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Rounding out
the skyline

Midland's ever-expanding downtown skyline is reflected in the mirrored exterior of The Summit as a delivery man makes his rounds Wednesday afternoon. The Summit, a multi-story office building, is located at Illinois Avenue and Marienfeld Street.

Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert

GOP leaders try to impress 'realities' on Reagan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican congressional leaders are trying to make sure President Reagan "understands the realities" of the growing Capitol Hill resentment of his deficit-ridden 1983 budget proposal.

But Reagan made it clear he was in no mood to compromise prior to a White House meeting today with Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr., House Republican leader Robert H. Michel and Sen. Paul Laxalt, the president's closest friend in the Senate.

The object of their concern: Reagan's \$757.6 billion 1983 spending plan and its projected \$91.5 billion deficit.

Baker and the Senate's No. 2 Republican, Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska, both said Wednesday that they found merit in a Democratic senator's alternative plan that calls for a virtual freeze on Pentagon spending while trimming by half the

administration's three-year tax cut.

But Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan dismissed the Democratic plan as "absolutely ridiculous" and the president himself declared he will stick by his plans for big increases in military spending and deep cuts in outlays for social programs.

Mike Johnson, an aide to Illinois Rep. Michel, said that although the White House arranged today's meeting Michel intended "once more to make sure the president understands the realities down here (in Congress)."

Baker, of Tennessee, and Laxalt, of Nevada, were expected to deliver a similar message.

Meanwhile, Senate Democratic leader Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia sent Reagan a letter asking him to withdraw the administration's proposed budget.

"I am looking for a document we in Congress can work with; one based on realistic assumptions, one which shows a much clearer trend toward a balanced budget," Byrd wrote.

Byrd urged the president to take a "courageous step" like the one President Carter took in 1980 when he withdrew his original budget and submitted a new one.

House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., also kept up his harsh criticism of the president Wednesday, saying it was Reagan who should "put up or shut up."

"The product of the Reagan economic sales pitch has been a disaster and all the roadshows in the world are not going to change that fact," O'Neill said.

O'Neill referred to a two-day trip to the Midwest earlier this week in which the president challenged his budget critics to "put up or shut up."

Reagan aide resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joseph Canzeri, the White House's Mr. Fixit, says he quit his job rather than risk embarrassing President Reagan with questions about submitting double bills for two trips and accepting low-interest loans to buy a house.

Reagan accepted Canzeri's surprise resignation Wednesday night with "deepest personal regret," and said he and Mrs. Reagan hoped Canzeri would "honor us with your presence in our house many times in the years ahead."

Canzeri acknowledged that he billed both the White House and the Republican National Committee for "\$700 and change" on expense accounts for two trips in early 1981. He said it was an accident and that he repaid the White House immediately when it was discovered last week.

At the same time, he said there was nothing improper about accepting low-interest loans from Laurance Rocke-

efeller and Donald M. Koll, a Republican activist and developer, to buy a \$380,000 house in Georgetown.

White House deputy press secretary Larry Speakes said the loans and double-billing matters had been referred to the Justice Department for review, out of "an abundance of caution."

Canzeri, a long-time aide to the late Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller, was known in the White House for his quick humor and ability to get things done. As a \$60,000-a-year assistant to the president, Canzeri had an office only steps from the Oval Office, but kept well out of the public eye.

To insiders, he was the man everyone counted on to take care of details for White House ceremonies and presidential travel — the man who kept the planes running on time.

Details of Canzeri's loan arrangement were published in the New York Times on Wednesday.



"We're in a race car and screaming down the track at 200 mph. We're not thinking of getting in the car — we're already in it."

— Walter Ashby

Further growth predicted

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Midland is the fastest growing city in the United States today, according to Walter Ashby with The First National Bank of Midland.

Ashby, speaking at the Wednesday luncheon of the Uptown Chapter of Business & Professional Women in Midland Center, predicted the Permian Basin boom will continue for another five years with housing becoming a primary determining factor on the limits of growth.

An assistant vice president with the bank, Ashby essentially is an economic research officer. He keeps track of Midland's economic indicators and relates these to the rest of the country.

A former senior planner in charge of longrange planning with the city of Midland, Ashby compared Midland — a city with 82,000-plus population — to other cities that have reached the sta-

tus of a Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA). These, he explained, can be one city that has a population of 50,000 or a cluster of small towns that have reached that 50,000 mark. There are 280 SMSAs in the country.

WHILE HE HAD no specifics to back up his statement about Midland being the fastest growing city in the nation, Ashby pointed out that Texas is the fastest growing state. And in talking with other city planners on the state executive board Midland keeps coming out on top in economic figures, he said.

