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## Warmth and light

A dichotomy of energy is evident in this scene of a West Texas sunset. As the sun takes its natural heating forces with it, the nighttime needs of the area are taken over by a man-made source — electricity flowing through Texas Electric Service Co. lines stretching in an endless line into the horizon.

## Poison scares endure

By The Associated Press

The product contamination scare, ballooning at the beginning of the nation's cold season, swept through as many as six states today with officials complaining of possible tampering of cold capsules, pain relievers and bananas.

On Florida's west coast, as many as 60 containers of powdered laxative were found to have been tampered with, and one outlet, Eckerd Drug Co., ordered a check on its laxative stock in 124 stores.

Eckerd Drug Co. spokesman Alex Radford said the search was a "precautionary measure." He said the stores were checking for any evidence of tampering with Metamucil laxative and would remove any suspect containers from the shelves.

No illnesses were reported in Florida, but federal health authorities and regional investigators were conducting tests on Metamucil, as well as one generic and one house brand of the product.

Also in Florida, Highlands County sheriff's officials advised area stores Tuesday to remove Tropicana brand fruit punch from their shelves after Carlene Afflick, of Avon Park, suffered minor mouth burns when she went to drink from a 10-ounce bottle of the beverage.

"We feel that it's an isolated incident. Possibly the bottle was contaminated after it left the store," Sgt. John King said.

He said the bottle, its contents smelling of acetone, would be sent to a state laboratory in Tampa for testing.

Officials at Tropicana Products Inc. in Bradenton had gone home for the day when The Associated Press attempted to reach them.

In Chicago, where the scare began nearly a month ago with the deaths of seven people from cyanide-poisoned Tylenol capsules, police searched Tuesday for a woman who lied about her identity after turning in an eighth bottle of cyanide-tainted Extra-Strength Tylenol.

Elsewhere, in Ephrata, Wash., druggists and grocery store owners returned Dristan capsules to their shelves Tuesday after tests on a suspicious bottle proved negative.

Ephrata Police Chief Sam Shifflett took a bottle of Dristan capsules to a crime lab in Spokane after a town resident brought him the bottle and said he suspected tampering.

## Reagan foresees slow, steady recovery

By JOSEPH KINGSBURY-SMITH  
National Editor, The Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Campaigning as hard for Republican congressional candidates as he did in 1980 to win the White House, President Reagan has been imploring the American people to "stay the course" with his economic recovery program.

What staying the course would mean for the average American has become a highly controversial issue in the final days of this year's electoral campaign.

In the president's view, staying the course will mean slow but steady progress toward sound economic

recovery with prosperity returning around 1985-86. It will mean keeping inflation down around 5 percent over the next few years. It will mean the additional 10 percent personal income tax cut next July. It will mean interest rates gradually dropping below the double digit level. It will eventually mean unemployment declining from the present 10 percent level to around 6 percent.

It will mean Americans will pay \$335 billion less in taxes through 1985 than if the 1980 tax rates still stood. It will mean that federal medical, nutrition and housing assistance to the poor will

be one-third higher in fiscal 1985 than it was in fiscal 1980. It will mean a decrease in the growth of federal spending to under 6 percent compared with 17 percent in 1980. It will mean stonger national security with a 6 percent annual growth in defense spending over the next five years.

In the opinion of Democrats and some congressional economists, it will mean little or none of these things.

It would, they contend, mean no sustained economic recovery. It would mean a federal deficit next fiscal year of \$175 billion and continuing deficits well in excess of \$100 billion a year.

This, they believe, would cause both inflation and interest rates to go up again.

Staying the course with the president's present program will, the Democrats predict, cause unemployment to go even higher — up to 11 or 12 percent over the next couple of years. It would, they insist, mean higher taxes for the average American and further cuts in welfare programs for the poor and the elderly. Reaganomics, they assert, is setting the stage not for recovery but for a depression.

During the current congressional recess, Rep. Henry S. Reuss, chairman

of the Joint Economic Committee, and one of the most highly respected Democrats in Congress, has been holding hearings on the economic outlook. He said signs of recovery under the president's program "are conspicuous by their absence."

Testifying before the committee, Michael K. Evans, president of Evans Economics and chief economist of McMahan, Brafman, Morgan & Co., said that while the economy will probably show "a modicum of strength in the next few months," the outlook for the future is "grim."

## Commissioner candidates 'amiable'

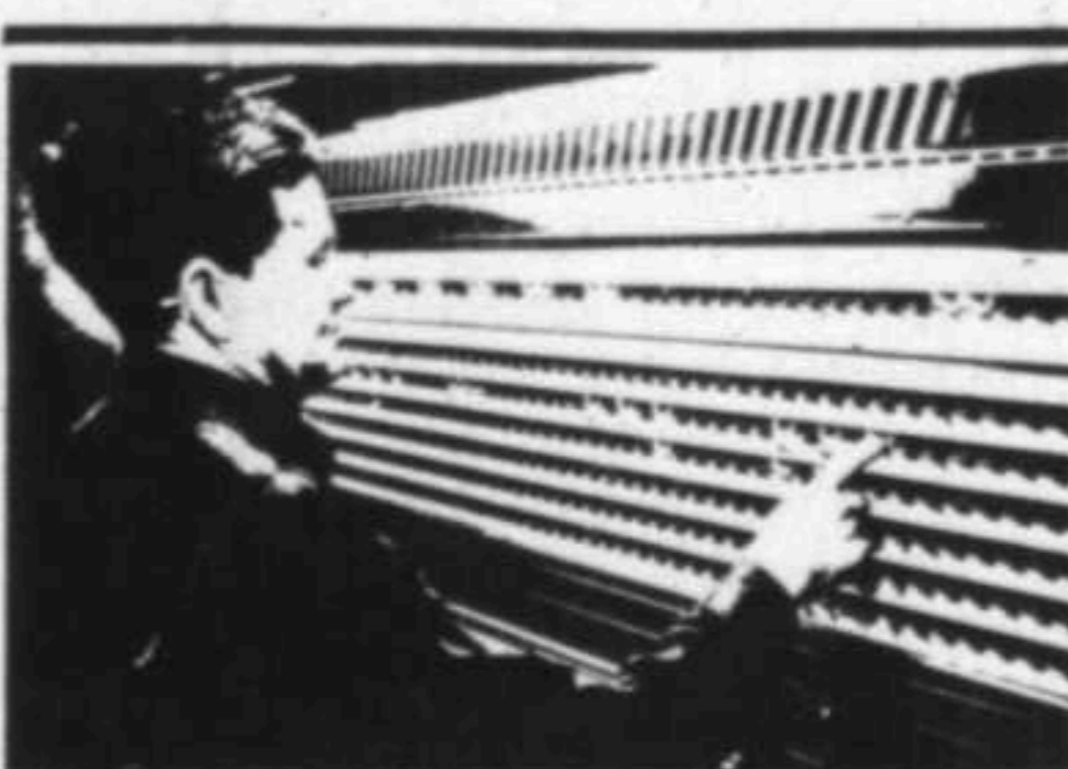
EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of an eight-part series examining the candidates and issues in Tuesday's election. Today's story deals with the race for commissioner of Precinct 2.

By ED TODD  
Staff Writer

Two amiable men who view each other as friends will be on opposing sides in Tuesday's general election when Republican C. Wallace "Wally" Craig challenges the incumbent, Democrat Charlie Welch, for commissioner of Precinct 2.

Both are conservative. "I don't want more government than I enjoy paying for," said Welch, 56, a farmer and former water-well driller, who is seeking re-election. He has held the post since 1969.

His forte has been urging relatively low taxes by matching budgets with the tax revenue and the natural



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growth factor in property valuation. "I think that we should look and see what our income is and then set the budget," said Welch, 56.

Craig, a 58-year-old real estate broker and former Midland public school trustee, said he is seeking the job,

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Charlie Welch



C. Wallace "Wally" Craig

## Plane crash victim, 42, dies in Lubbock hospital

From Staff and Wire Reports

A Baton Rouge, La., man burned over 70 percent of his body died in a Lubbock hospital Monday night, a month after the Louisiana Department of Corrections plane in which he was a passenger crashed and burned at the Warwick Apartments in north Midland.

Ken Hornsby, 42, a part-time employee of Louisiana Aircraft, was on board the plane Sept. 24 when it crashed on takeoff. According to Louisiana Department of Corrections officials, Hornsby was a friend of the plane's pilot and an unauthorized passenger.

The pilot, Alex Sheets, 56, also of Baton Rouge, was transferred to Baton Rouge General Hospital, where he

remains in fair condition, hospital officials said Tuesday.

All four people aboard the plane — Hornsby, Sheets and two prisoners who were returned to Louisiana earlier — suffered burns. Sheets was burned over 35 percent of his body.

A resident of the apartment complex, 20-year-old Randy Sellers, was also seriously injured with burns over 85 percent of his body. He remains in serious condition in Lubbock General's burn unit.

The two prisoners, Bernell Bell Jr. and George Gibbs, both 30, were transferred to Louisiana hospitals shortly after the crash.

Bell was picked up on violation of parole in Las Vegas and Gibbs on violation of probation in Martinez, Calif.

## Hearing won't halt asphalt plant operation

By LANA CUNNINGHAM  
Staff Writer

Scheduling of a public hearing on the permit exemption for an asphalt plant won't stop the facility from being fired up and operational in about two weeks, according to a spokesman for the company.

The permit exemption and the plant itself fall within legal guidelines, said Dick Moise, who is a spokesman for Petroplex Land and Development Co., Inc. And even the Texas Air Control Board has told the firm that the plant can be operated before the public hearing is held.

"There are two basic issues here," Moise said in looking at the plant whose installation on land east of County Road 1160 North has upset residents who live across the road in Skyview Addition.

Because of their objections, at its Oct. 19 meeting the City Council denied a temporary use permit that would allow the plant to operate for a specified period of time. And that, said Moise, may result in the opposite of what the residents wanted — a plant that will operate for as long as necessary.

In the eyes of the firm, "the city has no jurisdiction whatsoever" over the plant that is outside the city limits. And in the second place, "the Air Control Board does have jurisdiction."

