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Energy firms defeated deregulation, Hodel says

By PAUL RECER
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON — The energy industry "dropped the ball" and failed to provide unified support for the Reagan Administration's efforts to persuade Congress to pass a natural gas price deregulation bill, says Energy Secretary Donald P. Hodel.

Oil industry leaders, Hodel said, bickered over "fly specks" or small details, in the Reagan administration proposal, and weakened support for the concept of removing price controls on natural gas.

Hodel, speaking at a luncheon for energy com-

pany executives here Monday, said none of the 18 points in the Reagan bill pleased everybody in the oil industry, but the bill is the only approach that now has a political chance of passage.

And if the bill doesn't pass, Hodel warned, the oil and gas industry may face a serious effort in the future to put on even stricter price controls.

"If our bill doesn't pass, you're not going to be better off," said Hodel. "You'll be even worse off."

"We are fighting the big battle over whether we'll have an investor-owned gas system or not," he said. "If we don't make it this go-round, you'll not find

another president who is willing" to pay the political price of supporting gas price de-control.

Hodel added: "If we don't move to a free market, we'll be in deep trouble on down the road."

The secretary said the Reagan proposal would establish "a free market" for natural gas and permit the fuel to be sold at its true value, instead of a value that is established by a government agency.

Should the nation experience a cold winter next year and consumers complain to Congress about high gas heating bills, said Hodel, then there will be a strong move toward "re-control," or establishing new federal prices for gas.

"One of the problems with this industry is that there is a terrible credibility problem with the American public," he said. "The public believes there is something venal in the industry" because of the jump in energy prices over the last decade.

Hodel was in the Houston area for six hours Monday. In addition to the luncheon with oil company executives, he also visited an oil field equipment fabrication plant and conducted a forum in Baytown with workers from the Houston Ship Channel industries, which have severely hit by the recent decline in oil and gas drilling.

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Rescuers search rubble of Beirut embassy

Terrorist bomb kills at least 39

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Rescue squads today searched through shattered concrete and mangled furniture of the U.S. Embassy for more victims of the terrorist bombing that officials say killed up to 16 Americans.

Police said the powerful explosion Monday killed at least 39 people and wounded 120 others, including 22 Americans. Col. James M. Mead, commander of the U.S. Marine contingent in Beirut, said today the dead included seven Americans, with nine others missing and presumed dead.

U.S. Ambassador Robert Dillon said it was "very unlikely" any more survivors would be found in the ruins, where authorities expected to find another 20 or so bodies today.

Near the several tons of rubble that crashed from the building, a U.S. flag flew on a flagpole undamaged by the blast.

"The embassy Marines put it up at sunrise," Mead said.

Witnesses and police said a pickup truck jammed with an estimated 500 pounds of explosives sped into the circular driveway of the seaside embassy and blew up Monday at 1 p.m. as lunchtime strollers passed. The blast shattered the main section's seven-story facade, hurling bodies into the Mediterranean and devastating the ground floor's visa wing.

Mead told reporters that 10 Lebanese employees at the embassy were confirmed killed in the fiery blast and 20 others were missing and presumed dead.

In all, according to Dillon, about 130 people were at the embassy when the bomb went off, the worst attack on a U.S. facility in Lebanon.

The top half of a man's body, clad in a tan suit, hung from the sandwiched fifth floor this morning, head and arms dangling and dripping blood. Rescuers attempted without success to extract the body today.

About 400 U.S. Marines and Navy personnel either provided security or helped sift through the rubble of the bombed embassy building for possible survivors.

Warrant officer Bill Henderson, 34, of Artesia, N.M., said many of them were guarding a temporary embassy headquarters set up at Dillon's residence in the hillside suburb of Yarze, five miles east of Beirut.

Dillon, who suffered minor cuts in the explosion, told reporters he had been trapped in his office by the embassy's falling roof but was rescued by his assistant and suffered only minor cuts.

"I was standing up with a telephone in one hand and a T-shirt in the other preparing to go out and jog when all of a sudden my office collapsed," Dillon said.

"I was unable to move. My secretary and my deputy, Bob Hugh, came in and pulled the rubble off me and I got out through a window and made my way downstairs."

A fanatic Lebanese Shiite Moslem group called Holy War claimed responsibility for the bombing Monday, telling Beirut's Al Liwa newspaper it was "part of the Iranian revolution's campaign against imperialist targets throughout the world."

However, two more Beirut newspapers today reported receiving other claims of responsibility from hitherto unknown groups.

The newspaper An-Nahar said it received an anonymous telephone call saying the explosion was the work of "the organization of revenge for the martyrs of Sabra and Chatilla" — the two refugee camps where hundreds of Palestinians were killed last September in a massacre believed to have been committed by Lebanese Christian militiamen.



Combing the ruins

A U.S. Marine Embassy Guard searches through the rubble of the third floor of Beirut's American Embassy following an explosion Monday. The front of the building collapsed.

Attack won't alter U.S. policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan and other top officials say the bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Beirut won't change American policy in Lebanon.

Branding the bombing a "cowardly act," Reagan said Monday: "This criminal attack on a diplomatic establishment will not deter us from our goals of peace in the region. We will do what we know to be right."

"It is not going to change our commitment to try to bring about peace in the Middle East," said Lawrence S. Eagleburger, assistant secretary of state for political affairs.

A pro-Iranian terrorist group, called Moslem Holy War, has claimed responsibility for the bombing.

Eagleburger said six Americans — two Foreign Service officers, two members of the Office of Military Cooperation and two employees of the Agency for International Development — were among those killed. He said it was still "too early to tell" whether there were any other American casualties.

Lebanese authorities said at least 39 people were killed and 120 wounded.

Eagleburger spoke to reporters on Capitol Hill after briefing about 75 House members in a closed meeting. He was scheduled to brief senators today.

"This sort of cowardly attack on an American embassy is not going to prevent us from doing our duty," he said.

Appearing Monday night on ABC's "Nightline," he was asked what he thought about a call by Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., for a withdrawal of U.S. Marine peacekeeping forces from Lebanon.

"With all respect to Sen. Goldwater, I think it's the wrong conclusion," he said. "This is not the first time an American embassy has been bombed or attacked... I think it's important to remember that this is an attack on the American embassy in Beirut, not on the multinational force in Lebanon."

Asked what he thought the aim of the attack was, Eagleburger replied:

"It was at least to kill Americans, and perhaps to bring into question here in the United States the continued role of the U.S. in Lebanon. I would have to add that if you want to reward terrorism, the best way in the world to do it would be for us to cut and run now as a result of the attack on the embassy."

State Department spokesman Anita Stockman said Monday night the names of the foreign service and international development agency victims had not yet been released.

"We will confirm the dead after we've had an opportunity to notify the next of kin and after we've had a chance to account for all those we feel might have been in the explosion," she said.

Ambassador jogs out of mangled office

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — "All of a sudden my office collapsed," said U.S. Ambassador Robert Dillon describing the car-bomb blast at the U.S. Embassy.

Dillon, clad in a jogging outfit, escaped from the rubble Monday by climbing through a window onto a seventh-floor balcony, re-entering the building a few floors lower down and then descending to the street.

"I was standing up with a telephone in one hand and a T-shirt in the other. I was preparing to go out and jog, when all of a sudden my office collapsed," the silver-haired ambassador, still in jogging clothes, told reporters several hours after the explosion.

Electorate to consider courthouse

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third 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 the courthouse will be expanded.

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Should the county's proposed bond issue be passed on Saturday, the face of the Midland County Courthouse will be changed for the first time in 13 years, taking on a "broader" look.

The 1930-vintage county courthouse with its eagle motif and marble wainscoting was altered through renovation and expansion in the early 1970s and was necessarily adorned with 30 visible pillars to support its fifth-floor jail — the costly add-on in the \$1.95 million-plus expansion program. Opponents called it the "Greek Temple."

If Saturday's \$11.60 million bond issue is blessed by the electorate, the



County Bond Issue

"temple-sized" courthouse will be further altered and expanded to twice its present size.

SHOULD THE electorate reject the proposal, the county commissioners once again will be dedicated to finding suitable alternatives. Conceivably, those choices could include:

—Immediately calling another bond election to pass the \$11.60 mil-

lion proposal. This option has been used successfully by other governing bodies.

—Funding the jail-courthouse project via certificates of obligation (CO). With COs, commissioners could bypass voters in financing the project but would still obligate county funds — revenue from taxpayers — to satisfy the debts. However, the electorate, if timely informed, by law could demand an election under the CO route, and commissioners would have to oblige.

—Resuming negotiations with hotel developers on building an annex, at no cost to the taxpayers, on county property two blocks east of the courthouse. That proposal, however, would not solve the need for more courtrooms and jail space.

—Converting the fifth-floor jail into courtrooms and adjunct uses and building a jail elsewhere. Under that concept, the commissioners would present the sheriff with logistical programs in transferring pris-

oners from jail to courtroom and back again.