Midland grew at a rate of 9 to 11 percent during 1981, he said. By comparison, "a 2 percent annual growth is considered to be a strong urban growth for a city."

The Tall City also reported a net gain of 7,000 persons last year. But that won't hold a candle to the influx of people that should hit Midland this

year. According to Ashby, he is handling out a conservative net gain of 10,000 persons. On the high side, he said, the figure could range from 12,000 to 14,000 newcomers.

Overall, Midland's growth in 1982 should be an unprecedented 12 to 16 percent. "That's absolutely extraordinary. But it will depend upon the availability of housing units."

Midland was ranked by the Census Bureau in the top five cities in the country in 1979 in per capita income, which is income per family. That figure, he guessed, stood about \$11,000. But Ashby feels it's much higher today with the average in the low \$40,000s and the median income in the high \$20,000s.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, Ashby said Midland can expect a population jump of 60,000 more persons (See BANK, Page 2A)

Army besieges rebelling Syrian city

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Government tanks, planes and artillery are pounding the ancient city of Hama, and hundreds have been killed in eight days of fighting between President Hafez Assad's army and Sunni Moslem rebels opposed to his Alawite minority sect, Western diplomatic sources report.

The diplomats said Syria's fifth largest city, with a population of 200,000, was besieged by 6,000 to 8,000 troops, and the dead were estimated in the "high hundreds."

About 100 tanks, artillery pieces and air force planes were attacking the city continuously, the sources said.

Travelers who escaped the government blockade said Hama's Hadhir district was "razed," and other sections were destroyed. They reported wounded were left untended in the streets.

Diplomatic sources said at least 300 government troops were killed in a two-day period. Diplomats in Amman, Jordan, said hospitals in Damascus, 120 miles south of Hama, and those in Aleppo to the north and Latakia to the west were filled with casualties.

Sources said the battle for Hama represented one of the sharpest challenges yet to Assad's 12-year-old government.

Hama, in west central Syria, is a stronghold of Syria's Sunni Moslem majority and twice previously rebelled against Assad's Alawites who dominate the government in Damascus. It also is a center of the radical Moslem Brotherhood, which has been fighting to oust Assad and replace his government with a Moslem fundamentalist regime.

Although 65 percent of the Syrian people are Sunnis, Islam's majority sect, and 11 percent are Alawites, the latter control the government and most of the economy.

Communications with Hama were cut and military roadblocks sealed off the city. A news blackout on the fight-

ing was shattered Wednesday when Western diplomats reported the rebellion.

The government denounced the reports as "pure lies" and insisted in a statement Wednesday night that "the situation inside Syria is normal."

"What happened in Hama" was that government forces seized "several hundred" weapons and arrested "a number of wanted criminals," including "escapees," in a crackdown on the Moslem Brotherhood, the statement said.

Diplomatic sources said the fighting apparently began when security forces discovered a major hideout for dissidents.

INSIDE TODAY

With Oscar nominations due today, Henry Fonda appeared to be a frontrunner for his role in "On Golden Pond." Last year, Fonda was honored by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for lifetime achievement.

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Republican Party looks at Dallas, likes what it sees

By LAURA RICHARDSON
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The Grand Old Party's quadrennial extravaganza that could bring 25,000 people and \$30 million to the host city will be here in 1984 if Republican Party officials keep dancing to President Reagan's tune.

Reagan, writing to Texas' Republican Gov. Bill Clements last December, said Dallas was his preference for the national convention slated to begin Aug. 20, 1984.

Assuming "financial, logistical and legal arrangements" were satisfactory, he wrote, final selection would come after the site committee had reviewed the presentations of other cities.

But on Wednesday, party Chairman Richard Richards went the president one better when, after a tour of Dallas' convention facilities, he said the committee wouldn't even visit the other bidders unless the Dallas deal falls through.

"Our purpose, frankly, is to honor the president's request and go to Dallas

if we can," said Richards, who called the city's facilities "impressive" and said he was "pleased with what Dallas has done."

Richards said he saw "no problems yet" in bringing the convention to Dallas, and added that he had already written other cities that were interested in hosting the huge meeting, telling them of Reagan's preference.

