a lot of patience to play here."

"I like that."

Portions of the final two rounds Saturday and Sunday will be televised nationally by CBS.

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The No. 17, par 3 hole at the Tournament Players Club in Ponte Vedra, Fla., is a patch of green surrounded by water. But many of the Tournament Players Association pros here for the Tournament Players Championship say the No. 18, 440-yard par 4 hole is the toughest.

SPORTS IN BRIEF Gunthardt tops Dibbs in WCT

By The Associated Press
TENNIS

STRASBOURG, France (AP) — Switzerland's Heinz Gunthardt topped Eddie Dibbs 6-3, 6-0 to advance to the quarterfinals of the \$300,000 WCT Strasbourg International Tournament.

In other action, Terry Moor topped Vijay Armitraj of India 6-4, 6-4; Tim Mayotte beat Trey Waltke 6-3, 6-2; and Sandy Mayer defeated Rick Meyer 6-4, 6-5.

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — Britain's Buster Mottram upset Brian Teacher 6-4, 3-6, 7-5 in the third round of the \$250,000 Rotterdam Grand Prix Tournament.

In other matches, Chip Hooper ousted Mel Purcell 6-4, 6-3, while Guillermo Vilas of Argentina beat Tim Wilkison 6-2, 6-3.

BOSTON (AP) — Top-seeded Hana Mandlikova of Czechoslovakia registered a 6-4, 4-6, 6-3 victory over Lucia Romanov of Romania in an opening round match of the \$150,000 Avon Tennis Championships.

In other matches, Ann Kiyomura defeated Leslie Allen 4-6, 6-2, 6-2; unseeded Yvonne Vermaak of South Africa upset seventh-seeded Mary Lou Piatek, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2; Kathy Jordan defeated Peanut Louie 6-2, 6-4, and Anne Hobbs of London, England, ousted Nancy Yeargin 6-4, 6-2.

METZ, France (AP) — Henri Leconte of France beat Pat Dupre 6-3, 6-1 to advance to the quarterfinals of the \$75,000 Grand Prix Tournament.

In other second-round play, Sweden's Jan Gunnarsson beat Matt Doyle 6-3, 6-3; Eric Iskersky topped France's Karl Meiler 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; and France's Henri Leconte beat American Pat Dupre 6-3, 6-1.

BOWLING

GARDEN CITY, N.Y. (AP) — Randy Lightfoot strung together five strikes midway through his final game of the second round to pass Johnny Petraglia by 14 pins after 12 games of the \$100,000 Long Island Open pro bowling tournament.

Lightfoot was in second place, 38 pins behind Petraglia after the opening qualifying session. In the second round, he posted scores of 225, 270, 248, 247 and 216 for a 1,428 total.

Lightfoot scored 1,422 for his first six games and had a combined pinfall of 2,850. Boyse Huber was third, 122 pins off the pace with 2,728 total. George Pappas was fourth at 2,726 and Dave Davis was fifth with 2,721.

CYCLING

SAN BENEDETO DEL TRONTO, Italy (AP) — Holland's Gerrie Kneteman won the fifth leg of the six-lap Tirreno-Adriatico cycling race and moved into the overall lead.

Kneteman captured the 18-kilometer against-the-clock test in 22 minutes and 27 seconds. Kneteman took the overall lead from Greg Lemond of Los Angeles, competing for the Renault French team.

NBA ROUNDUP

Fitch unhappy about how Boston defeated Atlanta

By The Associated Press

How can you criticize a team with the best record in the National Basketball Association and a season-high 13-game winning streak?

Boston Celtics Coach Bill Fitch found a reason. Upset with the way the Celtics almost lost the game at the end, Fitch gave his club a tough locker-room talk after a 113-109 victory Wednesday night over the Atlanta Hawks.

"We came at it with body and soul and up to 87 points, pretty good minds," said Fitch. "But after that, fatigue took over and we made what I call fatigue no-brainers."

The Celtics led by 17 points at one time and were up 87-72 with 3:55 left in the third period. But the charging Hawks cut the deficit to 101-99 with 4:04 remaining in the game.