—Razing the courthouse, temporarily relocating county functions elsewhere downtown, and building an entirely new courthouse-jail complex which could satisfy county needs well in the year 2000.

—Doing nothing at all.

UNDER THE present plan, mixing the revamped courthouse building with the proposed addition would be done in a harmonious scheme for utilitarian reasons. The Commissioners' Court has given minimal consideration to aesthetics, though Commissioner C. DeWayne Davis contends that a courthouse should be "a showplace and something you should regard as being the apex of the county." The two units, appearing as one, would function as an inter-related building. The jail's inmates and the courts' judges would be neighbors.

(See ELECTORATE, Page 2A)

INSIDE TODAY

Public opinion

"The public's regard of public administration is at a low ebb," Dr. Uel Stockard, TAEX state leader for county Extension programs, tells a Midland gathering.

LOCAL — 1C

Tiny 5-foot-8 Spud Webb, Midland College's third All-America choice, chooses national champion North Carolina State.

SPORTS — 1B



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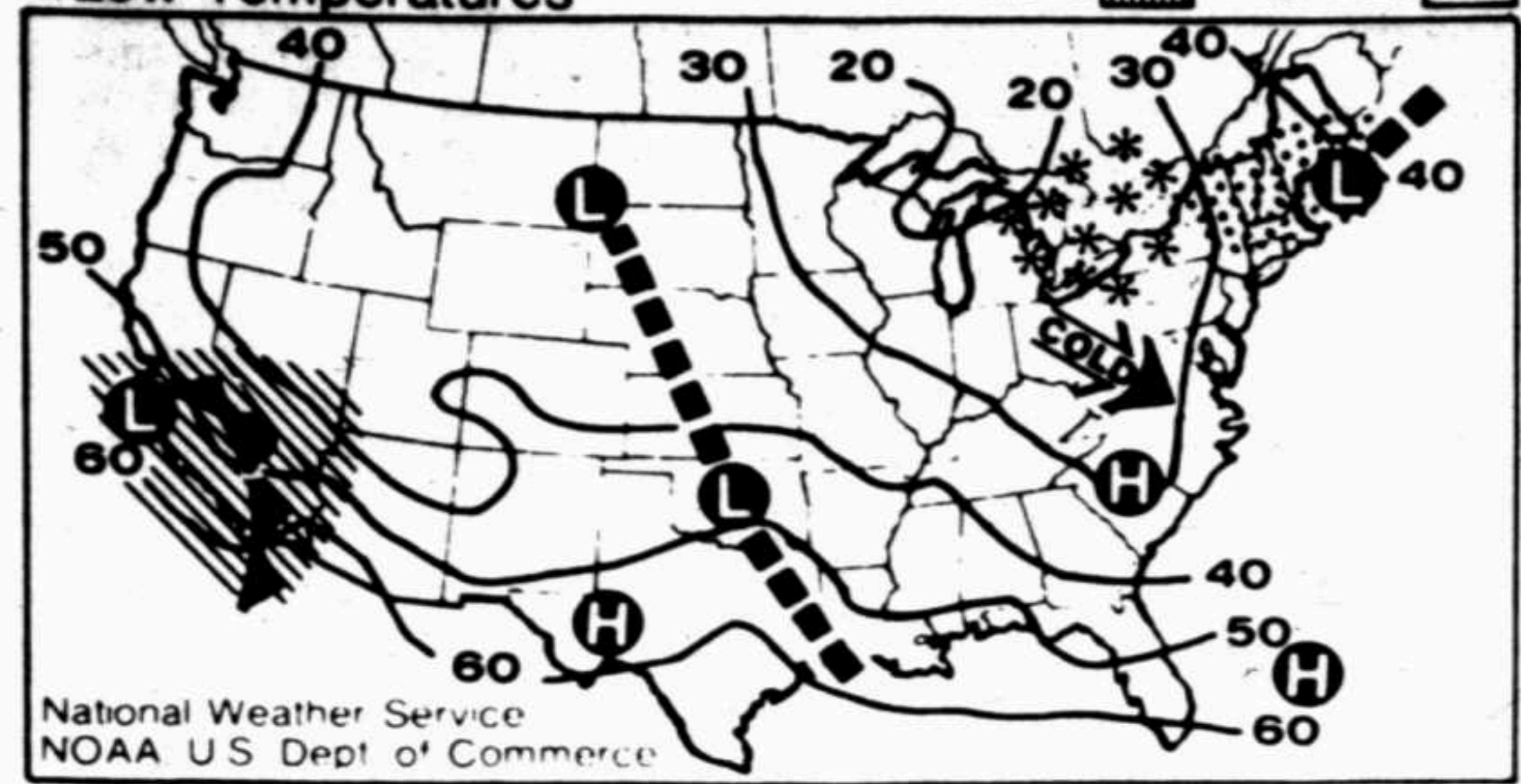
Partly cloudy Wednesday with a high in the middle 80s. Details on Page 2A.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

The Forecast For 7 a.m. EST
Wednesday, April 20
● Low Temperatures



Fronts: Cold Warm Occluded Stationary
AP Laserphoto Map

Snow and snow flurries are forecast through Wednesday from the lower Great Lakes to the Northeast, according to the National Weather Service. Rain is predicted from southern California to Nevada and Arizona, with sunny weather expected for most of the nation.

Warm, cloudy weather forecast

Fluffy clouds, expected to partly cover the Permian Basin Wednesday, shouldn't inhibit the warm West Texas weather Midlanders have enjoyed for the past few days.

According to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport, temperatures will drop near 50 tonight and climb into the middle 80s once again on Wednesday.

Today's gusting southwesterly and westerly winds should shift and slow down to southeasterly at 10-15 mph tonight. Winds from the southeast will breeze at 15-20 mph Wednesday.

Monday's high of 88 was eight degrees cooler than the record high of 96, set for that date in 1948. The overnight low of 47 missed the record low of 37, set in 1953, by 10 degrees.

Midland statistics

Fair tonight, turning partly cloudy Wednesday. Low tonight near 50, high on Wednesday in the middle 80s. Southeasterly winds at 10-15 mph tonight, increasing to 15-20 mph Wednesday.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS
Yesterday's High 80 degrees
Overnight Low 47 degrees
Sunset today 7:21 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:15 a.m.
Precipitation none inches
Last 24 hours 0.06 inches
This month to date 1.06 inches
1983 to date 1.06 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES
8 a.m. 42
9 a.m. 44
10 a.m. 46
11 a.m. 48
12 noon 50
1 p.m. 52
2 p.m. 54
3 p.m. 56
4 p.m. 58
5 p.m. 60

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES
Abilene 80-60
Amarillo 72-42
Austin 80-50
Dallas 81-59
El Paso 76-51
Houston 80-57
Lubbock 84-53
Marfa 86-53
Odessa 80-53
Wichita Falls 74-48

Texas temperatures
Abilene 80-60
Alice 86-63
Amarillo 78-44
Austin 86-56
Beaumont 81-52
Brownsville 89-68
Childress 77-45
College Station 3-56
Corpus Christi 88-57
Dahart 77-48
Dallas 81-52
Dal Rio 81-52
El Paso 81-59
Fort Worth 76-51
Galveston 82-62
Houston 80-57
Longview 76-41
Lubbock 84-53
Lufkin 80-46
Marfa 86-53
Midland 88-51
Odessa 80-53
San Antonio 86-54
Shreveport-La 78-43
Stephenville 78-43
Tarkenton 76-43
Victoria 86-51
Waco 81-52
Wichita Falls 74-48
Wink 86-60

Texas area forecasts
West Texas: Fair, continued warm through Wednesday. Highs today mid 70s. Port Arthur to Port O'Connor: Variable winds near 10 knots this morning becoming southeast 15 to 20 knots this afternoon tonight. Wednesday seas near 3 feet this morning, building to 5 to 7 feet this afternoon, tonight. Fetches dense fog near shore dissipating later sunrise. Partly cloudy.

Extended forecasts
Thursday Through Saturday
West Texas: Partly cloudy and cooler Thursday. Fair Friday and Saturday with warm days and cool nights. Highs Thursday mid 60s north to mid 80s south except low 80s Big Bend valleys cooling to near 60 Panhandle to mid 70s south with mid 80s Big Bend valleys Friday and Saturday. Lows Thursday mid 40s Panhandle and mountains to near 60 south cooling to upper 30s Panhandle to near 60 south Friday and Saturday.

Border forecasts
Oklahoma: Fair west, partly cloudy with scattered showers east today. Mostly fair tonight. Sunny and a little warmer Wednesday. Highs today from the lower 60s northeast to the mid 70s west. Lows mostly in the 40s, high Wednesday in the 70s.

Walesa's labor union involvements again questioned
WARSAW, Poland (AP) — An exhausted Lech Walesa went to police headquarters today for the third interrogation in a week about his contacts with underground leaders of the banned Solidarity trade union.

