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## Explosion collapses U.S. embassy in Beirut



**Embassy bombed**

View of the American Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon, after a huge bomb blast collapsed the entire front of the seven-story structure. Rescue vehicles are seen in the foreground as a helicopter flies overhead. Twenty-eight people have reportedly been killed, including six U.S. Marines.

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A bomb-laden car reportedly driven by a Moslem suicide terrorist exploded, outside the U.S. Embassy today, and a doctor said 28 people, including six U.S. Marines, were killed in the fiery blast that collapsed the center section of the seven-story building.

A U.S. Navy spokesman said 25 people were killed and 36 wounded. The State Department in Washington said it knew of "no deaths of Americans," but a doctor at the American University Hospital said the hospital's morgue had 28 bodies from the blast, including those of six U.S. Marines.

The doctor declined to be identified. Both French and American hospital ships off the coast also were receiving casualties, evacuated by helicopter from the embassy. The U.S. Navy spokesman, Lt. Cmdr. Mike Labbe, said he too had no information on American dead.

French Ambassador Paul Marc-Henry told reporters outside the embassy he believed between 40 and 60 people were killed.

The Christian Voice of Lebanon radio said 20 embassy employees and five U.S. Marines were killed. It said a suicide terrorist drove the car, which had diplomatic license plates, up the embassy driveway and then detonated an estimated 300 pounds of explosives.

A group called Moslem Holy War claimed responsibility in a call to the French news agency, Agence France-Presse. Moslem Holy War has claimed several attacks on the multinational peacekeeping force in Lebanon the past four months.

The blast at 1:05 p.m. (5:05 a.m. CST) collapsed the entire front of the central wing of the seaside building and blew a large hole through the ground floor visa section in the northern wing.

An Associated Press reporter said the building's center section from the ground to the roof collapsed like a layer cake and a body could be seen dangling from the fifth floor, its arms and legs hanging down and dripping blood.

Two other wings of the embassy were still standing, although they sustained heavy damage, Anderson said.

Witnesses at the scene said the explosion was caused by a car bomb in a vehicle parked in the circular driveway or just beside the embassy, in the seaside in west Beirut's predominantly Moslem Ein Mreisseh neighborhood.

White House aide Robin Gray said in Washington that U.S. Ambassador Robert Dillon was in the building at the time of the blast, but was unharmed.

Special U.S. envoys Philip C. Habib and Morris Draper were in the presidential palace five miles away at the time of the explosion, but Draper's wife was visiting the embassy and he raced back to the compound to search for her. A U.S. Marine said she was taken to a hospital with cuts on the temple.

A towering cloud of smoke was seen rising from the area of the embassy shortly after the explosion.

A U.S. Marine standing in front of the embassy said, "There is a soldier and some others in there," pointing to a pile of rubble.

At least a dozen ambulances rushed to the scene along with French and U.S. members of the multinational peacekeeping force serving in Beirut. Sirens were screaming and hundreds of onlookers crowded the area near the compound.

There is no fence separating the embassy from the seaside road or a sidewalk that past the north side of the building.

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## How to build county courthouse on 12 cents a day

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is the second in a four part series examining the history of Midland County Courthouse and issues surrounding the bond issue to expand it. This part deals with how much county taxes would be raised if the issue is passed.



**County Bond Issue**

**By ED TODD**  
Staff Writer

Will just 12 cents a day for 15 years buy you a \$12 million courthouse and jail?

In a sense, yes, if you do a bit of finagling.

Should voters approve Midland County's proposed \$11.76 million bond proposal Saturday, then the county's tax rate to pay off the indebtedness over a 15-year period would be increased by 44 cents — from 18.03 cents to 22.43 cents per \$100 valuation.

What that means to the owner of a \$100,000 house would be a \$44 per year increase in county taxes —

increase or decrease or should the county's almost \$3.6 billion tax base change. "It could go up or down."

To the dollar, the county's 1982 assessed valuation, or tax base, is \$3,589,832,870.

"Your county tax increase is probably lower than most because you've got a high valuation," Almon said. "Midland County is fortunate in that they do have a good tax base," which largely is centered on the petroleum industry and farming and ranching.

Should the county's tax base increase due to renewed prosperity or drop due to a severe economic slump, then the tax rate would be adjusted upward or downward to ensure that revenue would cover operating expenses and to ensure that the \$1.5 million debt service would be paid.

Should the bond issue pass, Midland County will be paying out \$1.5 million per year for 15 years to retire those \$11.76 million general obligation bonds.

Based on the \$3.6 billion tax base at a 95 percent collection, the 4.4-cent increase in the tax rate would produce slightly more than \$1.5 million yearly in revenue. That income would pay off the bonded indebtedness.

In repaying the \$11.69 million over a 15-year period at 8 1/2 percent interest, the county — the taxpayers — would be paying out almost \$23 million. Of that, \$11.69 million would be principal and \$10.4 million would be interest.

In addition, at onset of 1983, the county owed about \$795,775 on the \$1.95 million 1970 bond debt, but that amount has been reduced to about \$600,000. The county's last payment — \$204,750 — will be due in 1986.

The probability of Midland County undergoing such a breakdown in the economy that it could not pay its debts or even operate is "far-fetched," Almon said. To keep from defaulting, the county "would file suit against the property

owners" and would either collect taxes outright or would confiscate the property and sell it to recover back taxes. But that is quite unlikely unless the whole nation collapsed, he said. The property owner somehow would pay his taxes rather than lose his property.

Even in "deep depressions," property owners manage to pay their taxes rather than losing the property in a suit for taxes, Almon noted.

Salient features of the bond issue is the need for more jail and court space and, noted Almon, "jail bond issues certainly are difficult at best to sell."

"People hate to think in terms of 'country club' facilities" for criminals and the accused. He noted the federal government "is forcing the county governments to comply" with certain jail standards, which really are far from country-club class but which nevertheless provide for decent, clean and reasonably comfortable and relatively whole-

some lodging for inmates.

"Those (jail) requirements are not voluntary," Almon noted, but neither will they have a country-club atmosphere. If county governments don't provide jails of high standards, then the federal and state governments could compel the counties to comply. Counties, including Midland County, could and have been sued by former inmates who allege "cruel and unusual punishment" and other violations of their constitutional rights while they were jailed.

Accordingly, the passage of a jail bond issue sometimes is difficult.

"It's a tough sell, because people have to be educated on it," he said.

Selling the bonds, however, should pose no difficulty, noted Commissioner C. DeWayne Davis. "We're the Cadillac among all political subdivisions when it comes to bonded indebtedness. We're Triple A top of the line."

Tuesday: The architect's explanation of the proposed expansion.



## Fire sweeps through Korean disco

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Fire raced through a disco jammed to over-capacity with 400 people early today, killing at least 25 and injuring 70, many of them teen-agers trampled in a panicky stampede toward a narrow exit door.

Police said they feared rescue crews would recover more bodies in the smoldering rubble of the House on the Prairie disco in downtown Taegu, South Korea's third largest city 200 miles south of Seoul.

The bodies of 17 young women and eight young men had been recovered by mid-morning, most of them badly burned, police said. Some of the injured were in critical condition at local hospitals.

City officials said about 400 people, many of them teen-agers, were packed into the disco, which is on

the second floor of a wooden building that also houses a club downstairs.

Officials said the disco's legal capacity was 300 and that the teen-agers had been admitted illegally. South Korean law forbids teen-agers from patronizing bars and discos, and the House on the Prairie had been closed in January and March for violations, the officials said.

Police said there was one exit, five feet wide, that led directly down a stairway. One radio station reported there also was an emergency exit but that it had been locked. That account could not be confirmed immediately.

Investigators believed an electrical short circuit may have caused the blaze because witnesses reported seeing sparks and flames shooting

from the ceiling.

Lee Chan-dong, 19, one of the injured, told reporters from his hospital bed that he saw "fireworks like flames." When dancers screamed "fire," he said, a stampede of people charged the exit, pushing and kicking to escape the flames and billowing smoke.

"I threw myself onto the people trying to go down the stairway and later found myself at the bottom," said another survivor, Park Kun-ho, 20.

South Korean radio and television said Park In-hyon, 30, a civilian employee at a nearby police station, was the first to reach the scene, saw people jammed in the exit screaming for help, and yanked six to safety.

Local news reports said two other

men, who were not identified, rushed to the club and found people "stacked up in layers" at the exit. They were credited with pulling 10 or more free.

Officials said flames soon spread to the first-floor club, where the manager, Kim Chang-dae, 28, calmly told the 50 patrons that "we are starting an emergency fire exit exercise." They said he led the group outside without casualties.

When word of the fire spread, more than 200 parents rushed to Taegu hospitals, searching for their children. Others went to the burned disco, waiting while rescue crews searched the blackened rubble and collected piles of sneakers, clothes and other discarded belongings.

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Map shows the location of the disco in Taegu, South Korea, in which 25 people died in a fire.

## Israelis celebrate 35th Independence Day

### Settlement dedicated in occupied land

HAR BRACHA, Israel (AP) — Israelis celebrating their nation's 35th anniversary journeyed to a mountain overlooking the West Bank city of Nablus today for the controversial dedication of a Jewish settlement in the occupied land.

The Independence Day dedication of Har Bracha, located next to the West Bank's biggest city, has been denounced as divisive by the opposition Labor Party and the Peace Now anti-war movement, and has prompted criticism from within the government.

Ehud Olmert, a member of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's ruling coalition, told Army Radio that he supported settlements in principle, "but in this case, from the point of view of place, timing and manner, we could have done without it."

Har Bracha, formerly a military outpost, consists of 15 houses near the peak of the 2,890-foot Mt. Gerizim.

Peace Now activists raised a sign saying "Here they are burying the peace and dividing the people" by the roadway leading to the homes. Settlement supporters drove in cars, vans and buses, flying the Israeli flag.

Two young men carrying an Israeli flag said they had walked all night from Tel Aviv, about 35 miles away, resting and being fed in settlements along the way.

"We did this to show the people in Israel that this is close to Tel Aviv, and it is very important to settle in Judea and Samaria," said Ofer Zohar, 23, using the biblical names for the occupied region.

As he and 17-year-old Meir Tole-dano arrived, a rain storm blew up and turned into biting hail.

Both opponents and supporters of the settlement had hoped to draw thousands of people to the site, but the unseasonable cold and stormy weather appeared likely to reduce the turnout.

Deputy Prime Minister David Levy was to represent the government at the dedication ceremony.

In Nablus, a town of roughly 80,000 that has been a major center of Palestinian nationalism, the streets were calm, although one part of the business district near the old market appeared to have been closed by a commercial strike.

Israelis began celebrations on Sunday with the traditional mourning of their war dead, crowding into

military cemeteries to view the graves of the 9,530 soldiers killed in wars dating back to 1948.

Tens of thousands, ranging from the prime minister to farmers in overalls and old ladies in black, stood at attention beside the graves as air raid sirens wailed for two minutes in the chilly spring air.

This year, there were 474 new graves of soldiers killed in the 10-month-old Lebanon invasion.

In his Independence Day message, broadcast on Israel Radio, Begin said, "We want no part of Lebanese territory." But he added that Israel will make its northern border secure to "ensure the fruits of victory."

Israel won independence from Britain on May 14, 1948, but marks the anniversary by the Hebrew calendar today.

### INSIDE TODAY

*Physical therapy*

Odessa's Permian Basin Rehabilitation Center helps the crippled, handicapped or disabled become independent.

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The Midland Cubs make it two straight over the Beaumont Gators at Cubs Sunday night, claiming a 15-8 victory.

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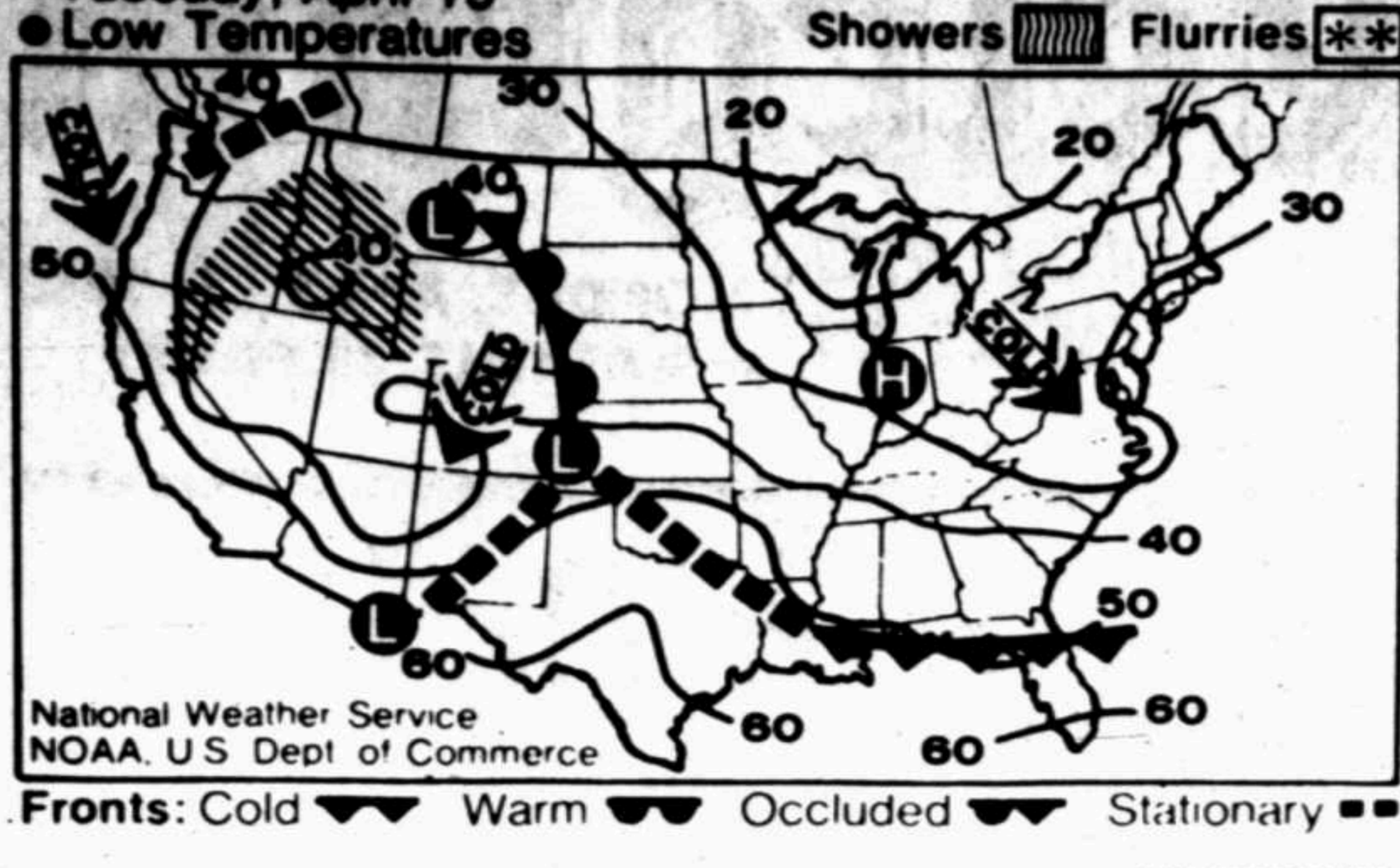
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IN MIDLAND the acquisition of commercial

# WEATHER SUMMARY

The Forecast For 7 a.m. EST Tuesday, April 19



The National Weather Service forecasts rain for the Northwest Tuesday and colder weather for most of the nation.