Then Kevin McHale, Boston's high scorer with 25 points, led a late rally that helped the Celtics put Atlanta away for their 13th straight.

"We got complacent and just didn't play very intelligently," said McHale. "We didn't take care of the ball."

McHale did most of his fine work against Dan Roundfield.

"McHale played a great game," Roundfield said. "I didn't box him out and he got a lot of stuff inside."

The game was tied 18 times in the first half, which ended with Boston holding a 63-61 edge. The Celtics led 67-65 before Larry Bird's jumper launched a 14-2 surge that widened the lead to 81-67. The Celtics opened a 98-82 lead before the Hawks started their comeback behind Eddie Johnson, who scored 27 points.

Bird added 22 points to the Celtics cause. In other NBA games, it was Los Angeles 120, Utah 112; Philadelphia 102, Washington 93; Chicago 102, Dallas 92; New Jersey 93, San Antonio 90; Cleveland 113, San Diego 107 in overtime; Denver 135, Phoenix 133 in overtime and Kansas City 117, Golden State 116.

Lakers 120, Jazz 112
Kareem Abdul-Jabbar scored 28 points and Earvin "Magic" Johnson added 23 as Los Angeles handed Utah its 12th straight defeat. The Jazz were led by Darrell Griffith's 32 points and 31 from Adrian Dantley, who had his total before being ejected with 1 1/2 minutes left in the third period. Dantley receiving two technical fouls after strongly objecting to a call.

With seven minutes left, the Jazz trailed by 100-98, but the Lakers broke open the game behind their two high scorers.

"That one was for me, being St. Paddy's Day and all," said Laker Coach Pat Riley. "I thought it was two different games, especially from the second quarter on. In the second period, we must have had 18 fast-breaks and nearly blew them off the floor. Then in the third quarter, things changed. They nearly did the same thing to us. You can't let up against a team like Utah. They really want to win against a team like us. It got close toward the end but I never worried. When you have players like Magic, you know they will come through."

76ers 102, Bullets 93

NHL ROUNDUP

Gretzky adds three more offensive records to list in Oilers 10-4 win

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

Just to show he isn't greedy, Wayne Gretzky is prepared to leave something to aim for next season.

Gretzky, the Edmonton Oilers' scoring machine, collected three goals and two assists Wednesday night in a 10-4 wipeout of the Pittsburgh Penguins. The 21-year-old center set three more National Hockey League offensive records with his performance.

The three goals gave Gretzky 87, the most goals scored in a season, including playoffs. Mike Bossy of the New York Islanders had 85 last season — 68 in regular season and 17 the playoffs.

Gretzky also broke Bossy's record for most games in which a player has scored at least three goals in a single season. Gretzky now has 10 such games, one more than the nine Bossy had in 1980-81.

Finally, Gretzky also smashed his own record for assists in a season. He has 110, one more than last year, and 197 points.

With only six games left, however, Gretzky doesn't seem to expect to hit 100 goals.

"Everything you do is for a purpose," he said, "and everything that happens is for a reason. Maybe this year wasn't supposed to be my year to get 100 goals; maybe that will be something for me to aim for next year."

Glenn Anderson scored twice and Mark Messier had three assists to aid Gretzky in blowing away the Penguins.

"If Gretzky is Irish, he had a hell of a night," said Penguins Coach Ed Johnston, referring to St. Patrick's Day. "Is it O'Gretzky?"

Bobby Jones scored 22 points and helped lead a fourth-quarter surge that carried Philadelphia over Washington. The loss marked the fifth defeat for Washington in five games with the 76ers this season.

The Bullets trailed 81-67 with nine minutes left before rallying to within 87-82. But Jones and Julius Erving later sparked a 14-2 burst that clinched the victory.

"I was pleased with the all-around effort," said Philadelphia Coach Billy Cunningham. "We came out tonight with the intention of playing aggressive defense. We had excellent shots in the first half, but rushed them. But our overall performance was good."