Walesa's spokesman, Adam Kinaszewski, said the 39-year-old labor leader showed up at police headquarters in his hometown of Gdansk as ordered at 11 a.m. (4 a.m. EST).

Walesa's wife, Danuta told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from Gdansk that her husband was interrogated for seven hours Monday after being stopped by authorities en route to Warsaw.

She declined to discuss his detention or interrogation and said shortly after he returned home Monday that her husband was "too tired and too hungry" to come to the phone.

Walesa was first interrogated on April 13 after announcing he had met with fugitive Solidarity leaders for the first time since his release from internment last November.

Meanwhile, the government newspaper said today that in calling for nationwide demonstrations May 1, the Solidarity underground movement is raising the possibility of a confrontation over Pope John Paul II's planned visit to Poland in June.

"Publication of such an appeal just two months before the pope's visit cannot be described as anything other than striving for confrontation," said the government daily Rzeczpospolita in a front page editorial.

The Solidarity underground made no mention of the pope's visit when it called for the protests.

The commentary by the government was the first official mention of the planned May 1 protest and also the first report by the state-run media on the clandestine meeting which Walesa said he had with the Solidarity underground April 9-11.

"Does that mean he took responsibility for forcing a confrontation?" the newspaper asked.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Alan Romberg said the Polish government should "end its harassment" of Walesa.

Poland's Interior Ministry, which runs the security police, has refused to comment on any of Walesa's detentions. On Monday the duty officer at Olsztyn police headquarters told The Associated Press by telephone that Walesa "has not been arrested either."

The officer's comments were reminiscent of official statements last Dec. 16, when authorities drove Walesa around Gdansk for nine hours to keep him from a rally outside the shipyard, but denied that he was detained.

Weather elsewhere

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

Albany 49 45 cdy
Albuquerque 79 45 cdy
Amarillo 78 44 cdy
Anchorage 42 32 06 rn
Ashville 45 27 32 cfr
Atlanta 50 30 43 cfr
Atlantic City 50 38 26 cdy
Austin 85 56 cdy
Baltimore 50 36 cdy
Billings 70 48 cdy
Birmingham 52 30 07 cdy
Blanchard 58 31 cfr
Boise 68 42 rn
Boston 53 41 06 rn
Brownsville 98 66 cdy
Buffalo 45 26 07 an
Burlington 37 26 an
Casper 69 43 cdy
Charleston, S.C. 84 38 19 cfr
Charleston, W.V. 42 26 cfr
Charlotte, N.C. 45 30 09 cfr
Chattanooga 82 39 cdy
Chicago 37 22 cfr
Cincinnati 40 25 cfr
Cleveland 36 27 12 cdy
Columbia, S.C. 53 29 15 cfr
Columbus 38 24 01 cfr
Dallas-Ft. Worth 78 51 cfr
Dayton 34 22 cfr
Denver 72 42 cdy
Des Moines 44 29 cdy
Detroit 33 24 cdy
Duluth 36 20 cdy
El Paso 81 59 cdy
Fairbanks 47 34 cdy
Fargo 45 29 cfr
Flagstaff 52 27 cfr
Great Falls 71 40 cdy
Hartford 54 33 33 rn
Helena 70 42 cdy
Honolulu 81 65 cdy
Houston 82 58 cdy
Indianapolis 38 23 cfr
Jacksonville 68 35 cfr
Jacksonville 72 38 22 cdy
Juneau 40 36 19 rn
Kansas City 50 31 cdy
Las Vegas 47 06 cfr
Little Rock 53 32 cdy
Los Angeles 89 61 88 rn
Louisville 43 27 cfr
Lubbock 84 53 cdy
Memphis 50 34 cdy
Miami 75 65 cdy
Milwaukee 33 24 cfr
Minneapolis 30 23 cdy
Nashville 50 27 cfr
New Orleans 78 45 cdy
New York 49 34 24 cdy
Norfolk 48 33 24 cdy
North Platte 88 31 cdy
Oklahoma City 68 46 cfr
Omaha 49 31 cdy
Orlando 75 58 12 cdy
Philadelphia 80 59 cdy
Phoenix 38 19 01 cdy
Portland, Me. 52 37 cdy
Portland, Ore. 73 48 cfr
Providence 51 39 21 cfr
Raleigh 45 31 23 cfr
Rapid City 89 31 cdy
Reno 64 36 rn
Richmond 47 36 cdy
St. Louis 61 42 cfr
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St. Peter's Temp. 45
Salt Lake 66 44 cdy
San Antonio 86 54 cdy
San Diego 89 57 22 rn
San Francisco 62 56 12 cdy
San Jose 33 21 cdy
Seattle 89 47 cdy
Shreveport 78 43 cdy
Sioux Falls 44 30 cdy
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Midland County Sheriff Dallas Smith would prefer that the county jail be expanded and upgraded before federal courts and the Texas Commission on Jail Standards further limits or bars his jail operations.

Electorate to consider courthouse

What really determined that (one-building concept) were the functions and what went on and how they related," Walter Pate, the county's architect, said.

Features of the bond proposal include an expanded jail and judiciary — more courtrooms — and additional offices to carry out the county's \$10 million annual business.

More than for aesthetic reasons, the courthouse's proposed redesign is to be functional.

The growth in population in Midland County over the past several years has created a need for additional county services," noted a proposal prepared by architects Pate and Scott Campbell.

The needs of the citizens of Midland County can best be met by an updated and enlarged courthouse and jail facility."

THE ARCHITECTS were retained by the Midland County Commissioners' Court to prepare a floor-by-floor schematic of the envisioned courthouse to serve into the 21st century.

The proposal calls for renovating the existing courthouse, building a second courthouse on the north side of the courthouse square, and putting the two units together as one courthouse.

Plans call for a 144,571-square-foot courthouse: 73,824 square feet in the existing building and 70,747 square feet in the proposed addition.

Of the \$11.69 million bond issue, \$10.75 million would go for "hard" construction costs, while \$940,000 would be paid out in fees to architects, bond attorneys, underwriters and financial advisers, and to cover other costs.

The \$10.75 million construction costs would include \$5.9 million to build the courthouse-jail addition; \$3 million to renovate the "old" courthouse's interior; \$815,000 to re-do the courthouse's exterior; \$500,000 for furniture; \$511,841 for contingency (5 percent of \$10.2 million).

County Judge Bill Ahders and Commissioners Durward Wright, C. Wallace "Wally" Craig, C. DeWayne Davis and Win Brown unanimously voted to call the bond election.

The floor-by-floor proposal includes: —GROUND FLOOR (Basement): The Sheriff's Department would be expanded from 3,000 square feet to slightly more than 8,000 square feet. In addition, a secure transfer area for prisoners would be provided. Offices of life justices of the peace and constable would remain in the basement.