## Summertime weather to continue

Summertime temperatures and springtime winds will continue wandering through the Permian Basin for the next couple of days, according to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport.

Skies will remain clear while temperatures drop to near 50 tonight and climb up near 90 once again Tuesday.

Tonight's southerly winds, expected to breeze at 10-20 mph, should shift to southwesterly at 15-20 mph and gusty Tuesday.

Sunday's warm high of 86 was 11 degrees cooler than the record high of 97, set for that date in 1975. The overnight low of 41 was four degrees warmer than the record low of 37, set in 1980.

## Midland statistics

**FORECAST**  
Clear and warmer through Tuesday. Low tonight in the lower 50s, high on Tuesday near 90. Southerly winds at 10-20 mph tonight, shifting to southwesterly at 15-20 mph and gusty Tuesday.

**NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS**  
Yesterday's High 86 degrees  
Overnight Low 41 degrees  
Sunset today 8 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 6:16 a.m.  
Precipitation Last 24 hours 0.00 inches  
This month to date 1.66 inches  
1983 to date 1.66 inches

**LOCAL TEMPERATURES**

6 a.m.	49	8 p.m.	82
7 a.m.	51	7 p.m.	78
8 a.m.	57	6 p.m.	65
9 a.m.	62	5 p.m.	61
10 a.m.	69	10 p.m.	60
11 a.m.	74	11 p.m.	64
noon	78	Midnight	61
1 p.m.	82	1 a.m.	52
2 p.m.	83	2 a.m.	47
3 p.m.	84	3 a.m.	47
4 p.m.	85	4 a.m.	47
5 p.m.	84	5 a.m.	45

**SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES**

Abilene	86	46
Deliver	82	32
Amarillo	73	35
El Paso	81	43
Fort Worth	78	51
Houston	77	58
Lubbock	78	40
Marfa	83	36
Odessa	72	44
Wichita Falls	79	45

## Weather elsewhere

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8 a.m. EST.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Dir
Albany	51	30		an
Albuquerque	75	39		clr
Amarillo	73	35		clr
Anchorage	43	30	14	cdy
Asheville	80	36		clr
Atlanta	84	46	01	cdy
Atlantic City	56	38	04	cdy
Austin	77	55		cdy
Baltimore	66	33	06	cdy
Bilings	66	35		cdy
Birmingham	69	47	33	cdy
Bismarck	50	32		clr
Boston	68	48		an
Boston	52	39		an
Brownsville	80	65		cdy
Buffalo	45	29	01	an
Burlington	42	22	15	an
Casper	80	27		cdy
Charleston, S.C.	69	50		clr
Charleston, W.V.	48	26	02	cdy
Charlotte, N.C.	64	38		cdy
Cheyenne	49	30		cdy
Chicago	36	25		cdy
Cincinnati	45	28		cdy
Cleveland	36	28		cdy
Columbia, S.C.	70	46		clr
Columbia	42	27		cdy
Dallas-Ft. Worth	78	51		cdy
Dayton	38	26		cdy
Denver	62	32		cdy
Des Moines	33	20	37	cdy
Detroit	38	26	01	cdy
Duluth	27	12		cdy
El Paso	81	43		cdy
El Paso	46	25		cdy
Fargo	43	32		cdy
Flagstaff	65	29		cdy
Greenville	40	22		cdy
Hartford	52	31		an
Helena	69	31		cdy
Honolulu	83	68		cdy
Houston	72	60		cdy
Indianapolis	42	27		cdy
Jackson, Miss.	75	57	02	cdy
Jacksonville	70	47		clr
Janeau	44	35	51	rn
Kansas City	55	27		cdy
Las Vegas	83	58		cdy
Littlerock	73	48	12	cdy
Los Angeles	72	57	100	cdy
Louisville	49	34		cdy
Lubbock	78	40		cdy
Memphis	74	45	57	cdy
Miami	78	59		cdy
Milwaukee	32	23		cdy
Minneapolis	36	23		cdy
Mobile	67	37		cdy
New Orleans	74	51		cdy
New York	59	38		an
Norfolk	62	38	13	cdy
North Platte	66	25		cdy
Oklahoma City	72	44		cdy
Omaha	44	25		cdy
Orlando	72	49		cdy
Philadelphia	57	32		cdy
Phoenix	93	63		cdy
Pittsburgh	42	24	02	cdy
Portland, Me.	51	40	06	an
Portland, Ore.	79	53		cdy
Providence	54	37		an
Raleigh	66	30		cdy
Rapid City	64	33		cdy
Reno	68	33		rn
Richmond	65	35	01	cdy
St. Louis	38	30	24	cdy
St. Pete Tampa	71	52		cdy
Salt Lake	66	45		rn
San Antonio	79	51		cdy
San Diego	68	59		cdy
San Francisco	68	54	23	rn
Seattle	32	15		cdy
Seattle	74	50		cdy
Syracuse	52	32		cdy
Topeka	70	34	02	cdy
Tucson	77	39		cdy
Tulsa	77	39		cdy
Waco	58	34	04	cdy
Washington	58	34	04	cdy
Wichita	27	25		cdy

# Police take Walesa into custody

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Police stopped Lech Walesa's car about 60 miles outside the Baltic port of Gdansk today and detained the labor leader as he drove toward Warsaw, according to Western newsmen who saw the incident.

Walesa's friend and priest, the Rev. Henryk Jankowski, also was in the car when it was reported stopped, but his whereabouts were unknown.

It also was not immediately known where Walesa was taken and a spokesman for the Interior Ministry, which runs the security police, refused to comment on the report.

The newsmen, members of a CBS-TV camera crew, said police stopped Walesa's car near the city of Olsztyn. They said they had been following Walesa in their own car and that they were detained by police for several hours after Walesa was taken into custody.

Walesa, who led the Solidarity union until it was suspended and outlawed under martial law, had said earlier that he would go to Warsaw today to lay a wreath at a monument to the 1943 Jewish uprising in the Warsaw ghetto.

On Sunday, police broke up a gathering of about 1,000 Solidarity

supporters who sang union songs following a ceremony at the monument to mark the 40th anniversary of the uprising against the Nazis. "I don't confirm and I don't deny," said the Interior Ministry spokesman who was asked about Walesa's reported detention. "I have not been authorized, as a man who is in charge of information here, to give any information on this case to the press."

The reported detention of Walesa comes six days after he announced that he had met with leaders of the Solidarity underground, and later defied police pressure by telling reporters he planned to meet again with underground leaders and cooperate with them.

Walesa was detained last Wednesday for questioning about the meeting, as were his wife and his driver. All three told Western reporters they refused to tell police anything about Walesa's contacts with the underground.

On Sunday, Cardinal Jozef Glemp, Poland's Roman Catholic primate, indicated strong support from the church for the outlawed Solidarity during a homily outside St. Ann's Church in Warsaw. About 10,000

faithful attended the Mass. Alluding to the government's outlawing of Solidarity and its unwillingness to talk with its leaders, Glemp said "words and gestures made with accommodation in mind did not produce the desired results."

"We are humiliated in lines, humiliated in shops, in work establishments, humiliated before the world," Glemp said.

After the Mass, Glemp traveled to Gdansk, the Baltic port where Solidarity was born in 1980, for ceremonies consecrating Auxiliary Bishop Tadeusz Goclawski. Walesa said that before the religious ceremony, he met with the cardinal for 30 minutes in the parish house of St. Mary's Cathedral.

Walesa declined to discuss details of the meeting, but a reliable source said they talked about the police interrogation of Walesa, his wife and their driver last week.

On Saturday, police announced the arrest of 26 Solidarity backers in apparent response to the underground's call for nationwide protests May 1. Walesa has not publicly endorsed the call.

At least three people, including Solidarity's former national spokes-

man, were detained Sunday after police broke up the demonstration in Warsaw, witnesses said.

Janusz Onyszkiewicz, Solidarity's former national spokesman, was led away by two plainclothesmen after giving a speech at a monument to the 70,000 Jews killed or captured in the 1943 ghetto uprising against Nazi occupation forces.

Before he was detained, Onyszkiewicz told the crowd: "We came here because we could not find a place in the official ceremonies."

The wreathlaying was organized by those refusing to join elaborate ceremonies sponsored by the government.

After Onyszkiewicz finished speaking, the crowd flashed victory signs and broke into union songs. About 100 uniformed police moved in and most of the crowd dispersed, but reporters saw three men, including Onyszkiewicz, taken away by police.

A friend of Onyszkiewicz said he was still in custody today but no charges have been brought. Polish civil law allows to hold people for up to 48 hours without charge.

Onyszkiewicz was released Dec. 23, 1982, from more than a year in martial law internment.



Lindsay Farris, 3, takes a spring swing in Grafa Park recently while her dad George Farris loses himself in a book.

## Border states forecast

Oklahoma Mostly cloudy northeast this morning. Otherwise fair today through Tuesday. Cooler mainly northeast today. Warmer statewide Tuesday. Highs this afternoon near 90 extreme northeast to upper 70s Panhandle and southeast. Lows 40s northeast to mostly 50s elsewhere Highs Tuesday 75 to 83.

New Mexico Isolated showers possible this afternoon over the northwest otherwise fair and warm today. Partly cloudy north and clear south tonight. Fair and mild Tuesday. Highs today and Tuesday from the upper 80s and 70s mountains and north to the 80s south. Lows tonight 20s and low 30s mountains to the upper 30s and 40s at the lower elevations.

Louisiana Partly cloudy today and Tuesday. Mostly fair tonight. Highs in the 70s today and Tuesday. Lows tonight near 50 north to near 60 southeast coastal sections.

## Texas area forecast

West Texas Sunny, little warmer most sections today. Clear, not so cool tonight. Mostly sunny Tuesday. A little warmer Panhandle Tuesday. Highs today upper 70s Panhandle to near 90 southeast to mid 90s Big Bend valleys. Lows upper 40s Panhandle to upper 50s southeast except low 40s mountains. Highs Tuesday mid 80s north to near 90 south to mid 90s Big Bend valleys.

North Texas Fair to partly cloudy, warm today. Highs from mid 70s northeast to mid 80s southwest. Partly cloudy tonight. Slight chance of thunderstorms west central. Mild Lows from near 50 northeast to near 60 southwest Tuesday. Partly cloudy, warm. Slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs mid 70s north to upper 80s southeast.

South Texas Early morning, late night cloudiness to partly cloudy afternoons through Tuesday. Warm afternoons. Mild tonight. Highs today, Tuesday in the 80s but few 90s south to 70s upper coast. Lows mid 50s to mid 60s south, along the immediate coastal plains.

# Bomb blast collapses U.S. embassy in Beirut

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Rubble from the explosion coated the divided four-lane seaside highway for 50 yards in each direction. Windows were blown out of residential buildings for at least a block around the embassy and at one house 40 yards away a young woman stood weeping in a room where the door had been blown open.

The French and U.S. soldiers fanned out around the embassy, blocking off access to the compound and holding rifle across their chests.

AP reporter Earleen Tatro reported from the embassy area that the blast blackened the walls of the seven-story building.

Lisa Paisic, an embassy employee who works in the consular section, stood in front of the compound in a blood-stained orange dress.

"It's not my blood. I am not hurt," she said. "It's just from helping other people who were injured."

"I went out in the hallway after the explosion. It was full of smoke.

## Fire sweeps through Korean disco

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Officials said they were having difficulty identifying the dead because many were burned so badly, though a number apparently died of smoke inhalation or were trampled. They also said many of the victims were not carrying identification cards.

The worst fire in South Korea's history was a blaze at the Taeyonk Hotel in Seoul on Christmas Day in 1971. It took 167 lives.

We came down the main stairway and came out through the back."

When Mrs. Tatro first spotted Ms. Paisic, she had her arm around another woman, apparently trying to calm her down shortly after the blast.

All roads around the embassy were littered with glass. The blast shattered window glass in dozens of neighboring apartment buildings and shops in the residential neighborhood.

Ambulances and fire trucks with wailing sirens were racing to and from the blast scene an hour after the explosion. A massive traffic jam developed in the center of west Beirut only a few blocks away as the streets were cordoned off.

The blast came 17 hours after an unknown assailant fired at a U.S. Marine on Beirut's southern outskirts Sunday night. A bullet tore through his trouser leg without injuring the marine, a spokesman said, and the soldier returned fire at his unseen attacker.

The Vietnamese government protested what it called "violent" artillery shelling of its border posts by China.

The Chinese said the shelling was retribution for "intolerable" Vietnamese firing that killed or wounded at least 14 soldiers and peasants in March, and also was intended to warn Vietnam to stop its battle with Khmer Rouge guerrillas in Vietnamese-occupied Cambodia.

The Chinese Communist Party newspaper, The People's Daily, said the shelling was "both a forceful

# United Way executive director's goals are to enhance traditions

Robert A. Cornelius talked of his goals as the new chief professional officer and executive director of United Way of Midland this morning in a news conference.