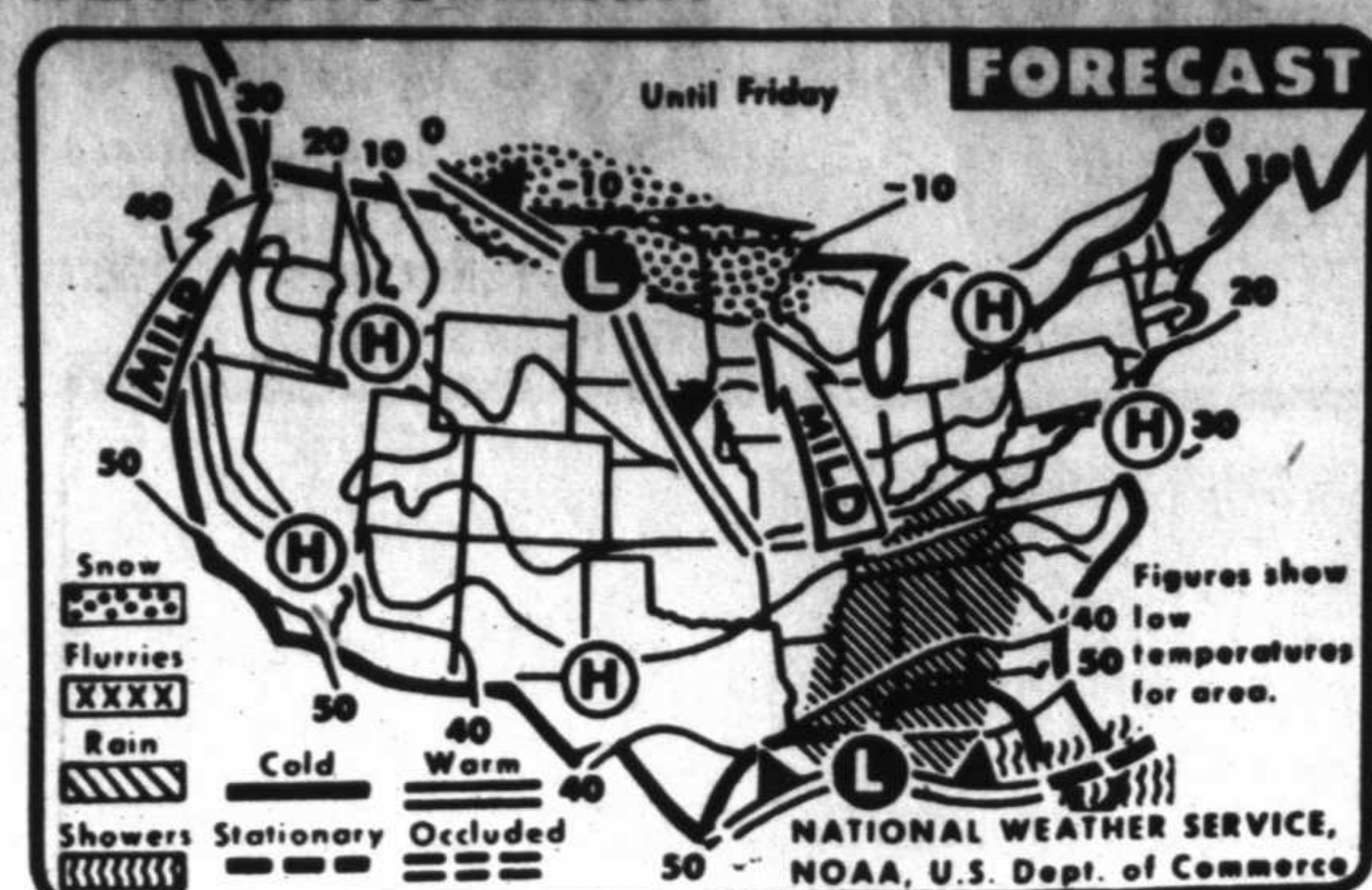
"We're looking at Dallas first, and frankly, we won't visit any of them" if Dallas is satisfactory, he said, adding that from what he had seen the city

could "put on the convention more expeditiously than our last few conventions."

He said the site committee will come to Dallas in "a couple of weeks" to see if the city has the facilities to house the meeting — which will bring 4,000 full and alternate delegates and about 21,000 other people to town.

Richards declined to say which cities were bidding on the convention, but he sent the letters to officials in Detroit, Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo., and Atlanta.

WEATHER SUMMARY



Rain is expected from the central Gulf to the Ohio Valley. Snow is expected for the northern Plains. Milder weather is forecast for the Southwest.