LAND ON WHICH the plant sits is the northern edge of what used to be owned by Goodrich Hejl. When Hejl asked the city to annex his land, that parcel was included. But it was sold later to



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— Dick Moise

Petroplex and Moise said the firm asked that it be withdrawn from the annexation on Sept. 3. The City Council, though, in approv-

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### INSIDE TODAY

*'Ruler' retiring*

Communist diplomats report Soviet officials have told them that Andrei P. Kirilenko, a top man in the Kremlin, has retired from the ruling Politburo. — Page 2A

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Cloudy and cooler with a slight chance of showers. Details on Page 2A.

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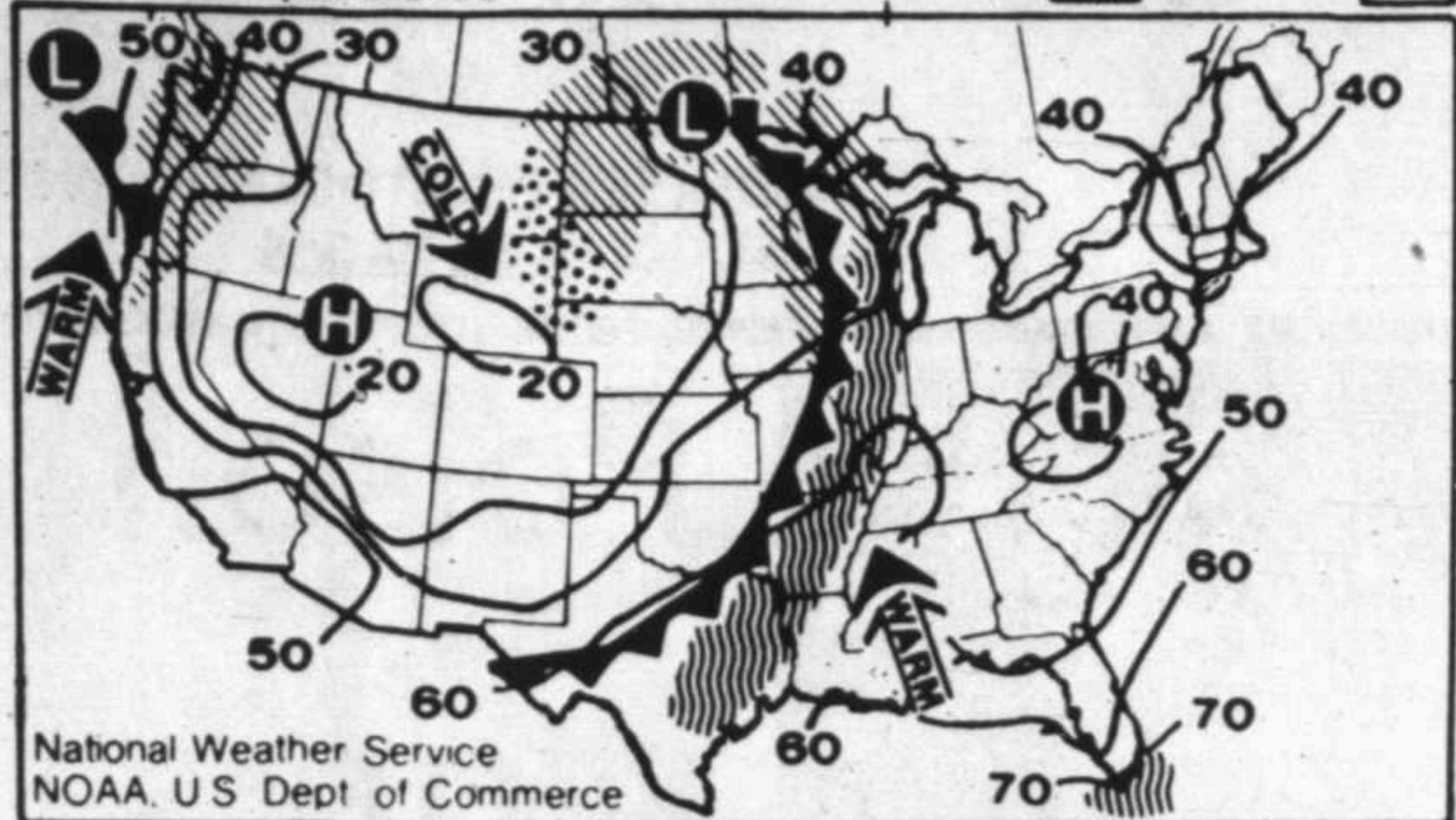
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# WEATHER SUMMARY

The Forecast For 8 a.m. EDT  
Thursday, October 28  
● Low Temperatures

Rain ☂ Snow ❄  
Showers ☂ Flurries ❄❄



National Weather Service  
NOAA, U.S. Dept. of Commerce

Showers from East Texas to the upper Great Lakes and Dakotas are forecast for Thursday by the National Weather Service. Snow is predicted for areas of the northern Plains, showers are on tap for the Northwest and temperatures are expected to be warm in the Southwest and cooler elsewhere.

## 20-degree drop in temperature likely

Blend together two cups (or days) of summerlike temperatures, a pinch of variable winds, a dusting of cloudy skies and a sprinkle of rain. Add a 20-degree drop in the temperature and you should have the recipe for autumn.

According to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport, Thursday's weather recipe calls for a 20-degree drop in temperatures Thursday with a 20 percent chance for showers tonight and Thursday.

Cloudy skies and cooler temperatures are expected to continue through Thursday with the low tonight dropping in the mid-40s. Thursday's high should nestle in the mid-60s. Northwesterly winds are expected to breeze through at 10-20 mph through Thursday.

Tuesday's high of 82 (although quite warm for fall) fell short of the record high of 90 set in 1950. The overnight low of 58 was warmer than the record low of 33 set in 1967.

## Midland statistics

Cloudy and cooler than Thursday with chance of showers. Low tonight mid-40s. High Thursday mid-60s. Northwesterly winds 10-20 mph.

### NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High 82 degrees  
Overnight Low 58 degrees  
Sunrise today 7:06 a.m.  
Sunset tomorrow 8:02 a.m.  
Precipitation: 0.00 inches  
Last 24 hours: 0.00 inches  
This month to date: 1.01 inches  
1982 to date: 12.63 inches

### LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 a.m.	54	6 p.m.	73
7 a.m.	55	7 p.m.	73
8 a.m.	55	8 p.m.	73
9 a.m.	55	9 p.m.	73
10 a.m.	55	10 p.m.	73
11 a.m.	55	11 p.m.	73
noon	56	midnight	73
1 p.m.	57	1 a.m.	72
2 p.m.	57	2 a.m.	71
3 p.m.	58	3 a.m.	70
4 p.m.	58	4 a.m.	69
5 p.m.	58	5 a.m.	68
6 a.m.	58	6 a.m.	68

### SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES

Albino	78	L	81
Denver	71	L	74
Amarillo	78	L	81
El Paso	86	L	89
FT. Worth	74	L	77
Houston	76	L	79
Lubbock	80	L	83
Marfa	85	L	88
Ola City	72	L	75
Wichita Falls	76	L	79

## The weather elsewhere

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

Albany	60	32	cr
Albuquerque	71	35	cr
Amarillo	78	51	cr
Anchorage	24	07	cr
Asheville	67	28	cr
Atlanta	75	46	cr
Atlantic City	58	43	cr
Austin	76	56	cr
Baltimore	65	36	cr
Birmingham	62	39	cr
Bismarck	67	30	cr
Boise	59	33	cr
Boston	54	40	cr
Brownsville	84	60	cr
Buffalo	61	34	cr
Burlington	67	29	cr
Butte	62	44	cr
Casper	62	44	cr
Charleston, S.C.	68	45	cr
Charleston, W.V.	69	30	cr
Charlotte, N.C.	67	37	cr
Chattanooga	64	43	cr
Cherone	64	33	cr
Chicago	64	33	cr
Cincinnati	65	36	cr
Cleveland	62	32	cr
Columbia, S.C.	70	32	cr
Columbus	64	31	cr
Dallas-Ft. Worth	74	52	cr
Dayton	64	35	cr
Denver	71	43	cr
Des Moines	67	51	cr
Detroit	66	31	cr
Des Moines	67	51	cr
El Paso	86	89	cr
El Paso	86	89	cr
Fairbanks	62	02	cr
Fargo	62	02	cr
Flagstaff	52	36	cr
Grand Rapids	65	40	cr
Hartford	60	30	cr

# Search continues for Irish militiaman

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Helicopters criss-crossed the rainswept hills of South Armagh on Tuesday searching for the body of a Protestant militiaman kidnapped by the IRA four days ago.

The Provisional Irish Republican Army said Monday night that it had executed part-time Ulster Defense Regiment soldier Thomas Cochrane, 55, for what it called "serious crimes against the nationalist population."

Roman Catholic Joseph Donegan, 48, was kidnapped Friday night by Protestant extremists who demanded Cochrane's release. They bludgeoned Donegan to death and left his body in Protestant east Belfast, where it was found Monday, hours after the deadline for Cochrane's release.

A second Catholic, Peter Corrigan, was slain by Protestant extremists in an Armagh street Monday, apparently in retaliation for Cochrane's abduction.

A death threat from Catholic extremists on Tuesday kept Protestant gravediggers away from the city cemetery where Donegan was to be buried Wednesday.

The threat, telephoned to a Belfast newspaper, said any Protestant gravediggers at the cemetery — a non-denominational graveyard in staunchly Catholic west Beirut — would be shot. The caller gave no time limit for the threat, but police officials said they believe the threat is mainly directed at Donegan's burial.

In South Armagh along the border with the Irish republic, 1,000 troops and police hunted for Cochrane. The guerrillas said they would disclose the location of his body when troops withdrew from the border zone.

The search of 60 square miles of rugged countryside centered on the village of Crossmaglen, an IRA stronghold. Police in the Irish republic also continued a large-scale hunt, but no trace was found of Cochrane.

A police spokesman said: "Despite the IRA claim, we hope he's still alive. But as time goes on, that hope is rapidly fading."

The sectarian divide was bridged by grief Tuesday when the Protestant Cochrane family placed notices in both Belfast newspapers expressing sympathy for the Catholic Donegans saying "our thoughts are with you at this time," seriously. We've had to move Protestant personnel to other areas. This will mean an inevitable delay in burials in Belfast."

The threat against the gravediggers reflected the fear gripping the city after the slayings and kidnapping.

Nine Protestants and Catholics have been killed in retaliatory murders in the last month, the worst sectarian tally for more than two years. The death toll so far in 1982, the 13th year of Catholic-Protestant violence, is 58 — not counting Cochrane.