He was hired to replace Sarah E. Smith, who accepted a position in Reading, Pa. Cornelius began his job April 4.

In a prepared statement, Cornelius said, "I have invested 10 years learning the many facets of managing a successful United Way. I will make every effort to have that investment pay dividends for Midland. My dream has been to become a United Way executive in a modest city with civic pride, an eye for the future, hard-working people and community commitment to the goals of United Way. I believe the dream has been fulfilled in Midland."

Cornelius added that his goals "are to sustain and enhance the fine tradition that past United Way vol-

unteers have created in Midland and to advise and assist present and future volunteers in expanding the United Way's role in serving this community."

He joined the United Way in 1972, serving in Syracuse, N.Y., and Columbia, S.C., before coming to Midland. Prior to joining United Way, he was a pastor in the Lutheran Church in America. He had served two congregations and as assistant to the bishop of the Upper New York Synod from 1967 to 1972.

Cornelius was associate executive director of the United Way in Columbia from 1978-82. During that time, the fund grew from \$2.5 million to \$3.9 million. He managed a nine-agency central services facility in downtown Columbia which offered family counseling, consumer credit counseling, aging services, hearing and speech therapy, child

abuse treatment and prevention, mental health out-patient services and a Big Brothers-Big Sisters program.

Recently, he developed a comprehensive emergency shelter system that included a 60-bed facility designed for indigent men, a 16-bed facility for economically disadvantaged families and plans for the unique needs of special populations. Cornelius supervised the Voluntary Action Center (an organization that matches volunteer skills with the needs of private and public agencies) while in Columbia.

In Syracuse, Cornelius served as planning associate, budget director and executive director of the Central New York Community Foundation. While heading the foundation, its assets grew by 45 percent and it expanded from a one-county to a five-county regional organization.

blow to the arrogance of the Vietnamese authorities and a serious warning against their ambitions of regional hegemony."

China and Vietnam have been at odds since the 1978 Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia, which toppled the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge regime. China is now a chief backer of the three-party Cambodian coalition formed last year to try to drive out an estimated 180,000 Vietnamese soldiers.

The leader of that coalition, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, plans to fly to Thailand late this month before visiting his followers on Cambodian soil, according to a report today in the English-language Nation Review in Bangkok.

The newspaper gave no further details of Sihanouk's reported trip, which has been rumored in Bangkok since Vietnamese forces launched successful drives against the Cambodian resistance groups along the Thai-Cambodian border on March 31.

# Chinese soldiers ambush Vietnamese

There have been reports of casualties from the shelling.

The Vietnam News Agency, quoting a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry, said Chinese artillery shells fell on three Vietnamese provinces Saturday. It said nothing about Sunday's assault.

"The serious incident provoked by the Chinese authorities on April 16 has further worsened the situation on the common border in violation of Vietnam's sovereignty and threatening the security and normal life of Vietnamese citizens," the spokesman was quoted as saying.

On Sunday, Xinhua said, "The Chinese frontier guards in Yunnan were (again) compelled to fire back at the Vietnamese troops." It accused Vietnamese agents of sneaking into Chinese territory and setting fire to more than 1,500 acres of woods, bamboo groves and rubber trees and destroying communication wires and border residents' homes.

"Such wanton provocations have reached intolerable proportions," the People's Daily said. "We warn the Vietnamese authorities: the military provocations and aggression against China must be stopped at once."

The People's Daily said one aim of Vietnam's border provocations was to "tie up China" and divert world attention "to cover up its crimes of aggression in Kampuchea (Cambodia)."

# Bodies of couple found

RIDGWAY, Ill. (AP) — In a community too small for even one spotlight, most people knew and liked Willard and Velma Lemons. Now townsfolk wonder what drove their quiet neighbors to an apparent murder-suicide at an abandoned farm house outside town.

"Nobody ever really knows why," said a teary-eyed Leonard Beam, a Ridgway patrolman and close friend of Lemons. "I don't think the situation was bad enough that they couldn't get out of it."

The bodies of Lemons, 48, and his 49-year-old wife were discovered Thursday in an abandoned, ramshackle brick farmhouse where Mrs. Lemons was raised. State investigators said the couple had been dependent about recent financial troubles, spent a few days out of town and then drove to the farmhouse with the intention of ending their lives.

"He was a well-liked man in the community. His wife was well thought of," said Gallatin County Sheriff Noble Moyer. "He was the type of guy that would help anybody."

Moyer and Lemons were distant relatives and their wives were related. "They stood up with us in our wedding and we stood up with them exactly a month later," Moyer said Friday.

Moyer discovered the bodies after his office received a report that a truck was parked at the abandoned farmhouse.

The one-story building sits about five miles down a gutted gravel road from the Lemons home. State police said Lemons apparently used a .38-caliber revolver to shoot his wife and then himself. The two had been dead several days when their bodies were found.

"There's an old bed there, and she was lying on it and he was sitting beside it on the floor," said Bill Edwards, owner of Edwards Funeral Home, who added that he had known the Lemons' all his life.

Edwards said the couple had bought some farmland a few years ago and found themselves in a financial bind, like a lot of other Gallatin County farmers.

"Most people nowadays file bankruptcy and get out of it, but I guess they didn't feel that way," Edwards said.

Lemons grew corn and soybeans on his farm just outside Ridgway, a community of about 1,100 about 300 miles south of Chicago in southeastern Illinois. He had spent part of each year as an investigator with the county state's attorney's office until he lost that job last week. Mrs. Lemons worked with a community service organization that served reduced-price meals to the elderly.

Many people in town remember them dancing together at American Legion hall parties. Lemons, a Korean War veteran, was a member and his wife joined the lady's auxiliary.

They had one son, Mark, in his mid-20s, and an infant grandson they adored, friends said.

"There's a lot that can be said, but it's just too personal to go into," said patrolman Beam. "He talked to me personally and said some things I'd rather forget."

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A guard wears a bulletproof vest and holds his weapon at the ready as former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger walks by during a session of the Trilateral Commission in Rome Sunday. The commission is holding a three-day meeting.

## Kissinger: Hussein will compromise with PLO

ROME — Former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger said Sunday that he believes that the Palestine Liberation Organization and King Hussein of Jordan will patch up their differences and that Hussein will enter negotiations with Israel, Egypt and the United States on autonomy for Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"I believe we are witnessing a complicated negotiating process between King Hussein and the Palestinians — a relationship complicated by a very long history which has not always been totally amicable, to put it mildly," Kissinger said in reference to Hussein's refusal last week to deal on behalf of the PLO in the long-stalled autonomy talks.

"I am hopeful that, especially within the context of an eventual Lebanon solution, both Hussein and Arafat will reconsider their positions and that Hussein will be able to enter the negotiations," he said.

Many Middle East political figures interpreted Hussein's refusal, following unsuccessful efforts to gain a green light for entering the negotiations from PLO chairman Yassar Arafat, as the death knell for President Reagan's Middle East peace initiative, which calls for Palestinian autonomy in association with Jordan.

"I do not believe that the Reagan initiative is dead," said Kissinger, who is in Rome for the annual meeting of the 32-member Trilateral Commission.

At a press conference after the commission's opening session, Kissinger also dismissed reports that he had conducted secret meetings recently with an official of the PLO, an organization with which the United States strictly avoids contact under a formal policy adopted by Kissinger when he was secretary of state.

"I met with a gentleman of the PLO in the lobby of the Mammounia Hotel in Marrakech in front of assembled multitudes for half an hour for a cup of coffee when we were both there as members of the Moroccan Academy," Kissinger said.

## 'Dead' woman lives again

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — A 23-year-old woman was "resurrected" and revived hours after she had been considered dead because a policeman noticed her swallow, authorities said.

"We were lucky, and she was lucky she was in a trauma center," Dr. Jitemdar Sethi said Sunday night at the Burnham City Hospital, where the woman was reported to be talking and thinking normally three days after the incident. Doctors say they expect a full recovery.

Karla Woods was found on the floor of her apartment Thursday afternoon. Although the door was open and the room was chilly, the detectives who took her to the hospital morgue believed she had died from a mixture of drugs and alcohol, police said.

At least a dozen officers as well as doctors at the scene believed Miss Woods was dead, and it was hours before she was placed on a morgue table and Detective Gary Wright noticed her move her diaphragm and swallow.

"I'm telling you, I've seen dead people 100 times in my life, and she was dead," Wright said later. "I saw a resurrection. I'm going to my grave believing she had a second chance and this is a miracle."

The victim was rushed to the emergency room upstairs, where her body temperature was measured at 80 degrees, but no brain or heart damage was found. Doctors gave her oxygen and warmed her with thermal blankets, raising her temperature slowly over the next several hours, said Dr. Samuel Young, a neurologist.

Miss Woods' blood showed an alcohol level of 0.15 and some trace chemicals, but "nothing that would constitute an overdose," Young said.

## Epton wants to buy Chicago newspaper

CHICAGO (AP) — Former Chicago mayoral candidate Bernard Epton, who criticized media coverage of his campaign, says he wants to buy the Chicago Sun-Times and then fire two of its columnists.

"I would buy any major commercial (news) outlet ... because I think they were all guilty of misinterpreting and in some cases falsifying the news," the millionaire lawyer said during a televised interview Sunday night with WLS-TV, an ABC-owned station in Chicago.

The Chicago Tribune reported Sunday that Epton had spent the past few days organizing a group of investors to bid for the newspaper from Palm Beach, Fla., where he arrived last Wednesday, one day after he lost the mayoral race to Democrat Harold Washington.

Epton told the Tribune he was interested because "the people of Chicago are entitled to the truth." The Sun-Times ranks eighth in circulation among the nation's dailies.

Epton, a Republican, also said that if he acquired the newspaper, he would "immediately" fire Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Mike Royko and another Sun-Times columnist, Roger Simon. Epton criticized both columnists during his campaign.

"Every time the man opens his mouth he confirms the good judgment of Chicago voters," Royko responded in a telephone interview with WLS. "He obviously really needs this vacation."

Epton said, however, he would hope to keep most of the newspaper's staff, "because I think there are plenty of sincere men and women who would welcome the opportunity to tell the truth without fear of repercussion."

Kenneth Towers, the newspaper's

assistant managing editor for news, reiterated the newspaper's earlier statement that "all reasonable, qualified bids" for the Sun-Times would be considered. He said Simon was not available for comment.

"I have to see what the terms are before I can determine if I am in a position to go ahead," Epton told the Tribune. "But I am confident I have the people able to put together a deal."

Field Enterprises announced Friday it was dissolving the corporation and would sell the Sun-Times, which has a circulation of 649,000, and other assets. The company reported revenue of more than \$425 million last year.

Ralph Otwell, executive vice president and editor of the Sun-Times, said he had been contacted about Epton's interest by the candidate's brother, Saul Epton, who confirmed it would be a serious offer.

Epton lashed out at reporters on several occasions during the bitter campaign — at one point calling several journalists "slime."

After the election, Epton told a gathering of reporters, "You make me ill," and threatened to take legal action against what he called the "disgraceful news media."

Epton also said he would file complaints with the Federal Communications Commission and was considering lawsuits against newspaper columnists to "make sure that any future candidate doesn't have to kiss your rear, doesn't have to bow the head."

The candidate, a former state legislator and partner in the firm of Epton, Mullin, Segal & Druth Ltd., led a group in 1961 that unsuccessfully bid \$4.8 million for 54 percent interest in the Chicago White Sox.

## nation in brief

### Officials hopeful about seizure

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Prison officials negotiating for the release of two corrections workers got close enough to joke with one of them and reported progress in convincing a pair of armed inmates to end a siege that entered its fifth day today.

The negotiations were taking place by telephone or through a wooden door in a barricaded basement room of the State Correctional Institution at Pittsburgh. Behind the door Richard Henkel, 45, a convicted bank robber awaiting trial for murder, and convicted murderer Louis Coviello, 26, held the two hostages, authorities said.

Robinson said one of the negotiators joked with hostage Kostas "Gus" Mastros, a civilian records supervisor, while speaking through the door Sunday afternoon. The negotiator teased Mastros about whether he would be paid overtime for the hours spent in the windowless, 10-by-20-foot room.

### Missouri finds another dioxin site

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Dioxin apparently has been found in samples from a waste lagoon here, making it the 28th site of the toxic chemical in the state, a state official says.

The official, who asked not to be identified, told the Springfield Daily News that tests conducted by Syntex AgriBusiness at its lagoon here showed dioxin was in the waste samples.

"We don't know the actual level, whether it's one part per billion or more than that," the official said Sunday. "We won't know how serious it is until tomorrow (Monday)."

But Fred Lafser, the director of the state Department of Natural Resources, said such a find would not present as serious a health hazard as previously confirmed dioxin sites such as Times Beach.

### Congress talks missiles again

WASHINGTON (AP) — A presidential commission's proposal to put 100 MX missiles into used missile silos on the Western plains is coming up for its first airing in a skeptical Congress.

The Senate Armed Services Committee hears testimony today from Brent Scowcroft, the Ford administration national security adviser who headed the commission appointed by President Reagan in January.

Reagan regards the MX as a vital link in his program to "rearm America" and use the resulting military muscle to compel the Soviets to bargain on deep reductions in nuclear armaments.

The House, meanwhile, resumes action Wednesday on a keystone of opposition to the Reagan plan — a resolution calling for the United States and the Soviet Union to immediately seek a mutual, verifiable freeze of nuclear weapons.

### Two face charges on Capitol Hill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two men extradited from Australia are being arraigned on charges stemming from a drug investigation involving some members of Congress and their staffs.

Former congressional page Douglas W. Marshall of Washington and Troy M. Todd of Potomac, Md., were to be arraigned today before U.S. District Judge Thomas Hogan.

Bill Dempsey, public information officer for the U.S. Marshals Service, said the two men were formally arrested on a variety of drug charges upon their arrival at Dulles International Airport on Sunday.

Marshall and Todd were indicted on Nov. 18, 1982, after earlier charges were dropped. Marshall was charged in nine drug-related counts involving possession and intent to distribute cocaine, and he faces a maximum possible penalty of 76 years in prison and a \$200,000 fine.

