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Wall Street whirls to chaotic sound of record trading

By CHRISTOPHER LINDSAY
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Although the familiar image of the stock exchange resembles the chaos of a national political convention, often the traders actually slip out to escape the dull roar, to smoke a cigarette or get a bit of sun on Wall Street.

But not on Wednesday. It was the day the traders didn't even go to lunch — they stayed right on the New York Stock Exchange floor, creating the biggest trading day in financial history. It was the day the number of shares traded topped 100 million at 1:59 p.m. EDT and a record 132.69 million at the close.

"We were very, very busy," said Tom Coash, a broker with Kidder, Peabody. But there were few problems keeping up with the swiftly moving market, he said.

On occasion "tempers grew short" he said, but everything was done "very professionally." Runners, or "squads," moved quickly between the brokerage stalls and the 14 trading posts on the floor, shuttling buy and sell orders.

In the visitors' gallery, spectators watched as the floor swarmed with moving people and colored slips of note paper.

In the opposite gallery, television crews set up their cameras to record the setting of the record and the closing bell — and the commotion. They weren't disappointed.

The digital clocks on each wall read 3:59:45 when the clanging began, marking the end to the day's trading, sparking cheers and yelling from the floor.

"They were hamming it up for the press," said Josephine Lombardi, who works in the NYSE News Bureau. "They're all hams on the floor."

The messengers, specialists, traders and floor man-

agers wouldn't know the total volume until they returned to their booths a few moments later.

But they knew they had been busy. "Nobody went to lunch," Ms. Lombardi noted. One brokerage house was ready — it had rehearsed for the big day.

Over a year ago, Merrill Lynch brought in some of its employees one Saturday to do a drill on how to handle a 100 million-share day, said John von Briesen, an account executive with E.F. Hutton.

Von Briesen expressed concern that the NYSE ticker tape, which monitors market developments, was running as much as 20 minutes late — enough time for major changes to occur without market participants knowing about them.

The situation was worse at the Chicago Board of Options Exchange, where Wednesday's 571,413 transactions made it the second record day in a row as computers ran two hours behind.

The Midwest Stock Exchange's 8.42 million shares traded Wednesday also set a record, topping the 5.68 million shares traded Tuesday.

But James Grindler, chief NYSE spokesman, said the New York exchange has a capacity of 150 million shares "and the system works."

"The volume is astounding," he said at midday. "No problem; the computers can handle it," another broker said.

Despite the seeming confusion on the floor, the stock trading process is becoming more and more electronic.

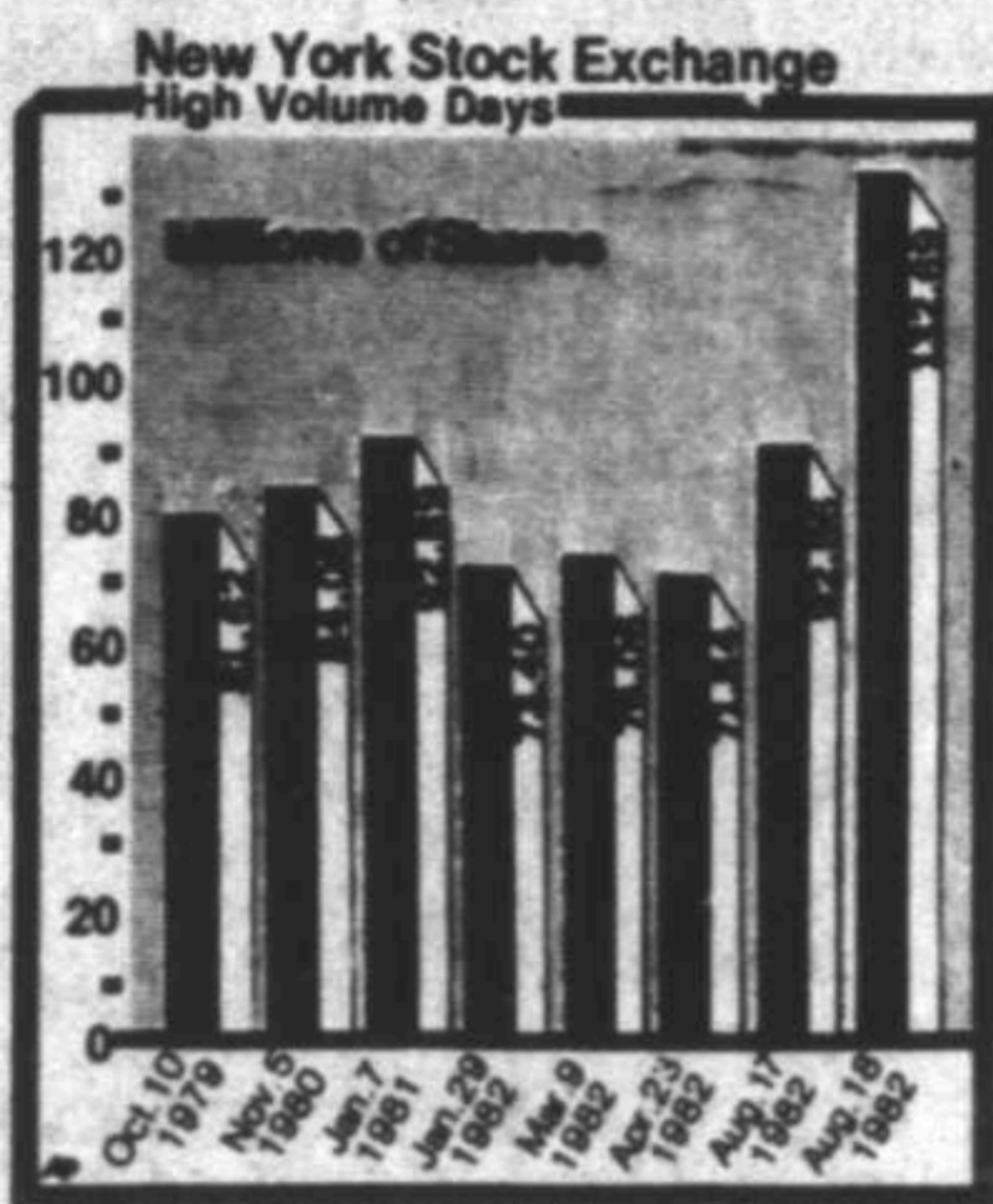
Between the exchange's paper-cluttered floor and elegant ceiling hangs a gold-colored jungle-gym-like "space frame" that supports more than 500 television information screens, fed by electrical cables enclosed in a network of piping.

The screens are mounted by the dozen atop each of the 14 trading posts where the transactions take place. While orders of 500 or fewer shares comprise about 70 percent of all exchange orders, they represent only 30 percent of daily volume. The rest are big block trades, by such institutional investors as mutual funds and pension funds.

To deal with small orders, the exchange is developing an automated reporting service to combine individual buy and sell orders of a particular stock that arrive before the exchange opens, and at the opening they are consolidated as one block.

Even Bob Norden, manager of Fraunces Tavern, a popular Wall Street watering hole that dates from the Revolutionary War, knew Wednesday was no ordinary day.

"The real problem was the phone calls, paging these guys," Norden said. "One guy, a broker, got three different calls."



Unflagging defiance

PLO flags fly defiantly from a sand-bagged checkpoint near the Lebanese parliament building Wednesday as the

PLO reclaims a position abandoned by Israeli troops so Lebanon may hold unhindered presidential elections today.

Evacuation plan finalized

By The Associated Press

The Israeli Cabinet approved the final draft of the Palestinian evacuation agreement today, Cabinet Secretary Dan Meridor announced, but the kidnapping of an Israeli soldier threatened to delay the start of the guerrillas' withdrawal from west Beirut.

The Israeli military command said in a communique that four guerrillas took the soldier from his observation post Wednesday evening and led him at gunpoint into the Bourj el-Barajneh refugee camp in southern Beirut.

The command said the government had begun efforts to secure the release of the soldier, and Meridor said the evacuation could not begin until both he and an Israeli pilot captured by the Palestine Liberation Organization were returned.

The PLO has agreed to hand over the pilot, Aharon Ahiaz, and the remains of five Israeli soldiers killed in the invasion to Lebanese Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan for delivery to U.S. presidential envoy Philip C. Habib. But there has been no word from Beirut on the kidnapped soldier.

An Israeli communique, read to reporters in Jerusalem by Meri-

dor after the Cabinet meeting, said: "The government of Israel approved the draft arrangement concerning the evacuation from Beirut and Lebanon of all the terrorists including their organization, leadership, members, commands and officers."

Replying to questions, he added: "Israel has made clear its position that the evacuation will not begin until we receive the prisoners, including the soldier who was kidnapped... No evacuation will begin before this demand of ours is accepted, before the evacuation."