The latest violence coincided with the election last week of a new 78-member Provincial Assembly. Hardliners on both sides made gains, underlining the hatred and divisions prevailing in the British province after 13 years of bloodshed.

Gerry Fitt, independent socialist member of the British Parliament for west Belfast, and a Catholic, said Tuesday the election of five leaders of the IRA's legal political front, Sinn Fein, proved that "the people of Northern Ireland are not peace-loving."

Fitt, a longtime opponent of the almost exclusively Catholic IRA, said the election had put the province "on the road to terrible tragedy."

Despite the setback at the polls for British hopes of getting majority Protestants to share power with minority Catholics, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said in the House of Commons Tuesday that the assembly must go ahead.



Weeping at their father's funeral in Belfast are Brieger, left, and Joanie Donegan. Donegan was found bludgeoned to death Monday after he had been kidnapped by Protestant extremists.

# Public hearing won't halt operation of asphalt plant, spokesman says

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ing annexation of nine square miles on first reading at the Aug. 24 meeting, didn't exclude any area from the ordinance. Final reading will come at its Nov. 2 reading.

Moise contended that "had we agreed to annexation of the jurisdiction, the city could have total jurisdiction over the plant."

And had the council issued a specific use permit for Petroplex to operate its plant, the time limit might have been set for one to two years, he added.

"The city staff had recommended it be approved on a one-year basis," Moise said, pointing to a proposal from Richard Hennessey, director of planning and community development.

That recommendation calls for the permit for one year if the plant operates only from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, that the site plan of the land on which the plant is located is submitted prior to a City Council meeting and that the property be used only for the functions absolutely necessary for operating the plant.

AS IT NOW STANDS, Moise contends, the city has no control or jurisdiction over that plant, although the TACB does. "Any time we violate any of the requirements, they can shut it (the plant) down. The TACB has total control over the requirements we have to meet."

Turning to the residents' complaints that dust from the plant

would kill plants and flowers, Moise said if that happens he agrees the plant should be shut down.

The TACB did not grant the permit exemption by only reading the application, he said. Some Skyview residents alleged that Petroplex had purposely listed some wrong figures and information on the application, but Moise denied the charge. "That's not the case," he explained. "The TACB went to Alabama and inspected this plant while it was still in operation. They went to the site of the future plant here and were not worried. They didn't go to Alabama for the heck of it. They did a lot more work than just look at the application."

The TACB has told Petroplex it can start operating the plant. "They say it has no bearing on the hearing."

The hearing, he said, was set up "to show we do meet the requirements. It's not to take testimony from crying residents."

Looking back at the last council meeting in which Skyview residents charged the company had committed a "flagrant violation" by continuing to put up the plant after the City Council had approved a resolution that would stop construction in the area being considered for annexation.

"WE'VE NEVER stopped construction," said Moise on Monday, going back to his first contention that the city has no jurisdiction over that tract. Construction has continued on other projects in the area, he said, and the city has taken no action to suspend work. Moise contended the plant is

needed for several major construction projects and also to supply asphalt to other builders.

"We've been contacted by a number of people who want asphalt immediately. There's a definite lack of asphalt in Midland," he explained.

Site for the plant was selected because "the land was available to Petroplex, it was a good location geographically and it was economical. Most of the asphalt is going to our own projects and the Loop Road has nothing to do with it," he said of some allegations the plant was going in to supply asphalt for the Loop Road extension to the north.

Instead, the asphalt will be flowing to Western Highlands west of Midland Drive and near Holiday Hill Road, Vista West between Garfield and Midkiff and north of Loop 250, Quail Ridge, a trailer park on CR 1162 and Highway 80, and Fairgrounds Addition.

Goodrich Hejl still owns much of the land south of the plant and plans to develop it into housing. At some point in that development, the plant will become incompatible with the area and it will be shut down.

On the other hand, Moise noted, "Midland may not grow that way eastward for years."

And while he first listed the time limit as two to three years for operating the plant, he later said it could be there longer.

Turning to the residents' objections about the plant polluting the environment, Moise added, "It's not a chemical plant or an oil refinery."

# Kremlin's top man soon to retire from Politburo

MOSCOW (AP) — Communist diplomats report Soviet officials have told them that Andrei P. Kirilenko, a top man in the Kremlin who once had been considered a possible successor to President Leonid I. Brezhnev, has retired from the ruling Politburo.

The diplomats, who refused to be identified by name or nationality, said they have been told that Kirilenko's retirement will be officially announced next month when the party Central Committee is expected to hold a plenary session.

Kirilenko, 76, ran Soviet heavy industry and oversaw the Communist Party organization. Kirilenko had been considered a prime contender to succeed Brezhnev until reports early this year that his health was declining.

Konstantin U. Chernenko, 71, and Yuri V. Andropov, 68, have been considered the other strong contenders. Chernenko is a close Brezhnev aide and Andropov the former head of the KGB, the Soviet secret police agency.

# County Commissioner candidates have much in common

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which means ousting Welch, out of a sense of duty to his community.

"I like to be a part of the community," he said, "and continue to do what I can for its well being and growth."

THE COMMISSIONER'S job has particular appeal to him: "Helping to cause orderly growth in the county."

"I obviously feel that my background will lend itself to a successful" tenure on the court, Craig said.

In addition to serving on the Midland Independent School District's board of trustees from 1970 to 1976, Craig, like Welch, serves on the Midland County Appraisal District's board of directors. He served on the school board ("It was rewarding, certainly; frustrating, certainly") without pay and said he would do the same on the Commissioners' Court, but "it happens to have a paycheck (\$23,652 in 1983) attached."

# Direct talks on Mideast expected soon

The Los Angeles Times  
Washington Post News Service

WASHINGTON — The State Department, encouraged by special envoy Morris Draper's quick recovery from an illness, said Tuesday it still expects Israel and Lebanon to begin direct talks within the next few days on withdrawal of foreign forces from Lebanon and creation of security arrangements near Israel's northern border.

Department spokesman John Hughes said Draper, who suffered a kidney ailment in London on Monday while en route to the Middle East, is "on the mend" and is expected to resume his trip to the region by the weekend.

On Monday, reporters who accompanied Secretary of State George P. Shultz to Canada were told that, following recent meetings here with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and

Lebanese President Amin Gemayel, the two governments have agreed to start negotiations, with U.S. participation, on specific measures for getting foreign forces out of Lebanon.

However, Hughes cautioned Tuesday that these "specifics" still must be worked out and that much bargaining lies ahead to achieve "a detailed operational plan of withdrawal."

He noted that a mechanism for negotiations already exists in the contacts that have been established between the Lebanese army and Israeli military liaison groups in Lebanon. "Now it's up to Israel and Lebanon, once Draper gets there, to decide how to follow up," Hughes said.

"Right now, everybody seems to be on their first positions," he noted in stressing that the talks are in a very preliminary stage.

Israel has insisted that Palestine Lib-

eration Organization fighters in northern Lebanon must leave the country and that a security zone be established in southern Lebanon before it will agree to simultaneous withdrawals of its forces and those of Syria. Lebanon, while calling for the Israelis to leave, has been reluctant to commit itself to any conditions.

Other U.S. officials said privately that the administration has worked out several tentative negotiating proposals and has instructed Draper to watch how the talks go and then formulate specific ideas for overcoming any snags he detects. In that way, these officials said, a concrete U.S. plan should evolve over the next few weeks.

Hughes also acknowledged that there is no agreement at this time on drawing Syria into the talks, even indirectly.

haven't the latitude of city governments. He did point to the county's ordinance which somewhat regulates housing subdivisions and streets. "That ordinance was long in coming, but it's not comprehensive enough."

One of the commissioners court's essential functions is, when possible, being cooperative with other governing bodies and the citizenry.

"It certainly doesn't mean being somebody's puppet," he said. "I have never been a puppet and never will be. I'm too independent."

KEEPING TAXES down to a minimum and still serving the people's needs have been Welch's forte in his years on the Commissioners' Court, he said.

While on the court, Welch has contended that the budget should be responsibly drawn up so that from year to year the budget will not rule the tax rate. "No budget should exceed that (percentage of increase in the growth factor)," Welch said, but his proposal "failed to fly." The commissioner had argued for limiting the 1983 budget to about a 9 percent increase. Instead, his stand was overruled and the court allowed a 20 percent budget increase, which called for a hike in the tax rate.

"We could have had a 9 percent growth with no tax increase," he said. The tax rate was increased to 18.03 cents per \$100 valuation at 100 percent of the fair market value.

Mainly, Welch fears that higher and higher taxes could inhibit homeownership.

"I think homeownership in America is almost a God-given right," Welch said. "When taxes are increased, they can make it impossible to own a home."

"We've tried to keep taxes low, tried to help homeownership flourish. We've done something to try to make homeownership possible," he said in pointing to the county's multi-million-dollar housing bond issues, which allowed home loans at lower interest rates than the prime rate.

"Those are the two culprits to home ownership," Welch said, "and we have attacked them both head-on."

Welch also voted in favor of raising the homestead exemption from \$10,000 to \$20,000 for people age 65 and older.

ANOTHER cause which Welch has voiced and fought for is that of clean water — water not polluted by man's waste and carelessness.

"I think it is very important that we protect the underground water in Texas and in Midland in particular. I think we can't tolerate pollution of any kind to the underground aquifer."

Welch built up his notoriety with the city of Midland by attacking the city's techniques and procedures in handling its waste water.

Welch held that the effluent was seeping into the water table and polluting water along Midland Draw and in the Greenwood community. He warned that sewage overflow was running into the streets on the city's east side, which is part of his precinct that runs from northeast Midland to the eastern part of the county.

The city has addressed its effluent problems but suggested it could have done so without Welch's prodding.

Welch, who has billed himself as a full-time commissioner, said that his job in representing the people is paramount.

"I PUT THIS job first, and my wife (Eileen) understands that, and whether or not we get kicked off the farm, my job comes first." His reference was to his loss of a lease to farm along Midland Draw after the city purchased farm land Welch was leasing and did not opt to renew his contract.

On the issue of increasing and strengthening ordinances, Welch said he was against too much rule.

"I hate to take choices from people with regulatory powers," he said. "They (the Texas legislators) haven't seen fit to grant us ordinance-making

powers."

On the expanding county government and facilities, Welch said he is in favor of a cost-free library building, cost-free courthouse annex, and "I think the jail-courthouse addition needs to be studied." The latter would call for an \$8.6 million bond issue, while the county is working out other revenue and industrial bond arrangements to get the library and annex at no cost to the taxpayers.