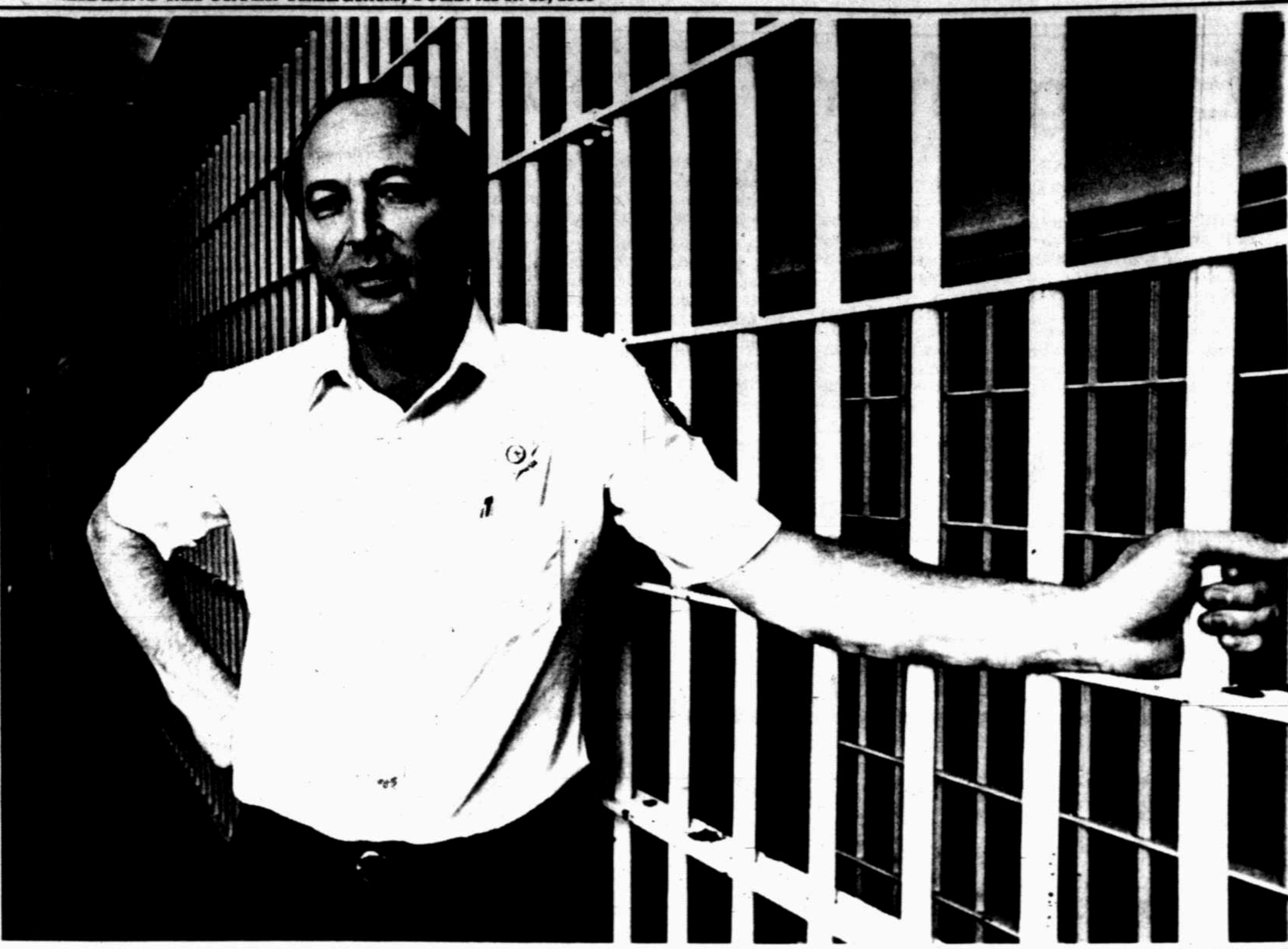
As it is now: In the basement are the constable's and peace justices' offices and courtroom, building engineer's office, sheriff's offices, and the law library and press room for the media. Until late last year, the basement housed the tax office and elections administrator's office. Today, those two offices are in a 10,000-square-foot annex several blocks southwest of courthouse and would remain there even if the courthouse expansion materializes.

—FIRST FLOOR: This "main floor" would provide the county clerk's and county judges' offices; Adult Probation Offices; telephone switchboard, mail and information center, and Commissioners' Courtroom, which would double as a County Courtroom. Each of the four commissioners, like the judges and other elected officials, would have individual offices. The county judge's office would be expanded to include a jury room, security holding, court reporter, bailiff, witness-conference rooms and file area. The county clerk's working area would be double its present size.

As it is now: On the first floor are the county clerk's office and switchboard-mail information center. The adult probation office is in the county's annex one block north of the courthouse.

—SECOND FLOOR: Here would be the offices of county and district attorneys, the law library, two courtrooms and adjunct offices, a grand jury room, and witness and conference rooms.

As it is now: On the second floor are offices of the county and county court-at-law judges; County Courtroom, Commissioners' Courtroom, county auditor, county treasurer



Staff Photos by Cody Bell

Midland County Sheriff Dallas Smith would prefer that the county jail be expanded and upgraded before federal courts and the Texas Commission on Jail Standards further limits or bars his jail operations.

County must maintain more than one building

Architect Walter Pate displays his model of the proposed Midland County Courthouse, which is to be expanded if voters on Saturday approve a \$11.69 million bond issue.

The downtown Midland County Courthouse is the focal point of county government. But there's far more to the county's physical plants than that.

All told, the county has two annexes, a graveyard, Fairview Cemetery and other operations to maintain.

—The Courthouse Annex. The two-story annex is the former Superior Oil Company office building, which the county bought in the mid-1960s for \$125,000. It houses probation, welfare, veterans service, consulting engineer, personnel director-offices and Texas Agricultural Extension Services' Midland offices. The annex is at 218 W. Illinois Ave.

—Midland County Public Library. The building, constructed in the late 1960s, houses about 150,000 books in addition to other "learning resource" material.

—Culver Youth Home. This juvenile detention center, in far northeast Midland, was built in the 1960s and was named in honor of 318th State District Court Judge Barbara Culver, who was county and juvenile judge from 1963 until 1978.

—Tax Office and Elections Administrator's Annex. Those offices at Front and Washington avenues and B and Pecos streets were moved from basement of the courthouse to this location in late 1982. They are to remain in that metal building even if the proposed courthouse addition is built.

—Midland County Exhibit Building. This building off U.S. Highway 80 East was built in the late 1960s and is showcase for such events as livestock shows, 4-H functions, book sales, wedding, parties, dances, banquets and carnivals.

—Museum of the Southwest and Lancaster Gardens.

—Road and Bridge Department facilities and warehouses.



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The existing building and the new addition will have a complete and unified appearance," the architects' proposal says.

Before deciding on just how to expand the courthouse, the commissioners and the architects briefly considered going higher by adding sixth floor to the 53-year-old courthouse. The idea was nixed.

"Nothing is impossible," reflected Pate, who, however, noted that some architectural designs "are more functional" and "more economically feasible" than others.

Wednesday-Looking at the bond issue's pros and cons.

and county attorney and his investigator. The law library is in the courthouse basement in half of that space formerly occupied by the tax office and elections administrator's offices. Those offices have been moved to a new annex southwest of the courthouse.

—THIRD FLOOR: This floor would include expanded offices of the district clerk, county auditor, county treasurer and two district courtrooms, likely the 142nd and the 318th State District Courtrooms. The floor would provide a jury room, coffee bar, holding room for prisoners, witness and conference rooms, judges' chambers and adjunct offices, rooms for court reporters, secretaries and bailiffs.

As it is now: The third floor is made up of the district clerk's office, the 142nd State District Court and the judge's chambers.

—Fourth Floor: Envisioned here would be two more courtrooms for the 238th State District Court and a yet unauthorized sixth court — witness and conference rooms, judges' chambers and adjunct functions, and space for the jail's administration and cells for women and youthful (juvenile) prisoners. The jail administration area would provide for the processing of inmates. The additional jail area would satisfy Texas Commission on Jail Standards' requirements for a library, infirmary, commissary, multi-purpose line-up room, general storage area, and enlarged kitchen, laundry and dressing and storage areas. Juveniles and women would be separated from men prisoners. The exact "mix" and number of jail cells has not been approved by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

As it is now: On the fourth floor are the 238th and the 318th State District Courtrooms and the district attorney's office.

—FIFTH FLOOR: Cells for lodging 225 adult male prisoners would be provided. "The intent is to meet the requirements of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards."

As it is now: The fifth floor takes in the jail administration offices and has cell space legally to house 80-plus prisoners, including men, women and juveniles.

The architects' proposal also calls for revitalizing the deteriorating exterior finish of the courthouse, repairing water leaks, insulating the building to reduce energy costs for heating and cooling, and redesigning windows to make the courthouse more secure.

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Today's mid-morning market report

NEW YORK (AP) - 11 a.m. National York for New York Stock Exchange issues. PE Issues Last Chp. A AC2F.76 9 71 34%...

J Signal 20 184 31%... K Kmart 16 1297 33%... L LTV 25 1053 15%...

Stock market gains

By CHET CURRIER AP Business Writer NEW YORK (AP) - Stock prices swept ahead Monday, riding their longest winning streak in eight years to another record high.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials climbed 11.90 to 1,183.24, for its eighth consecutive gain. The last time it put together a string of eight advances in a row was April 8-17 of 1975.

BUSINESS MIRROR

Good economy to be healthy

By JOHN CUNIFF

NEW YORK (AP) - There is always an economic worry list, but this year, says Albert Cox Jr., the chairman of Merrill Lynch Economics, "the level of economic anxiety remains exceptionally high."

MUTUAL FUNDS

INVESTING COMPANIES NEW YORK (AP) - The following are quotations, supplied by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. for the prices at which these securities could have been sold net asset value or bought value plus sales charge.

GAFF 20 17 143 17%... G GAF 20 17 143 17%... H Hain 20 17 143 17%...

Treasury bill yields down

WASHINGTON (AP) - For the third straight week, yields on short-term Treasury securities are down, officials say.

Use

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American Exchange

NEW YORK (AP) - 11 a.m. National Prices for American Stock Exchange issues. PE Issues Last Chp.

Money market funds no danger

By BILL DOYLE Q. What is the difference between a tax-exempt bond fund and a tax-exempt money market fund? Why does the former pay a much higher yield than the latter?