Todd was charged in eight counts, including supervising a continuing criminal enterprise, and faces a maximum possible sentence of life in prison and a \$165,000 fine.

### Doctors optimistic about patient

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A 13-month-old liver transplant patient remained hospitalized in critical condition today, but doctors said he was improving quickly and probably will survive.

Brandon Hall, of Walnut, Miss., "seemed to be more alert and responded to his mother and others around him real well for the first time since Wednesday night's transplant operation," said Le Bonheur Hospital spokesman Scott Kent.

"For the first time ... we feel he has a better than 50-50 chance," Kent said today.

Brandon underwent a 12-hour liver transplant operation that began Wednesday night. His abdomen was reopened Friday to remove clotted blood and to make sure his new liver was not being damaged by poor circulation.

### Washington will support Daley

CHICAGO (AP) — Mayor-elect Harold Washington says he will support Cook County State's Attorney Richard M. Daley, whom he defeated in the Feb. 22 Democratic mayoral primary, if Daley decides to seek another term next year.

"I see no reason not to support Daley," Washington said Sunday. "He's done a good job. It's not easy to take defeat calmly and he comported himself exceedingly well."

Washington made his comments after being asked if his support for Daley, the son of the late Mayor Richard J. Daley, would boost his popularity with other Democrats on the city council.

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# Women's fears make them wary of computers

Los Angeles Times  
Washington Post News Service

They sit in front of their video display units, their eyes strained and blurry from looking at the monitors and their backs aching from leaning forward toward the keyboard. Headaches, backaches and eyestrain have become an almost accepted way of life.

Is this a picture of the sweatshops of the future or is it a nightmare being nurtured by women who are afraid to step into the world of modern technology — the way people before them were afraid of the industrial revolution? According to

Nancy Mae Bonney of Silver Spring, Md., recording secretary for the national organization of the Association for Women in Computing, it's mostly fear — and stress brought on by this fear.

"A computer is just a tool. A tool to make a woman's life easier both in the office and in the home," she said. As for the physical discomforts, she believes they can be corrected by proper lighting and the right chair.

"In the future, all business will rely on some sort of computer service system as opposed to rulers and pencils," said Bonney, whose organization began with about 20 women in December 1978, and now has more than 2,000 members and 12 local chapters.

As for the home, Bonney foresees computers replacing the typewriter and even, to a more limited degree, the telephone and mail service. But first, she said, a woman must get over her fear of computers.

The fear — that computers are something strange and not easily mastered by women — has been fostered, according to recent articles in Psychology Today and Business Week, largely because computers are mainly sold in stores dealing with electronic equipment, generally thought of as men's domain, and that elementary school through college, computer studies focus on math, which, traditionally, many young girls and women dislike. The latter situation may soon be a thing of the past, according to Bertram

Bruce of the consulting firm of Bolt Beranek and Newman, in Cambridge, Mass.

BRUCE IS DEVELOPING a computer-driven writing package for schools that will include a simplified word processor. "For many children, filling a single page with print is more physically arduous than chin-ups," he said in the March-April issue of Channels magazine. "Elementary school students in San Diego, using a similar program, have begun writing more clearly, enthusiastically and extensively."

Video games, another way of sparking interest in computers, tend to be violent and may turn young women away. "I've told Atari (the video game division of Warner Communications) that they should be trying to develop nonviolent games without the blow-away mentality, so that girls can get involved," said Judith B. Edwards Allen, director of the computer technology program at the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, Portland, Ore. But the response she got from Atari, according to a report in a recent issue of Business Week, was, "Well, frankly, that isn't where the

market is. Boys are the market."

Most games, according to Dan Gutman, editor of Video Game Player, are designed "by boys for other boys." But, he said, the industry is beginning to turn out some nonviolent games to appeal to young girls.

"Children get computers at first for the games, but that's just a Trojan horse to get them interested," said Rita Lane, president of the New York Chapter of the Association for Women in Computing. "Now the children are teaching the adults." Lane got her initial computer training while working at Chemical Bank. She's now a data-processing special projects manager at Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Greater New York. In three years, the New York chapter's membership has risen from 20 to 325.

The association's purpose — to keep women informed of technological developments and to help them establish contact with others in their fields — is carried out through national conferences and newsletters, a speakers' bureau and a board that advises members on the submission of technical papers.

"WE'VE REACHED the Information Age and everyone needs to

learn how to operate a computer,"

Lane said. "The cost of owning one is going down, so in about 10 years, it would be considered like (buying) a calculator." Though she doesn't own her own home computer, she's planning to buy one for her mother and 5-year-old niece. "My mother will be able to keep track of bill payments and the house's energy efficiency," she said. "My niece won't be just playing games but will use it to learn spelling and to gain educational information from the Encyclopedia Britannica. I anticipate that she'll be able to program by the time she's 8 or 9."

According to the March issue of Psychology Today, a large proportion of the current enrollment in college computer classes is female. Mount Holyoke College, in South Hadley, Mass., reports that 50 percent of this year's graduates have used computers in their courses, an increase of 35 percent from seven years ago. John Durso, professor of computer studies at the college, found that "the basic course has quadrupled in enrollment from 30 students seven years ago to 120 today."

## Braniff to file reorganization plan

DALLAS (AP) — Braniff International Airways today will file a plan of reorganization in federal court, but it may not be the one you think it will be.

Braniff is expected to file Sunday a plan of reorganization of its creditors and assets, pending an offer from the carrier to put the group back in the air, Braniff officials said.

The offer is still in negotiations. There are still a lot of phone calls going out from the carrier, Braniff chairman Howard Putnam told The Dallas Morning News. Braniff is scheduled to file its formal plan of reorganization in U.S. bankruptcy court in Fort Worth this afternoon. Creditors then have 60 days in which to approve or reject the plan.

Putnam refused to release details of the discussions, and also refused to say whether any other companies or airlines are offering to buy the remainder of Braniff's fleet if creditors insist the assets must be sold.

Since it collapsed last May under a \$1 billion debt, Putnam has worked with several companies to develop operating agreements acceptable to both the courts and the creditors.

An earlier deal with Pacific Southwest Airlines was rejected by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, and secured creditors earlier rejected a \$10 million offer from Chicago-based Hyatt.

But Hyatt sweetened its offer, and it was that plan that Braniff was discussing with creditors.

Braniff's secured creditors failed to approve a \$30 million Hyatt offer

of the discussions, and also refused to say whether any other companies or airlines are offering to buy the remainder of Braniff's fleet if creditors insist the assets must be sold.

Ward said the offer fell short of the \$60 million in cash needed to restart Braniff.

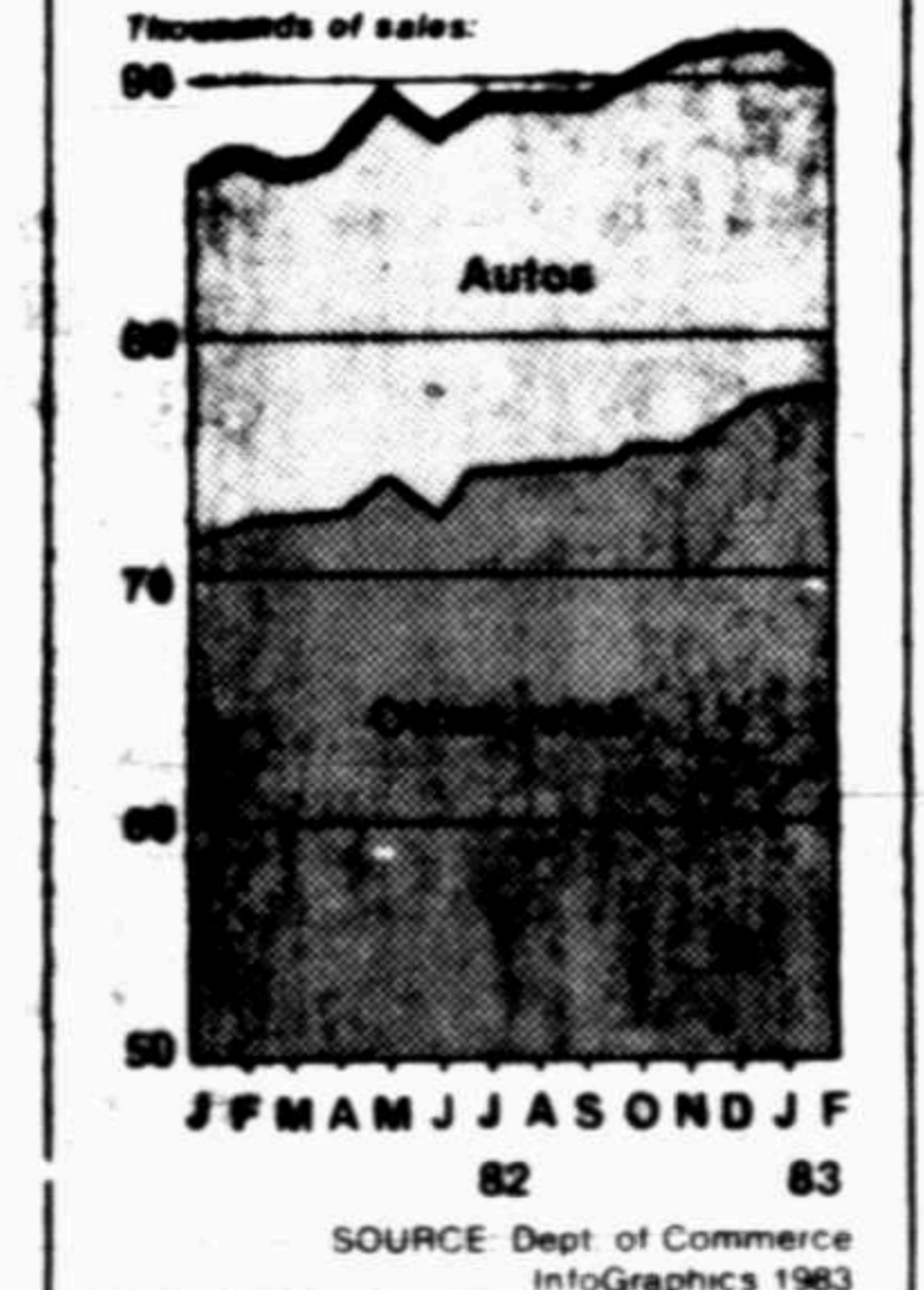
Friday night, the secured creditors met in Manhattan with Hyatt chairman Jay Pritzker and unanimously rejected the complex proposal, Walsh said.

Pritzker, who is known for buying financially troubled companies and turning them around, originally was approached about a deal by two former Braniff pilots.

Hyatt wants to use 31 Braniff jets and 2,000 former workers, who have been idled since Braniff ceased operations.

## Retail sales inching up

Since January of 1982, U.S. retail sales have been inching up steadily but slowly in the 14-month span ending in February '83. Total sales have risen from \$86.5 billion to \$91.7 billion, an increase of 6 percent.



SOURCE: Dept. of Commerce InfoGraphics 1983

## Future Midlander places in world-event

Claudio Brugalossi, manager-to-be and part owner of the Masters Club, placed second overall in a world cook-off staged April 1, in Tokyo. Brugalossi, who currently resides in Rome, and will be moving to Midland in September, represented Rome's Sans Souci restaurant, which he has managed for the past seven years. Members of the Sans Souci staff assisted Brugalossi.

Participating in the cook-off were eighteen restaurants from eighteen different countries, and to be invited, a restaurant must be rated as the best in the country. Brugalossi and his staff prepared as their corte a pasta and fish dish. Various other dishes prepared by the future Midlander received fifth place honors.

Brugalossi intends to bring some of his trained staff with him to Midland and offer the kind of quality and service at The Masters Club that earned his invitation to and victory at the world cook-off.

The Masters Club, to be located near The Midlander health club, on Corporate Drive, is scheduled to open in November. Construction is to begin in June.

## Higher auto production predicted

DETROIT (AP) — Planned production increases by General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. will help boost industry output nearly 3 percent in the next two quarters, an industry journal reported today.

Wards Automotive Reports also said wholesale sales of import cars have reduced U.S. dealers' stocks of the cars to a 37-day supply at the end of March, with Japanese models in the dealer's supply.

In the production report, Ward's said a 2.7 percent April-June increase and a 3 percent increase for the third quarter are due largely to

plans by GM and AMC, and Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. are not likely to increase their production schedules.

The industry is scheduling 1,753,000 cars for second-quarter completion, up from the 1,708,000 planned a month ago, Ward's said. July-September production plans are now 1,565,000 as against 1,519,000.

GM plans to add about 14,000 workers with new second shifts at its Buick Division plants in Flint, Mich.; Van Nuys, Calif.; and Jacksonville, Fla., the journal said.

The planned AMC and GM increases follow the auto industry's 1982 production of 1.7 million cars and trucks, a 1.5 percent increase over the 1981 total of 1.67 million.

The 37-day supply of import cars is down from a 63-day supply a month earlier, and substantially below the year-ago supply of 85 days, Ward's said.

Japanese makes, with just a 33-day supply overall, were down from February's 34 days and from 50 days in March 1982, Ward's said.

## Oilman leading takeover effort

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The annual stockholders' meeting May 12 is shaping up as a bid by Texas oilfield businessman Delo Caspary to take over the big Louisiana Land & Exploration Company.

Caspary, from Rockport, Texas, recently bought 116,000 shares of LLE&E stock. He now heads a group of businessmen waging a proxy fight for control of the New Orleans-based company at its annual stockholders' meeting May 12.

In an April 7 letter to shareholders, Caspary promised replacing

John G. Phillips as LLE&E's chairman and chief executive.

"We believe he is just looking for a public company to run — any public company," Phillips responded in his own letter to stockholders.

His letter branded Caspary and his allies as speculators without the skills to run the company.

Phillips, 59, has been criticized recently because company earnings fell in 1982. He points out, however, that earnings set a record the three years before that.

Phillips said last week that, despite a drop in revenues for the

first quarter of 1983 from \$306 million to \$250 million, the firm expects to post a profit of \$27 million, double that of last year's first quarter.

Caspary dwelled on the company's lackluster 1982 performance in his letter asking stockholders to turn their proxy votes over to his group, the Louisiana Land Committee for New Management.

Phillips' spokesman said Caspary's bid is "a takeover attempt by a man who has almost \$5 million of his own money."