In another cost-cutting measure, Welch is suggesting that the state of Texas build regional jails for housing people accused of committing felony-level offenses. With that, the state and not the county would pay for all court-related expenses pertaining to felonies. The county, then, would be responsible for misdemeanor and other county-level offenses, he said.

"There's a state prison," he said. "Let the state build regional jails."

Welch's opponent noted earlier this year that he had supported Welch for re-election in times past, and Welch said that he appreciated that support from his friend.

Their votes will conflict this time. "We'll end up friends," Craig said. "It's my intentions to, and I believe it's his, too."

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## Veteran economics correspondent sees reason for optimism

By DAVID C. SODAMANN  
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Despite gloomy statistics, there are many promising, optimistic aspects to the economy, a veteran television newsman told members of the Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin Tuesday evening.

Quoting former Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, Irving R. Levine said, "I think the heart of America is sound. I think the conscience of America is bright. And I think the future of America is great. I think that applies to our economy as well."

Levine, NBC-TV news economic affairs correspondent, made his remarks during the BBB's Better Book Banquet. The banquet was in celebration of the beginning of a unique BBB project, the publication of The Better Book, a directory of BBB member business in the Permian Basin region.

"There are mixed signals. It is hard to interpret where we are," Levine said.

There are many unfavorable signals, he pointed out: unemployment is high, only 69 percent of industrial capacity is at work, the auto industry is in a depression-like condition.

"On the other hand, there is a good deal of promising statistics, a good deal of promising developments," Levine said.

Interest rates have declined from 21 to 11.5 percent. Housing starts have increased. The Gross National Product statistic suggests recovery may be on the way.

"We have evidence, embryonic perhaps, but nevertheless evidence, of the worst being behind us."

Citing recent trends in the stock market, Levine said, "The financial community ... is feeling some confidence, long overdue, long postponed, in the economic outlook."

Levine, who regularly reports on the economic policies of President Ronald Reagan's administration, analyzed those policies for his audience.

"Clearly the Reagan economic program has fallen short of the claims made for it. I think it must be pointed out that the program never was really given a full opportunity to work."

"Reaganomics is based on four legs," Levine explained. "First, less government spending. The second leg of the program was lower taxes. The third leg — and this is certainly the area in which perhaps the most progress has been made, and least recognized — is in the area of regulation. The fourth leg of the program was to advocate

steady, restrained growth of the money supply.

"Restrained growth of the money supply," Levine said, "has been perhaps the most consistently pursued aspect of Reaganomics, largely due to the efforts of Paul Volker, chairman of the Federal Reserve. A man much maligned, much criticized, but a man, in my mind, totally dedicated and totally steadfast in his determination to

bring down the inflation rate. "And nevertheless, even in the face of all kinds of criticism, and even abuse, he has stuck largely to that course, even though it has brought about recession pains and the high interest rates that were involved."

Elaborating on Reagan's economic program, Levine said, "In terms of spending cuts, they were not as large as were needed, or as large as President Reagan proposed."

"The Congress was unwilling to face up to the constituencies benefitting from the entitlement programs and unwilling to face up to the necessity to bring these cost of living increases and these entitlements under control."

"As far as the tax cut program was concerned, in order to get the tax cut through Congress, President Reagan had to make concessions that diluted and distorted the results," Levine said.

"That is," he explained, "in order to get the votes from various constituencies around the country, the President appealed to various groups of congressmen and congresswomen and in each case, in order to solicit their votes, he agreed to add certain goodies to the tax bill."

"As a result, the tax bill was cut through and through until the size of the tax cut far exceeded the spending cuts and the net result was the growing budget deficits."

Levine said, "Another result of the excessive tax cuts ... was straying from the philosophy that tax cuts should be

concentrated on incentives for business, in order to provide the kind of supply-side thrust that lay behind Reaganomics. The tax cut — excessive — led to the embarrassment which President Reagan had to endure, of finally supporting this last July of a tax increase ... only one year after the tax cut which he so ardently sought."

Answering the rhetorical question, "Where are we now?" Levine remarked, "It seems to me that while there are a good many negative signs, we are seeing very convincing signs of economic recovery. And it seems to me there is reason for optimism in a number of areas."

"One, the reduction in the inflation rate. This provides individuals with greater purchasing power. It provides individuals and businesses with a degree of confidence which previously had been lacking."

"And it seems to me," Levine said, "that this lends the greatest promise for the consumer lead recovery, which administration strategists are counting on actually taking place."

"Another cause for optimism lies in the reduction in the interest rates," Levine said.

"Until now, regardless of the enormous tax incentives that were in place for business investment, one of the great disappointments to the Reagan administration was that dearth of business investment."

"But it was understandable," said Levine. "Businesses which might have

wanted to invest ... were unwilling to do so at the high interest rates which prevailed."

"And firms which were very liquid, in the sense that they had a good deal of cash on hand, found that they could gain more by investing that money in money market funds and other instruments, rather than taking the risk of capital investment."

"There is yet another, it seems to me, reason for optimism," Levine said. "And that lies in an aspect of the Reagan economic program for which there are not monthly statistics. It is the philosophy that underlies the Reagan program of giving greater latitude to private industry. Of recognizing the inventiveness, the innovativeness, the energy, the willingness to take risk, that has so characterized the private sector in this country."

"In making the word profit a respectable word, and not one, which in previous administrations, was kind of a hyphenated word, preceded by the word obscene."

"It is a philosophy which recognizes the adaptability displayed by the private sector in this country in adjusting to the new energy realities."

"So it seems to me," Levine concluded, "in recognizing the past economic history of this country — problems have often been solved by the private sector rather than by the government — that Reaganomics holds cause for optimism in the economic outlook."



Irving R. Levine

## Midland, Odessa firms honored with BBB awards

Kelly-Moore Paint Co. Inc., Midland, and Webb Camper Center, Odessa, were presented Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin "Exceptional Business Awards" during the Better Book Banquet Tuesday evening at Midland Center.

The awards were given "in recognition of their dedication to providing their customers and the community with outstanding service," said J. Edwin Brecht, dean, college of management, UTPB, who presented the awards.

Brecht said the Kelly-Moore Com-

pany is, "not only cordial and willing to spend money and time with their customers, but with non-customers too."

Webb Camper Center contributes much to the community, Brecht said. One of the things this firm does, he explained, is, on election day, help provide transportation to those people unable to get to the polls on their own.

"These firms have reached that delicate balance between community service responsibilities and also keeping income coming in, so they do not, in a very real way, kill the goose that is going to lay the golden egg for all of us," Brecht said.



Lee Webb, owner of Webb Camper Center, Odessa, and his daughter-in-law Susan Webb (above) are presented an "Exceptional Business Award" during the Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin's Better Book Banquet at Midland Center Tuesday evening.

Candel Quintana (below), manager of the Kelly-Moore Paint Co. store in Midland receives the "Exceptional Business Award" presented his business.

## BBB has image problem, president says

By VINCE GIORGI  
Staff Writer

The Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin has an image problem.

Linda Truitt, BBB president, wonders aloud whether area consumers and business people even know where the Bureau is located, let alone what it does. She wonders whether people picture the BBB as a group of legal vigilantes out to skewer unscrupulous business people, or perhaps a bank of harried telephone operators, listening sympathetically to consumer complaints.

"You say the TV repairman returned your set — minus the picture tube?"

"Your car went to the garage with a tiny ping, but the mechanic tells you it's time to make funeral arrangements?"

"You say you brought Spike to the veterinarian to be neutered and he came back a her?"

With hopes of making itself known and putting a polish on its image, the BBB kicked off a spit-shine, informational campaign with the first annual Better Book Banquet Tuesday night at Midland Center.

FEATURED SPEAKER at the banquet was Irving R. Levine, NBC-TV's chief economic correspondent. Ceremonies also included presentation of the BBB's inaugural "Exceptional Business Award" to Kelly-Moore Paint Co., Midland, and Webb Camper Center, Odessa, companies selected from about 50 nominees.

Ms. Truitt said Tuesday's banquet marked the start of a campaign to make consumers, BBB-member businesses and potential member businesses aware of the services and resources

available through the BBB.

Meanwhile, the BBB will be looking for means to increase and improve the services it provides, she said.

Ms. Truitt emphasized that the BBB provides many services to its member businesses and is not solely a sounding board for consumer complaints.

"They (businesses) need to realize that the complaint handling department is not just for individuals," she said. "We can help businesses with their problems just as much as we can an individual."

The "Exceptional Business Award," based largely on comments the BBB receives from consumers, will be presented annually by a panel of business educators, Ms. Truitt said.

"WE JUST WANTED to make everybody aware that most of the business community is ethical and tries to take care of their customers," she said.

She said the BBB offers background information on thousands of companies both locally and nationally, a valuable service for a firm looking to do business with another, unfamiliar company.

Internally, the BBB is re-ordering its filing system so that member businesses can be easily identified when inquiring businesses and consumers call for information.

Ms. Truitt said the BBB receives about 10-15 phone calls an hour, the majority coming from consumers or businesses seeking information about a particular firm.

The BBB also will sponsor a series of seminars for area businesses, beginning with a session explaining the Consumer Protection Act at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin Nov. 4.

Also, Ms. Truitt said the BBB will soon offer a group insurance plan to

members with fewer than 25 employees.

The Permian Basin BBB now has about 1,300 members in a 16-county area that includes Big Spring, Odessa and Midland. Ms. Truitt said the BBB is hoping to attract new members with its activities.

SHE SAID THE BBB also has planned projects that should benefit both businesses and consumers.

The Better Book, a phone directory of BBB-member businesses, should be published and distributed by February 1983, according to Ms. Truitt. In addition to listing members alphabetically and by business categories, the book will contain consumer business tips, information about the BBB and mem-



Linda Truitt

ber advertisements.

Ms. Truitt said the Better Book will be the first directory of its kind and she expects other bureaus across the nation to follow the Permian Basin BBB's lead.

She stressed that while consumers can't expect a BBB guarantee of members' products and services listed, members do agree to abide by a general code of good business conduct and to work with BBB officials on resolving consumer complaints.

About 100,000 directories will be distributed free to people in the Midland, Odessa and Big Spring area, she said.

IN THE FUTURE, Ms. Truitt said the BBB would like to expand its staff — presently five full-time and two part-time workers — and move from its offices at Midland Regional Airport to its own building.