Midland statistics

Decreasing cloudiness tonight, becoming fair Friday. Low tonight low 30s, high Friday upper 50s. Westerly winds 10-15 mph tonight and northwesterly 15-20 mph Friday.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's High	59 degrees
Overnight Low	33 degrees
Shower today	8:50 p.m.
Starts tomorrow	7:34 a.m.
Precipitation:	
Last 24 hours	0.00 inches
This month to date	0.01 inches
1981 to date	0.43 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

8 a.m.	26	6 p.m.	56
9 a.m.	27	7 p.m.	46
10 a.m.	30	8 p.m.	44
11 a.m.	32	9 p.m.	42
12 p.m.	34	10 p.m.	40
1 p.m.	36	11 p.m.	37
2 p.m.	38	Midnight	36
3 p.m.	40	1 a.m.	34
4 p.m.	42	2 a.m.	32
5 p.m.	44	3 a.m.	30
6 p.m.	46	4 a.m.	28
7 a.m.	48	5 a.m.	26
8 a.m.	50	6 a.m.	24

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES:

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Texas temperatures

City	High	Low	Pcp
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Texas area forecasts

West Texas — Travelers advisory in effect Panhandle today. Moderate to occasionally heavy snow with 1 to 3 inch accumulations will cause hazardous driving conditions today across the Panhandle before ending early tonight. Otherwise cloudy today with decreasing cloudiness tonight and fair most sections Friday. Colder north and central today, warming Friday. Highs lower 30s north to upper 50s south and lower 70s southwest. Low near 30 north to near 40 south. Highs Friday lower 40s north to mid 60s south and mid 70s southwest.

North Texas — Increasing cloudiness today with a chance of rain developing east late today. Highs 40 north to 50 south. Cloudy with a chance of rain central and east tonight. Decreasing cloudiness west. Low 28 north to 41 south. Fair west and decreasing cloudiness east Friday. A little warmer. Highs 50s.

South Texas — A chance of showers from Hill Country to Southeast Texas today, increasing over Southeast Texas tonight, ending Friday. Warmer. Highs upper 50s north to upper 60s south. Low 40s north to 50s south. Highs Friday 60s north to near 70 south.

Pleasant weather may continue

Continued pleasant weather conditions are expected in the Permian Basin through Friday.

Skies should become clear during the night, and the mercury should edge into the mid-50s on Friday.

The high Wednesday was 59, well short of the record for the date of 84 set in 1976, while the overnight low of

The weather elsewhere

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Border states forecasts

New Mexico — Travelers advisory for northern plateau, west central mountains. North central mountains, central highlands and upper Rio Grande valley. Snow showers higher elevations today and rain showers in the lower elevations. Hazardous driving conditions in the advisory areas above about 5000 feet. Snow level increasing to 6000 to 6500 feet during the afternoon. Clearing west tonight with a few lingering rain or snow showers east early tonight. Fair and warmer Friday. Highs mid 30s to mid 40s mountains and far north to the low 60s along the southern border. Low 5 to 20 mountains, to near 30 southern border. Highs Friday upper 30s and 40s mountains, to mid 60s southern border.

Oklahoma — Travelers advisory Panhandle through tonight. Snow beginning Panhandle today and light rain or light rain and snow mixed spreading outward across the state during the afternoon. Snow accumulations of 1 to 3 inches possible Panhandle by this evening. Precipitation may change to light snow northern two-thirds of state tonight before ending from west to east. Fairly cloudy to clear and warmer Friday. Highs near 30 Panhandle to low 40s south. Low mostly 20s. Highs Friday mainly 40s.

Louisiana — Partly cloudy north today and patches of light rain southeast ending this morning. Good chance of rain tonight decreasing all areas except southeast Friday. Highs 50s. Low mid 30s north to the mid 40s south. Highs Friday mid 50s to mid 60s.

Extended forecasts

West Texas: Partly cloudy with a gradual warming trend. Highs in the low 60s north to the mid 70s extreme south Saturday warming to the low 70s north to near 80 extreme south Monday. Low in the upper 20s north to the upper 30s extreme south Saturday warming to near 40 north to near 50 extreme south Monday.

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33 was considerably above the record 11 in 1981.

A 30 percent chance of precipitation had been forecast for today, but by pre-estimate the monthly total remained at 0.01 inch and the yearly total at 0.43.

Winds are expected to be westerly at 10-15 mph tonight and northwesterly at 15-20 miles per hour Friday.

Bank officer predicts further growth

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over the next five years. "That's an average of 1,000 persons a month."

"I'm not sure there's been a major city to experience that much growth in the history of the United States. But it's a reasonable estimate for two reasons," he said, citing the expected number of drilling rigs to be in operation during that period and the city's demography.

The First National Bank has developed a model of projecting the growth with all elements relating to the drilling of oil wells. It projected citywide bank deposits last year, related Ashby, and missed the figure by 3 percent.

For every 3 percent of oil wells drilled in the Permian Basin, Midland gets a 2 percent increase in office space. This means that Midland is administering two-thirds of the services, according to the research officer.

And the bank is looking at a 13 percent compounded growth rate in Permian Basin wells over the next five years. Ashby said there was a 16.5 percent growth in 1981, and the bank has predicted a 17 percent compounded growth this year.