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ANDREWS COUNTY

ARCO Oil & Gas No. A-6 University 11 sec 12 PD 7,200, drilling 4,320 feet, time

ARCO Oil & Gas No. A-5 University 11 sec 12 PD 7,200, swabbing

Callaway Production Co. No. 1 Cowden 'A' PD 11,600, drilling 7,072 feet

David & Inez G. Fassen No. 1 Fee "ZA" PD 8,600, New location 4,111/83

William E. Hendon No. 3 University AZ re-entry, shut in, building up pressure

The Superior Oil Co. No. 2 Logsdon, C.W. PD 8,809, completed, potential 2,283/83, pumping 3 barrels oil, 5 Mcf of gas, 110 barrels water daily Gravity 47.7 Gas/oil ratio 1,667.1

V.F. Petroleum Inc. No. 1 GAO PD 6,000, pumping

BORDEN COUNTY

Delta Drilling Co. No. 1 488 Don A. Jones PD 8,500, production testing

Delta Drilling Co. No. 2 Roy Reader PD 8,500, completed as producer, final report

CROCKETT COUNTY

International Oil & Gas No. 8 Vernon B. Cox 'A' PD 10,500, perforated 8,918.9, 150 feet

DAWSON COUNTY

Robert Griffin No. 1 Cline PD 9,200, drilling 2,610 feet, redbeds and anhydrite

Tipperary Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1 128 Island PD 12,300, testing the Mississippi

ECTOR COUNTY

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1369-D CA Goldsmith et al PD 8,200, Total depth 3,400 feet, plugback 6,359 feet, waiting on completion

Texaco Inc. No. 12 Ector C. Fee NCT-1 PD 12,220, new location 4,13,83

EDDY COUNTY

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1 Federal X Com PD 12,700, Total depth 12,900 feet, plugback total depth 2,624 feet, 7.5 inch casing at 9,000 feet, 10 3/4 inch casing at 1,967 feet, perforated lateral 275'20' feet, cemented off, prepped to spot perforating acid

W.A. Moncrief Jr. No. 1 Guadalupe Federal PD 11,900, waiting on permit to drill

The Desana Corp. No. 1 F. Mayes PD 4,500, drilling 4,220 feet, time and shale

GAINEES COUNTY

N. Dale Nichols No. 1 Arco Riley PD 4,250, pumping back load water

GARZA COUNTY

Holly Energy Inc. No. 1 H.C. Lewis PD 8,200, drilling 435 feet, made 125 feet, drilling in shale, deviation 1.2 degrees at 300 feet, ran 305.93 feet of 13 3/8 inch casing set at 300 feet, cement with 315 sacks, circulate 80 sacks, plug down at 12 noon

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

Beach Exploration No. 2 Houston A PD 11,300, waiting on completion

Beach Exploration No. 1 Houston Estate PD 11,300, waiting on completion

William E. Hendon No. 1 Powell 32 A, drilling 4,145 feet, anhydrite and lime

HOWARD COUNTY

Hanson Corp. No. 1 Scott location, may begin in 60 days

KENT COUNTY

Ike Lovelady No. 1 W.A. May PD 7,500, abandoned location

LEA COUNTY

Downing Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Hooper PD 13,250, drilling 12,533 feet

CAE Petroleum No. 1 Shipp '27 B' shut in

HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Pichfork 36 State PD 15,700, drilling 16,076 feet, sand, shale

HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Madera 28 Federal PD 13,500, shut in

Pogo Producing Co. No. 1 Mosbacher 20 PD 20,000, contractor Cactus Drilling rig No. 23, tested at week end, ran water analysis report

J.C. Williamson No. 1 Exxon PD 6,200, waiting on completion

MARTIN COUNTY

Wilson Energy Inc. No. 3 Sprawl PD 11,000, waiting on completion

Wilson Energy Inc. No. 1 Bobbitt A PD 12,500, waiting on completion

PECOS COUNTY

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1-A Loper, total depth 11,229 feet - ran 9 5/8" casing at 4,501 feet, 102 feet in 17,00 hours

Guffy Oil Co. No. 1 White Estate "42" PD 9,800, drilling 9,230 feet

HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Hayter State 28 PD 16,800, drilling 6,608 feet, time, shale

Diforo Operating No. 1 Aminoli No. 1, Treas State No. 64, PD 10,000, drilling cement at 1,502 feet

C.F. Lawrence No. 1 McComb 'B' PD 3,200, total depth 2,645 feet, waiting on tanks, separator

A. N. Nowwood No. 1 McIntyre PD 5,500, drilling 1,392 feet red bed

Westland Oil Devel. No. 1 Sams-State-A, fishing

REEVES COUNTY

Bass Enterprises Production Co. No. 1 J.S. Bridwell Estate PD 6,500, plugged, abandoned

Meralco Inc. No. 1 Texaco '3' PD 18,000, drilling 503 feet w/cable tool

COMPLETIONS

ANDREWS COUNTY

Andrews, South (Wolfcamp)

Tenneco Oil Co. No. 2 University 29, 660 fml & tel of lease, sec 29, blk 1, ULS, 15 x Andrews, TD 10,200, PB 8,910, Elev. 3,100, Completed 3/30/83

Casing 5 1/2 inch at 10,200, Perforations: 8,752-8,758, 8,775-8,788

Acid: 4,000 gallons

Potential 4.1-8.3 Pumping 49 barrels oil, 5 Mcf of gas, 10 barrels water daily Gravity 37.9 Gas/oil ratio 111.1

Formation tops: Wolfcamp 8,435, Strawn 9,820

CULBERSON COUNTY

Gerardine (Delaware 3400)

Texaco Inc. No. 10 Culberson "X" Fee, 673 fml, 1,930 tel of lease, sec 5, blk 58 T, 2 T&P, 11 w Oria, TD 3,457, PB 3,450, Elev. 3,178, Completed 3/31/83

Casing 5 1/2 inch at 3,457, Perforation: 3,424-3,441, Acid: 1,000 gallons, Frac: 2,400 gallons and 3,200 pounds sand

Potential 4.5-8.3 Pumping 75 barrels oil, 1 Mcf of gas, 132 barrels water daily Gravity 36 Gas/oil ratio 135.1

Formation tops: Lomar Limestone 2,451, Cherry Canyon 3,311, Cherry Canyon Pay 3,395

GAINEES COUNTY

Means, N. (Queen Sand)

Rendova Oil Co. No. 1 Norman, 1,650 fml, 990 tel of lease, sec 11, blk A, 20, PLS, 15 se Seminoe, TD 4,860, PB 4,860, Elev. 3,177, Completed 4/1/83

Casing 5 1/2 inch at 4,850, Perforations: 4,366-4,274, Acid: 47,000 lbs, Frac: 1,500 gallons acid

Potential 4.8-8.3 Pumping 93 barrels oil, 12.574 Mcf of gas, 0 barrels water daily Gravity 34 Gas/oil ratio 135.1

Formation tops: Queen 'B' Sand 4,365KB, Grayburg 4,600 KB, San Andrews 4,720KB

EXPLORATORY WELLS

ANDREWS COUNTY

Wyoming Resources Corp. No. 1 McNeil, 1,980 fml, sec 24, blk A, 28, PLS, 30 w Andrews, TD 7,600, oil, Elev. 3,524

CROSBY COUNTY

Mosbacher Production Co. No. 1 Gregory E. Fisher, 467 fml, sec 22, blk 8, H&GN, 5 1/2 w Calgary, TD 9,000, Elev. 2,457.1

DAWSON COUNTY

Energy Production Corp. No. 1 29 Andover Dean, 660 fml, sec 29, blk 1, J. Parivert, 15 ne Lamasa, TD 7,450, Elev. 2,770

HOWARD COUNTY

Crews Oil Co. No. 1 Claude Hodnett, 1,569 fml, sec 17, blk 25, H&TC, 3 w Vincent, TD 7,800, oil&gas, Elev. 2,937.8

MARTIN COUNTY

Wildcat (Fusselman)

Ferguson and Bosworth Inc. No. 1 F&B Mckaske et al, 3,300 fml, sec 29, blk 35, T, 2 N, T&P, 11 1/2 ne Stanton, TD 11,200, oil, Elev. 2,568

WINKLER COUNTY

Wildcat (Devonian 9,180)

Magnetex Petroleum Co. No. 1 Wheeler, 1,980 fml, sec 14, blk 40, PLS, 10 e Kermit, TD 11,500 oil

YOAKUM COUNTY

North American Royalties Inc. No. 1 Hicks, 660 fml, sec 67, blk D, John H. Gibson, 17 ne Plains, TD 12,500

RUNNELS COUNTY

Brad Corp. No. 1 Vivian Holice Workman PD 4,500, waiting on potential

Petroleum Acquisition Corp. No. 1 W.J. Morgan, waiting on potential report

SCHLEICHER COUNTY

Newhall Res. No. 1 Metz PD 7,300, drilling 6,147 feet

SCURRY COUNTY

Woods Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Freytag PD 7,700, shut in for evaluation

STERLING COUNTY

Nortex Gas & Oil Co. No. 1 Wilkinson '6' PD 6,700, swabbing

TOM GREEN

Bruce A. Wilbanks No. 1 Reunion PD 6,500, spud 4-16, drilling 740 feet

YOAKUM COUNTY

Tom Brown Inc. No. 1 Cook PD 9,700, prep to plug, abandon

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DEVELOPMENT WELLS

ANDREWS COUNTY

Goldsmith, N. (San Andres Con.)