She said the BBB hopes to add additional phone lines to handle inquiries and complaints and incorporate a program of tape-recorded consumer tips into its operation.

On Sept. 15, the national BBB and General Motors instituted an agreement that will automatically allow an independent arbiter to settle disputes between consumers and GM concerning factory defects in the company's automobiles.

Ms. Truitt said the Permian Basin BBB hopes to negotiate similar agreements with some area businesses, and is already working on such an arrangement with the local Independent Garagemen's Association.

"The Bureau itself hasn't been very much in the limelight," she said. "I decided we needed to change that around. The services we provide are very important, very vital. We're just not going to be low-key any longer."

## Gas prices protested

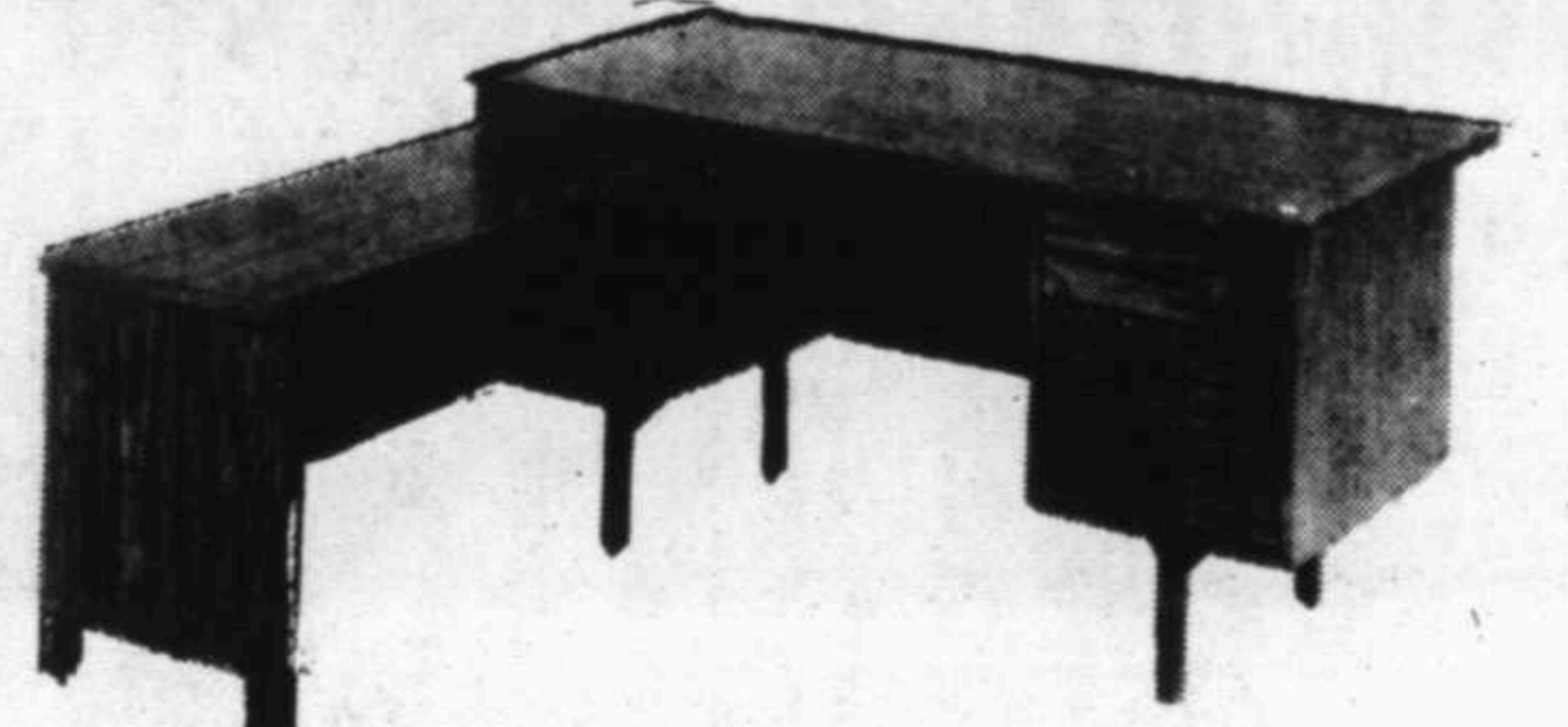
KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Protesters upset over natural gas prices were evicted from the American Gas Association's conference after two dozen demonstrators barged into the meeting and fired questions at a federal energy official.

One person was injured during a scuffle between protesters and private security guards that broke out as Oliver G. Richard III of the federal Energy Regulatory Commission began his speech.

An association spokesman charged the protesters with deliberately provoking a confrontation.

"We're a little disappointed," said Carl Ericson. "We don't feel they had to create an artificial situation. We had explained to them that the session would be closed and that we would be happy to meet them that Y44 OAPP

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## Stock market rallies

NEW YORK (AP) — Blue-chip stocks rallied in heavy trading late Tuesday to lift the Dow Jones industrial average back above the 1,000 mark and help the market overall trim its near-record losses of a day earlier.

A rumor that the Federal Reserve Board was about to cut its discount rate from 9.5 percent did not materialize, but also added temporary support for stocks, analysts said.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which tumbled 36.33 points Monday and was off more than 14 points early Tuesday, recovered to close up 10.94 at 1,006.07.

Stocks included in the average that gained included International Business Machines 2 to 82, Eastman Kodak 1 1/2 to 90, Texaco 3/4 to 31 1/2 and Sears Roebuck 1/4 to 27 1/4.

But U.S. Steel tumbled 1/2 to 19 after reporting a third-quarter loss of \$82 million and cutting its quarterly dividend — news that momentarily stalled the market's rally, analysts said.

The Dow Jones transportation and utility measures also fell and losers led gainers 3 to 2 among all New York Stock Exchange-listed issues. But the ratio was 5-1 in favor of declines early in the session.

Big Board volume totaled 102.08 million shares, against 83.72 million in the previous session.

The NYSE composite index rose 0.46 to 77.11.

At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was down 1.62 at 314.80.

The drop in the Dow Jones industrial average Monday was the measure's largest daily decline since it plummeted a record 38.33 points on Oct. 28, 1929 in the Great Crash of that year.

Because that calamitous decline occurred from a much lower starting point, however, it was about three times as great as Monday's on a percentage basis.

Monday's selloff still erased more than \$50 billion from the market's value, a drop ascribed to investors' fear that the Federal Reserve had stopped encouraging interest rates to fall.

But "there's still a lot of money that missed this market (rally) almost entirely," said Eldon A. Grimm, senior vice president of Birn, Wilson & Co. He said Tuesday's rally "showed some real demand came in and that money is still there by any stock's."

Also, Monday's volume was encouraging despite the selloff because it "showed an absence of major blocks" traded by institutions, indicating "the tone of the market is still good," said Jacques S. Theriot, senior vice president of Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

Exxon, up 1/4 to 30, led the NYSE's active list with turnover of 3.5 million shares. Separate 1 million-share blocks were traded at 29 1/2 and 29 3/4, respectively.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joseph R. McCarthy, a senator who made it into the dictionary, has been dead for a quarter of a century, but the word his name gave rise to keeps cropping up in the 1982 political year.

When Sen. Jeremiah Denton, R-Ala., took to the Senate floor to denounce an organization called Peace Links, senator after senator invoked the spectre of McCarthy or "McCarthyism."

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In 1954, the Senate condemned McCarthy for "contemptuous" conduct toward a subcommittee that had investigated his finances in 1952 and for abuse of a committee that recommended he be censured.

The controversy over McCarthy's tactics gave birth to the word, "McCarthyism," defined in Webster's New World Dictionary as "the use of indiscriminate, often unfounded, accusations, sensationalism, inquisitorial investigative methods, etc., ostensibly in the suppression of communism."

The Denton outburst that brought the McCarthyism charges on the Senate floor was prompted by Senate passage of a resolution calling upon President Reagan to designate Oct. 10 as National Peace Day. Peace Links, headed by Betty Bumpers, wife of Sen. Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., was promoting peace observances on that date.

On Oct. 1, Denton charged that four of the 14 organizations represented on the advisory board of Peace Links were "either Soviet-controlled or openly sympathetic and advocates for Communist foreign policy objectives."

Bumpers, responding, said, "This body's sorriest hour was in the early 1950s when there was a senator from Wisconsin who had most of the senators in this body jumping under their desks in abject terror and fear for their political futures...I will use the last ounce of my strength to make sure that this nation never goes through a similar period again."

## INVESTOR'S GUIDE

### Better to keep your investment in real estate

By BILL DOYLE

Q. We are a couple in our early 50s, with salaries totaling \$29,000 a year. We have inherited a house, worth about \$65,000, on which there is no mortgage. We rent out that house for \$6,400 a year. Real estate taxes, insurance and maintenance come to about \$1,400.

Would it be better to sell the house and invest the money, or keep the house and continue renting it? Would it be even better to get a mortgage on the house, invest that money and let the rent pay the mortgage?

A. As has been often pointed out in this column it's impossible to say what will be the "best" investment move at any given time. But my advice would be to keep that rental property without a mortgage.

Despite some price weakness lately, good real estate remains a top-notch investment.

Even after meeting the expenses, the rent and depreciation on that property give you a high after-tax return — better than you could get in many other investments. Depreciation, for income tax purposes, on the house — not the land on which it is situated — is a key factor.

The tax rules now allow you to take depreciation of rental property over a 15-year period, under a complicated formula. If you haven't done so already, you should get a good accountant to set up a depreciation schedule for you.

Assuming the house is well maintained and is in a good area — as your return address indicates — it should increase in value. You seem to have inherited a good house, I'd say keep it.

If you mortgage that house at today's still-high interest rates, it's unlikely the rent would cover the mortgage payments. Unless you put the money you would receive from the mortgage borrowing to work at a higher return than the mortgage interest, you would lose on that move.

Q. My husband and I have saved \$30,000 toward a new home. But because interest rates are so high, we cannot afford the house we want. So we are staying in our present home until rates drop or something less expensive comes along. We are in our 30s and able to save about \$10,000 a year.

It seems to us that the \$30,000 we now have sitting in a regular savings account should be invested better. We need something from which we could withdraw our money on relatively short notice. But we know nothing about investing and have little faith in brokers. What would you advise?