## Bruner promoted

Thomas M. Bruner has been promoted to executive vice president and trust officer at Texas American Bank/Midland.

Bruner joined Texas American Bank/Midland in 1975 as vice president and trust officer in charge of the Trust Department. In 1977, he was promoted to senior vice president and trust officer, and in 1980 he became senior vice president and executive trust officer.

Under Bruner's direction, Texas American Bank/Midland's Trust Department has doubled in asset size over the past two years to a current size of over \$30 million in trust assets.

Bruner received his education from the University of Texas, Austin where he was graduated with a Trust Degree from SWIGSBIE in Dallas, Texas.

## Lundberg sees higher prices ahead

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gasoline prices will continue to rise in coming weeks as refiners continue to pass along the increases and make up for recent losses, an industry analyst says.

"After eight months of gasoline price cutting, a market turnaround may be ahead," Lundberg said in his weekly Lundberg Letter. "The question is whether it could hold."

Gasoline prices rose with the 5-cent-a-gallon tax increase instituted by the federal government on April 1.

However, Lundberg said Saturday that his surveys show the average pump price has increased by only 4.5 cents, meaning that another half-cent a gallon remains to be passed on by dealers to motorists.

Retailers also have not passed along recent wholesale price increases of about 2.5 cents a gallon, Lundberg said. That makes a total of at least 3 cents a gallon waiting to be added to pump prices.

Lundberg said stronger demand for gasoline should allow dealers to post the increase and noted that

wholesale prices for gasoline on the spot market in New York Harbor and other key shipping areas are already rising.

"After two years of intermittent gasoline price erosion, the market is turning around," Lundberg said. "A gasoline price turnaround is indicated in all parts of the country."

Price and production agreements reached by members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries appear to be holding, Lundberg said, meaning that crude oil prices may stabilize and remove downward pressure on gas prices.

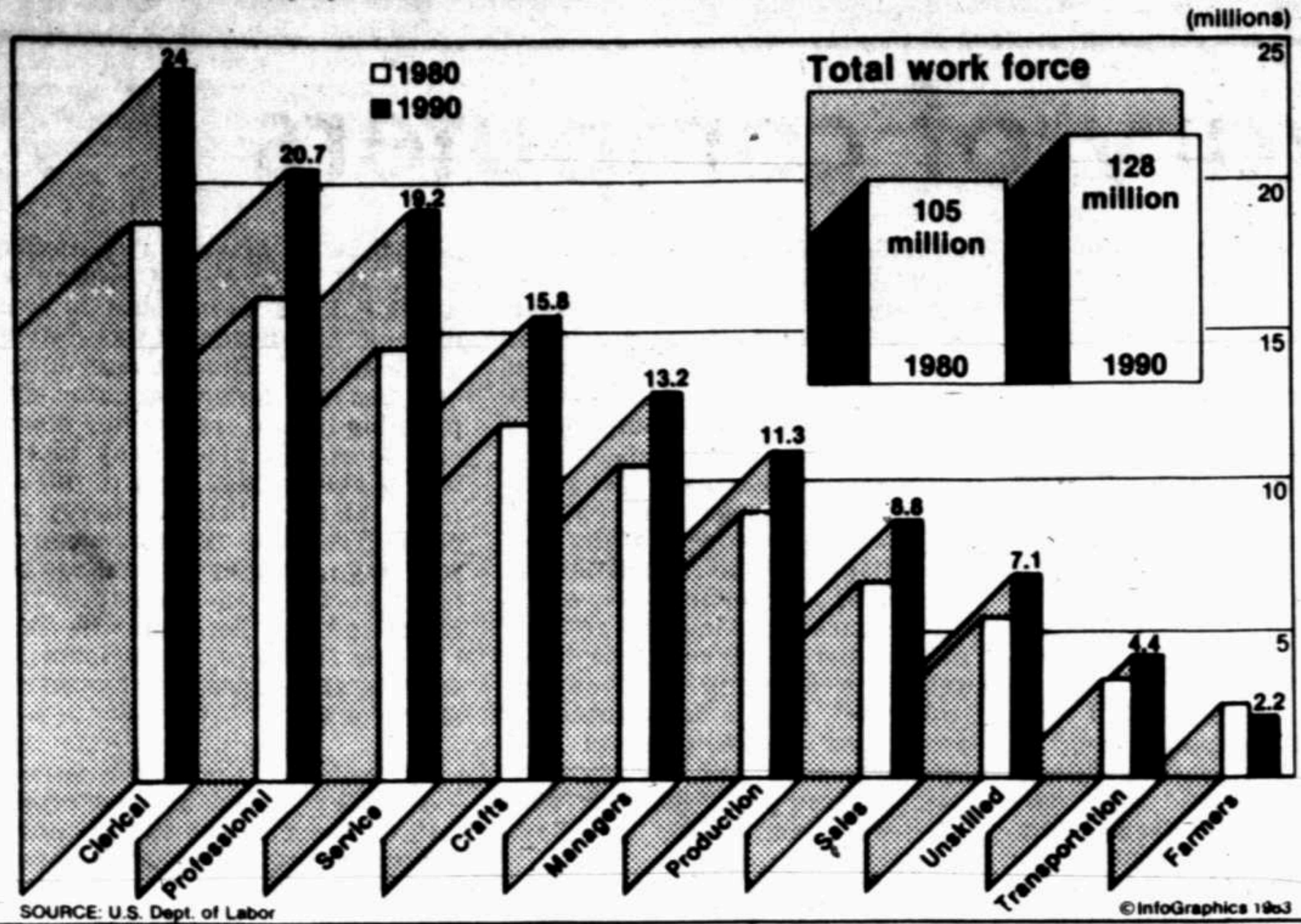
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## Changing, growing job market

The U.S. workforce is expected to grow by 23 million workers — to 128 million — by 1990. Except for farming, all the major job classifications are

expected to grow, even though there will be reductions in some jobs within them. A look at the ten-year change:



## Oil prices decrease while bank stocks start to 'flicker'

By DONALD C. BUADER  
Copley News Service

How do you make a requiem mass sound like rock 'n' roll? You just flip up the turntable speed from 33 revolutions per minute to 78.

Elvis Presley singing Hector Berlioz. Like magic.

Wall Street is doing it right now. Remember that dirge that was playing a month ago? The price of oil would plunge into the abyss, sweeping along the big oil companies and the big banks which had loaned money to oil producers such as Mexico.

Lachrymosa. Days of doom. But now the tune is upbeat: The hottest stocks on the Street are the big international and domestic oil, and the natural gas and energy equipment and service suppliers are doing well, too.

And now the big bank stocks — the same banks that loaned those horrendous sums to debt-saturated satrapes — are starting to flicker. Bank of America, which loaned almost \$3 billion to Mexico, is starting to move. Citicorp, Chemical New York, Chase Manhattan and Bankers Trust have all been bounding upward in big bounces, as analysts publish bullish forecasts.

During the last week of March alone, according to Paine Webber's report on group performance, the domestic oil stocks jumped 7.76 percent, energy services 8.61, international oils 5.98 and natural gas issues 5.90. In Media General's report for the same week, various categories of energy stocks held three of the top four positions.

The party hasn't cooled. Exxon, Mobil, Texaco, Standard of Indiana and many other international and domestics have been coming up since then.

Reason: Wall Street now thinks the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries move to prop up the oil price at \$29 will hold. That will be a plus for the oil companies — although their profits will still take a licking. A \$29 price will also mean that the debt-choked nations shouldn't be garroted this time — thus letting the banks off the hook.

The Portfolio Letter, a gossip newsletter published by Institutional Investor, started reporting on the sudden turnaround in late March. First, it reported breathlessly that analyst Charles Maxwell of Cyrus J. Lawrence (the premier oil ana-

lyst) was telling clients that the OPEC price strategy might work. The following week, the publication reported a "BUYING PANIC IN OILS" as Maxwell, along with analysts for Shearson/American Express, "Come Out Swinging for Energy."

Maxwell was said to be liking Kerr-McGee, Union Oil of California, Amerada Hess, Shell Oil and Phillips Petroleum.

Shearson was said to be touting Atlantic Richfield, Getty, Standard of Ohio and Standard of California.

Other respected analysts are bullish. The odds are now much better that "OPEC's new price structure will hold," said Bruce E. Lazier of Paine Webber. "All energy stocks move together," he said, but some might move more briskly than others. He likes Amerada Hess, Atlantic Richfield, Mobil, Penzold, Shell, Sohio, Texas Oil & Gas and Union Oil.

W.M. Schimmerlik of Merrill Lynch warned that "domestic refining and marketing results will probably be disastrous." First quarter profits will be off by 17 percent on average, but "investors will look beyond current quarter results," especially as "the conviction grows that oil prices have stabilized."

Richard Evans of Hammond, Ind.-based Dow Theory Forecasts likes Schlumberger and Sohio.

But it's not unanimous: Purchase of the oils "is premature and full of risk," says Arthur Smith of Oppenheimer. He thinks oil's price will slide even lower.

Banks? "The stage is set for a swing in the bank stocks from extreme pessimism to reasonable optimism. The financial news from Mexico and Brazil is better than expected. The worst of the U.S. recession is over. Fears of a banking collapse are waning," said Massachusetts-based John P. Dessauer, a newsletter author and analyst. He likes Chase Manhattan, Citicorp, Manufacturers Hanover and Citizens & Southern of Georgia.

"Politicians and the news media" blew the Mexico and Brazil crises out of proportion, said Dessauer. "Usually, when so many intelligent men are fully aware of a problem, the solution is found and the crisis passes without catastrophe." However, he admits that the skeptics have a good case: "I don't want to paint too rosy a picture," he cautioned.

Evans of Dow Theory Forecasts likes BankAmerica and Mercantile Texas Corp.

## Texas' Blue Cross-Blue Shield taken off list of critically ill

DALLAS (AP) — Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Texas has been taken off the seriously ill list now that a year-long threat of insolvency has passed, officials said.

But the company, Texas' largest health insurer, still faces serious problems with an ailing image and what an analyst called "some unfortunate investment decisions made in the years before 1982."

Blue Cross president John D. Melton told The Dallas Morning News that 1982 "was a very critical year."

"It was a turnaround year," Melton said. "I think '83 will be a recovery year. And there's a difference. One is just trying to stop the momentum, to keep it from going down. The other is getting it back up to where it belongs."

A year ago, cash-flow problems at the giant health insurer were so serious that consultants warned the company would be insolvent within months unless its losses were curbed.

And although the company lost \$9.3 million last year, the losses were considerably less than the \$36 million posted in 1981 and \$45 million in 1980.

Blue Cross executives, industry analysts and government monitors told The News the threat of insolvency has passed. Customers say service and claims processing also have improved.

John B. Reid Jr., a certified public accountant, told The News that while the company "has improved significantly" in its operations, it "will have an endurance contest as it tries to work itself from these remarkably low yields."

"The company policy in the future will certainly be short-term investments, not long-term," agreed Melton. "But you have to generate some

profits before you can make investments."

When Melton, 57, was named Blue Cross chief executive officer in 1981, he promptly outlined a plan to trim \$45 million from operating expenses, redirect the company's marketing strategy and improve claims processing.

Since then, Melton has cut Blue Cross' work force to 2,900 from about 4,000 employees, accounting for most of the \$14.4 million cut from operating expenses last year.

Melton said he saved about \$12 million of the remaining \$30 million he hoped to cut from overcharges by physicians and cost limits in contracts with member hospitals.

Blue Cross officials, as well as several clients contacted by The News, said claims handling and other services have improved tremendously. Previously, the company sometimes had a backlog of more than 1 million Medicare claims, compared with a normal figure of about 400,000 claims, and an error rate of about four times the national average of 1.9 percent.

Reid said the 1982 statement shows the company is "catching up, taking control."

In 1981, the company collected \$833 million in premiums and paid \$826 million, or 99.1 percent of the income. Last year, it reported \$823 million in premium income and \$787 million, or 95.6 percent, paid in benefits, Reid said.

From December 1981 to December 1982, Blue Cross' unpaid claims decreased \$41.8 million and its total liabilities fell from \$270 million to \$191 million.

Melton said he does not expect "phenomenal growth." He envisions a leaner — and healthier — Blue Cross for years to come.

## Working wives let men buy home

WASHINGTON (AP) — Working wives were one of the reasons many young men could afford to buy a house in the late 1970s, a time when the relative earning power of college-educated males lagged behind home costs, a study says.

The study financed by the National Science Foundation found that the percentage of young married couples who own their homes increased in the 1970s even though the earning power of men declined drastically in relation to rising home costs.

The percentage of couples in their late 20s who owned their homes by 1980 was 60.9 percent — a 6.5 percent increase from 1974, the study said.

"The housing industry will lead the nation out of its recession only through the efforts of working wives," said the study conducted by Dowell Myers of the University of Texas.

Myers presented his findings at an annual meet-

ing of the Population Association of America in Pittsburgh.

Male earning power rose at an annual rate of 5.6 percent, three-quarters as fast as house prices increased.

"Into the breach have stepped young married women, whose rate of employment has expanded from 38 to 58 percent over the decade of the 1970s," Meyers said. "Not only are wives working more, but their level of earnings has become an increasingly strong determinant of their family's ability to purchase a home."

Due to technical difficulties, the stock market report was not received today.

## BUSINESS MIRROR

# Consumer action no mystery

By JOHN CUNIFF

NEW YORK (AP) — What's all this talk about consumers failing to hold up their end of the economic bargain — that they are restraining their greed, ignoring incentives and pinching pennies instead of spending?

There should be no mystery to their behavior, but you'd never think that if you scanned the profound analyses that economists and other thinkers are producing these days.

This is nothing new. In a massive mass-consumption society such as the United States, the consumer is a natural focus of study. The consumer is the vital force, bigger than government and industry combined.

And so they are studied in all their complexity. Arnold Toynbee, the historian, was fascinated by consumers. Vance Packard, the writer, devoted books to the subject. And John Kenneth Galbraith, the economist-essayist, thought he had finally figured out the species.

But instead of dealing with the complexities, is there perhaps any merit in studying consumers in all their simplicity? It would seem so.