The Israeli command also accused the Palestinians of artillery and sniper fire in southern Beirut in violation of the cease-fire. PLO guerrillas in west Beirut detonated a car packed with explosives as a precautionary measure but four people were injured slightly, and the Lebanese presidential election scheduled for today was postponed until Monday and shifted to a new site.

The final draft of the evacuation agreement was delivered Wednesday to Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, and the Cabinet met today and approved it. Government sources said it supplied the clarifications demanded by the Cabinet when it approved an earlier draft in principle last week.

Chief appraiser resigning

By ED TODD
Staff Writer



Virgil Jones Jr.

Virgil Jones Jr., chief appraiser of the Midland County Appraisal District, on Wednesday tendered his resignation due to the "pressures" of the job's responsibilities, which, Jones said, are "endangering my health."

Jones, 52, told the district's five-member board of directors that his resignation from the \$45,000-a-year post will take effect Jan. 1 or sooner.

Gil Tompson, board chairman, accepted the letter of resignation "with regrets," and, tacked on director C. Wallace Craig, "with our thanks for good service."

"I know that I speak for all the board," Tompson told Jones. "You're going to be sorely missed."

Tompson said the board would "advertise locally" for candidates for the post and would place advertisements for candidates in trade journals.

Jones, who noted that he has the background and options for being a real-estate broker, insurance agent and tax consultant, said he would "seek employment that would relieve me of the stress and strain of this office."

"I REALIZE it will not be easy to fill this job," said Jones, "and I am willing to stay on for a reasonable time until a replacement can be found." Jones said he would be "glad to stay on in an advisory and instructing capacity" until the first of the year if a successor is employed within the next two or three months. Otherwise, Jones said his resignation would take effect "at whatever

earlier date you are able to employ a successor."

"I do want to express my appreciation to each of the board members for their help and cooperation," Jones said.

Jones has been the district's chief appraiser since January 1981 and supervises appraisals for the county's six taxing entities: city of Midland, Midland County, Midland and Greenwood independent school districts, Midland County Hospital District and Midland College. For 1983, Jones has projected a \$991,674 operating budget for his office's proposed 27-member staff, which includes eight appraisers.

Jones, who is a member of a dozen tax, appraisal, assessing and real-estate associations, has been in appraisal-related work since the late 1950s fol-

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Another Reagan victory forecast as compromise vote approaches

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican leaders cautiously forecast another victory for President Reagan's economic program as the House approached a final vote today on a compromise bill raising taxes by \$98.3 billion over the next three years.

But it appeared any such victory would have to be handed the president by mainstream Democrats — not by the Republicans and Southern conservatives who were Reagan's source of strength a year ago. Vote counters in both parties said more than half the Republicans might oppose the bill.

"We're going to win. I know we're going to win. I got that visceral feeling," House Republican Leader Robert Michel proclaimed Wednesday as Reagan lobbied nearly 100 House members in meetings throughout the day and evening.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes summed it up this way: "Still behind, making progress, won't know until the last moment."

It was possible that the measure would win passage in both the House and Senate today, paving the way for the lawmakers to leave Washington for a 2½-week Labor Day recess.

In the Republican-controlled Senate, liberal Democrats rallied to Reagan's side, endorsing the bill as a first step away from what they called the overly generous tax cut enacted at the president's behest a year ago.

Sens. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., Alan Cranston, D-Calif., and Max Baucus, D-Mont., announced they will vote for the measure. Another half-dozen or so Democrats were expected to join them.

What makes the bill acceptable to some who otherwise would oppose Reagan's economic policy is a provision authorizing up to 16 more weeks of government

compensation for the nation's unemployed. Among the groups supporting the tax bill is the liberal Americans for Democratic Action.

A new Washington Post-ABC News poll says 54 percent of the 913 people interviewed nationwide opposed the tax bill, 35 percent approved and the rest had no opinion. The poll was taken Tuesday, the day after Reagan's nationally televised speech on behalf of the bill.

The tax increase, largest in peacetime history, and further cuts in federal spending have been recommended by Reagan as a package that will bring down interest rates and stimulate the economy out of the worst recession since World War II. The tax measure itself contains \$15.2 billion in spending cuts over the next three years, chiefly in government health aid to the elderly and poor.

The most-disputed provision in the bill would require corporations and savings institutions to withhold for tax purposes 10 percent of interest and dividends. The House Rules Committee, setting procedures for today's debate, refused to allow a separate vote on withholding, and opponents said that could bring defeat of the entire bill.

In addition to withholding, the bill includes higher taxes on cigarettes and telephone service; reduced deductions for medical expenses; tougher laws to stop tax cheating; scaling down of several special tax breaks used by various industries, and repeal of one-third of the tax cuts passed for business last year.

As the House vote approached, Reagan continued the pressure on members, including for the first time some of the conservative Southern Democrats who provided the margin of victory last year for his tax and spending cuts.



Staff Artist: Jan Drake

Some students across the country may be locked out of universities by higher tuition costs, but the cost of a college education in the Permian Basin has remained relatively stable.

Basin area colleges haven't boarded tuition bandwagon

By HALLYE JORDAN
Staff Writer

While the average cost of attending colleges across the nation has increased substantially this year, Permian Basin post-secondary institutions report no or relatively small increases in tuition and fees.

The average total cost of attending college in 1982-83 will rise again this fall by 11 percent for resident students, the same rate of increase as last fall, according to the College Board, a nonprofit educational association.

In a study surveying over 3,300 colleges and universities, the College Board found that this year's increase is smaller than expected with tuition increases averaging from 13.1 to 20.1 percent at the nation's colleges and universities.

However, admissions offices at Midland and Odessa colleges and universities seem unaware of the national trend.

"We have no change in tuition and fees," Dee Windsor, associate dean of students and registrar at Midland College, told The Midland Reporter-Telegram, "although in the past we've had some required fees listed separately and this year they are listed with the tuition."

Windsor explained that tuition for in-district residents is still \$25 for up to six hours and additional courses remain at \$4 an hour. While the \$2 library fee, the \$6 activity fee and the \$18 building use fee previously were listed separately, this fall they will be included in the tuition. Total cost of tuition and those fees will remain at \$51, as it has in the past, he said.

According to a hearing of the preliminary 1982-83 MC budget at a board of trustees meeting earlier this summer, \$300,000 in tuition was brought into the 1981-82 school year. This year, according to the preliminary budget which is expected to be formally adopted this afternoon, an additional

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INSIDE TODAY



It works...

Major Pete Costas explains the operation of the Salvation Army as United Way loaned executives tour the facility during a recent training period. The training sessions and today's organizational kickoff launch this year's United Way of Midland General Campaign.

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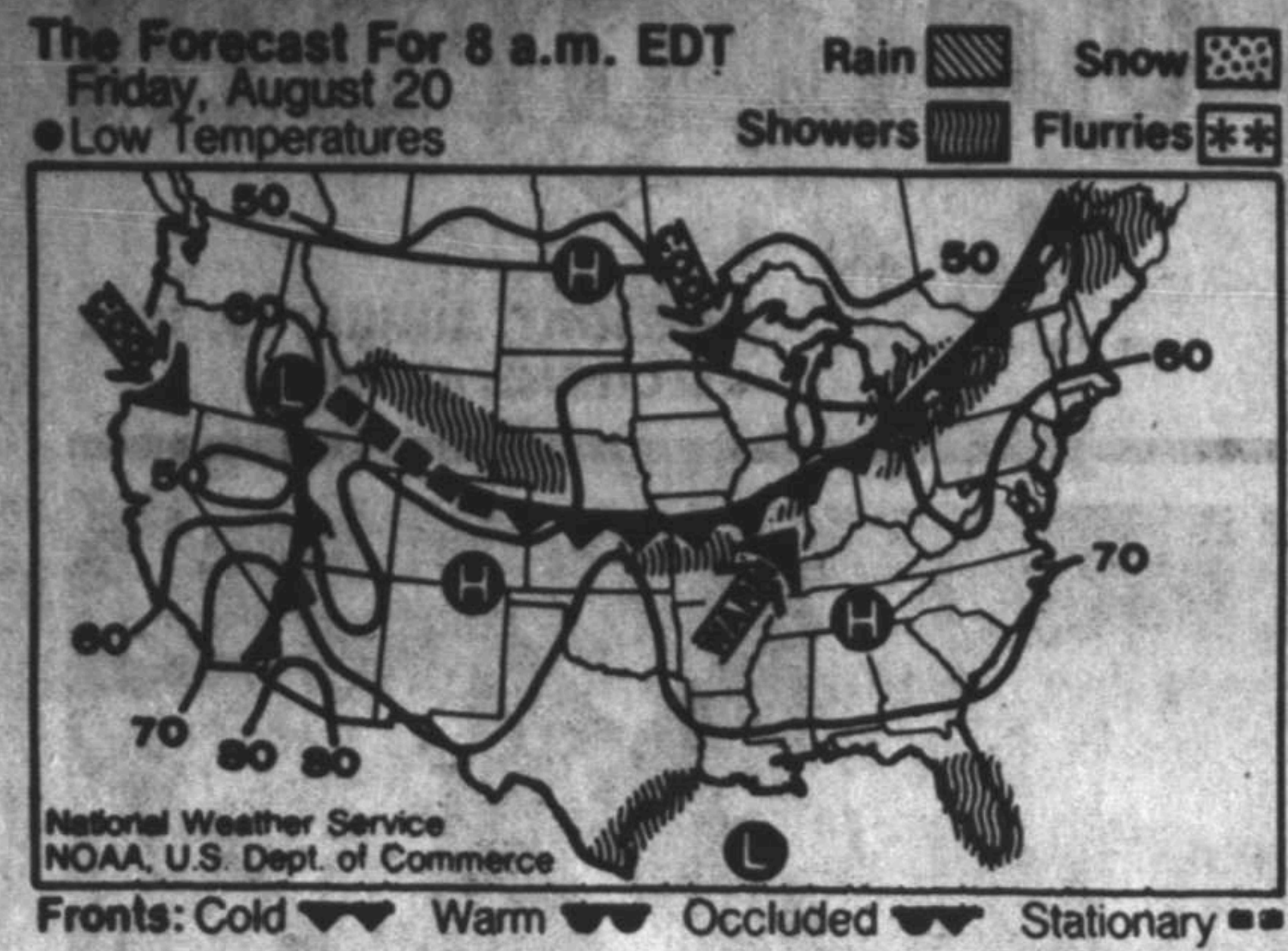
Weather