A. If you believe you have to deal with a broker to get a better return on your money than you are now getting from that savings account, I have to believe you haven't been reading the newspapers.

You can put your money in well-publicized and advertised short-term savings certificates at banks and savings and loan associations. You can pick between 182-day, 91-day and the new seven- to 31-day certificates, which come in minimum denominations of \$10,000, \$7,500 and \$20,000 respectively. They all pay higher yields than savings accounts.

So do money market mutual funds, most of which require minimum investments of \$1,000 or \$2,000. You can take money out of those funds by writing checks.

Also, many banks and S&Ls now offer "sweep" accounts, paying 5.25 percent on the first \$1,000 or \$2,000 in the account and higher money market rates on higher balances.

By delaying until now, you won't get the even higher yields that were available from certificates, money market funds and sweep accounts before interest rates headed downward. But your \$30,000 will still earn more than it has to date.

Better late than never. Switch. And from now on, read the news to stay up-to-date on where your money will earn the most for you.

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

## Stock market rallies

NEW YORK (AP) — Blue-chip stocks rallied in heavy trading late Tuesday to lift the Dow Jones industrial average back above the 1,000 mark and help the market overall trim its near-record losses of a day earlier.

A rumor that the Federal Reserve Board was about to cut its discount rate from 9.5 percent did not materialize, but also added temporary support for stocks, analysts said.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which tumbled 36.33 points Monday and was off more than 14 points early Tuesday, recovered to close up 10.94 at 1,006.07.

Stocks included in the average that gained included International Business Machines 2 to 82, Eastman Kodak 1 1/2 to 90, Texaco 3/4 to 31 1/2 and Sears Roebuck 1/4 to 27 1/4.

But U.S. Steel tumbled 1/2 to 19 after reporting a third-quarter loss of \$82 million and cutting its quarterly dividend — news that momentarily stalled the market's rally, analysts said.

The Dow Jones transportation and utility measures also fell and losers led gainers 3 to 2 among all New York Stock Exchange-listed issues. But the ratio was 5-1 in favor of declines early in the session.

Big Board volume totaled 102.08 million shares, against 83.72 million in the previous session.

The NYSE composite index rose 0.46 to 77.11.

At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was down 1.62 at 314.80.

The drop in the Dow Jones industrial average Monday was the measure's largest daily decline since it plummeted a record 38.33 points on Oct. 28, 1929 in the Great Crash of that year.

Because that calamitous decline occurred from a much lower starting point, however, it was about three times as great as Monday's on a percentage basis.

Monday's selloff still erased more than \$50 billion from the market's value, a drop ascribed to investors' fear that the Federal Reserve had stopped encouraging interest rates to fall.

But "there's still a lot of money that missed this market (rally) almost entirely," said Eldon A. Grimm, senior vice president of Birn, Wilson & Co. He said Tuesday's rally "showed some real demand came in and that money is still there by any stock's."

Also, Monday's volume was encouraging despite the selloff because it "showed an absence of major blocks" traded by institutions, indicating "the tone of the market is still good," said Jacques S. Theriot, senior vice president of Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

Exxon, up 1/4 to 30, led the NYSE's active list with turnover of 3.5 million shares. Separate 1 million-share blocks were traded at 29 1/2 and 29 3/4, respectively.

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# MISD trustees hint at bond election

By HALLYE JORDAN Staff Writer

Midland Independent School District trustees hinted at the possibility of a bond election next spring for another junior high school and approved a first reading regarding changes in elementary school boundaries, bus routes and the cluster system during their regular meeting Tuesday.

A second reading on the reorganization will be held during their next meeting, which will follow a public hearing Nov. 4. Time and place of the public hearing have not been set.

Trustees also heard reports on SAT and ACT scores, a summary of the first six week-period attendance and clarified a student suspension policy relating to drug and alcohol violations.

The proposed cluster change is a result of the construction of two new elementary schools expected to be ready for classes at the beginning of the 1983-84 school year. One school, Quannah Parker, approved by Midland voters in spring 1981, is located at the corner of Norwood Street and St. Andrews. The other school, referred to as the Bluebird School because of its location north of Bluebird Lane, was passed in a bond election last April.

ACCORDING TO Dr. James H. Mailey, MISD consultant for school planning and construction, the two schools must be incorporated in the district's cluster system, which was a consequence of a 1975 consent decree by the Justice Department. The cluster system divides Midland's 19 public elementary schools into six clusters, with Travis Elementary standing alone due to its natural integration, he said. However, Travis sixth graders attend Washington Elementary in order to become acquainted with other students with whom they will attend junior high school the following year.

With the addition of the two schools, the proposal divides the district into seven clusters of three schools. The recommendation is for the present Cluster 5, consisting of Long, Houston and De Zavala, to be changed to include Parker, Houston and De Zavala. A new Cluster 7 would be added, consisting of Long, Bluebird and Travis. No changes in other cluster groupings would be made.

When questioned about combining Bluebird, located in far northwest Midland, with Travis, located in far southeast Midland, Mailey explained that Travis, especially with the six additional classrooms approved last board meeting, is a large school comparable in size to Bluebird. The time factor of a bus with easy access to Loop 250 running between the two schools also was similar to buses in other clusters which travel through the city, he said.

WHEN CONCERN was voiced about Parker being the only school that will have students attending all three junior high schools, board president Parker Humes pointed out that, "before we change junior high boundaries, we need to know if we're going

to have another junior high school."

The bond election calling for an additional junior high to be added to MISD's three present ones, possibly could be as early as next spring, Humes said, adding that it would be premature to change junior high boundaries at this time.

According to superintendent Joseph P. Baressi, "because of the slowdown (in economy in Midland) everybody assumes we are having a decline in enrollment and that is not true."

And while the large elementary population will inevitably enter seventh and eighth grade, resulting in overcrowding at the junior high level, changes in boundaries need to be taken one step at a time beginning with the elementary changes, Humes said.

Along with the proposed cluster system came recommendations in boundary changes and alterations in rural bus routes. Mailey suggested that Parker should draw its student population from Emerson, Henderson and Burnet; Bluebird should draw students from Emerson, Bowie and Long; and Emerson should draw students from its current population and that of Jones.

PROPOSED CHANGES in boundaries and rural bus destinations are as follows:

—Parker: Begin at the intersection of Loop 250 and Midkiff Road, west and then southeast on Loop 250 to Wadley Avenue, east to Midkiff, north to Loop 250. The area currently is a portion of the Emerson attendance area.

Two buses of rural students that currently go to Henderson, No. 11 from Mission Country Club area and No. 57 from west of Midland Regional Airport, would go to Parker. Two buses of rural students which currently go to Burnet, No. 2 from Westgate Mobile Home Park and No. 59 from Ranchland Acres, would go to Parker.

—Bluebird: Begin at the intersection of State Highway 349 and the Midland County line, west along the county line to the extension of County Road 1230, south to Loop 250, northeast and east to State Highway 349, north to Midland County line. The area currently is a portion of the Emerson and Bowie attendance areas.

The only bus of rural students which currently goes to Bowie, No. 58 from west of Lamesa Highway north to Loop 250, would go to Bluebird. Three buses of rural students which now go to Emerson, No. 26 from Greenhill Terrace and Green Tree Country Club, No. 27 from Crestage and Plantation Hills, would go to Bluebird. The only rural bus presently going to Long, No. 32 from Airline Park, would go to Bluebird.

—Emerson: Begin at the intersection of the extension of North H Street and Loop 250, west on Loop 250 to Midkiff Road, south to Wadley Avenue, east to the extension of North H Street and north to Loop 250. The area cur-

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Delightful dilemma

Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert

Three-year-old Bo Phillips, left, and his 5-year-old sister Shena experienced a delightful dilemma Tuesday afternoon: what to be for Halloween. The Wolfman and E.T. looked pretty good, but what about...Bo and

Shena, who were shopping in a Midland supermarket, are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sharkey of Midland.

# MISD SAT scores down from 1980-1981 year

By HALLYE JORDAN Staff Writer

Results of Midland's 1981-82 Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, released during Tuesday's regular meeting of the Midland Independent School District Board of Trustees, indicated that although scores continued above the national and state level in both verbal and mathematics sections, total scores were down from those of 1980-81.

American College Test scores were slightly higher at Midland High and lower at Lee High than 1980-81 scores, the report indicated.

According to Dr. Duane H. Moore, assistant superintendent of instruction, the slight decrease in SAT scores is partly due to less students in the top 10 percent of their class taking the test, while students in the bottom 3/5 and 4/5 taking the test increased.

Last year, 18 of the honor students, nine at each high school, did not take the test, superintendent Dr. Joseph P. Baressi pointed out. Baressi and Moore said that if a student is in the top quarter of his class, most colleges will accept him. The student's grade point average usually is a more accurate indicator of a student's success in college than is his SAT score, they added.

Moore stated that the assessment tests do not take into account motivation, perseverance, leadership or artistic abilities.

"While we continue to be above the national and state level, this year's (1981-82 SAT) district scores in both the verbal and mathematics is lower than previous scores," Moore said. "It is difficult to determine any long-range trends because the scores are somewhat erratic."

To help increase the scores, Moore outlined plans that call for a study of the SAT tutorial program, perhaps offering tutoring to students during lunch periods; a study of counseling and guidance services at MISD compared to other school districts; an examination of the system-wide testing program, including more thorough examination of preliminary-SAT (PSAT) scores to study SAT scoring potential; expanding the sequential vocabulary strand to begin in the seventh grade instead of the tenth grade as it presently is done; examining the possibility of increasing the amount and quality of reading from kindergarten through the student's senior year; and conducting follow-up studies on MISD graduates to chart their progress in college.

According to the report, 1980-81 and 1981-82 scores were as follows.

- Lee High verbal, 437, 439; math, 479, 485.
  - Midland High verbal, 454, 434; math, 487, 472.
  - MISD total verbal, 437; math, 479.
  - State verbal, 415, 415; math, 455, 453.
  - National verbal, 424, 426; math, 466, 467.
- ACT scores for the 1981-82 year, compared to state and national scores, in English, math, social studies, natural science and composite, respectively, were as follows:
- Lee High, 17.2, 17.3, 16.6, 21, 18.2.
  - Midland High, 17.5, 15.6, 17.2, 20.3, 17.7.
  - State scores, 16.6, 14.4, 15.0, 18.7, 16.3.
  - National scores, 17.9, 17.2, 17.3, 20.8, 18.4.
- Scores at Lee High in 1980-81 were 16.8, 17.6, 17.1, 21.9 and 18.5. Scores at Midland High were 16.3, 15.2, 15.3, 19.7, 16.7.