Proportionately, office space is expected to expand by 4.42 million square feet for the next 60 months.

"You can expect 14,000 persons to result from each 1 million square feet of office. That means 5,000 dwelling units and 4,000 office workers," said Ashby.

THE NEXT QUESTION related to that growth is "how much can Midland physically grow in the next 60 months?" Ashby asked. "The present limitation will be water, but the Stacy Dam project and T-Bar Ranch" should alleviate those problems.

The city owns water rights at the T-Bar Ranch about 60 miles west of the city. And if it passes the courts' scrutiny, Stacy Dam would be another source of water through the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

"We know that in the next five years, we'll have to support a population of 140,000 to 150,000."

Venturing past the five-year marker, Ashby proffered that drilling activity would continue aggressively "beyond the year 2000. However, part of it will depend upon the price of oil and gas. There's plenty to recover. And the percent we're able to recover is increasing.

It will spread out the activity in the Permian Basin."

He added, "There will be some periods of moderation, but the long-term prospect is for a frantic rate of growth. What happens to Midland is what will happen to oil and gas."

QUESTIONED ABOUT the City Council's ability to keep up with this "frantic pace," the former city employee answered that the council is making an effort with the proposed bond issue.

He noted that one book on boom towns points out the historical No. 1 killer of fast-growing cities is "lack of sanitary sewer service." One of the issues will address the need for a sewage disposal site.

And of the two factors affecting Midland's growth patterns, availability of sewer lines is one, said Ashby. The other is open land and cost of it.

In the long run, he predicted, "Midland will grow to Odessa, particularly along the North Route to Odessa. That is a very important arterial linking the growing northwest side of Midland to the expanding northeast side of Odessa. It will provide a great impetus for growth...even before sewer service can be provided."

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POINTING OUT PLANS for developments on all sides of Midland, including the far east, Ashby noted that "Midland can't grow much farther north." Already, developments are almost bumping into the Martin County line. And a ridge which would drain everything to the north would mean heavy expenditures for another sewer treatment plant and other facilities, he said.

The south, southeast and east parts of Midland provide an excellent place to go for lower cost lots, he said, and these areas should grow. That section of town already includes 1,000 lots which have sewer service and "you can buy them at a reasonable price."

And downtown will continue to remain a central office area, he said. "A large portion of the independents and some of the major oil companies have the option of moving to the suburban area. They are relatively self-sufficient. But that is not true for many small (oil) operators."

To illustrate how rapidly Midland is growing, Ashby said, "We're in a race car and screaming down the track at 200 mph. We're not thinking of getting in the car — we're already in it."

Utah miners end wildcat strike

HUNTINGTON, Utah (AP) — Union and Emery company officials agreed Wednesday night to end a three-day wildcat strike by about 1,400 union coal miners at five eastern Utah mines near here, a union official said.

Don Colegie, United Mine Workers of America Local 2176 president, said workers at Emery Mining Corp.'s Deer Creek mine and the Des-Bee-Dove three-mine complex would go back to work on the graveyard shift beginning at midnight Wednesday.

Employees at the Wilberg Mine would not return to work until the day shift Thursday morning, he said, since that was the shift on which that mine's workers walked off the job Monday.

The strike, which was not sanctioned by the union, started at the Wilberg mine and later spread to the other mines as a protest to an alleged threat by a foreman.

Union officials decided to end the strike during a meeting in which the mine management agreed to a new policy for handling the disciplining of employees, Colegie said.

The agreement ended the dispute over an incident Feb. 3 in which a foreman allegedly threatened a miner at the Wilberg mine near Orangeville, he added.

COLEGIE REFUSED TO COMMENT on details of the new policy. However, he said the company agreed to deal with similar future incidents immediately rather than letting them go for a few days.

"If there's anything that comes up, the company will talk to the personnel involved, and try to work it out within a certain time limit," Colegie said.

"The longer you put something off, the madder people get. We want to try to settle it on the spot and that way we won't have any more of these work stoppages," he said. "We don't like these wildcats. That's the last resort."

Colegie said the incident with the foreman had been reported to management and a fact-finding meeting was requested. He said miners began calling for a walkout Monday after no meeting had taken place.

"We went to work on Thursday and Friday on good faith that some disciplinary action would be taken," he said. "By Monday, the men told me that if the company wouldn't talk, they wouldn't work."

"The supervisor is definitely going to be disciplined," Colegie said. However, he said the union will not be involved in the action taken against him.

Emery Mining spokesman Larry Saling refused to say what action would be taken against the supervisor.

Neither Saling nor Colegie had any information on how much the strike cost the company.