Partly cloudy tonight. Sunny and warm Friday with high in mid-90s. Details on Page 2A.

Service

Delivery	682-5311
Want Ads	682-6222
Other Calls	682-5311

WEATHER SUMMARY



The National Weather Service forecasts scattered areas of showers west of the Rockies for Friday. Cooler weather is forecast for the northern states. Warm weather is forecast across the southern tier.

Midland statistics

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. Includes 'WEATHER FORECAST' and 'LOCAL TEMPERATURES' for various times of the day.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, Amarillo, Anchorage, Asheville, Atlanta, etc.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Clear to partly cloudy through Friday with widely scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms... South Texas: Partly cloudy with widely scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms...

Extended forecasts

West Texas: Partly cloudy with isolated late afternoon and evening thunderstorms and minor day to day temperature changes... North Texas: Widely scattered thunderstorms southeast... South Texas: Partly cloudy with widely scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms...

Cloudy tonight

High temperatures across Texas Wednesday were considerably cooler than the scorching, 100-plus temperatures common during the past week or so. The moderating trend should continue in Midland Friday.

BIRTHS

MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. Aug. 16, 1982. Mr. and Mrs. James Michael Snow, 600 W. Kansas Ave., a boy. Mr. and Mrs. John Lee Mitchell, 1613 Hemlock Ave., a girl.

Box 713, Eden, Texas, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Noel Bryan, Rte. 1 Box 77, Stanton, a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lanier Culver, 3509 Cunningham, a girl.

Police arrest two men for burglary

Two men found hiding in the Trice Electronics Co. at 1907 W. Industrial Ave. early this morning were arrested and booked on burglary charges. Police responding to a burglar alarm at 2 a.m. said a portion of the tin siding on the east side of the building had been pried open and the men were trying to hide behind some storage cartons.

In burglary complaints filed during the past 24 hours, Larry Gilbert of 1508 N. Weatherford said three TV sets and a cassette stereo player were taken from his residence sometime in the past three days. Entry was gained by breaking a bedroom window. Total loss was placed at \$2,910.

Odessa boy held as burglary suspect

ODESSA — A young Odessa boy was being held for juvenile authorities here after he turned up at Medical Center Hospital with a gunshot wound to the right hip. Police believe he was one of three persons who entered a yard at 1107 Bluebonnet early this morning and attempted to steal a go-cart that was chained down. The homeowner, who

was not identified by police, told officers he fired several shots from a .25-caliber handgun but wasn't sure if he had hit anyone. The 14-year-old suspect later came into the hospital seeking medical treatment. He is being held on attempted theft charges and an investigation is continuing.

Man arrested for Big Spring murder

BIG SPRING — Thirty-one-year-old Willis Burnett has been arrested in Knoxville, Tenn., on a warrant in connection with the December 1981 death of Paul Manual Hartman in Big Spring. Burnett has waived extradition and will be returned to Big Spring. Hartman sustained a fatal stab

wound, apparently from a screwdriver, outside his home following an argument over a poker game, according to four other residents of the home. Police found him lying in the street with a single stab wound to his chest. Hartman was pronounced dead at Malone-Hogan Hospital by Justice of the Peace Lewis Hefflin.

Traffic mishap prompts Big Spring suit

BIG SPRING — An Oct. 14, 1981, traffic accident on Highway 350 involving a Big Spring Police unit has prompted the filing of a \$2 million lawsuit in 118th District Court here. Martha B. Shelly filed the suit on

behalf of Raven Sherree Chamblee and her son, whose vehicle was in collision with a police unit driven by officer Cleveland Dean Boyd. Boyd reportedly was responding to a theft call at the time.



Tucker Prison escapee Don Wayne Pilkerton, right, is led to a state police car after surrendering to Sgt. Mike Fletcher (center, in bulletproof vest) of the Arkansas State Police about nine miles west of Hope, Ark., Wednesday afternoon. Fletcher unloads the .357 magnum Pilkerton was using to keep Cleveland County Sheriff's Deputy J.L. Johnston hostage.

Prison escapee releases three hostages in Arkansas

A prison escapee who says the devil had a hold on him released his three hostages and surrendered to police after a negotiator told him he couldn't shoot his way free. The inmate, identified by police as Donald Wayne Pilkerton, handed over his guns to Sgt. Mike Fletcher about 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, nearly three hours and 130 miles after police said Pilkerton asked an elderly Rison couple to give him a ride to Sheridan. He later took a Cleveland County deputy hostage, police said. Pilkerton was returned to the state Correction Department's Diagnostic Unit near Pine Bluff late Wednesday, authorities said.

Wednesday afternoon. Fletcher unloads the .357 magnum Pilkerton was using to keep Cleveland County Sheriff's Deputy J.L. Johnston hostage.

"If he gets on you there ain't but one way to get him off and it's not by shooting yourself or shooting somebody else," Fletcher told Pilkerton, referring to the devil. The conversation was on police radios. "If you do that he wins, and we don't want him to win...and I can tell you right now I, of all people, I'm sitting here under my breath saying a prayer for you."

Prior to that, Pilkerton had told Fletcher that he once wanted to be a preacher but had been fighting the devil for the past 30 days. Pilkerton, serving a 30-year sentence for second-degree murder in Missouri, escaped from the prison Tuesday. Prison spokesman David White said Pilkerton, a trusty, was missing at a routine check.

State Police Sgt. Ray Davis in Hope said Pilkerton released O.L. and Minnie Bennett near Arkadelphia. Deputy R.L. Johnston, who drove his police car with Pilkerton in the front seat and the Bennetts in the back, was freed when the trusty surrendered.

Fletcher said Pilkerton, 41, had a .357 magnum and the deputy's .38-caliber revolver, one of which was pointed at the deputy throughout the trip.

Government wants to open areas to development

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's wildlife refuges should be opened for more trapping, more timber cutting and other money-making ventures, the Interior Department says.

Conservation groups said, however, that they feared Interior Secretary James Watt's push for expanded use of public lands would only worsen current conditions. Toby Cooper of the Defenders of the Wildlife said that the sale of grazing rights on 1.6 million acres of refuge lands has already seriously reduced food available for wildlife in some areas.

But the department's effort to expand the number of revenue-raising activities at the nation's 410 preserves has conservationists upset. The furor is over a July memo written by F. Eugene Hester, deputy director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, in which he asks regional directors to survey each wildlife refuge and report back on which ones are candidates for expanded economic activities.

Massive flooding in Tennessee costs more than \$20 million

JASPER, Tenn. (AP) — The flooding which killed at least three people this week in Tennessee has caused more than \$20 million in damage in 13 counties and marooned at least 100 families, says Gov. Lamar Alexander.

By Wednesday night, the damage estimate was set at about \$22 million, including more than \$7.6 million in Smith County and \$4.8 million in Marion County, the hardest hit. Losses passed the million-dollar mark in DeKalb, Hamilton, Jackson and Macon counties. Col. Eugene Tanner, director of the

Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, said he hoped to finish today compiling estimates of the damage caused by heavy rains and flooding Monday and Tuesday.

Those figures will be the basis of a request for disaster relief aid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for damage caused to crops, businesses, roads and bridges.

Tanner and Alexander toured Hamilton, Rhea and Marion counties by helicopter on Wednesday. The governor on Tuesday had toured Smith County.

"We believe that there is potential to expand economic uses in such areas as grazing, haying, farming, timber harvest, trapping, oil and gas extraction, small hydroelectric generation, concessions, commercial hunting and fishing guides, guided interpretative tours and commercial fishing," Hester wrote in the memo.