# TDHR cracks down on Medicaid abuses

By GAIL BURKE Staff Writer

In an attempt to cut back the state's most expensive financial assistance program — Medicaid — Texas Department of Human Resources officials plan to crack down on unnecessary and expensive use of Medicaid services.

According to the Texas DHR, which administers the Medicaid program, a cost effective procedure — implemented in September — has restricted the number of physicians some Texas Medicaid clients may see.

The procedure, a "lock-in," will restrict some Medicaid clients to one physician and pharmacy.

Since September, the department has placed 34 Texas recipients in a "lock-in" status with a physician of their choice.

Although Midland and Ector County Medicaid clients have not been "limited," a recipient was "checked out," according to Joe Tarin, DHR assistant regional administrator in El Paso.

Tarin added "that after reviewing this client a couple of months ago, it was shown that the recipient was not over-using the service."

"Medicaid clients have been misusing the service, increasing the cost of the program," he said. "After reviewing some of these clients, there were certain Medicaid recipients who were

going to three, four, five and six doctors for the same illness."

He explained that computers will kick out names of Medicaid recipients who have seen several doctors or used several pharmacies in a short period of time. And those recipients who are suspected of abusing the medical service will be reviewed.

"We'll save some money with this lock-in procedure," Tarin said, adding that \$2.5 million savings has been estimated for the first year.

"We'll go and check it out with the Medicaid client," Tarin said. "We'll ask why there were numerous visits. If they are valid, then it's all right."

"But if the medical visits are not necessary and the client is over-utilizing, they will be restricted to one physician and pharmacy."

Tarin said medical professionals will determine the number of visits as valid or unnecessary.

The restriction will show up as "limited" stamped across the Medicaid client's card.

"The doctor or pharmacist will know that this particular client is limited to a particular doctor or pharmacy," Tarin said. "This is a very good way to save tax dollars and nobody's health is affected."

"Nowadays, the cost of going to the doctor is very costly," he added. "Two-thirds of our (DHR) budget is related to



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medical services. And there is a high inflation rate."

When asked if the procedure could serve as a quality control on doctors, Tarin answered, "Yes, that's the other side of the coin."

According to Tarin, systematic reviews will be done every month on all Medicaid recipients to identify how often the service is used. If a pattern develops, these cases will be checked

and monitored. Then a "lock-in" status will be issued.

Tarin noted that the client will be kept in a locked-in status for six months, and after showing progress, the restriction will be lifted.

"It's a very easy, cost-effective procedure, but sometimes it takes a long time to recognize the simplest solution," Tarin said.

# U.S. government files suits against nine area residents

By ED TODD Staff Writer

Nine Midland and Odessa residents, including veterans, former students and business people who either failed to repay government-insured student loans, misused their Veterans Administration benefits or defaulted on a Small Business Administration loan are subjects of civil lawsuits recently filed in federal court in Midland by the United States.

James E. Lee, 30, of 1104 E. Maple Ave. in Midland is indebted to the federal government by \$1,254.40, which is an "overpayment" to him by the Veterans Administration educational assistance allowance, the U.S. government

says. The government says that Lee, a veteran, enrolled in a course of higher education in 1978 but that "The Veterans Administration was informed that you withdrew from training...and determined that you were not due educational assistance." The government holds that it has notified Lee of his indebtedness by demand letters three times. Lee was being paid \$448 per month in benefits from August through October 1978.

Boyd J. Walker, 25, of 811 1/2 W. Louisiana Ave. in Midland owes the VA \$763.40, which represents an overpayment on his educational assistance, the government claims. The government says that Walker was paid \$292 per month from February to April 1977 for

his schooling, but withdrew from his training.

A 40-year-old Odessa man who received medical care in the Veterans Administration Hospital but who apparently was not eligible for such care is being sued by the U.S. government for \$2,014. The government claims that Edward M. Melendez Jr. was in the VA hospital for 13 days in July 1979 for treatment of "stomach cramps and inability to sleep" but that he received a gastrectomy in a private hospital a month earlier. However, X-rays and a gastroscopy "showed no evidence of ulcers," the suit's petition says.

More than a year later, Melendez was examined at the hospital and was given

medication for the subtotal gastrectomy.

Following treatment, the VA determined that Melendez was "ineligible (for VA hospitalization), as he did not have any active (military) duty but did have active duty for training purposes" and was released to the National Guard. The VA says Melendez owes the government \$151 per day of his 13-day hospitalization in 1979 and \$51 for the out-patient visit in 1980.

Another Odessan, Hershel D. Perry, is indebted to the U.S. Department of Education for a federally-insured student loan of \$1,767 which he failed to repay, the government contends. The

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rently is part of the Emerson attendance area.

**THE ONLY TWO** buses of rural students going to Jones, No. 8 from Andrews Highway and County Road 60 west and No. 71 from High Sky Girls Ranch area, would go to Emerson.

According to both Mailey and Baressi, enrollments in all of the schools, including Bluebird and Quannah Parker, will be larger than projected. An overall increase of between 7 and 8 percent is expected while the primary level, grades kindergarten through third, are anticipated to grow as much as 13 percent.

Trustees also heard a report on the increase in attendance for the first six-week period, probably due to a combination of three factors, according to assistant superintendent of administration Garland Chapman.

Chapman cited the new attendance policy, efforts by the MISD attendance officer to return students with unexcused absences and programs planned by principals for increasing attendance at each school campus for the successful attendance during the first six weeks, up 2 percent at the secondary level from the same period last year.

The new attendance policy, approved by trustees last summer, drops a student's total grade average for the six weeks to 50 in each class in which the student collects three unexcused absences during the six-week period.

Along the same lines, trustees clarified a rule in the suspension policy relating to drug and alcohol violations to mean that a student can be suspended on or off campus for a period of five days on the first offense.

According to Dr. Duane H. Moore, assistant superintendent of instruction, at the time the suspension policy was approved, MISD was not operating on-campus suspension centers, therefore the term "suspended for a period of five days," may be misunderstood to mean only off-campus suspension. According to Moore, use of the on-campus facilities when suspending a student, which has increased at both high

schools, provides supervision for the student, immediate counseling and an opportunity to keep the students on campus.

Also approved was a recommendation made by Baressi concerning a limit for high school bands. If either Midland High or Lee High bands decide to attend the State Marching Contest in Austin, missing two days of school, they are allowed to attend another in-state trip which would cause them to miss only one additional day. If they decide not to attend or are ineligible to participate in the State Marching Contest, they may proceed with original plans to make out-of-state spring trips and are allowed to miss three days of school.

In other action, trustees accepted bids on a multi-purpose ditcher/loader and lockers for the MHS field house. Game reports were given by athletic director Gil Bartosh, showing \$12,833 in ticket sales for the Lee High-Abilene High game and \$25,450 in ticket sales for the Lee High-Odessa Permian game.

Trustees met but took no action in an executive session pertaining to personal and real state matters and met for an informal dinner meeting with the Teacher Communication Committee.

## Jackson treated for back strain

CHICAGO (AP) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson, national president of Operation PUSH, was being treated Tuesday in St. Joseph Hospital for back strain and exhaustion, a spokesman said.

Jackson, 41, entered the hospital Monday and was reported in good condition.

"While in the hospital, his doctor said he will also put him through a series of tests and conduct a thorough, but routine, overall examination with regard to his general health," said Frank Watkins, a spokesman for People United to Save Humanity.

Watkins said Jackson is expected to remain in the hospital for several days.

## Grand jury indicts eight in alien smuggling ring

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Federal grand jurors investigating an alien smuggling operation that left five Salvadorans dead indicted eight people Tuesday on charges of conspiracy and illegally transporting aliens into the country.

Four men and a woman named in the indictment still are being sought on charges that they conspired to transport and smuggle Salvadoran aliens into the country, Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Guerra said. Four of the aliens died of suffocation and heat stroke in a truck abandoned earlier this month in the stifling heat of southern Texas and one was found in an orange grove.

Three of those indicted have been in federal custody in lieu of \$500,000 bond each. Larry David McCoy, 39, of McAllen; Robert James Manners, 51, and Edward Gene Hunter, 38, both of Pharr, surrendered to authorities early this month after they were named in arrest warrants issued by the U.S. Border Patrol office.

Also indicted was Maria Santos Hunter, Hunter's wife. She and four Salvadorans were being sought on federal bench warrants, U.S. Attorney's office said. The Salvadorans indicted were Oscar Reynaldo Chavez Molina, Roberto Alvarez Guardado, Rogelio Molina Jimenez and Jose Luis Quinteros Lopez, Guerra said.

All eight defendants are charged with one count each of conspiracy to transport illegal aliens, and 12 counts each of transporting illegal aliens, Guerra said.

Authorities found the bodies of four Salvadorans Oct. 4 in a tractor-trailer rig abandoned by smugglers near Edinburg. Autopsies showed the three men and one woman died of suffocation compounded by heat stroke in the trailer occupied by 22 others.

The body of another man was found five days later, partially submerged in a drainage ditch near an orange grove where he and nine other Salvadorans had been left.

Hidalgo County authorities still are looking into the possibility of filing murder charges in the deaths of the aliens.

Guerra said the Salvadorans being sought are accused of playing key roles in the smuggling scheme, including recruiting about 50 Salvadorans in their home country for the journey to the United States, chartering a bus in Mexico for the trip and helping the illegal aliens cross the border.

## Test tube embryos frozen, then implanted in women

The Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

CARMEL, Calif. — "Test tube"-produced human embryos have been frozen successfully and later taken out of cold storage and implanted in infertile women, an Australian researcher reported here Tuesday.

The report, which is the first of its kind, raises new legal and moral questions about in vitro (test tube) fertilization procedures.

Until now, embryos conceived in laboratory dishes have used the wife's egg, which was fertilized with the husband's sperm. However, the latest work involves using an egg donated by another woman.

There also is the issue of the possible risk to the baby after it has been stored as a frozen embryo and then thawed and implanted in the mother.

Dr. Alan Trounson of Monash University in Melbourne declined to say whether any of the "10 or 15" implantations have resulted in successful pregnancies.

But, he told an international meeting on in vitro fertilization, "at present, it looks like a technique that will work."