It would seem, for example, that consumers might be sitting on their wallets because they have so little to spend, notwithstanding statistics that show that money sufficient for recovery lies in the consumer sector.

But the statistics are much less clear on the distribution of that money.

Is it concentrated in the hands of older people, who are less inclined than younger people to spend their assets? Are the younger people, with their lower incomes and bigger expenses, fighting just to stay ahead of bills?

There is the matter of psychology. Anybody who experienced the inflation, recession and unemployment of recent years isn't likely to forget so soon. They cannot afford to do so; such episodes are too costly to them.

It seems obvious that spending is also restrained by high interest rates. No, interest rates in general have not fallen to affordable levels, even if some people think mortgage rates have. Many people who examine their monthly credit card

numbers still find rates of 19.5 percent on their balances. Moreover, many areas still haven't emerged from the recession. Millions of Americans are still without work, and some of them are structurally unemployed, meaning their jobs aren't coming back even in a recovery.

Such factors are terrible restraints on spending, you will agree.

You may agree also that those people caught up in the economic mess aren't inclined to listen to rhetoric — not after hearing every president since Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaim imminent victory over inflation.

It seems logical also to assume that consumers are a bit disheartened to hear all the talk in Washington about repealing the third-year tax cut, scheduled for July 1.

It takes no complex study to reveal that many consumers will reach the conclusion that if they're not going to get a tax cut then they'll have that much less money to spend, whether on necessities or on luxuries.

And certainly, confidence of consumers cannot be enhanced by the developing talk about eventually taxing consumption. Until that matter becomes clearer, how can consumers be confident that the tide has turned in their favor?

And while Washington debates taxes, as it always does, there is another little tax matter that might be further hampering consumption.

There is, that is, a processing backlog in the matter of tax refunds. Through March 25, refunds were down \$2.6 billion from the same period a year ago. You need not study that situation to determine the impact.

In his 1964 book, "The Mass Consumption Society," the late Professor George Katona, a pioneer in the study of consumer behavior, declared that the consumer "is neither a puppet nor a pawn."

Instead, he said, "a study of empirical evidence will show that most consumers, though they are not ideal 'rational men,' are circumspect and sensible."

And right now, it seems, their brains and their senses — and probably their pocketbooks too — seem to say caution.

## Historic site to host summit

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — Colonial Williamsburg will be giving up a most sought-after commodity — tourists — when eight leaders of the industrial world meet in this restored 18th century capital to discuss the state of the 20th century world.

During the three-day summit beginning May 28, the restored capital of colonial Virginia will be closed to the public for the first time in its 56-year history.

President Reagan, host for the ninth annual Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations, wants "to try to change summits as they have evolved over the years to a meeting of a more informal nature," said Michael McManus, the president's summit administrator.

Because of security, the public will not see Reagan or the other leaders — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, French President Francois Mitterrand, Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, Italian Prime Minister Amintore Fanfani and Common Market President Gaston Thorn.

"About half the time the heads (of state) will be alone," without their aides or the press, attending meetings, said McManus.

They will be in elegant surroundings. Colonial Williamsburg contains more than 130 original or restored 18th and early 19th century buildings on about 90 acres of gardens and public greens. It was John D. Rockefeller Jr. who in the 1920s provided \$190 million to restore and maintain it as a historical monument.

Since Williamsburg was selected last summer, a White House staff of 70 people has been working on where they will put the eight leaders and their entourages, plus journalists and their electronic equipment. The entire operation is expected to cost between \$6 million and \$8 million.

"The most difficult problem that we've had to handle is the usually large number of press expected to attend," McManus said.

To accommodate reporters and support crews, expected to number between 4,500 and 6,000, a sports arena on the nearby campus of William and Mary is undergoing \$500,000 worth of alterations.

With the federal government paying the bill, the college is adding air conditioning and improving the arena's electrical capacity.

A briefing platform will be constructed on the main floor, with eight briefing rooms, camera platforms and interview booths throughout the building.

To hold down costs, the Reagan administration is asking automobile companies to lend cars for the official delegations and is inviting fast-food restaurant chains to provide food for hungry journalists.

More elaborate meals are planned for leaders. President Reagan will host a state dinner, probably at the Rockefeller Folk Art Center, McManus said.

The focus will be on "traditional American meals," said Anne Haskell, a summit spokeswoman. Craig Claiborne, New York Times food columnist, has been called in to consult on menus.

The eight leaders will be staying in the historic area, but

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summit organizers are keeping quiet on exact locations for security reasons.

In preparation for the event, telephone lines and extra power cables are being laid, more than 100 gardeners are sprucing up the grounds and restored buildings are getting fresh paint jobs.

The White House summit staff began moving its operation to Williamsburg this month and will be in place by early May. One of the details still to be worked out with Gov. Charles S. Robb is whether state sales taxes should be charged in the historic area, which will become federal territory during the summit.

McManus stressed that summit planners hope to keep disruptions for Williamsburg residents to a minimum. People who live on the Colonial grounds will be allowed to stay, and Sunday services at historic Bruton Parish Church will go on as usual.

The influx of journalists, diplomatic staffs and Secret Service agents is guaranteeing almost 100 percent occupancy in Williamsburg motels and hotels.

Operators of other area tourist attractions, such as Jamestown, Yorktown and the Busch Gardens theme park, are hoping the summit will not keep tourists away. The Virginia Peninsula Tourism Council has set up a special telephone line to handle requests about accommodations in the area surrounding Williamsburg.

Although they're giving up the 4,000 to 5,000 tourists who usually visit Colonial Williamsburg each day during the Memorial Day weekend, officials believe the summer season will benefit from the summit publicity.

## INVESTOR'S GUIDE



## Market value of stock should not change after 'buy-back'

By BILL DOYLE

Q. When a company buys back some of its own stock with a combination of cash and notes, doesn't this tend to increase the value of its stock? There will be fewer owners of the stock, but the company's assets remain the same. Also, wouldn't the dividend payment increase?

A. A "buy-back" such as you mention doesn't necessarily increase the market price of the stock. You're mistaken on one important point. When a company buys back some of its stock, its assets don't remain the same.

Cash paid out to buy back stock reduces the asset side of the company's balance sheet. Notes issued in a buy-back or for any other purpose are a debt obligation and are added to the liability side of the balance sheet. So, after buying back some of its stock, the company's assets have dropped.

Of course, with fewer shares of stock "outstanding" — owned by stockholders — after the buy-back, each share then represents a bigger piece of the company than each of the larger number of shares did before the buy-back.

All things being constant, the market value of the stock shouldn't change one little bit. But, things seldom remain constant in the stock market. The market price of any stock, at any time, is determined by the price buyers are willing to pay and sellers are willing to accept. A stock's price might go up or down after a buy-back.

Now, if the company's earnings remain the same after the buy-back as they were before, its earnings per share will increase — for the simple reason that it has fewer shares outstanding. The company might then increase the dividend it pays on its stock. I stress the word "might." There's no assurance that will happen.

Some observers feel it's a mistake for a company to reduce its cash on hand and/or increase its debt by buying back its stock. They contend that the company's management should use the extra cash to increase dividends and/or expand the business.

Proponents of the buy-back idea counter that it's a smart idea, when the market price of a stock is below its intrinsic value.

This argument has been raging for much longer than I have been writing about things financial. I doubt it will ever be settled to everyone's satisfaction. Buy-backs have to be judged on a case-by-case basis.

would think a high payout indicates a good company in which to own stock. But, how can the payout ratio on some stocks be more than 100 percent?

A. First, let's explain that a payout ratio is the percentage of a company's earnings that is paid as dividends on its common stock.

If XYZ Corp. has 10 million common shares outstanding and had net earnings of \$10 million last year, its earnings per share amounted to \$1. If XYZ paid 60 cents per share in dividends, its payout ratio was 60 percent.

Companies seldom pay out 100 percent of their earnings as dividends. Instead, they retain some for the proverbial "rainy day" or to build the business. "Growth" companies "plow back" more of their earnings than conservative dividend-paying companies.

If you're looking for high and hopefully steady dividend income, stocks with long records of high dividend payout ratios are suited for you. Just don't expect big dividend increases in the future.

When a company's payout ratio tops 100 percent, that usually means the company has fallen on hard times and is using the money it tucked away during more-prosperous years to maintain its dividend payments. The danger signal there is, unless earnings improve, the company might have to reduce its dividends.

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.

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Answer to today's Crossword Puzzle

Q. What is the significance of a stock's "payout ratio?" I



Twenty-two-year-old David McGuire rests after conquering the stairwell.

# Steps toward independence

ODESSA — The beads of perspiration forming below his sweat band glistened on his brow. The liquid bubbles slid down the bridge of his nose and settled on his lip.

Struggling to keep his body erect, the young man's knuckles whitened as he gripped the crutch.

The metal braces trussed his torpid legs. He steps were short, rigid — but he was walking.

Walking. A natural function — 22-year-old David McGuire thought he'd never do again.

Left a paraplegic after a car accident in June 1980, David was confined to a wheelchair.

But determination, desire and physical therapy have given David a new view. Once again, the six-foot Midland man views life from a standing position.

DETERMINATION, desire and physical therapy also abetted Troy Bolling, an 18-year-old Lee High School student who was left a paraplegic following a 1981 motorcycle accident.

Topped by a green "gimme" cap, with metal braces clamped to his cowboy boots, Troy clutched the parallel bars.

He stared intensely at the carpeted floor. As he squeezed the bars, bluish veins rippled his smooth arms. Taking a deep breath, Troy jackknifed his slender body into the air.

Although he was using a walker when he began physical therapy, Troy wanted "to

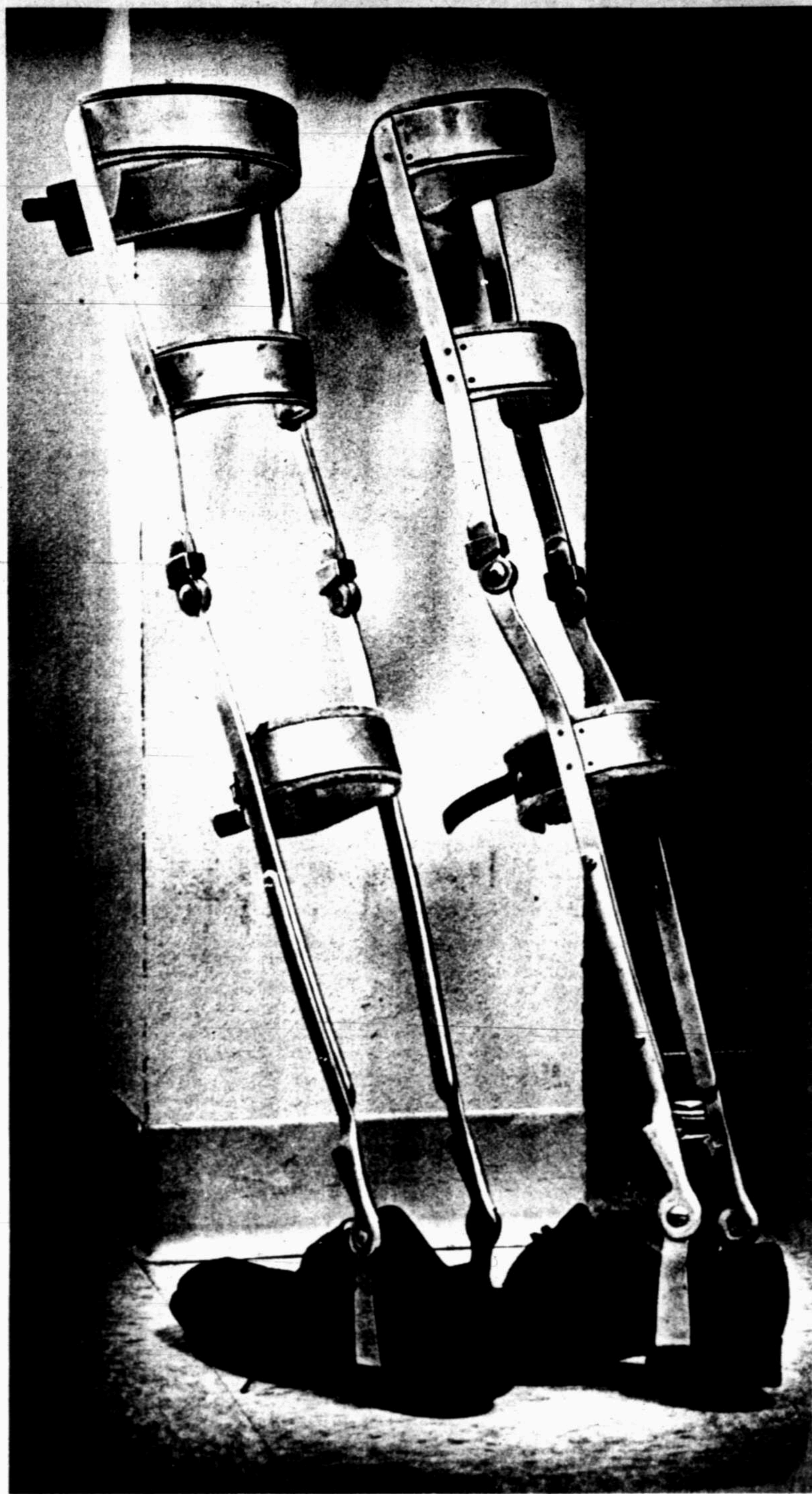
be more independent." Troy, who is in Future Farmers of America, wants to walk — independently on crutches — so he can "work on the farm."

Both young men are becoming independent with physical therapy treatments at Odessa's Permian Basin Rehabilitation Center. They drive themselves from Midland to Odessa three days a week.

For the staff at the PBRC, the words, "crippled, handicapped and disabled" are words alone — not a way of life.

Judy McGookey, a physical therapist at PBRC, said the center's purpose is to help people, including David and Troy, to reach their full potential and achieve the best possible lifestyle.

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These metal trusses have given David McGuire a new look on life.



Although Troy Bolling was able to use the walker when he came to physical therapy, he wanted physical therapist Judy McGookey to help him become more independent with the use of crutches.

Story by Gail Burke  
Photos by Ron Jaap



Eighteen-year-old Troy Bolling practices an upper body "strengthening exercise."