ARCO Oil & Gas Co. No. 39

Goldsmith, N. SA Conk, U, 2,250 fml, 1,300 fml, sec 1, blk 11, ULS, 16 sw Andrews, TD 4,700, oil, Elev. 3,280

Means

J. Cleo Thompson No. 3 B W (Grayburg San Andres) Unit, 660 fml, 1,320 fml, sec 6, blk 4, 35, PLS, 9 Andrews, TD 4,600, oil

CRANE COUNTY

Sand Hills (Judkins)

Exxon No. 20 JB Tubo A C, 1,440 fml, 8 tel, sec 18, blk 32, PLS, 15.5 ne Crane, TD 4,427, OTD 4,550, oil, plugback from Sand Hills (McKnight)

Gulf Oil Co. No. 1109 W.N. Wad dell et al, 2,140 fml, 2,580 tel, sec 20, blk B, 26, PLS, 21 se Monahans, TD 3,200, gas

Gulf Oil Co. No. 1110 W.N. Wad dell et al, 845 fml, 2,140 tel, sec 20, blk B, 26, PLS, 21 se Monahans, TD 3,200, gas

CROCKETT COUNTY

Means

J. Cleo Thompson No. 17.5 W Means (Grayburg San Andres) Unit, 1,980 fml, 2,640 fml, sec 4, blk A, 35, PLS, 9 Andrews, TD 4,600, oil

ECTOR COUNTY

Harper (Strawn)

Rankin Oil Co. No. 1 Andover, 1,980 fml, 8 tel, sec 2, blk 44, T, 3, 5 T&P, 3 e Palwell, TD 9,000, oil

Beiding (Yates)

Law's B. Burleson Inc. No. 6 Puckett, 691 fml, 2,021 tel, sec 65, blk 3, T&P, 10 sw Ft. Stockton, TD 7,700, oil, Elev. 3,215, re-entry

Law's B. Burleson Inc. No. 7 Puckett, 648 fml, 678 tel, sec 65, blk 3, T&P, 10 sw Ft. Stockton, TD 7,700, oil, Elev. 3,208

Brown & Thorpe (Tubb)

HCW Exploration Inc. No. 24 Roy Grinn, 19, 4,644 fml, 1,229 tel, sec 19, blk 11, H&GN, 2 1/2 e Grinn, TD 3,200, oil, Elev. 2,320.1

WINKLER COUNTY

Bas Enterprises Production Co.

No. 39 M.J. Hill A, C.P. 2,290 fml, 517 tel, sec 23, B 11, PSL, TD 5,500, oil, Elev. 2,752

No. 39 M.J. Hill A, C.P. 2,290 fml, 517 tel, sec 23, B 11, PSL, TD 5,500, oil, Elev. 2,752

Keystone (San Andres)

Bas Enterprises Production Co. No. 55 M.J. Bashara, 555 fml, 11,325 tel, sec 22, blk 77, PSL, 9 1/2 ne Kermit, TD 5,500, oil

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Crawfish cheap to race; Can always eat losers

BRIDGE CITY (AP) — The sleek racing steeds are at the starting gates, the racing commissioner holds up his arm and the noisy crowd quiets down.

The commissioner starts the race with words familiar to all racing fans: "Hot boudin and cold couscous, come on, crawfish, push, push, push."

Eight crawfish head for the center of the race track in a dash that brings cheers from the crowd. Some crawfish walk forward, some go backward. Some go in circles and some just sort of sit there as if they were trying to figure out what's going on.

What's going on is crawfish racing, a not-always-serious sport that's a regular feature of dozens of festivals and Cajun gatherings in Southwestern Louisiana and Southeast Texas.

Crawfish are humble crustaceans that inhabit swamps, ditches and a growing number of ponds that used to be rice fields in Texas and Louisiana.

Crawfish, sometimes affectionately called mud bugs and sometimes even called crayfish by Yankees and other unfortunates who have not yet been exposed to Cajun culture, are not often known for their speed.

They are, however, much cheaper to raise than thoroughbred horses and as Texas Racing Commissioner A.J. Judice points out, "You can always eat the losers."

Judice has long been involved in a campaign to promote Cajun culture in Texas. That campaign required frequent trips to festivals and fais-dodos in Louisiana. In 1969 Judice made a fateful trip to Breax Bridge, La., for that city's 100th anniversary celebration. That celebration grew into one of the country's most famous festivals.

It was there that Judice first saw

Crawfish, sometimes affectionately called mud bugs and sometimes even called crayfish by Yankees and other unfortunates who have not yet been exposed to Cajun culture, are not often known for their speed. They are, however, much cheaper to raise than thoroughbred horses.

consider themselves commissioners and say no crawfish race in Texas is official unless they are there to oversee it.

Crawfish racing in Texas is clean, Judice says. In Louisiana trainers sometimes put hot sauce on their steeds to speed them up, or tempt them to run faster with a promise of boudin, he says.

A significant change in crawfish race tracks surfaced early this year. A recent crawfish festival in Bridge City featured tracks in which the crawfish started on the outside of the track and waddled to the middle.

Always before the crawfish had been set loose in the middle of the track and the first one to reach the outside won.

The new track has made for faster races, Judice says. Before, some smart crawfish would see the smiling Cajuns around the sides of the track and would hesitate to head in their direction. Now the crawfish follow their natural instinct to flee hungry Cajuns.

The racing commissioners have conducted crawfish races at festivals all over Southeast Texas, at the Texas Folklife Festival in San Antonio and even during a seventh-inning stretch at a Houston Astros baseball game.

Braud recently conducted a series of crawfish races at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

The commissioners have even been known to hold crawfish races in the middle of Port Neches Avenue when things get slow around Port Neches.

Armadillo racing may be popular in dryer parts of the state, but when race fans hear, "And they're off!" in Southeast Texas, they know crawfish will be thundering down the track.

He vowed to return to Breax Bridge with a racing crawfish of his own.

In 1963 Judice's crawfish Tante La-La won the world's championship crawfish race at Breax Bridge. The race was held at 8:30 on a morning after a night of partying and Judice and Tante La-La where the only ones who showed up for the race, but Judice insists that Tante La-La would have won even if she had competition.

That was when Judice met Jim Braud, 59, the owner of a photo store in Port Neches. The two decided to import crawfish racing to Texas. They were soon joined by Buddy Porter, 57, who operates a floor covering business down the street from Braud's store.

Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe once appointed the trio the official crawfish racing commissioners of Texas. Nobody ever appointed any other commissioners or took away their commission, so the three men still

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Choo-choo!
Engine No. 555 appears to be bearing down on welder Gene Fricke, but the image is an optical illusion. Fricke was working on switch points at the intersection of two streets in Galveston in preparation for excursions of the restored historic steam locomotive. The engine was fired up, but was stationary and a good distance from Fricke who was laying across the track. The engine is part of the collection at the Center for Transportation and Commerce.

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Local organizations, clubs and

individuals will offer 17 of the events that will be held in Arlington.

The local games will be held at the following:

- Basketball (free throw), 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring St.
- Foot Races — 8 a.m. Saturday, Midland Park Mall
- Washer Pitching — 2 to 4 p.m., April 28, Central YMCA.
- Billiards — 2:30 p.m., April 28, The Rack, 3200 Andrews Hwy.
- Table Tennis — 1 p.m., April 27, Park Center YMCA, 1508 Orchard Lane.
- Golf — 9 a.m., April 29, Hogan Golf Course.
- Checkers — 9 a.m., April 29, Midland Senior Center, 2500 Delano.
- Forty-Two — 9 a.m., April 29, Midland Senior Center.
- Dancing — 7 p.m. and 8 p.m., April 29, and 2,3 and 4 p.m. April 30, Metropolitan Dance Center, San Miguel Square.
- Swimming — 2 p.m. April 30, corner of Wadley Avenue and A Street.
- Horse Shoes — 2 p.m., April 30,

Central YMCA.

- Bridge — 1 p.m., May 2, Allison Bridge Center, 905 W. Wadley Ave.
- Bowling — throughout the day until 5 p.m., May 2-7, Dellwood Lanes, Illinois Avenue.
- Walk-a-Thon — 5:30 p.m., May 3, Petro Parcours, Wadley Avenue.
- Raquetball — 6 p.m., May 5 and 6, Central YMCA.
- Tennis — 9 a.m., May 7, The Midlander, Big Spring Street and Loop 250.
- Bicycle Races — contact Peyton Bikes for details, 684-5684.

Three events — tennis, checkers and forty-two — have preregistration deadlines with tennis at 7 p.m. May 5, checkers, 4 p.m. April 28, and forty-two, 4 p.m. April 28.