Bulls 102, Mavericks 92

Ricky Sobers scored 14 points in a fourth-quarter rally that led Chicago over Dallas. The Bulls never led by more than five points until Sobers, who finished with 20 points, got the hot hand in the final period.

The score was tied 13 times and there were seven lead changes through the first three quarters. But the Bulls took command in the final period, outscoring the Mavericks 16-8 at one point. Sobers collected 10 points during the spurt.

Nets 93, Spurs 90

Clarence "Foots" Walker stole an inbounds pass and sank a free throw with one second left, lifting New Jersey over San Antonio. Ray Williams scored 14 of his 20 points in the Nets' fourth-quarter rally. His 15-foot jumper with 6:11 left gave the Nets the lead for good at 79-78.

"I was prepared tonight to play defense against George Gervin," said Williams, who was assigned to guard the Spurs' 6-foot-7 guard, and NBA scoring leader. "But once he (Gervin) got in foul trouble, I knew he'd play a little tentative and I could be a little more offensive-minded." Gervin, meanwhile, scored only one point in the final period and finished with 24.

Cavaliers 113, Clippers 107

Ron Brewer scored 11 of his 31 points in overtime, and Scott Wedman and James Edwards each had 22 as Cleveland defeated San Diego.

Rookie Al Wood, who led the Clippers with 29 points, sent the game into overtime when his five-foot jumper tied the score at 98 with three seconds left in regulation.

Nuggets 135, Suns 133

Kiki Vandeweghe scored eight of his 30 points in overtime to lead Denver past Phoenix. Dan Issel added a game- and season-high 39 points, and David Thompson scored 21 as Denver won its fifth straight game and first over Phoenix in four contests this season.

The Suns lost for only the seventh time in 32 games at home, despite 28 points from Dennis Johnson and 22 from Walter Davis.

Kings 117, Warriors 116

Mike Woodson scored 23 points to lead Kansas City over Golden State. The Kings sewed up the game at the end as Reggie Johnson dunked the ball on a breakaway. Bernard King scored 32 points for the Warriors, but missed all eight of his shots from the field in the first half.

Ruidoso renovation progressing

RUIDOSO DOWNS (AP)