Physical therapist Judy McGookey assists David McGuire down a practice flight.

**DEATHS**

**Delia Aguilar**

**BIG SPRING** — Services for Delia Aguilar, 48, of Big Spring will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday in Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Big Spring with burial in Mount Olive Cemetery. Rosary will be said Tuesday in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel.

Mrs. Aguilar died Sunday in a Lubbock hospital.

She was born Sept. 12, 1934, in Mexico and had lived in Big Spring for 27 years. She was a Catholic.

Survivors include four sons, Faustino Aguilar of San Angelo, and Samuel Aguilar, Marcus Aguilar and Abram Aguilar, all of Big Spring; two daughters, Martha Aguilar and Juanita Aguilar, both of Big Spring; four brothers, Raul Gonzalez of Crane, Abran Gonzalez of Midland, Javier Gonzalez of San Jose, Calif., and Laco Torres of Edinburg; five sisters, Emma Gonzalez and Gabriella Hendrix, both of Edinburg, Alicia Gomez of Laredo, Ana Bulerez of Harlingen, Ramona

Medina of Sand Springs; a step-mother, Isabel Gonzalez of Edinburg, and four grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Faustino T. Aguilar in 1977 and a brother, Roberto Gonzalez of Laredo.

**S. Whitaker**

**BIG SPRING** — Services for Sherman "Hooks" Whitaker, 75, of Big Spring were to be at 3:30 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

Whitaker died Saturday in a Big Spring hospital.

He was born Jan. 20, 1908, in Vincent and had lived in Big Spring since 1943.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma; a brother, Fred Whitaker of Big Spring; a sister, Delphia Gordon of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, Eddie Whitaker, in 1965.

**T.V. Armstrong**

**BIG SPRING** — Services for Thomas Vance Armstrong, 65, of Big Spring will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church of Westbrook with burial in Westbrook Cemetery under direction of Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Armstrong died Sunday in a Big Spring Hospital.

He was born April 19, 1917, in Colorado City and had lived in Big Spring since 1980. He was retired from El Paso Natural Gas Co. and was a member of Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Eula Armstrong; a daughter, Wanda Bunker of Ozona; a son, Thomas J. Armstrong of Las Vegas, Nev.; three

sisters, Mrs. Leo Parker of Big Spring, Mrs. T.J. Barber of Westbrook and Mrs. Lawrence Palmer of New Mexico; a brother, John R. Hart of Roswell, N.M.; six grandchildren

and great-grandchildren. A brother, Ronald J. Armstrong Sr., and his parents preceded him in death.

**Marshallene Read**

**BIG SPRING** — Services for Marshallene Read, 55, of Coahoma will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Round Mound Cemetery northeast of Abilene.

Mrs. Read died Sunday in a Temple hospital.

She was born Nov. 4, 1927, lived in Abilene before moving to Coahoma and was founder of Coahoma Insurance Agency. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Read; a son, Eddie Read of Austin; a daughter, Mischa Harris of Garland; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ray of Clyde; a sister, Marida Whatlington of Snyder; and two grandchildren.

**Foy M. Johnson**

Services for Foy M. Johnson, 60, of 509 S. Weatherford, are pending under direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Johnson died Sunday at his residence.

He was born Nov. 14, 1922, in Denton County. He was a member of VFW Post 7208, having served in the United States Air Force in World War II.

Survivors include a son, Foy M. Johnson Jr. of Phoenix, Ariz.; a daughter, Sharon Kurpinsky of Pataluma, Calif.; his mother, Lena Johnson of Midland; two brothers, Hubert Johnson of Odessa and Leroy Johnson of Midland; three sisters, Aline Hudson of Pecos, Imogene Rankin and Myrna Holliday, both of Midland; and four grandchildren.

**Ethel Brown**

**AUSTIN** — Ethel Belle James Brown, 77, of Austin and mother of a Midlander, died Sunday in St. David's Hospital in Austin.

Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Colonial Chapel at Cook-Walden Funeral Home here with burial in Austin Memorial Park.

Survivors include a son, George J. Brown of Midland; a daughter, Mrs. Clyde (Cherie) Copus of Austin; and a sister, Mrs. O. C. Woods of Dallas.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Hyde Park Baptist Church building fund.

**J.J. Hardegree**

**BIG SPRING** — Services for Jeddie J. Hardegree, 75, of Big Spring are pending at Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Hardegree died Sunday in a Big Spring nursing home.

**Super unleaded actually gasohol**

**DALLAS (AP)** — Texas motorists have been using more gasohol than they think because service stations have been selling the gasoline and alcohol blend from pumps marked super unleaded, officials say.

One result is that the state has lost millions of dollars in revenues since a tax break for gasohol took effect more than a year ago, officials add.

No state law requires pumps to be labeled as gasohol when they contain the mixture instead of gasoline.

"The gasohol that you have today is... marketed as super unleaded and it's in pumps everywhere. You've been burning it and I've been burning it if we've used super unleaded gasoline in our cars," said Dan Kubiak, a former legislator who sponsored the gasohol tax law two years ago.

Kubiak, of Austin, estimated that about a quarter of all super unleaded fuel sold in the state now is gasohol.

The 5-cent-a-gallon tax break designed to boost the gasohol industry instead has become a windfall for companies who sell the fuel as super unleaded gasoline, the Dallas Times Herald reported Sunday.

In 1982, when the tax break went into effect, the sale of gasohol in Texas increased 4,000 percent over the previous year, the Times Herald said. But the booming sales have cost the state millions of dollars in taxes and deprived consumers of price cuts, several officials complain.

"I regret this money is not going to Texas per se. It's keeping gasohol alive here, but it's not benefiting us the way that I wanted it to benefit us when I passed the bill," said Kubiak.

Kubiak and other gasohol promoters predicted the tax break would spawn a homegrown production industry that would give Texas corn and grain farmers a ready market for their crops.

But the beneficiaries have been farmers in the Midwest, where most of the distilling plants are located, said Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower.

"I think the guy that ought to get the marketing award for the year ought to be the guy who said to his boss, 'Let's not call it gasohol, let's call it super unleaded,'" said state Rep. Jim Horn, R-Lewisville.

Gasohol drew national attention during the early 1970s

when an Arab oil embargo forced industry to search for alternate sources of fuel. Since alcohol is more expensive than gasoline, states began offering tax exemptions to encourage its production and sale.

Farmers became a strong lobby for the fuel in hopes it would open a new market for their corn and grain. By 1980, Texas and 30 other states had adopted gasohol tax breaks.

Under the Texas law, gasohol must be 90 percent gasoline and 10 percent alcohol of at least 192 proof. For every gallon of gasohol sold, the oil distributor gets a 5-cent credit on his state motor fuels tax bill. The federal government, which also promotes the gasohol industry, kicks in another 5-cent-a-gallon break on the federal motor fuels tax.

For gasoline, the state imposes a 5-cent-a-gallon tax and the federal government a 9-cent tax.

Horn said that when the tax break was being debated in the 1981 Legislature, proponents expected that gasohol would continue to be sold at a separate labeled pump and that distributors would be forced to pass on the tax savings to entice consumers to purchase it.

What they didn't realize was that Texas has no law requiring gasoline dealers to label the pumps or to pass on the tax break, he said.

Horn, who has sponsored a bill requiring gasohol to be labeled, said that while the fuel improves performance in some new cars, it may create carburetor problems in older cars.

"I only want consumers to know what they are buying. Some of them are probably blaming their cars for problems that may be caused by fuel," he said.

The Southland Corp., which owns the chain of 7-Eleven stores, became one of the state's leading distributors of gasohol, along with Kempeco Petroleum Co. of Houston, which owns the Stop-N-Go stores, River City Petroleum of San Antonio and the Sigmor Corp., the Times Herald said.

Sam Sussler, manager of Southland's fuels division, said retailers are using the tax break on gasohol to make their prices more competitive.

"I think more of the small independent businessmen who own a few service stations are doing this than a lot of the larger marketers."

**Teen-ager released from jail on bond**

**HOUSTON (AP)** — A teen-ager walked out of jail after serving half of a 30-day sentence for failing to answer "Yes, sir," to a judge.

Michael Anthony Washington, 19, was released from the Harris County Jail Sunday. The Texas Court of Civil Appeals in Austin ordered Washington to be released Thursday on a \$100 personal recognizance bond pending an appeal of the sentence.

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**Therapist 'continually encouraged'**

A warm feeling of pride and satisfaction fills Judy McGookey everytime a paraplegic stands up. She knows her work has worth everytime a chronic pain sufferer is relieved and learns to cope.

Ms. McGookey is one of many physical therapists who help rehabilitate and treat patients with handicaps, resulting from arthritis, cerebral palsy, traumatic injuries, amputations, burns, strokes, birth defects and polio.

With physical means — light, heat, water, exercise, sound and electronic waves — physical therapists restore patients to a functional level.

Physical therapists nationwide, including Ms. McGookey will celebrate National Physical Therapists Week April 24 through 30.

Ms. McGookey, who works at Odessa's Permian Basin Rehabilitation Center, said it can take from six months to two years for a person to be rehabilitated.

"We give the patients realistic answers about their abilities," she said. "We are continuously encouraged from watching the patient's progress."

To become a qualified physical therapist, it takes college preparation, practical experience, completion of exams and then, licensure.

But the paper alone is not always enough — the job takes a "people person who has a lot of patience," said Ms. McGookey, who has been a physical therapist for five years.

Physical therapists evaluate and plan treatment programs for patients who have been referred by a physician. They test the patients' abilities, limitations and potential for rehabilitation.

Ms. McGookey said physical therapists also work with the patients' families, teaching the use and care of equipment, such as wheelchairs, crutches and braces.

**Physical therapy aids independence**

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BY PRACTICING to walk with one crutch and swinging the body into a jackknife position on the parallel bars, David and Troy have strengthened their upper bodies, enabling them to walk up and down stairs.

"Walking on one crutch is probably the hardest thing to do in physical therapy," Ms. McGookey said.

"After I do this (walk with one crutch), I feel like I can walk around all day on two," David said, chuckling.

Troy, who was finishing 100 jackknife exercises, added: "But, it takes a while to psych yourself up for those stairs."

With a crutch under each of their arms, Troy and David walked toward a stairwell at the center where they would conquer the ascent.

While David has mastered the stairs by thrusting his body up the steps in a backward stance, Troy has succeeded in getting to the top in the traditional fashion.

"The crutches have to land in the right spot," Ms. McGookey said, explaining that the crutches are placed on the step before the feet.

"When those crutches are in the air (from step to step), there's nothing to balance you," she added.

SINCE DAVID STOPPED smoking, his endurance has increased five times when climbing the flight, he said.

"Here's where your jackknife exercises come in handy," Ms. McGookey said, while assisting David up the stairs.

After David walked up and down the two flights of 24 steps

in three minutes, Ms. McGookey observed Troy with another physical therapist.

"It makes me nervous," she said. "It's worse when you're watching. It's different when your helping."

David grinned, adding "Watching myself on the video (tape) made me nervous."

Troy, who has created a challenge for himself by insisting on wearing cowboy boots with his braces, breezed down the dozen steps in 45 seconds.

Although David and Troy are highly motivated, they both said their "victories" could not have been won without the coaching and prodding of the PBRC's physical therapists.

Ms. McGookey is one of many physical therapists who will be honored during National Physical Therapist Week April 24 through 30. According to Ms. McGookey it takes a person with a lot of patience and one who likes people to be a physical therapist.

"You've got to care about people, but not have a bleeding heart," she said. "When we run into frustration, we give them (patients) easier goals and advance them when their ready. You need to be their friend, but keep the respect of a physical therapist."

Ms. McGookey said physical therapists help people "with all disabilities to be as functional as possible. If they can only use one arm, we'll teach them to be functional with that one arm."

David and Troy have their arms. With the help of physical therapy they have strengthened their arms and now David and Troy are learning to walk — anywhere — once again.

**Jurors return death sentence**

**EL PASO (AP)** — A man convicted of robbing and killing an auto salvage dealer has been sentenced to die by lethal injection.

Jurors decided Saturday that Manuel Jesus Perez should die by lethal injection after deliberating about three hours and 15 minutes.

Perez, 38, had passed up an offer from the district attorney's office in December to plead guilty to murder and receive a life sentence.

Instead, he was convicted of capital murder for the slaying of David De la Rosa last May 3.

In final arguments Saturday, defense attorney Jim Darnell told jurors that "nobody is going to stand here and try to justify the death of Mr. De la Rosa. But I ask you now to stop the killing. This has gone far enough. Sentence Mr. Perez to life in prison."

**Texas Supreme Court upholds lower decision**

Austin Bureau

**AUSTIN** — The Texas Supreme Court last week let stand a lower court decision in a dispute between C.L. Tyra of Midland and Dowell, Division of Dow Chemical USA over a promissory note made in March 1978.

The 238th District Court in Midland County awarded a summary judgment of \$179,939 for Dowell against Tyra on the note, which had an original amount of \$219,004.

The El Paso Court of Appeals upheld the trial court ruling and the Supreme Court ruled "no reversible error" had been made.

In his appeal, Tyra argued Dowell hadn't shown it was holder of the note.

**Midlanders approved for engineer's license**

Austin Bureau

**AUSTIN** — Two Midland residents have been approved for licensure as professional engineers by the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

Paul J. Bradley Jr. and Burel Terrie Wells will be licensed by the state upon filing a copy of their official Texas engineer's seal with the board.



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# Tape of news bloopers and disasters making rounds in Washington

By The Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

WASHINGTON — Vice President George Bush wanted to see it, and so did the first lady's press secretary, Sheila Tate. White House Deputy Press Secretary Larry Speakes has shown it in his office, and Communications Director David Gergen even took it home. The New York Times' Washington bureau had a lunchtime screening last week and in the ABC foreign bureaus they're watching it, too. Now the Betamax are spin-

ning around faster than James Watt on the Beach Boys.

What is it?

The "Tapes of Wrath," the hottest new underground reel in Washington. Shown 2 1/2 weeks ago at the annual Radio and Television Correspondents dinner, the tape is a 24-minute medley of bloopers that never saw the light of the evening news, plus a few disasters that did. It also has a few brilliantly spliced segments that combine Ronald Reagan's old movies with some of his new moves.