Registration for all other events is on the day of the event. An entry fee of \$1 will be charged for each event. Entry forms are available at the location of the events, the Parks and Recreation Department at 300 Baldwin St., and the Central YMCA on North Big Spring Street.

For more information call Monette Burke, 683-4281, extension 316.

Workshop's aim to upgrade government ability

The "Aggies" broke out of their agricultural stereotype Monday when a specialized cadre of Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX) specialists launched a management workshop for Midland County officials and employees.

The goal is to increase efficiency of the county's 325 employees and elected and appointed officials through workshops on management of time, office and personnel, servicing the public and, when the time comes, operating computers.

Meanwhile, said TAEX's Dr. Uel Stockard in setting the groundwork for the weeklong session, "the challenge is great" to change the citizenry's image of governmental management by upgrading government's efficiency.

"The public's regard of public administration is at a low ebb," he told about 25 county administrators in Midland Center in plotting out the workshop sessions.

Governmental management often is criticized for its "impersonal treatment" of the public and "cases of simple incompetency."

In focusing on the basics of administration in his warm-up lecture, Stockard, TAEX's state leader for county Extension programs, noted that "administration, first of all, is people."

"People have to be present before administration takes place," he said, and there is no administration with-



Earnest Kiker, Charles Neeb and Dr. Uel Stockard, participate in a management seminar sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Kiker is a Midland County TAEX agent, Neeb is director of the TAEX Far West Texas District and Stockard is TAEX state leader for county extension programs.

— and to "time pressures." He noted that free enterprise may devote years to researching and developing a product, such as a compact automobile, while the government, for instance, is expected to implement a pollution-control program within a few months.

Following Stockard's talk, County Commissioner C. DeWayne Davis, a former government schoolteacher, quipped: "I felt like I was in one of my public administration classes."

"We're going through change," Davis said. "You know it and I know no county government is no different. Change is something that some of us don't like to accept but we must."

Davis cited Midland County Agent Sharon Hillis in helping set-up the weeklong workshop.

Before other workshop leaders outlined their roles in the workshop, Ms. Hillis observed that "America is on its way to being a service society" in an apparent reference to the diminishing industrialization of the nation. "We do know that we have a communications explosion that we are dealing with today."

Off on a tangent, she noted that Midland city's government today is dealing with street potholes and fading center stripes but that both are being corrected. "We're improving."

TAEX leader, Dr. Dennis Fisher, noted the workshop affords a reverse educational effect — a "great opportunity to educate six 'Aggies' who are conducting the sessions."

House bill would make cities more responsible

AUSTIN — The House of Representatives has defeated legislation proposed by Rep. Frank Eikenburg, R-Plano, to exempt cities from having to remove visual obstructions

from the unused portion of a right-of-way.

The Texas Supreme Court, ruling in a case in which a Midland youth was paralyzed and later died following a traffic accident involving obstructed view on a city road, con-

cluded the city had a duty over visual obstructions as well as physical obstructions.

Calvin Keith Jezek, 16 at the time of the accident, was injured in a collision with a pickup at a "blind intersection" at Turner and G.Y. Lee

roads in far southwest Midland June 10, 1978. The youth was paralyzed, comatose and suffered "irreversible brain damage." He died Oct. 25, 1978.

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MC trustees will discuss I Street bridge

Midland College trustees are expected to hear reports today on the Senate Education Committee's approval last week of a bill calling for four-year status for the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and the Midland City Council's decision March 30 to replace the I Street bridge linking the MC campus to Wadley Avenue.

Also during the regular meeting that starts at 4 p.m., trustees are expected to give approval to instructional positions and to hear a division presentation and the president's report.

During a meeting of the city council about three weeks ago, a plan was approved for replacing the bridge crossing the Northwest Drainage Channel between the college campus and Wadley Avenue, east of The Hilllander School.

The bridge, which does not allow effective drainage from the expanding population in northwest Midland, has been a matter of contention between the city and the college. A gate which allows access to the bridge and campus usually is closed except when a second exit is needed following evening events at the Al G. Langford Chapparral Center.

According to college administrators, policemen hired by the college on those evenings are unwilling to direct traffic from I Street onto the dark and busy Wadley Avenue.

The city council voted to draw plans and seek bids on a new bridge and to seek bids on a traffic signal to govern traffic at the intersection of Wadley Avenue and I Street.

Preliminary estimates for a

new bridge are \$300,000, according to Fred Baker, public works director. The cost, however, is less than that of a low-water crossing, another alternative.

The traffic light could be set to flash yellow on Wadley Avenue during the day, stopping traffic only when there is a heavy flow from Midland College onto Wadley Avenue.

A bill proposed by Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, which calls for expansion of UTPB to a four-year university and is heavily opposed by MC administrators, was approved Wednesday by the Senate Education Committee in Austin.

About 25 MC supporters and opponents of the bill were present for the 6-2 vote.

MC President Dr. Jess H. Parrish, who testified before the committee, expressed disappointment in the ruling and hopes that it would be defeated by the full Senate.

A similar bill, proposed by Rep. Jay Gibson, D-Odessa, is pending in the House.

MC administrators fear expanding UTPB would decrease the enrollment of freshman and sophomore students at the area's three community colleges.

A cooperative program, which would provide a four-year education between the junior colleges and UTPB, is in the planning stages with a kickoff slated for Thursday evening.

Proponents of the PACAP (Permian Area Cooperative Academic Program) feel the program has not been given a chance to work and should be implemented before UTPB receives four-year status.

Scouting program more relevant

IRVING (AP) — Unable to relate the decades-old motto of "Be Prepared" with the youth of the 1970s, the Boy Scouts of America succeeded in mapping out a strategy of policy and program changes to make Scouting more relevant and reversed a trend of decreasing membership.

The plan, mapped out by J.L. Tarr, is pushing membership upwards, officials said. The group now claims 3.3 million members and an annual growth rate that rivals the Boy Scouts' glory days of the 1960s.

Scout executives say their decision to create a fourth branch and admit boys at an earlier age may have been the most important factor in the turnaround. Since it was introduced last September, the Tiger Cub program has enrolled more than 84,000 7-year-old boys who accounted for 86 percent of all new Scouts signed up during that period.

"We are out to hit new kids and

get them interested in Scouting," said Mike Whittaker, Scouts' director of advertising. "Tiger Cubs is one way to do that."

Other strategies included uniform modifications, a new program that teaches Scouts to care for themselves when home alone and two new merit badges — Handicapped Awareness and American Culture.

Scouting executives also acknowledge that the turnaround can be attributed in part to external factors, such as increased conservatism.

Tarr says he believes the membership surge will continue, and he points to the November 1979 capture of the American embassy in Iran as the turning point.

"There was the realization that we weren't as good as we thought we were," he said. "There was a sudden return to the values (President) Reagan has emphasized — personal responsibility and patriotism."

"There was," he added, "a return to the values of Scouting."

The Boy Scouts, who moved their headquarters to this Dallas suburb in 1979 from North Brunswick, N.J., say they face obstacles that never occurred to leaders in years past.

"There are those who challenge

us," said Tarr, himself a former Cub Scout. "They challenge us on homosexuality. They want girls in the Cub Scouts. Athletes want to lead troops. Women want to lead troops. People want more sports in our programs."

Bill would make cities responsible

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On Feb. 2, 1978, a Midland jury found the city liable and negligent in not keeping the intersection free of overhanging and obstructing mesquite shrubs and weeds and awarded \$975,000 damages to the youth's father.