In all, Hester said the agency had identified 14 different economic areas ranging from cutting Christmas trees to renting sites for retriever dog training which showed promise as money makers. He asked for a report on how much economic activity each refuge was supporting now and for suggestions on where this could be expanded.

Interior Department officials contend that Hester's memo is not a departure from current policy which allows a variety of activities to occur on the wildlife refuges as long as they are compatible with the refuge's basic function of providing a habitat for birds and animals.

The department said farming was already taking place at 118 of the refuges, oil wells were located on 11 refuges and trappers took 146,259 fur pelts from 86 refuges in the 1980 fiscal year.

"We aren't talking about turning the refuges into Coney Islands," said Alan Levitt, Interior Department spokesman. "We will look at each wildlife refuge individually to see if we can expand the uses without hurting the wildlife."

Local colleges holding line on tuition increases

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\$15,000 should be generated in tuition. "It's the increase in enrollment that is expected to generate more tuition," Windsor explained. "Tuition here hasn't changed since we opened our doors (in 1973)."

tion, while two-year private institutions will see tuition rise an average of 11.1 percent.

The report also states that average total costs for resident students attending a four-year public college or university are up 13 percent from last year, enrollment in a four-year private college or university reflects an 11.1 percent increase over 1981-82.

Results of the study also indicate that costs for commuter students attending a two-year public or community college will be up 10.9 percent while commuting students at four-year colleges will pay about 12.5 percent more at public institutions and 12.6 more at private ones.

According to the survey, other average expenses do not vary much except for room and board charges for resident students. Those attending public two-year colleges can expect a 7.8 increase in room and board, while students at four-year private institutions should see an 8.2 percent increase in room and board.

"Although tuition and fee charges have gone up more than overall costs, the total increase is somewhat smaller than many observers had predicted for this year," said Kathleen Brouder, associate director of the College Scholarship Service and author of "The College Book." "In percentage terms, the public sector has been harder hit than the private, but in absolute dollar terms, of course, average tuitions are still substantially lower in public colleges and universities."

According to Sue Blair, director of admissions and registrar at Odessa College, OC also will have no changes in tuition or fees.

Tuition and basic fees will remain at \$109 for the in-district student enrolled in 12 semester hours, she said.

"Now lab fees and book costs may have some increases, but for all practical purposes, there is no increase in tuition," she explained.

At The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Debbie Bennett of the news and information office explained there will be no changes in tuition or fees at UTPB this fall, although there was an increase last fall.

"We did have an increase last September in student services fees," she said. The increase was from \$2.50 to \$4.50 per semester credit hour with a maximum amount of \$54, which equals the cost of 12 semester credit hours. Students taking more than 12 hours will not pay more than \$54, she explained.

The College Board reports that tuition and fee charges at four-year public colleges will average 20.1 percent more than last year, as compared to an average 13.2 increase in tuition and fees at four-year private institutions. Two-year public colleges will have an average 17.8 percent increase in tu-

County's chief tax appraiser submits his resignation

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lowing his graduation from Sul Ross State University in Alpine. He worked for Pritchard & Abbott, valuation engineers, for seven years, and for 15 years worked in the city's tax office. He was tax assessor-collector for the city, college, Midland ISD and the hospital when, in 1981, he was appointed chief appraiser for the then newly-created tax appraisal district.

there are some things I wanted to do. When you can't get relaxed, you're in bad trouble."

Jones' office, headquartered in Dellwood Mall, takes care of the common appraisal for the six governmental bodies and assesses and collects taxes for four entities: the city, college, hospital and Midland ISD. Frances Shuffield, Midland County tax assessor-collector, looks after the county's and Greenwood's tax collections.

Under the old system, he said, "You could have four or five appraisals on one piece of property." Currently, taxes are assessed by each taxing entity on 100 percent of the fair-market value, which are equated to the appraised values.

Jones has been commended by the appraisal district board of directors and Board of Review — board of equalization — and statewide associations as an able and leading appraiser. However, some members of the board of directors have, on occasion, questioned Jones' expertise in managing the office. In proposing his 1983 budget, Jones had allowed \$50,160 for his own salary and \$33,600 for an administrator.

But the five-member board — Tompson, Craig, Joe Nuesse, David Grimes and Charlie Welch — commended Jones in accepting his resignation. "Some of the public don't care for taxes, period," Jones said in reviewing a tax-man's burden. The public is fearful that "we're going to be taxed to death," he said.

"It's costing more and more to operate them (local, state and federal governments)," Jones allowed. "And we're being taxed to death."

Last year, Jones collected about \$34 million in taxes, which were based on more than \$3 billion in countywide valuations.

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Staff Photo by Cody Bell

Explaining the operation of the Salvation Army is Major Pete Costas, left, as the United Way loaned executives tour the facility during a training period earlier this week. Members of the loaned executive team taking the tour

included, from left, Lloyd Jobe, Tipperary Corp.; Kim Noble, Exxon Corp. USA; Pam Kelly, Midland National Bank; and Bill Newkirk, Adobe Oil & Gas.

Midland's 'loaned' executives help United Way reach its goals

With loaned executive training Monday and Tuesday and the pilot organization kickoff today, the United Way of Midland launched preliminary activities for its General Campaign for 1983 this week.

The loaned executive team this year represents 13 Midland employers who each lend an employee to work up to 20 hours per week on site at the United Way office during the eight weeks of the general campaign. During that time, the loaned executive remains on his or her employer's payroll full-time.

In addition, loaned executives spend two full days in training in August prior to coordinating the campaigns of several pilot organizations. This year, the 19 pilot organizations will conduct their employee campaigns between now and Sept. 21.

Organizations which are sponsoring loaned executives this year are ARCO, Denny Beier, Tom Brown Co., Inc., Kay Bivens; Gulf Oil Exploration and Production Co., Mickey Cohlma; Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin & Browder, David Copeland and Jan Stephens; Tipperary Corp., Lloyd Jobe; Midland National Bank, Pam Kelly; Midland Southwest Corp., John Lees; Compressor Systems, Charles Lout; Texas Electric Service Co., Roger Marshall; First National Bank, Anne McGee; Adobe Oil & Gas Corp., Bill Newkirk; Exxon Co. USA, Kim Noble, and Southwestern Bell, Mark Thornsburg.

"This is the second year United Way of Midland has used this type of on-site loaned executive program,"

explained campaign Vice Chairman Dan Mendell. "We found this level of campaign support provided by Midland's major employers was largely responsible for the success of our campaign last year, and that was with only five on-site loaned executives and five back-ups. This year we will have 10 on-site personnel with four back-ups."

Mendell explained that the loaned executive's primary responsibility is working with coordinators of employee campaigns to help them organize and report their campaigns.

The pilot campaign, which is chaired by George Irish, publisher of The Midland Reporter-Telegram, is made up of 18 employers plus six stores representing Midland Park Mall. These organizations agree to conduct their campaigns just prior to the general campaign to serve as an example to the community of how successful employee campaigns are operated.

Irish challenged the pilot organizations to provide at least 20 percent of this year's campaign goal of \$1,612,000. Last year, pilot firms contributed 18 percent of the goal.

Pilot organizations are Adobe Oil & Gas; Canyon Consolidated; City of Midland; Bledsoe, Tighe & Dawson; Drilco Industrial; Exxon Co. USA; First National Bank; Gulf Oil Exploration and Production Co.; Magna-tex; Main, Hurdman; Midland Memorial Hospital; Midland Park Mall (Dillard's, J.C. Penney, O.G. Wilson, Oshman's, Sakowitz and Sears); Midland Reporter-Telegram; Petroleum Information; Price Waterhouse; Southwestern Bell; Teraco; Texas Instruments; and Wagner & Brown.



United Way of Midland

Watts offers little on stabbing

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — Coral Eugene Watts, the admitted killer of 11 young women, offered authorities candy mints but no solution in the stabbing death of a College Station real estate saleswoman, an investigator says.

Bob Wiatt, an investigator with the Brazos County district attorney's office, and Deputy Sheriff Dick Guldge questioned Watts for 45 minutes Wednesday in Houston.

After the meeting, Wiatt said he doubted Watts was responsible for the murder of Virginia Freeman, a College Station saleswoman, last December. Even if he was, Wiatt said, he might not remember.

"He's assaulted and murdered so many people he can't sort out the facts," Wiatt said.

"When they took the manacles off of him, he offered us some candy mints and he was very unconcerned. He's taking it all in stride," Wiatt said.

Mrs. Freeman, 40, was stabbed repeatedly, strangled and beaten on the head Dec. 1. Authorities said a man called Mrs. Freeman at her office, told her he had

\$73,000 to buy some property and made an appointment to meet her that evening at a home south of College Station.

Authorities from nearby Liberty County were expected to question Watts today about the slaying of Patricia Ann Jones, 18, of Missouri City.