It begins with an announcer who booms, "Ladies and gentlemen, the president of the United States!" Then, to the strains of "Hail to the Chief," Reagan saunters slowly into a Western saloon.

Around him are geezers swilling whiskey. "Mr. president," says one, "I'm poor and I'm hungry. What am I going to do?"

The president, wearing a white hat, pauses briefly, cries "SHUT UP!" and then knocks the questioner flat.

In another segment various televi-

sion personalities are seen flubbing their nightly "stand-ups" on the White House lawn. CBS correspondent Bill Plante is seen screaming at the camera as a sleeted rain plasters his hair to his forehead, and his colleague, Lesley Stahl, is shown as the camera lights go out around her.

"That's it," she says, throwing her microphone to the ground and stalking off in a huff. "I'm not going to do it again."

The tape was produced by Sharon Young and Carole Simpson of ABC, and edited by Charles Wilson of

CBS. Wilson, 31, is the unofficial keeper of outrageous outtakes at CBS, and over the years he has produced several gag reels that were seen only inside the bureau. This is the first one in years to be seen publicly.

"I'm kind of surprised," says Wilson, who thinks there might be 40 or 50 copies of the tape floating around, "but then, I'm kind of not. I've always had a pretty good sense of humor. In fact, my wife thinks I have a perverted sense of humor."

So far, Young says, only one correspondent has complained of treatment on the tape. Most people, like the vice president, were delighted to be included. Bush, in fact, wrote notes to Young and the others, calling the tape "a classic."

One segment on the tape is of House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill. He's seen holding a roll-call vote, although his words are dubbed in.

He's asking for pizza orders. "How many for anchovies?" he calls from the stately chamber.

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# Glenn's campaign plagued by ineptitude

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Glenn's presidential candidacy is like one of those endless spaceshot countdowns that stop and start and stop again while technicians scramble to find out what is wrong.

The man is a star, a true celebrity who gets asked for his autograph even by other politicians. The hero's aura and an Eisenhower grin give the moderate senator the potential to soar to the top of the Democratic presidential field.

Many Democrats think the former astronaut has the right stuff to beat Ronald Reagan in 1984.

"If I were to suggest, John Glenn would be the most electable Democrat in November, I don't think many people would disagree," said Joe Grandmaison, Glenn's campaign manager, stating what the Glenn camp believes is their candidate's strongest card in the contest for the 1984 nomination.

To be electable in November requires being nominated in July and so far the Glenn campaign is dogged by tales of ineptitude — of lowans upset by appearances abruptly canceled, of state party officials complaining that their telephone calls are never returned.

His candidacy — to be announced officially Thursday — is getting off to the kind of start that plagued his historic space flight that catapulted Glenn into Earth orbit and national celebrity. That flight was scheduled for Dec. 20, 1961, but a series of postponements, many of them with Glenn already strapped in the capsule, delayed the actual launch until Feb. 20, 1962.

John Glenn is best described as a Marine, a pilot, an astronaut, as a senator, but not as a politician.

Walter Mondale is a politician and he's been running for president ever since January 1981, when he and Jimmy Carter left office. He spends a lot of time on the telephone talking to other politicians, to money men and organizers, to labor leaders. He knows how to touch base, to stroke. Mondale is the man to beat for the Democratic nomination.

Grandmaison summed up a difference between Glenn and Mondale this way:

"When Walter Mondale picks up the phone more likely than not he is renewing a relationship. When John Glenn does, likely or not, he is attempting to build a relationship."

You might think that difference would prompt Glenn to spend a lot of his time on the phone, building relationships with party and elected officials. But that doesn't seem to be Glenn's style.

The Mondale advantage showed up at the Massachusetts Democratic Party's convention when he finished first in a straw poll of the 4,000 delegates. Glenn used telephone banks and other organizational tools in an effort to do well among the Massachusetts liberals. He ended up finishing fourth, behind Mondale, a solid labor vote for "Jobs" and Sen. Alan Cranston of California.

Can Glenn catch up among real people who vote in the primary elections? Can he capitalize on his name recognition, his star quality? To do that he'll have to start finishing



John Glenn

higher than fourth in some of the early party tests of strength that often are organizational contests.

"John Glenn is a sleeping giant," said a prominent Iowa Democrat. "If he ever wakes up his organization he'll be...tough out here."

"An organization is important to have in place when you need it," responded Grandmaison, the widely respected political pro who signed aboard as Glenn campaign manager. "It is not important to have in place when you don't need it...Give us time. I think you'll be surprised."

Glenn plans to announce his presidential candidacy Thursday in the John Glenn High School auditorium in his hometown of New Concord, Ohio.

He had two appearances scheduled the next day in Iowa, the state whose precinct caucuses lead off the delegate selection process. It was Iowa's caucuses that brought Jimmy Carter national attention in 1976.

Then the Glenn campaign canceled both appearances.

"We were obviously disappointed, to say the least," said Paddy Kalarhar, legislative lobbyist for the Iowa Credit Union League, whose annual meeting was one of the two appearances Glenn scrapped.

The Glenn paradox is that many of the party officials who complain about his organization also describe him as potentially very strong in their states.

The South is considered a well of potential support. One party official said, "He could run super well in this state, like he could in any Southern state. But organizationally I just see him as weak. You can't get their national headquarters to return your calls half the...time."

Mondale and Glenn visited Mississippi this spring. Gov. William Winter will endorse Mondale, but he has been scrupulous about offering equal hospitality to all Democratic aspirants.

The day after Mondale's visit, he was on the phone to Winter at eight in the morning to thank the governor. Mississippi is a caucus state where help from the established organization can be very useful.

There was no followup call from Glenn.



## POSITIVE THINKING

# By right thinking you can be somebody

By NORMAN VINCENT PEALE

Having been born and raised so closely to poverty as to feel it breathing down my neck, I felt a strong desire to escape its control. Not that money of itself ever meant anything, for I am a plain sort. But still I have always resented poverty for myself or for anyone else.

I believed that by my own efforts in a free society, I could move up to a better level of existence for my family and perhaps might be able to help others to do the same. Hence I have written and spoken on this subject a great deal, urging people to believe in their own worth, to understand their God-given potential; and, therefore, by right thinking, decency and creative work to make something really worthwhile of their lives.

One special event which I recall with clarity happened in the old Williams Avenue school in Norwood, Ohio, in my fifth grade class. The teacher of the class was Professor George Reeves. In those days, teach-

ers, even below university level, were referred to with dignity respectfully absent today. Mr. Reeves is stamped indelibly upon my memory. He was a large man weighing over 220 pounds and of good height. He had a stern look which covered up a kind heart. He was, in a sense, a character, which seems to be a term applied to any "different" type of person. But he would do things that would make an indelible impression on his students. For example, occasionally he would write on the blackboard in large letters the word CANT. Then dusting the chalk off his fingers he would look at the class and ask, "What shall I do now?"

We knew what he wanted and chanted back, "Knock the T off the can't," which he forthwith proceeded to do with a sweeping gesture. Then he would say, "Let that be a lesson to you — you can if you think you can." Following which he would point his big forefinger and growl, "And don't you ever forget it, either."

Doubtless some modern instruc-

tors would lift the eyebrow at such pedagogy. But it must have had some teaching effect, for one student, at least, is remembering the lesson more than half a century. I bless the name of George Reeves, for he started a trend of thought working in the mind of a shy little boy who, years later, was privileged to convey it to millions through his books.

My own father was party to this same teaching, for I have a clear memory of that incredible night when Halley's Comet, in all its glory, hovered over our very house, Spencer Avenue in Cincinnati. Watching it Father told us that so exact is the universe that this comet came on the dot every 75 years. "Dad, do you think I will be here when it comes again 75 years from now?"

His answer was characteristic. "I don't know, but the length of life is not nearly as important as quality of life. I really do not care so much whether you will be here, but I do hope you will amount to something

before Halley's Comet comes back." Always our parents were telling Bob and me to work and study hard, to be honest and of good character, to "be somebody." And with it we were adjured to serve the Lord and help people. Always we were to be true to the Christian religion and follow Jesus Christ in all things.

This current generation of young people can hardly know the intensity of the old-Americans in their desire to rise out of poverty. Mother often told us how the mother of Abraham Lincoln said to her son, even though they lived in poverty, "Abe, be somebody." This same entreaty was given by succeeding generations of American mothers and fathers to their children, at least those we knew. These parents hated poverty, and mediocrity. They wanted their children to amount to something in life, to do more than their parents had done. This was their consuming desire for their children. And in my book it is still a good motivation for today or any time.

# Hollings wants to bring discipline to White House

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Sen. Ernest F. Hollings of South Carolina joins the growing list of contenders for the Democratic presidential nomination today with a publicity blitz geared to make the low-profile lawmaker more of a standout.

"His worst problem is recognition," said John Patterson, publicity director of Hollings' campaign. "We don't have to build his image; we have to expose it."

"Fritz" Hollings, 61, chose the Midlands Technical College campus near Columbia Metropolitan Airport as the site of his

announcement, after which he headed for Washington for a news conference and interviews with reporters at the National Press Club.

Hollings has said he wants to bring discipline back to the White House.

"I know I can turn it around," he said in a recent interview. "We've gone from Vietnam to Watergate to busted budgets and high unemployment. They've all been playing games with each other there for a dozen years. They just don't have any discipline."

Hollings, a former South Carolina governor, would like to follow the trail blazed by another Southern governor, Jimmy Carter of Georgia. He said the country now is ready for his middle-of-the-road politics.

"I think the country's looking for a centrist — someone who's not a

big spender and who's not insensitive," Hollings has said. "The market is there for the politics of moderation, the centrist position...The others are all trying to be somebody else and I'm trying to be myself."

Hollings has been called a hawk on defense and a moderate on social issues. Some have said Hollings' silver hair and his tall, lean frame make him look like a Hollywood version of a presidential candidate. His wife, Rita "Peatsie" Hollings, says her husband is "terribly embarrassed" by these accounts.

Hollings proposed a freeze in federal spending after President Reagan challenged the Democrats to "put up or shut up" in opposing his proposed budget in February 1982. He also has been a vocal opponent of the MX missile system.

Hollings has regularly criticized

the Reagan tax cuts and says the administration has increased the size of government rather than kept its promise to reduce it.

In May 1980, Hollings succeeded Edmund Muskie as chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, but lost that job later in the year after the GOP took over the Senate.

He left the Budget Committee several months ago, saying he wanted to focus his efforts on the Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, where he now is the ranking Democrat.

Hollings served with the U.S. Army in North Africa and Europe during World War II and is a graduate of The Citadel Military College in South Carolina, located at Charleston.



Ernest Hollings

# Companies to compete for shuttle contract

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — More than 7,000 jobs and \$2 billion in revenues are up for grabs in what one aerospace contractor calls "the largest NASA contract of the decade."

Nine major aerospace companies are involved in fierce competition for the right to launch and process America's space shuttles in Florida and California. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration wants one contract to cover functions now performed by 16 different companies.

The award, expected in September, will consolidate under a single team the responsibility for all launch and landing activities, processing of all hardware between launches and operation of related ground systems at Kennedy Space Center and Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

Longtime space agency contractors have formed into two teams for

the competition, which officials are calling the most important since the building of the shuttle itself.

NASA is convinced the new setup will result in "significant cost savings," said Kennedy Space Center Director Richard Smith. It will "focus clear responsibility on a single contractor," he said.

One of the competing teams is composed of Rockwell International, the manufacturer of the reusable spaceplane; Martin Marietta, which builds the shuttle fuel tanks; United Space Boosters, which supplies the rocket boosters; Boeing Services International, and United Airlines.

Rockwell, as the prime shuttle builder, is the lead company for that group. The company's bid is being spearheaded by ex-astronaut James McDivitt, who was commander of the Apollo 9 mission to the moon.

Rockwell has set up an office for that subsidiary in Cocoa Beach.

# CONSUMER BULLETIN



**SPLISH SPLASH... THE BABY TAKES ITS FIRST BATH**

It's been nine months, and you're ready to bring your beautiful baby home. So far, so good. You've handled the feedings, the burping, the squeals, the coo, the cooing with a unique combination of steely nerves and euphoria. You've even squeaked through the first week or two with a simple baby lotion bath or sponging. But, this is it...the moment of truth...it's time for a real BATH!

Many a first bath has been approached with great fear and trepidation. The first rule is not to panic. Bathtime should be a pleasurable experience for both you and baby. You don't need a flow chart or a computer printout. You need common sense. Here are some helpful reminders.

Choose a convenient time (not after feeding) for baby's bath. Make sure the room is draftless—the kitchen is ideal. You can place a plastic basin filled with bathwater inside the sink or a large basin on the corner. Set a chair or high stool alongside. Get comfortable.

The Key to a smoothly organized bathtime is preparation. Besides a plastic basin, gather the following items so they'll be ready before you bring baby to the bath.

- A Very soft towel to line the washbasin
- A mild cleansing bar such as DOVE Soaps can harm a baby's delicate skin and increase the chances for diaper-rash as well as other common skin problems. DOVE is not a soap. It is a non-irritating cleansing bar that many doctors recommend for even the most sensitive skin.
- Soft washcloth for gentle rinsing
- Soft towels for pat-drying
- Clean diaper (pin if necessary)
- Cotton balls/baby lotion
- Clean set of clothing
- Large bath towel or blanket (to cover baby before and after bath)

Now you're ready for the bathing process. Before you begin, check the water temperature with your elbow. It should feel just warm, not hot. Start from baby's head down. First dip a soft washcloth into water. Wash gently and carefully around the eyes. Blot dry with a soft towel. Gently wash face, neck and outer ears (never go inside nose or ears). Using a soft cloth gently rinse baby's skin with water. Blot dry with a soft towel. Supporting baby's head with one hand, lather up a gentle cleanser like DOVE Bar on your hand and wash head and scalp. Rinse and blot dry. Continue these steps for the rest of baby's body. Remember, baby's skin is delicate, and should never be rubbed or scrubbed. Finally, wrap baby in a large, soft towel, patting skin dry. Smooth on a little baby lotion—particularly in the creases. Take a deep breath! You've successfully completed baby's first real bath, and from now on, bathtime should be funtime for you and your baby.

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