"It always costs a large amount of money when they miss work," but no, I have no figures," Saling said.

Saling said that some workers at the Wilberg Mine "wanted to get involved in disciplining a supervisor." When the company refused, the employees withheld their work, he said.

"The men figured that since the company wouldn't discuss the matter and follow the grievance procedure, they wouldn't work. We were upset that the company wouldn't sit down and talk. We didn't want to harm the foreman, but we did want to discover the facts of the incident," Colegie said.

Picketing UMW members, wearing masks to keep mine officials from identifying them, stopped workers from reporting for the day shift Tuesday and the graveyard shift Wednesday at Deer Creek and Des-Bee-Dove mines, officials said.



One-legged cheerleader

Cheerleader Jodi Walters ties her shoe prior to attaching her artificial leg before a high school basketball game in Aberdeen, Wash.

Walters, a 19-year-old senior, says, "You shouldn't be afraid to do what you want to do."

White asks Justice to reconsider

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Attorney General Mark White and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby have asked the U.S. Justice Department to reconsider its rejection of Texas' legislative redistricting plan.

The federal officials in January rejected the plans, saying they violated the U.S. Voting Rights Act by diluting minority voting strength. The plans for the Texas House and Senate had been drawn by the Legislative Redistricting

Board.

The White-Hobby letter asked for a meeting with Assistant U.S. Attorney General William Bradford Reynolds.

A three-judge federal panel in Dallas has decided to redraw the legislative districts.

White also has asked the Justice Department to reconsider its rejection of congressional districts drawn for Texas.

Reward draws unusual responses

BEEVILLE, Texas (AP) — A \$100,000 reward offered in the killing of a Bee County woman has drawn some interesting responses from people ranging from tipsters to psychics and even a bounty hunter, Sheriff Bob Horn says.

But Horn added that one month after friends of slain civic leader Dorothy Hunter announced the reward, the case is still far from being solved.

Mrs. Hunter, alone in her ranch house outside of town, was shot twice late last year as she tried to hide from an intruder who kicked in a side door of the house.

Local businessman Robert Ferguson said the reward would remain in force until March 7 as an inducement to solve the case.

"We've had all types call us and write us letters," Horn said. "Some of them are quite interesting, if you know what I mean."

He said some letters came from psychics who offered their theories and

from a bounty hunter interested in the case.

"Every time we get a letter or a call, this is something we have to investigate. But there's no doubt about it, the reward has brought us something we would not have gotten otherwise," Horn said. "Anything that comes to us, we're not going to pass up."

Sales of firearms to Bee County women reportedly increased after Mrs. Hunter was killed and, beginning tonight, the Beeville Police Department is offering a free self-defense course for women. More than 70 women reportedly have signed up for the course.

Correction

The 1981-82 Midland Independent School District calendar, distributed by The First National Bank of Midland, incorrectly states that Monday will be a school holiday. School will be held as

Senate to probe alleged child abuse in Oklahoma

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate subcommittee is looking into charges by a news service that children held in Oklahoma institutions are sexually and physically abused.

A Senate Judiciary subcommittee on juvenile justice called a public hearing for today to explore the results of a 5-month investigation by the Gannett News Service, and to examine the need for federal aid for local law enforcement.

William Treanor, a consultant with the subcommittee, spent several days

in Oklahoma pursuing some of the leads in the news articles and was scheduled to testify. Treanor was hired by the panel last spring as an authority on juvenile justice.

Committee aides said Treanor interviewed four teen-agers who had spent time recently in Oklahoma institutions and also spoke with former staff members of some institutions.

The subcommittee, headed by Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., also is looking into what the federal government can do to continue aid for local law

enforcement in light of the demise of the Law Enforcement Assistance Agency.

The LEAA, which has provided hundreds of millions of dollars for local crime-fighting agencies, is shutting down April 15.

"It is generally conceded that the federal government will continue to play a role, however diminished, in trying to assist local governments in fighting crime," said Specter.

The subcommittee broadened its

hearings to include a look at the Oklahoma institutions after Gannett News Service published its findings beginning last week.

The news agency said children confined to the state's training schools, homes and shelters "fight a daily battle for survival and dignity." It said there was extensive prostitution and drug trafficking in the institutions, and charged that "scores of children have been victims of brutal attacks, sexual assaults or punitive, ramrod discipline by state employees."

Board appoints five to Advisory Committee on Aging

By PATRICK DEAREN
Staff Writer

The board of directors of Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission appointed five persons to the Area Advisory Committee on Aging and took action on two grant applications in a brief meeting Wednesday.