Worker layoffs would delay next shuttle launch

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — A layoff of civil service workers could delay the next scheduled launch of the space shuttle, a space agency spokesman says.

"I was told this afternoon we are expecting a day-for-day slip for each day of furlough," said Steve Nesbitt, public information officer for the Johnson Space Center, in explaining Wednesday that preparations could not go on without civil service workers.

Midland County to hold 'Charlie Green Week'

Charlie Green, who is rounding out 33 years as the Midland County agricultural agent, will be honored in "Charlie Green Week" in Midland County next week.



Charlie Green

Green, 55, will be recognized by his friends, acquaintances, peers and admirers in several activities.

Though his resignation is effective Aug. 31, his successor — if selected — has not yet been announced by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX).

The celebration officially will be launched Monday, when the Midland County Commissioners' Court is to adopt a resolution honoring Green and designating Aug. 23-31 as "Charlie Green Week."

Events honoring Green will include: —Midland County Program Building Committee's "Dutch-treat" breakfast for Green at 6:30 a.m. Monday in the Holiday.

—A Hats-Off Retirement Party and Charlie Green Appreciation Day from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday in Midland Center in downtown Midland.

—A Midland Chamber of Commerce luncheon in Green's honor at noon Tuesday in Midland Center. Reservations, at \$5 each, may be made by telephoning the chamber at 683-3381.

—Retirement dinner, sponsored by

the TAEX's Texas County Agricultural Agents Association, at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 30 in the Broken Spoke Restaurant.

—Midland County pecan tour and barbecue Sept. 11 in Green's honor.

—Charlie Green bash at the annual Midland County 4-H Club Appreciation and Awards banquet this fall.

Earlier in the week, Green was awarded a plaque for achievement and outstanding service by the Midland County Soil and Water Conservation District.

The resolution, to be adopted by the county commissioners, says, in part:

"Charlie was born and raised in Coleman, Texas, graduated with honors from Texas A&M (University), where he received his B.S. degree in animal husbandry.

"Charlie has served as an agent in Ector, Crane and Andrews counties, served as a director of the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association, received honors from the Midland Kiwanis Club for outstanding service in 1963, received the Distinguished Service Award in 1965 from the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association and National Association of County Agricultural Agents and the Brewer Award for Outstanding Animal Husbandry Graduate in 1949."

The resolution cites Green as an "outstanding family man" and takes note of "his loving wife" Betty and their children, Rick, Rance, Rebecca and Karen.

Green began his career in Midland County in 1949.

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DEATHS

Clyde S. Nolan

Clyde S. Nolan, 74, of 1108 S. Moran died Tuesday morning at Midland Memorial Hospital.

Services were to be today at 10 a.m. in Newnie W. Ellis chapel with the Rev. Ross Payne of Cottonflat Road Baptist Church officiating. Burial was to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born Dec. 14, 1907, in Crossroads, La., and spent his early life in Louisiana. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and moved to Texas to work in the oilfields in the late 1940s, living in Snyder, Post, San Angelo and Monahans. He moved to Midland from Odessa in 1951. He later purchased and operated Nolan's Lunches on East Kentucky Street, later moving to a location on South Main and remaining until 1972.

Survivors include a son, C. Wayne

Nolan of Lewisville; two daughters, Mrs. Bernard (Virginia) Heflin of Monroe, La., and Mrs. Bud (Bobbie) Ashley of Midland; two brothers, Elton Hodge of Midland and Dick Hodge of Farmerville, La.; two sisters, Mrs. Lee (Edna) Dumas of Farmerville, La., and Gladys Hodge of Spencer, La.; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Z. Thompson

Services for Mrs. Zelma R. (Gram) Thompson were Wednesday at the Church of Christ in Stanton with Leon Odum, minister of the Cuthbert and Austin Street Church of Christ, and Gene Paul Shelburne of Amarillo, officiating. Burial was to be in Stanton, directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home of Midland.

Pallbearers were to be Ron Murry, Willie Watkins, Bill Goodson, Rodger Lee, Wade Gamblin and Butch Foreman.

Terry Tucker

Terry Tucker, 27, of rural Midland died Monday night.

Services were to be today at 2 p.m. in Newnie W. Ellis chapel with Owen Cosgrove officiating. Burial was to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born July 8, 1955, in Amarillo and moved in 1968 to Midland, where he attended both Midland High and Lee High schools. He had worked for several radio stations in Midland and had been employed with Meister Pipe Coating Company the past six months. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Terry Lynn Tucker Jr. of Crane and Patrick Quest of Midland; a daughter, Amanda Quest of Midland; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd L. Tucker of Midland; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Tucker of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Aduddell of Claude; two brothers, Gary Tucker and Brad Tucker, both of

Midland; two sisters, Denise Bigby of Crane and Cathy Peters of Midland; and several nieces and nephews.

Harvey McClendon

Services for Harvey McClendon, 39, of Midland, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Macedonia Baptist Church with the Rev. O.J. Archie officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, directed by Jackson Funeral Home.

McClendon died Saturday morning in a Midland nursing home. He had been a resident of Midland for 37 years and attended Midland public schools. He was an oil field worker.

Survivors include his mother, Eula Mae Howell of Midland; five sisters, Joyce McClendon of San Francisco, Calif., Evelyn Johnson, Helen Edward, Velma Mackey and Margaret Tennon, all of Midland; six brothers, Charles McClendon, L.D. Howell Jr., Wallace Howell, Rickey Howell and Tony Howell, all of Midland, and Eddie Howell of Houston.

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Panel asked to reverse Houston school district ruling

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A three-judge panel of the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals has been asked to reverse a ruling that there is no longer any trace of racial discrimination in the Houston Independent School District.

The panel heard arguments Wednesday on long-range strategy to impose one overall desegregation plan on all 238 public schools in Harris County.

U.S. District Judge Robert O'Connor has ruled that the school district is "unitary," meaning there is no longer any trace of racial discrimination lingering from the old "dual" or segregated school system.

NAACP Legal Defense Fund lawyer Lowell Johnston centered his argument on the fact that 55 of the schools are virtually all-black.

"Other than the data, are there any other indices of segregation remaining in the Houston Independent School District?" asked Judge Alvin Rubin of Baton Rouge.

"No, your honor," Johnston replied.

He contended, however, that more could be done to achieve additional integration in the district, known as the HISD, because it had not used such federal court-approved tools as gerrymandering of school districts and attendance zones, pairing, clustering or grouping of schools and busing.

This fight against having the HISD declared free of official racial discrimination actually stems largely from the NAACP's wish to have it as a legal base for a new desegregation drive which would involve all of the 22 school districts in and around Houston instead of being limited to the boundary lines of the HISD.

Johnston was asked by Rubin if it would not make common sense for the NAACP to file a new overall lawsuit, instead of trying to keep this one alive and expanding it.

"Assuming the issues did not change, how would it prejudice you to present those arguments in a new lawsuit?" the judge said. "You could make them in a new, clean lawsuit where the issue can be focused clearly, rather than in a case with a 26-year history."

Filing a new case would involve making a new record before a new judge, and that could take years, Johnston said.

HISD lawyer William Wilde said it had done everything required of it and that further integration is simply impossible because there aren't enough white students to go around.

The HISD spent millions on its system, has a magnet plan so widely praised that 3,000 school districts sent observers to look it over last year and has the highest level of test scores in the nation, Wilde said.

But when it comes to forcing further desegregation, he added, "We simply do not have enough whites left within the district, that's a fact."

The NAACP was trying to apply a standard which is not applicable to the district, Wilde said. Furthermore, he said, the NAACP had shown no interest in the case for years until it learned that the HISD was about to be declared unitary and the court's jurisdiction terminated.

Newspapers request transcripts of closed hearings

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A federal appeals court has been asked by lawyers for two Texas newspaper companies to release transcripts of a private bond reduction hearing for Joseph Chagra, accused in the 1979 slaying of a federal judge.

Martin Cannan and Judith Blakeway, lawyers respectively for the San Antonio News-Express Corp. and the San Antonio Light Division of the Hearst Corp., argued Wednesday that a magistrate acted too hastily when he barred reporters from the hearing last April

21 and 22.

They told the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals that under law, U.S. Magistrate Robert O'Connor should have first heard evidence on whether media coverage would hurt defendants' chances for a fair trial.

When O'Connor ordered reporters out of the hearing, the newspaper objected. O'Connor's action, however, was upheld by U.S. District Judge William Sessions and this appeal resulted.

Federal appeals court judges said they would take the case under consid-

eration, but gave no indication when a ruling might be expected.

Chagra, accused of paying \$250,000 for the assassination of Wood, and five other defendants go on trial Sept. 28 in U.S. District Court in San Antonio.

After requests by Chagra's lawyers, O'Connor closed sections of the April hearing that dealt with attempts at a plea-bargain arrangement between Chagra and federal prosecutors.