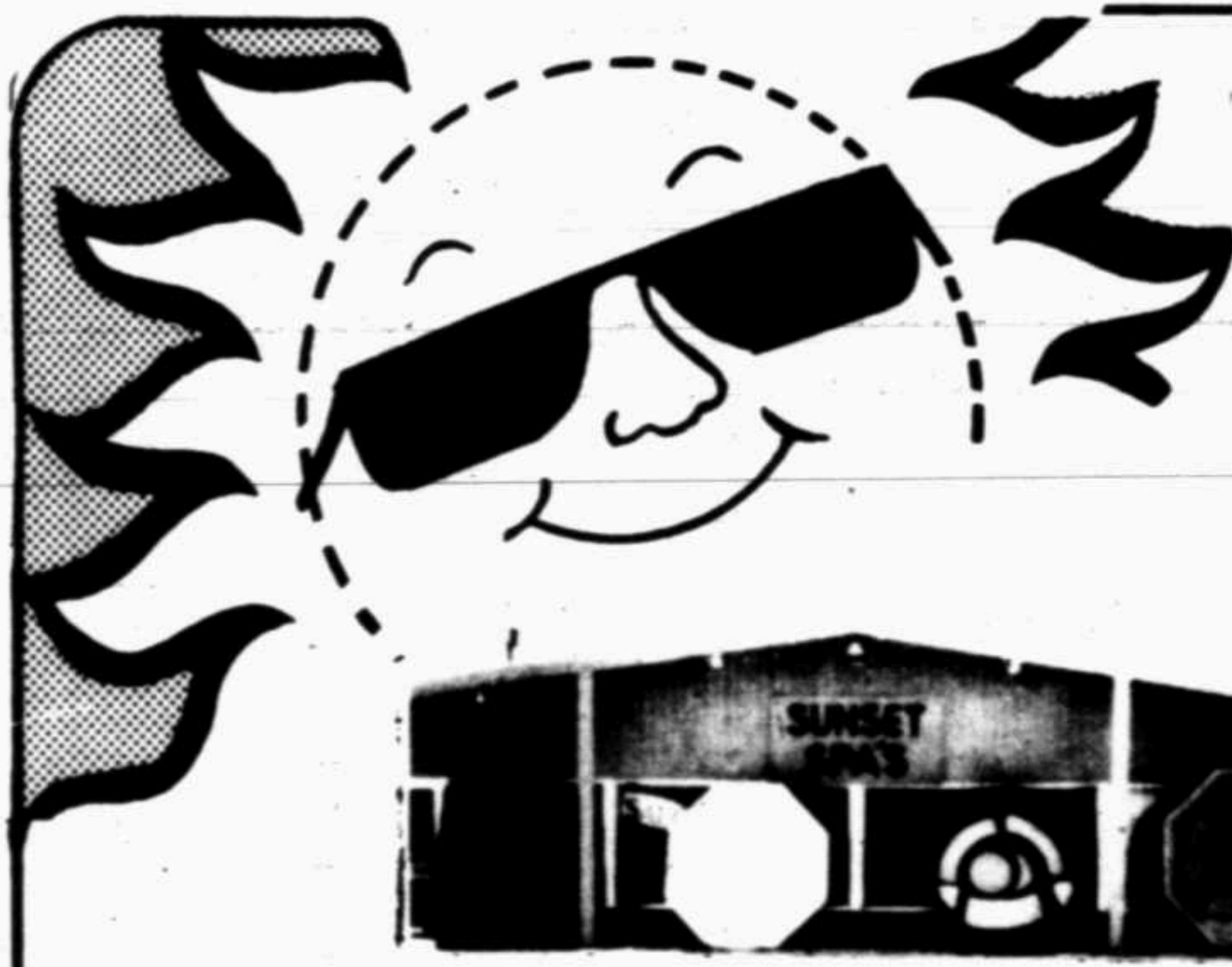
Work is progressing on a \$2.5 million renovation program at Ruidoso Downs racetrack, with the project expected to be completed by the start of this year's summer racing season on May 8.

Finlay MacGillivray, general manager of the track, said Wednesday the "new look" will extend from the track's main entrance to the grandstand and more exclusive Turf Club seating area.

"We have a new look beginning this season with the new sign in front of the main gate to the new barns on the backside," said MacGillivray.

MacGillivray said the track is installing new mutual equipment, and along with the expanded seating facilities, the popular mountain track is anticipating "a substantial increase of business."

One of the major portions of the expansion project is the addition of 200 new tables and boxes in the Turf Club. That will add 800 more seats. The track also is adding another 900 seats in the grandstand. That will raise the seating capacity to 1,248 in the Turf Club and 3,185 in the grandstand.



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Stock market loses

NEW YORK (AP) - The stock market drifted lower Wednesday, leaving the Dow Jones industrial average hovering just above a two-year low.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE Can anybody offer to sell IRAs?

By BILL DOYLE

Q. Banks, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, mutual funds and brokerage firms are offering individual retirement accounts. I've heard that everybody else is, too. I'm concerned about the "everybody else." Can anybody set up a company and start enrolling people in IRAs? Who sees to it that the company can't run off with the money? A. In theory, almost anybody can offer IRAs, after getting approval from the Internal Revenue Service to act as trustee. In practice, it doesn't happen that way.



Doyle

The rules specify that the trustee may be a bank, savings and loan association, a federally insured credit union or an individual approved by the IRS. Any company or individual wanting to offer IRAs is required to file a prototype plan with the IRS.

A trust or custodial account must be used for IRAs normally with a big bank. So, if some "anybody" sets up shop and offers IRAs, he or she doesn't handle the money. The bank has custodianship of the IRA money and investments.

Of course, all the rules in the world won't prevent someone with larceny in his or her heart from stealing. But the regulations covering IRAs have prevented thefts, to date.

Q. I have a self-directed individual retirement account at a brokerage firm, in which I buy stocks and other investments. It seems that I am paying a substantial fee to the bank that acts as IRA trustee. I have two sons, one a lawyer and the other in the investment field. Could either of my sons act as trustee for my IRA? A. Maybe, if he can draw up a prototype IRA plan, submit it to the Internal Revenue Service and have it approved. That might take quite some time.