New Area Advisory Committee on Aging appointees are Frances Clark of Kermit, Winkler County Judge; Peggy Garner of Rankin, Upton County Judge; Meynell Geers of Odessa; Jack Miller of Andrews and Everett Shipp of Midland.

Directors also passed a resolution accepting the review and comment of the Area Agency Advisory Council on a grant application from the City of Big Spring for continuation of funding of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. Some \$23,000 is being requested from

with \$8,500 from the State of Texas and \$12,954 by the City of Big Spring. Initiation date for the one-year project is July 1, with 300 volunteers expected to be utilized.

RSVP was developed to allow senior citizens an opportunity to contribute to the community. Begun in Big Spring in 1973 by Big Spring State Hospital, it also has been sponsored by Howard College. In 1981, 229 volunteers donated 47,174 hours to the program.

The board also passed a resolution accepting the review and comment of the Human Resources Advisory Council on a grant application to the Department of Health and Human Services from the Community Council of Reeves County. Some \$70,000 is being sought for continuation of the administration and general programming grant. Initiation date is March, with funding to continue 12 months. Some

Of the requested amount, \$61,113 is allocated for the on-going administration of the five CCRC Centers and supportive services for an additional center. The Community Council currently administers various programs with funds totaling approximately \$150,000 a year and donations of \$40,000.

Some \$44,387 will be used to fund the operation of the five centers in Reeves County, including the administration office in Pecos, Balmorhea Center, Toyah Center, Pecos Children's Day Nursery and Saragosa Head Start Center.

Programs operated through these centers reach 4,500 persons in Reeves County and include a baby clinic, immunization and blood pressure clinics, day care for 126 children at Pecos Day Nursery, medical transportation, summer youth activities, wealth-

Reeves, Ward, Loving and Winkler counties, and operation of meals on wheels program for senior citizens.

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DEATHS

Jim W. Schroeder

Jim W. Schroeder, 75, of 2809 Cuthbert Ave., died Monday at his home.

Services were Wednesday in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Dr. Daniel Vestal, minister of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Palbearers were to be A.P. Baker of Alpine, James A. Wilson of Stanton, Bill Wilson, Bob Wilson, Jimmy Humble of Lovington, N.M., and Maxxi Humble of Snyder. Honorary palbearers were to be Jno. P. Butler, Vondyl Willis of Wichita Falls, Al Harrison of Colorado City, Frank Dunlap of San Angelo, C.E. Hogan, Ed Darnell, Carroll Hill, Tom Wingo, Albert Clements, Dewayne Humble of Odessa, Fred Jamison of San Angelo, Jim Hartman and Bud Hamlin.

C. Eugene Jones

Services for C. Eugene Jones, 30, of 306 S. Jackson St. will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Faith Temple Church of God in Christ with the Rev. W. C. Kennan, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, directed by Roscoe V. Jackson Mortuary.

Jones died Sunday in Midland. He was born March 12, 1951, in Lamesa, moved to Midland and alternately lived in Midland and Amarillo. He worked for MidTran, the Midland transit system.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah; three sons, Christopher E. Jones, Anthrone M. Jones and Michael Jones, all of Midland; three daughters, LaSandra Gibson, Monica Hill and Anita Jones, all of Midland; his mother, Mrs. Tommie Holland Reese of Palo Alto, Calif.; two brothers, Tommy Carnell Jones of San Jose, Calif., and Vincent Harold Jones of Midland; three sisters, Carol Holland Johnson of Bakersfield, Calif., Helen Holland Jenkins of Midland and Teresa Holland of Denver, Colo.; a half-brother, Milburn Sanders Jr. of Amarillo; and three half-sisters, Rose Mary Sanders, Dora Frazier and

Verna Peace, all of Midland; nieces and nephews and a host of other relatives and friends.

C.W. Anderson

Services for C.W. "Andy" Anderson, 56, of 4424 Stanolind Ave., were Wednesday at the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel. Burial was to be in Tulsa, Okla. Services are under the direction of the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Monday at his home. Honorary palbearers were to be Jack Pettus, Ed Nicks and Getty Oil Company employees.

Eddie Lee Miles

Services for Eddie Lee Miles, 50, of 201 S. Jefferson St. will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the chapel of Roscoe V. Jackson Mortuary. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

He died Saturday in a Midland hospital following an illness.

Miles was born Aug. 13, 1931, in Vernon. He was a laborer in the construction trade.

Survivors include a daughter, Marilinda Mae Lydia of Midland; a sister, Ethel Harris of Las Vegas, Nev.; two brothers, George Miles Jr. and Tommy Miles, both of Colorado City; and five grandchildren.

Thelma Murphy

WHITE OAKS, N.M. — Graveside services for Thelma White Murphy, formerly of Midland, Texas, were Wednesday at the family ranch here.