Rulings by the U.S. Supreme Court require that an evidentiary hearing precede an order barring the news

media at any point of a criminal case, Cannan said.

"To do it any other way is to treat casually the First Amendment rights of the press," Cannan said.

The three-judge panel interrupted the newspaper lawyers on several occasions to point out the heavy obligation courts have to provide a defendant with a fair trial.

Sessions barred the press 13 times in 13 days of pre-trial hearings ending last Saturday.

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Oilfield slowdown hitting East Texas economy hard

LONE STAR, Texas (AP) — The impending layoff of more than 3,500 workers at the Lone Star Steel Co., one of the largest employers in East Texas, could hurt hundreds of related businesses in the area.

But there was a feeling among local officials and businessmen that the rural area would survive the shutdown.

The parent company, Northwest Industries of Chicago, announced Tuesday that the mill will shut down most operations Saturday because of slackened demand for pipe for the oil industry.

"Around the mill, there are hundreds of small businesses that were related; this will be the first ripple. The second will be the retail businesses; I don't know how to describe the (retail) impact, but it's going to be a mess," said state Sen. Ed Howard of Texas.

The Lone Star mill, which already has cut back on hours and shifts, will indefinitely lay off 3,500 to 4,000 workers and close most of the plant "until the demand is up again," said Joseph Shenton, corporate vice president for Northwest Industries.

Shenton said all operations would be halted except its warehousing and special-order tubing business. Lone Star is one of the nation's largest producers of

oil piping. Its longest previous layoff lasted from September 1961 to March 1962.

Harold Warnix, president of United Steelworkers of America Local 4134, said Wednesday he knew of an impact on only one related business — the Texas Northern Railroad warehouse where Lone Star got its steel. He said his local has 300 members there and 60 percent will be laid off.

On an optimistic note, Warnix said he got a call from an automobile-related plant in Marshall looking for employees.

Steve Reese, president of the Lone Star State Bank, said Wednesday he did not see any "drastic problems" with the plant closing. "The people who've been here 20 to 30 years have been through a lot of tough times," he said. "In a small community, people have gardens and livestock. They've gone through these things before."

Reese said he felt compromises would have to be made and that local merchants would cooperate. "It's going to be a test of unity."

He noted that the last three or four years had been boom years for the company and many workers had managed to save money, especially since the rumors of a closing started several months ago.

Lone Star spokesman Mayo Lanagan

said the last shift at the plant would end at midnight Saturday. The company began notifying workers about the closing at 8 a.m. Tuesday.

"This is a sad day for us," Lanagan said. "We are the last of the major U.S. producers of oil country tubular goods to substantially curtail operations. It is our No. 1 priority to be the first producer to return everyone to work."

Kenneth Clapp, head of the Texas Employment Commission, said the layoffs rank second to the 5,671 employees who lost their jobs when Braniff International ceased airline operations in mid-May.

The 600-acre Lone Star Steel plant was built between 1942 and 1944 as a wartime facility for the Defense Plant Corp. and the War Assets Administration, producing high-quality iron and steel from abundant nearby ores.

It was operated by the Lone Star Steel Co. under a lease with the federal government until 1948, when the firm bought the plant for \$7.5 million.

Despite the coming layoffs, Morris County Judge Jerry Pratt in nearby Daingerfield noted that because of the rural nature of the communities, bankers and businessmen probably would extend credit to laid-off workers.

"The tighter it gets," he said, "the more people pull together. Bankers will work with the people ... We're all in the same boat."

Economists link interest rate decline to weak economy

By The Associated Press

Economic analysts said interest rates were likely to fall further because of the weak economy, and that may mean more gains for a stock market already basking in two record-breaking sessions.

Some economists said they expected the market to go into a holding pattern today before a new trend becomes clear.

Interest rates were expected to fall somewhat further, a sign of the economy's extreme weakness, low demand for credit and the Federal Reserve System's greater willingness to make credit more available.

The turnaround in the financial markets Wednesday was abrupt. Some bond prices fell from gains of more than \$20 for each \$1,000 in face value to a loss of \$5. Interest rates that were down early in the session finished the day on the upside.

Stock prices also reversed course. After rising nearly 18 points before noon, the Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks faded to \$29.43 for a one-day loss of 1.81. On Tuesday the Dow soared to a record-setting gain of nearly 39 points.

The momentum from Tuesday's rally spilled over into the early trading Wednesday as a record number of

shares were traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The volume of 132.69 million shares shattered the previous record by nearly 40 million.

"It was too much too soon," said Michael Metz, an analyst with Oppenheimer & Co. Metz said he expected still lower prices today, but he said falling interest rates should fuel later gains.

The upward momentum early in Wednesday's session was aided by the Commerce Department's report that Americans' pre-tax income rose 1 percent last month. That was the biggest one-month gain since August 1981 and was mainly a result of the increase in benefits received by Social Security recipients in July.

Another favorable sign was half-point reductions by more major commercial banks in their prime lending rate, to 14 percent. That rate applies to short-term loans to corporate borrowers and does not apply to consumer loans.

Donald Regan, the Treasury Secretary, said Wednesday the rally in stock prices was generated in part by "generally improving economic conditions." He also endorsed a slight easing of the Federal Reserve's tight-money policy because, he said, such a move would

"be desirable to keep the recovery going."

In other economic developments Wednesday:

—President Reagan won another budget victory as Congress sent him a \$13.3 billion package of spending cuts through 1985. The measure was considered vital to his chances of winning a \$98.3 billion tax increase to go with it.

—The F.W. Dodge division of McGraw-Hill Information Systems Co. said the volume of new home construction fell 22 percent in the second quarter from the same period last year. The firm said the annualized rate for the quarter was 968,000 units.

Disney workers to join a Mickey Mouse union

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — About 100 employees of Walt Disney World who portray such characters as Mickey Mouse and Snow White have agreed to unionize.

The employees have complained of being forced to wear "dirty, hot costumes" in Florida's heat and being abused by overzealous amusement park patrons.

They voted 45-41 Wednesday to be included as hosts and hostesses in the Service Trades contract, said Teamster Local 385 President Larry Parker.

Charlie Ridgway, a spokesman for the park, said Wednesday night the unionization vote was "an informal gathering" and was not binding. He said the National Labor Relations Board had not scheduled a hearing on the vote.

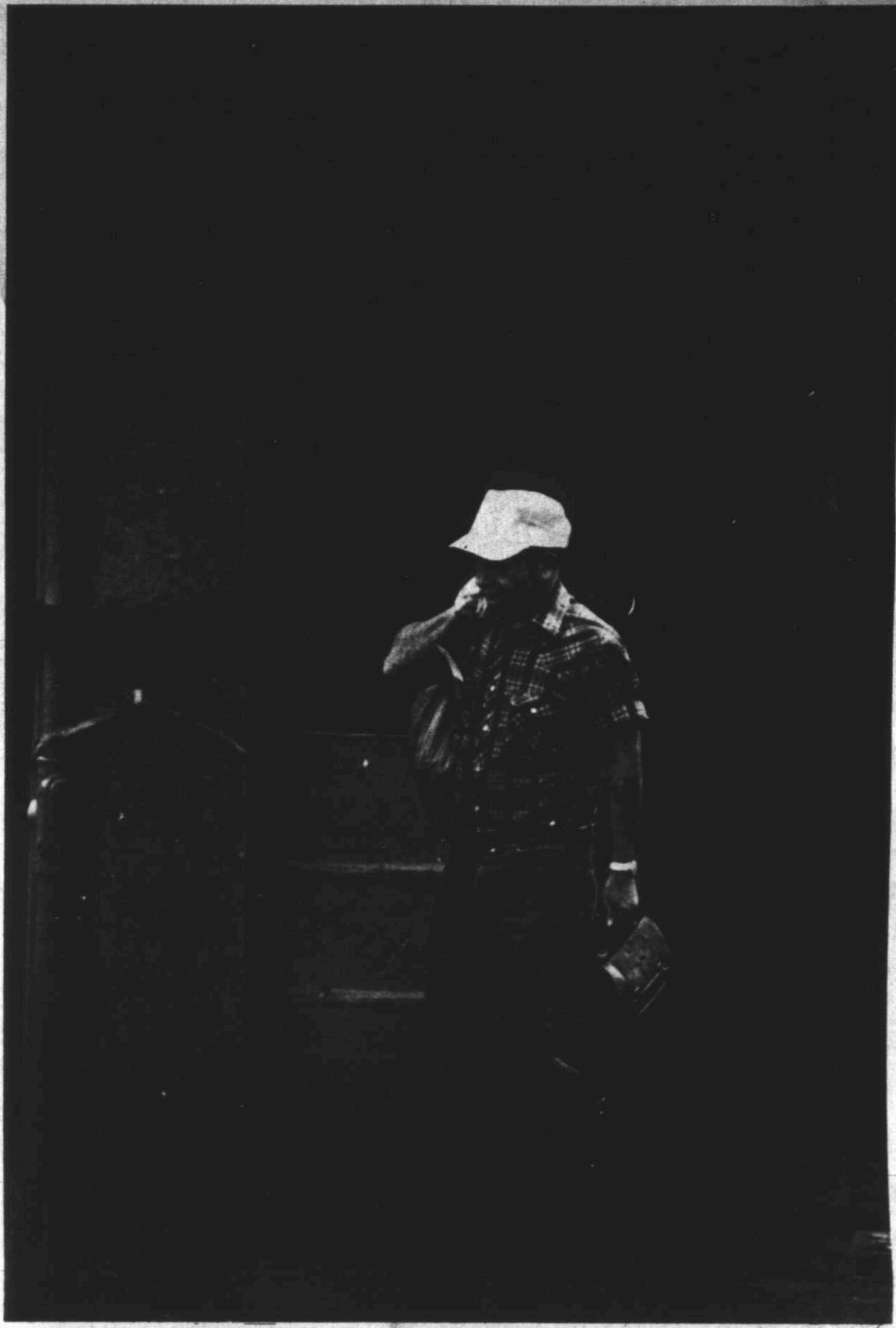
Disney officials and the union said they would make a joint announcement today to detail the vote and new contract, said union aide Carl Crosslan.