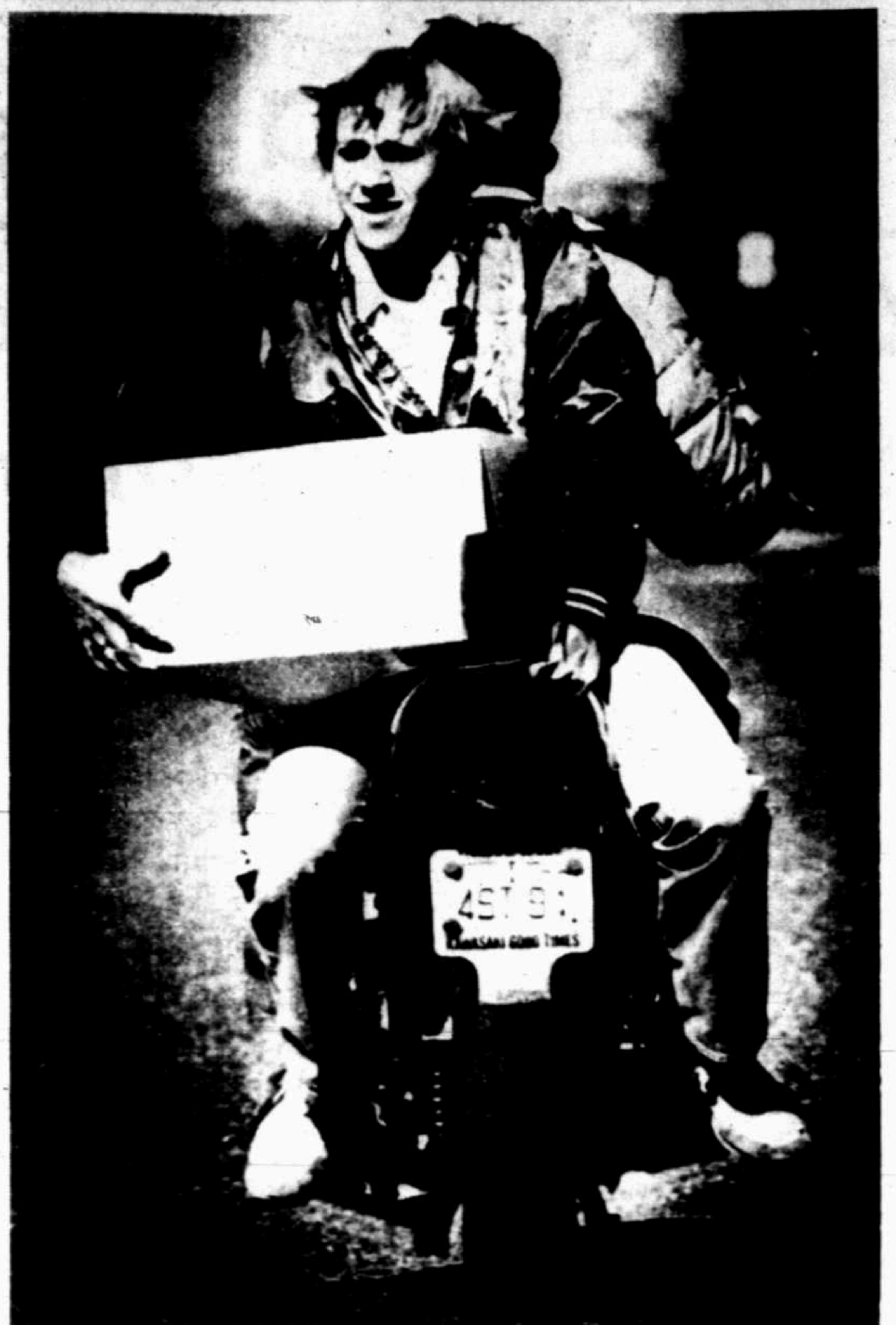
The Supreme Court upheld the Midland jury's verdict, overturning rulings by the trial court and appellate court which had reversed the jury's decision to award damages.

HB 1874, exempting cities from the responsibility of removing visual obstructions, was defeated on a 51-92 vote Monday. Rep. Bob Bush, D-Sherman, said the bill would allow cities to ignore obstructions which could lead to deaths and injuries of motorists.

Eikenburg argued the measure was to restore the law to what it had been before the Supreme Court ruling, pointing to the court's conclusion that imposing such a duty on counties would create an undue burden. The same situation related to cities, he said.

The Jesek settlement hiked the 1982 Midland tax rate by a nickel per \$100 valuation for a year's duration until the city recouped the \$716,775 it expended to satisfy the judgment and could keep the city solvent and operating.

The House quickly defeated the bill and upheld the Supreme Court ruling, which had been supported by the Texas Municipal League and several cities.



Kirk Butcher has to ride looking to the rear in order to deliver a bulky load of doughnuts to the Monterey High School cafeteria in Lubbock. Both Butcher and driver Mark Newlin are students at Monterey.

DEATHS

Charles Frosch

WACO — Services for Charles Frosch, 72, of Hewitt and formerly of Midland, were to be at 10 a.m. today at Wilkerson-Hatch Funeral Home in Waco with burial in Oakwood Cemetery.

Frosch died Sunday morning in a Waco hospital.

He was born in Robinson. He was married to Ella Harrison in 1933, in Hewitt. He was employed with the U.S. Postal Service for 35 years, retiring in 1971 in Midland, where he was a postal supervisor. He was a member of the Hewitt Methodist Church and the Hewitt Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife of Hewitt; two sons, Charles H. Frosch of Splendora and Vance Frosch of Nordheim; a sister, Martha Keppler of Robinson; and five grandchildren.

with burial in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

Pallbearers were Lonnie Coleman, Ronnie Wyatt, Dale Lasyone, Carson Collins, Richard Yanez and Jimmy James.

J.J. Hardegree

BIG SPRING — Services for Jodie J. Hardegree, 75, of Big Spring, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

Hardegree died Sunday morning in a Big Spring nursing home.

A resident of Howard County for 31 years, he was a retired insurance salesman and a member of First Baptist Church in Sand Springs.

Mary B. Roper

AUSTIN — Services for Mary B. Roper, of Austin, mother of Joe Burdett of Midland, are pending with Cook-Walden Funeral Home in Austin.

Mrs. Roper died Sunday in Austin. Other survivors include a son, a sister and four grandchildren.

Zora Wickson

SEMINOLE — Services for Zora Wickson, 74, of Seminole and formerly of Lamesa, were to be at 10:30 a.m. today at First Baptist Church in Seminole with the Rev. Ron Nolan and the Rev. Floyd Haddock officiating. Burial was to follow in Seminole Cemetery.

Mrs. Wickson died Sunday in a Seminole hospital following a lengthy illness.

She was born Jan. 5, 1909, in Rockdale. She married C.D. Wickson Sr. Nov. 16, 1927, in Lamesa. He died in 1979. She moved to Seminole 42 years ago from Lamesa.

Survivors include two sons, C.D. Wickson Jr. and Ron Wickson, both of Seminole; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Cindy Lasyone

Services for Cindy Lasyone, 55, of 3109 Mariana were Monday in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel

House approves drug legislation

AUSTIN — The House on Monday gave preliminary approval to legislation by Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland, relating to sale of prescription drugs by rural doctors.

There was little discussion of HB 1474, which was passed on a voice vote. Final passage of the bill is expected today.

Craddick said the bill was in response to a ruling in 1981 by the attorney general that physicians could not dispense drugs to persons for self-medication without a fee and without complying with pharmacy act requirements.

Craddick offered an amendment

to the measure which he said was to answer objections which had been raised to the bill.

He said the measure is intended to cover physicians operating in rural areas (defined as being outside an incorporated town, or inside the city limits of a city of less than 2,500 people).

The bill's intent, he said, is that the physician isn't to make a profit on the measure.

Borden, Glasscock, Hudspeth, Irion, Jeff Davis, Kenedy, Kent, King, Loving, McMullen, Roberts and Terrell counties have no pharmacies and would be covered by the bill.

Cancer society's goal is \$10 million

Nearly 1,000 volunteers are expected to join forces in Midland this week for the American Cancer Society's annual educational and fundraising crusade.

April has been declared Cancer Control Month. All this week, volunteers in Midland will canvass their neighborhoods to collect contributions and hand out tests. The self-administered test is designed to help people determine if they are at higher than normal risk for developing certain kinds of cancer.

ACS's goal is to save 220,000 lives, half of those who will die of cancer in the United States during 1983. The society hopes to achieve that end by raising its campaign goal of \$10 million.

During 1983, the society is spending in excess of \$3.8 million to fund research at various Texas institutions. ACS volunteers conduct free educational programs for public and professional groups. Cancer patients

also receive assistance in the form of free equipment loans, gifts, information and rehabilitation programs.

Town still has criers Most don't make will

Denmark's oldest town, Ribe, was founded in 948 on the west coast of Jutland. It maintains the old tradition of night watchmen who patrol the streets and sing special songs each time the clock strikes the hour.

Despite warnings from family and legal advisers, an estimated 40 percent of American business owners as well as others with considerable tangible assets haven't bothered to make wills.

Thelma Brown

LAGUNA HILLS, Calif. — Private funeral services for Thelma Estes Brown, 80, of Laguna Hills, formerly of Midland, were to be today in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Hollywood Hills, Calif.

She died Friday at her home here. Born Oct. 15, 1902, in Midland, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanders Estes, a pioneer Midland County family. She lived in Midland until 1921 when she moved to Laguna Hills.

Survivors include a son, Sandy Brown of Los Angeles; four grandchildren and a nephew, Aldredge Estes Jr. of Midland.

Weather spotters' seminar planned

An advanced weather spotters seminar will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Allison Fine Arts Building on the Midland College campus.

Designed primarily for weather spotters and operators of ham radios, the seminar also should be of interest to individuals concerned with violent weather in the Permian Basin.

Tim Marshall, a graduate student at Texas Tech University, will present the program. Marshall, who holds degrees in meteorology and engineering, is working with the Institute of Disaster Research.

He studies building safety in major storms and is credited with the filming of developing thunderstorms.

Circumference calculated

Greek scholar and librarian Eratosthenes (c. 275-c. 195 B.C.) was the first to calculate the Earth's circumference, but he overestimated it by about 16 percent. He also measured the Earth's tilt and mapped the known world.

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