In addition to being a possible solution for women with no ovaries, Trounson said, the procedure is being used on some of his patients who were victims or carriers of genetic diseases that made it unwise for them to become pregnant naturally because of the risk of passing the disease to the baby.

Trounson believes that freezing embryos has several advantages. For example, most women involved in in vitro fertilizations to date have been infertile, not because they lack eggs but because a blockage in their Fallopian tubes prevents the egg from being fertilized naturally.

## U.S. files suits against citizens

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government is seeking \$2,561.03, which includes the 7 percent interest on the loan.

Nan C. Hendley, also known as Nan Carol Wiley, Nan Wiley and Nan C. Wiley, of Odessa borrowed \$3,100 in seven student loans at 6.25 and 7 percent interest via the Texas Opportunity Plan Fund but has not repaid the loans, the government says. All told the U.S. Department of Education is seeking \$3,715.45 to satisfy the debt.

Four Odessans, Jack W. Kenner, Jacques R. Kenner, Ronnie G. Burrows and Kathy K. Burrows, still owe \$44,202.01, which represents the unpaid balance on a \$110,000 Small Business Administration loan, plus \$6.47 in daily interest beginning Oct. 20. The foursome had guaranteed payment on the six-year note, which was executed in 1977 to Permian Pipeline Padding Co.

## Clements spends twice as much as White in race

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements, the state's champion campaign fundraiser, has spent \$11.4 million so far in his re-election bid — more than twice as much as Democratic challenger Mark White.

Campaign finance reports filed Tuesday show Clements has raised \$11.8 million, including a \$1.9 million loan he personally guaranteed.

White's report showed \$5.2 million spent. The Democrat has raised \$6.4 million, including a \$1.4 million loan during the reporting period that ended Saturday.

The reports filed Tuesday are the last until 30 days after the Nov. 2 election.

Clements spent about \$8 million to get the job in 1978. More than 52,000 individual contributions have been reported by Clements, at a \$191 per donor average.

"No candidate in any race has ever received this degree of broad-based support from the people of Texas," said Jim Francis, Clements' campaign manager.

"God have mercy," said David Lindsey, White's press secretary.

White said Clements' money "still won't buy him another term in office."

Despite the higher numbers, the Clements campaign said, with inflation figured in, they've spent less this year than in 1978.

In the lieutenant governor's race, incumbent Democrat Bill Hobby reported \$4.1 million raised and about the same spent. Republican George Strake has raised \$2.4 million and spent about \$2.6 million.

Bill Meier, GOP candidate for attorney general, showed \$1.4 million raised and \$1.3 million spent. No report from Jim Mattox, Meier's Democratic opponent, was filed Tuesday. State law says reports post-marked Tuesday meet the filing requirement even if

they arrive later.

Ann Richards, Democratic contender for treasurer, reported \$1.1 million raised and slightly less spent. Allen Clark, Republican treasurer candidate, has raised \$450,000 and spent \$433,000.

Comptroller Bob Bullock reported \$592,000 raised and \$587,000 spent. Mike Richards, GOP challenger, showed \$779,000 raised and \$645,000 spent.

In the race for agriculture commissioner, Democrat Jim Hightower's report showed \$262,000 raised and \$254,000 spent. Fred Thornberry, the GOP candidate, has raised \$238,000 and spent \$246,000.

## Belgium free in 1830

In 1830 the independent kingdom of Belgium was proclaimed on the territory of what in the 18th century were called the southern and sometimes "Belgian" Netherlands.

## DEATHS

### Mary H. Woods

Rosary for Mary Hadek Woods, 82, of Midland was recited Monday at Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel. Services were Tuesday at Resthaven North Mausoleum.

She died Sunday in a Midland hospital following a brief illness.

Mrs. Woods was born Feb. 23, 1900, in Germany. She came to the U.S. with her parents in 1904. She lived in New York City and Brooklyn until her retirement in 1963 from John Fredericks, where she was a hat designer. She and her late husband, Stanley K. Woods, moved to Midland in 1963. He died in 1973. Mrs. Woods was an active volunteer at the Midland Community Theatre, where she designed all costume hats since 1968.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. John L. (Dorothy) Fox of Midland; two brothers, Rudolph Hadek of Florida and Charles Hadek of New York; a sister, Mrs. Frank J. Keneski of New York; and two grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Midland Community Theatre.

### James Mashburn

James "Jim" Mashburn, 46, 2521 Stanolind Ave., died Monday from injuries received in an accident near Sterling City.

Services were to be at 2 p.m. today at the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church. Burial was to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mashburn was born May 20, 1936, in Greeley, Colo. He lived in Estes Park, Colo., moving to Midland in 1941 at the age of 6. He graduated from Midland High School in 1954 and later attended The University of Texas in Austin. He attended law school for one year. He then entered the Marine Corps and, upon his discharge, returned to law school in 1964 where he received his degree in law. He returned to Midland and became associated with Joe Mims as assistant county attorney. He was appointed district attorney of Midland County by then-Gov. John Connally; he later was elected district attorney and served in that capacity from 1962 to 1976. He established his own law office which he operated from 1976 until his death. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lynn Mashburn of Midland; a son, Michael Shane Mashburn of Midland; and two daughters, Elizabeth Kathleen Mashburn of Austin and Deborah Lynn Mashburn of Fort Worth.

### Eva J. Baulch

CLYDE — Eva J. Baulch, 93, of Clyde, mother of J.W. Baulch Jr. of Midland, died Tuesday in a nursing home here following a two-month illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Bailey Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Larry Armentrout, pastor of

the First Baptist Church in Clyde, officiating. Burial will be in Clyde Cemetery.

Mrs. Baulch was born in September 1889 in Bryan and was married to Jim Baulch in January 1912 in Clyde. She moved to Callahan County in 1905 and then to Clyde in 1917. She had lived here since then.

Her husband died in 1963.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church here since 1917.

Other survivors include two granddaughters, two great-grandchildren, two nieces and one nephew.

### Danny Ray Norton

LAMESA — Services for Danny Ray Norton, 28, of Lamesa were to be at 10 a.m. today at Grace Lutheran Church with the Rev. Larry Heimsoth, pastor, officiating. Burial was to be at Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

He died Saturday in a Lubbock hospital.

Norton was born Oct. 17, 1954, in Moberge, S.D. He moved to Lamesa in 1968. He had worked as a water well driller in the Lamesa area. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Melissa Dawn Norton of Midland; three sisters, Candy Magallon of Cisco, Kim Norton of Lamesa and Julie Norton of Moberge; and a brother, Allen Norton of Lubbock.

### Bobbie J.W. Lee

LITTLEFIELD — Services for Bobbie J. Wallace Lee, of Littlefield and formerly of Midland, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Littlefield.

She died Sunday in Littlefield.

Survivors include her son, her mother, three sisters and four brothers.

### Walter Rundell Jr.

UNIVERSITY PARK, Md. — Memorial services for Walter Rundell Jr., 53, of Maryland and formerly of Austin, are pending in Maryland and Austin.

He died Monday in University Park, Md.

He was the author of five historical books, including "Oil in West Texas and New Mexico," a history of the Permian Basin.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, a son and his parents.

### Jess C. Cauble

BIG SPRING — Services for Jess C. Cauble, 75, of Big Spring will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with burial in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He died Tuesday in a New Mexico hospital.

He was a member of the Assembly of God.

## Man files suit against 'Waltz' truck driver

By ED TODD Staff Writer

A Las Cruces, N.M., man who claims he was injured when a pickup truck operated by a "Waltz Across Texas" movie employee struck him last year has filed a \$650,000 lawsuit against Aster Corp., which was doing business as "Waltz Across Texas," and the driver of the pickup.

The movie was filmed in the Midland-Odessa area last year.

The suit originally was filed in 112th State District Court at Rankin in Upton County in September but was transferred to federal court in Midland this month at the request of the defendants.

The suit's plaintiff, Al Eylar, claims that he was "flagged down" by the "Waltz" pickup truck driver, Joe Dugan of Van Nuys, Calif., as he was driving his vehicle on Texas Highway 349 in Upton County. Both stepped out of their respective vehicles, the suit says, and further alleges that Dugan "negligently left his pickup running and did not set the parking brake."

As a result, the pickup "then apparently jumped into gear, rammed into" Eylar and "pushed him against his vehicle, causing him to suffer and sustain serious personal injuries and damages."

Eylar is seeking \$300,000 for past and future physical pain and mental anguish, \$150,000 for compensation for his physical disability, \$150,000 for loss of his future earnings, \$25,000 for loss of past earnings, and \$25,000 to cover medical bills.

Eylar's lawyer, Cliff Hardwick of Odessa, is demanding a jury trial.

The defendants claim no liability, say that the accident was "solely caused by matters over which these defendants had no control," that the accident was "unavoidable" in a sense defined by law, and, in the alternative, that "Al Eylar was himself guilty of negligence."

Big Spring lawyer Jack Little is representing the defendants.

## Midland's sales tax rebate rises slightly for October

AUSTIN — Midland's sales tax rebate for October rose slightly this year in comparison to the figure rebated to the city last year, according to a report prepared by the office of State Comptroller Bob Bullock.

However, for the same period Odessa's payment dropped.

The report shows that Midland is receiving \$488,599.10 this month while last October it netted \$472,690.11. Payments for the year to date are running 8.55 percent ahead of those for the same time last year. To date, payments total \$7,641,327.36. Last year, the figure was \$7,039,245.07.

Last October, Odessa's payment was \$643,105.06. This year, the payment has dropped by more than \$200,000 to \$400,558.16. However, payments for the year to date are still running ahead of last year. This year, the months add up to \$8,386,205.39. Last year, the total was \$7,073,812.41.

## FBI identifies man's body found Sunday near Stanton

STANTON — The body of a man discovered about noon Sunday five miles north of Interstate 20 on FM 3033 has been identified as Robert J. Clinton, 61, of Sherman.

The FBI made the identification through fingerprints on Clinton's passport. He originally was from Ireland.

A 26-year-old Texas man was taken into custody early today in McPherson, Kan., in connection with the death. Clinton is believed to have died from a blow to the back of the head.

His body was clad only in boxer shorts, a white T-shirt and white socks when discovered.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jay Lewis Stephan Jr., 1602 N. I St., a girl.

Oct. 26, 1982  
Mr. and Mrs. James Clifford Clonts, P.O. Box 30792, a boy.

Lubbock General Hospital  
Oct. 21, 1982

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Letner, 42902 San Antonio, a boy.