The annual custodial fees on self-directed IRAs vary all over the lot. Some brokerage firms have arrangements calling for fixed fees in the \$25 to \$50 range. At others, that fee is based on the value of each account.

In the credit markets Wednesday, prices of some long-term government bonds, which move in the opposite direction from interest rates, registered gains approaching \$10 for every \$1,000 in face value. Rates on short-term Treasury bills were mixed with only small changes.

Sears Roebuck led the active list, unchanged at 17 1/4. A 2,377,600-share block traded at 17 1/4.

Marshall Field climbed 1 to 25 1/4. A British-based company made an offer to acquire the company, setting up the possibility of a bidding competition with a private investor group that has acquired about 29 percent of Marshall Field's stock.

Two of the day's biggest losers were issues traded on the American Stock Exchange. Data Access Systems, the Amex volume leader, fell 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 on word that the company's auditors questioned its ability to continue as a going concern.

Adams Resources fell 2 1/4 to 3 1/4. The company reported a \$37.1 million loss for 1981, and said it doesn't meet guidelines for continued listing on the American exchange.

One pocket of strength was the airline group, which has benefited lately from the decline of oil prices. Delta rose 1/4 to 30 1/4; Trans World 1/4 to 20 1/4; and UAL 1/4 to 18.

Q. You wrote that a person who has a "rollover" IRA can't add annual contributions to that account but must open a new IRA for annual contributions. I rolled over an IRA and put more into it each year. Was your answer wrong? A. Yes. Before writing the previous answer, I checked three IRA plans, none of which permit additional annual contributions to rollover accounts. Letters from you and other readers make it clear some IRA sponsors allow annual contributions to rollover accounts. It turns out that there's no rule against it.

Doyle welcomes written questions, but he will be able to provide answers only through his column. Address questions to Bill Doyle, King Features, c/o The Reporter-Telegram, Midland, Texas 79702.

BUSINESS NOTEBOOK

Homeowners still coming out ahead

By JOHN CUNIFF AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) - Has the market price of your home plunged? Have you lost your shirt? In the opinion of some investment advisers it has and you have, respectively. And if it hasn't, and if you're still wearing your shirt, well, in the opinion of a few authors it won't be long now.

Opinions, however, don't seem to count very much in the marketplace. Dollars do, and the median sale price of existing single-family homes rose last year to \$66,800 from \$64,500 a year earlier.

Discounting for roughly 8 percent inflation, it means the median house lost about \$3,400 last year, dropping the value to an inflation-adjusted \$61,100 - hardly a plunge that leaves your back bare.

If you compare that performance with some mutual funds or blue chip stocks it doesn't sound bad at all. Double-digit declines speckled the stock list. The Dow Jones industrial average lost more than 9 percent, or about 4 points more than the price decline in single-family homes.

Still, neither stockholder nor homeowner lost a real red cent if they didn't sell. And some of those who sold may have made lots of money.

To say that an object's price has plunged when it was bought at \$5, rose to \$10 and then fell back to \$8 or \$9 seems to be an exaggeration. But in much larger dollar signs, that describes the experience of many homeowners and stockholders forced to sell during the past year.

You can feel sorry for homesealers, and probably for yourself too, when you consider that other factors:

1. Many homesealers had invested only 5 percent or 10 percent of their money in the house, but they enjoyed appreciation of 100 percent of the market value.

2. Many homesealers held mortgages at one-half the interest rate that was charged during the past year to some of the country's most credit-worthy corporations, such as American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

The advantages they have enjoyed don't end there. Many of them lived with monthly expenses far below those they might have had to pay for comparable rental units. And those expenses were lowered still more because the interest and real estate portions of those expenses were deducted on their federal income tax returns.

Moreover, many of those who sold did so without incurring any capital gains taxes whatever, an advantage unique to personal real estate.

But there's still the future, say those who predict a collapse of home prices.

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