As of October 1981, when the first complaints were made by the costumed employees, they earned between \$4.10 and \$5.20 per hour.

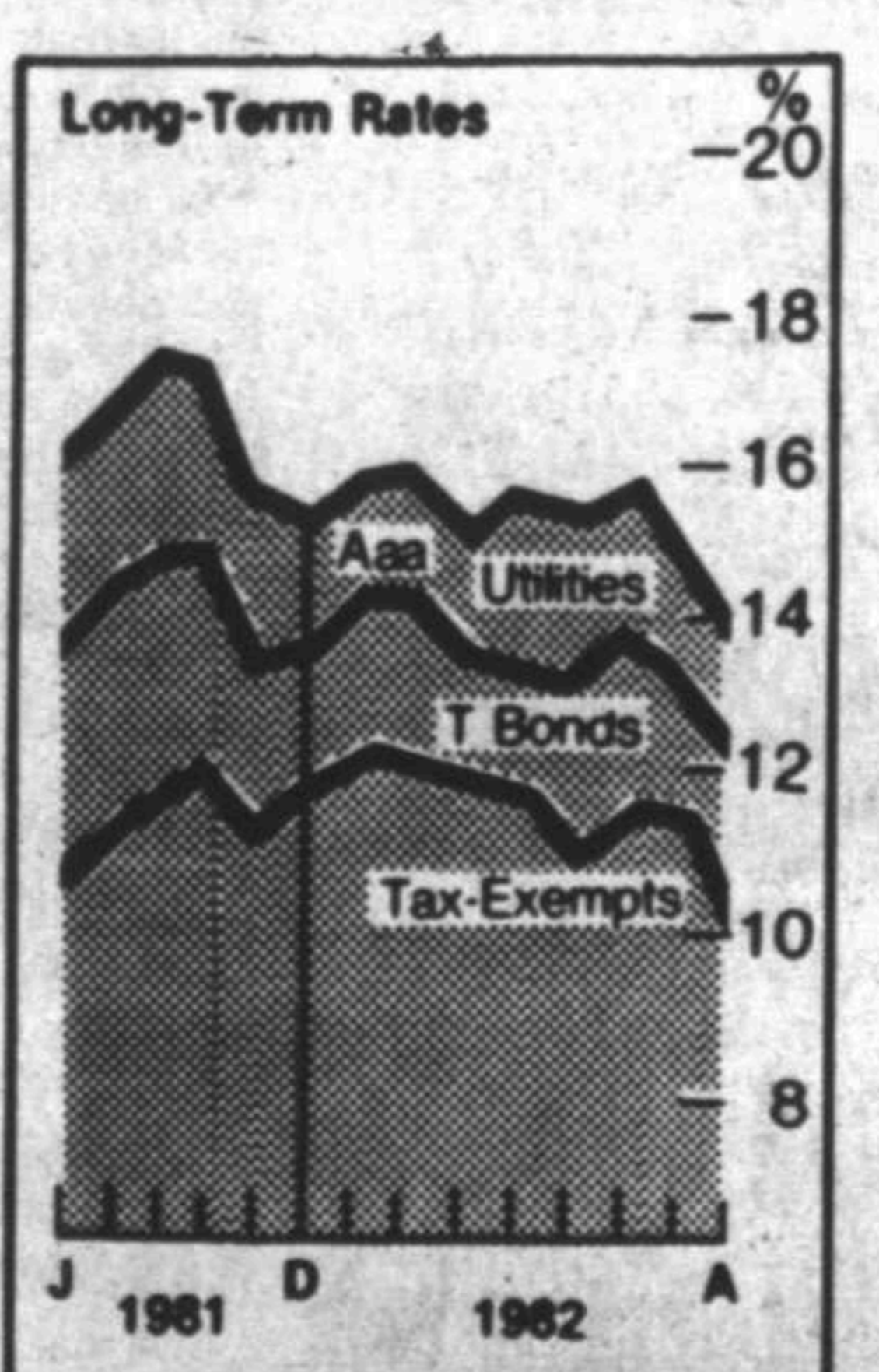
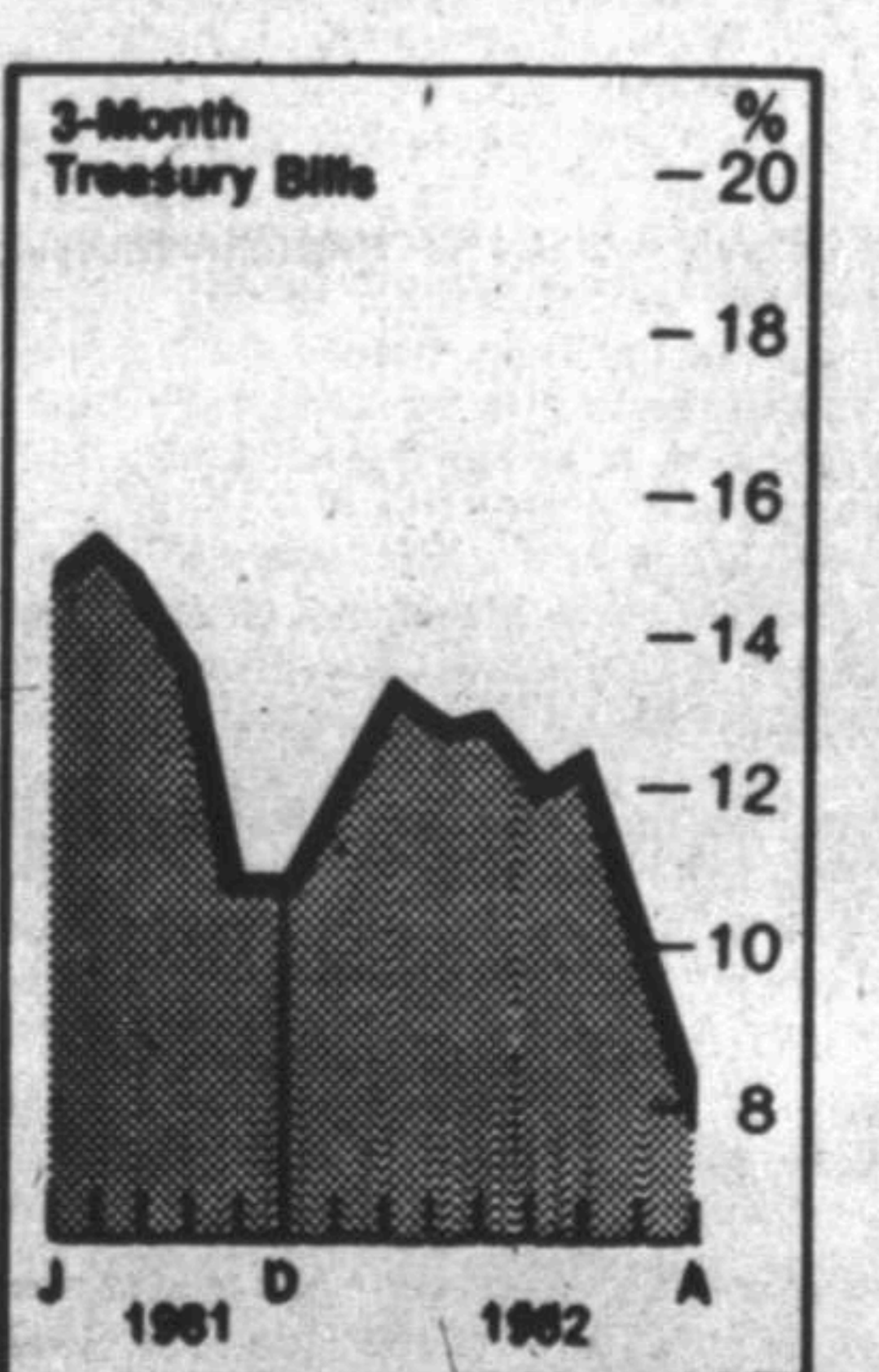
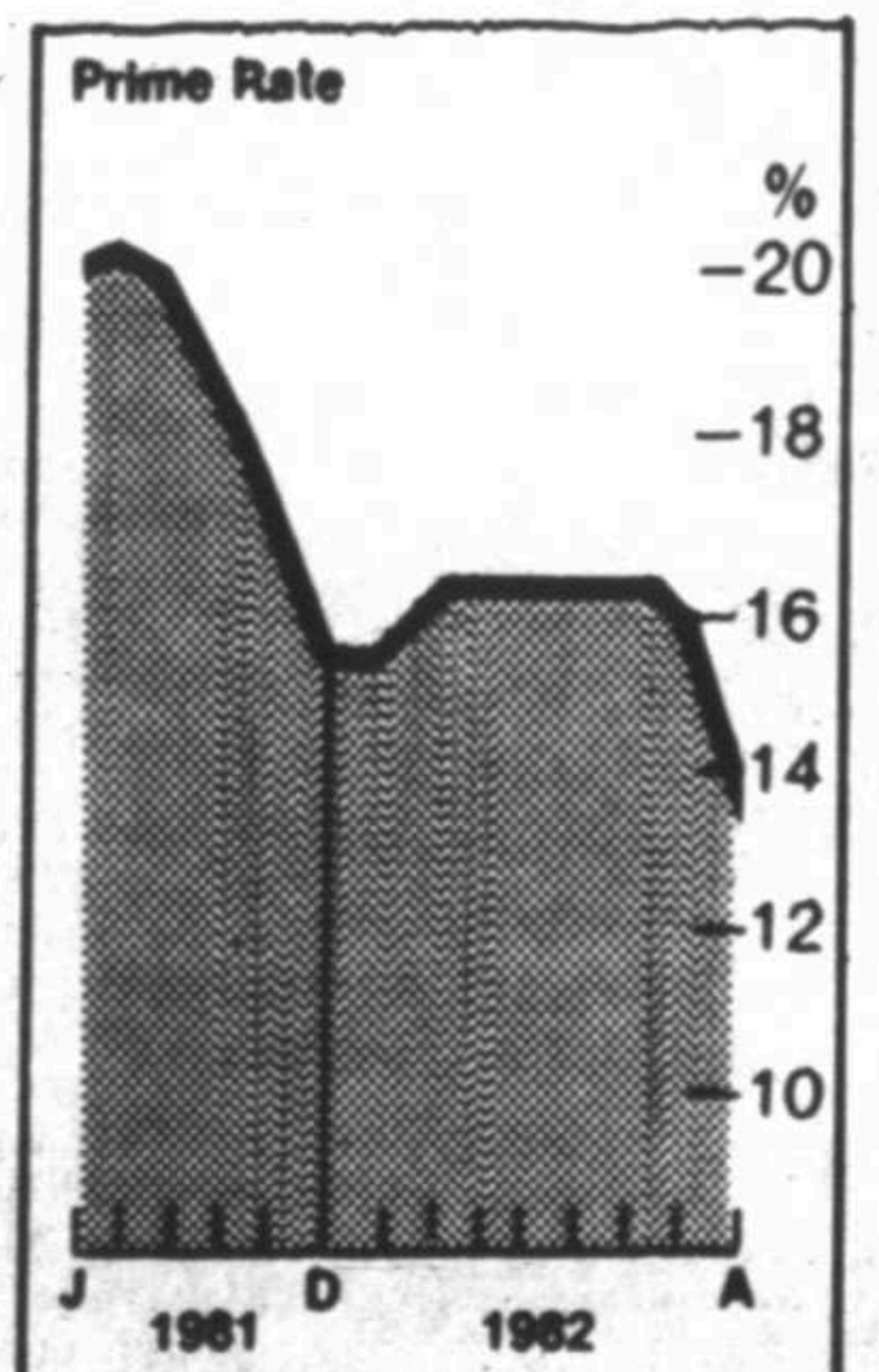
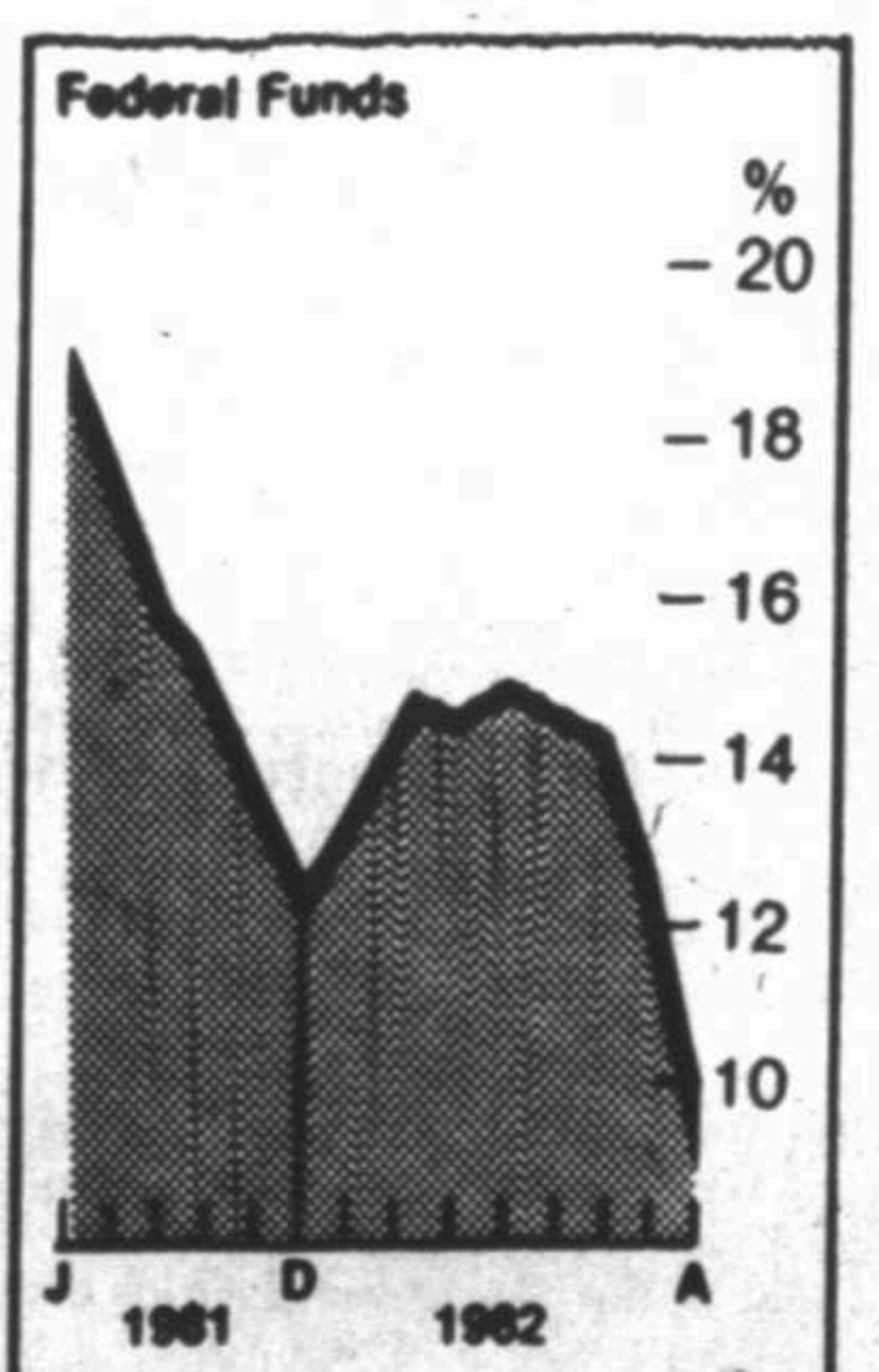
Workers had said they were sometimes kicked and heaped with verbal abuse by some park patrons. Among those who complained of such abuse were workers dressed as Mickey and Goofy.

After those complaints, Disney officials said the costumed employees remained anonymous and did not mingle as readily with patrons in order to protect themselves.

An estimated 10,000 to 13,000 employees work in Disney World. Ridgway said "many" workers in the amusement park are unionized, but was unsure what the percentage was.



An employee of Lone Star Steel, in Lone Star, Texas, leaves the plant Tuesday, after it was announced the plant would be closing, and as many as 4,000 East Texans would lose their jobs.



These charts show the decline in federal funds, prime rate, 3-month treasury bills, and long-term rates for the period of July 1981 through August 1982. Despite the declining rates, traders on the New York Stock Exchange Wednesday scrambled to join in the sudden resurgence of the market in the busiest day in history.

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