She died Tuesday in a Tularosa, N.M., hospital.

The daughter of Midland pioneers, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bar White, Mrs. Murphy was born and grew up in Midland. She had been a member of the First United Methodist Church in Midland. She was married to Pat Murphy, a former Midland judge. The couple had moved to Tularosa many years ago. Survivors include her husband.

Thais force down Vietnamese plane

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A Thai fighter-bomber intercepted a Vietnamese military transport in Thai airspace today and forced it down in a rice field, Thai military officers said.

Initial reports said one of the 13 Vietnamese military personnel on board was killed and two others injured when the twin-engine turboprop AN-26 transport landed about 18 miles from the Cambodian border.

A Thai officer said the Soviet-built plane was detected on radar as it crossed from Cambodia into Thailand's eastern Chantaburi Province, and was pursued by one of Thailand's U.S.-built F5E fighter-bombers.

The officer speculated that the Vietnamese craft might have developed engine trouble and strayed off course, but no other details were immediately known.

The two injured Vietnamese were taken to a military field hospital, while the others were being questioned at the nearby military camp of Wattana Nakorn, 75 miles from Bangkok.

Weinberger and Hussein talk American weapons

By NICOLAS B. TATRO
Associated Press Writer

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger met with King Hussein and top Jordanian military officers today and later headed to an air show.

Weinberger, on a tour of moderate Arab states, visited Saudi Arabia and Oman before traveling to Jordan where American defense officials said he hopes to persuade Hussein not to buy weapons from the Soviet Union.

The secretary attended a military briefing this morning conducted by Jordan's chief of staff, Gen. Fathi Abu Taleb, and the commander-in-chief of the armed forces, Gen. Zeid Bin Shaker.

The air display, in which Jordanian pilots were to show off their handling of American-made F-5 fighter-bombers, was scheduled at a base near Mafrq, about 80 miles north of Amman.

Weinberger has established a joint military committee with the leaders of Saudi Arabia and finalized the sale of the American AWACS reconnaissance planes that Congress approved last year.

The committee will deal with military matters involving the two countries, according to Weinberger and the Saudi defense minister, Prince Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz.

Weinberger said soon after arriving in Jordan that he was willing to ask Congress to approve the sale of a mobile air defense system if Hussein would scrap plans to buy an anti-aircraft system from the Soviet Union.

Jordan's military is equipped almost entirely with Western arms.

The Israelis have said they don't want Jordan to have a mobile missile system because the Jordanians could then roll the batteries into the Jordan Valley and knock down Israeli spy planes.

Weinberger, who is trying to rally support against Soviet influence in the Middle East, said Wednesday he was ready to go before Congress and argue for a mobile Hawk system for Jordan.

"We expect to discuss with the Jordanians their need for improvements in their air defense system," Weinberger told reporters. "We expect that they will be interested in a mobile air defense missile. If appropriate, I would be willing to go to Congress to discuss such a sale."

Congress authorized a Hawk system for Jordan but, after strenuous protests from Israel several years ago, decreed that they be fixed batteries located so that they would not threaten Israel's air defenses.

Weinberger's statement indicated the Reagan administration is willing to risk another battle in Congress over arms sales to a moderate Arab state despite the narrow victory for the \$8.5-billion AWACS radar plane sale to Saudi Arabia last year.

Hussein on a visit to the Soviet Union last year agreed to buy \$200 million worth of mobile SAM-6 missiles. Iraq is to pay the bill. Reagan tried and failed to dissuade the king when he visited Washington last November, but U.S. defense officials said it was not too late to discuss an American substitute.

Weinberger met for several hours with Hussein at his palace Wednesday night, but there was no indication of the king's reaction.

Relations between Hussein and the Carter administration were soured by the unsuccessful U.S. efforts to enlist him in the U.S.-sponsored Palestinian autonomy talks, and Hussein began to turn elsewhere for weapons. The king bought British tanks, French jets and Soviet missiles.

Jordanian officials said privately that relations with the Reagan administration were much better than with President Carter's.

"It is felt here," said one high-ranking Jordanian, "that the Reagan administration is more responsive to Jordan's position, and this is felt in more than one tangible way, both militarily and politically."

Researchers feel more study needed into radioactivity of cigarette smoke

BOSTON (AP) — While researchers have long studied the poisonous potential of tar in cigarette smoke, there has been little study of radioactive components in the smoke, a pair of medical researchers says.

Dr. Thomas H. Winters and Joseph R. DiFranza of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center say only one definite cancer-causing chemical — benzo(a)pyrene — has been found in the 17 years since the Surgeon General's first report on smoking.

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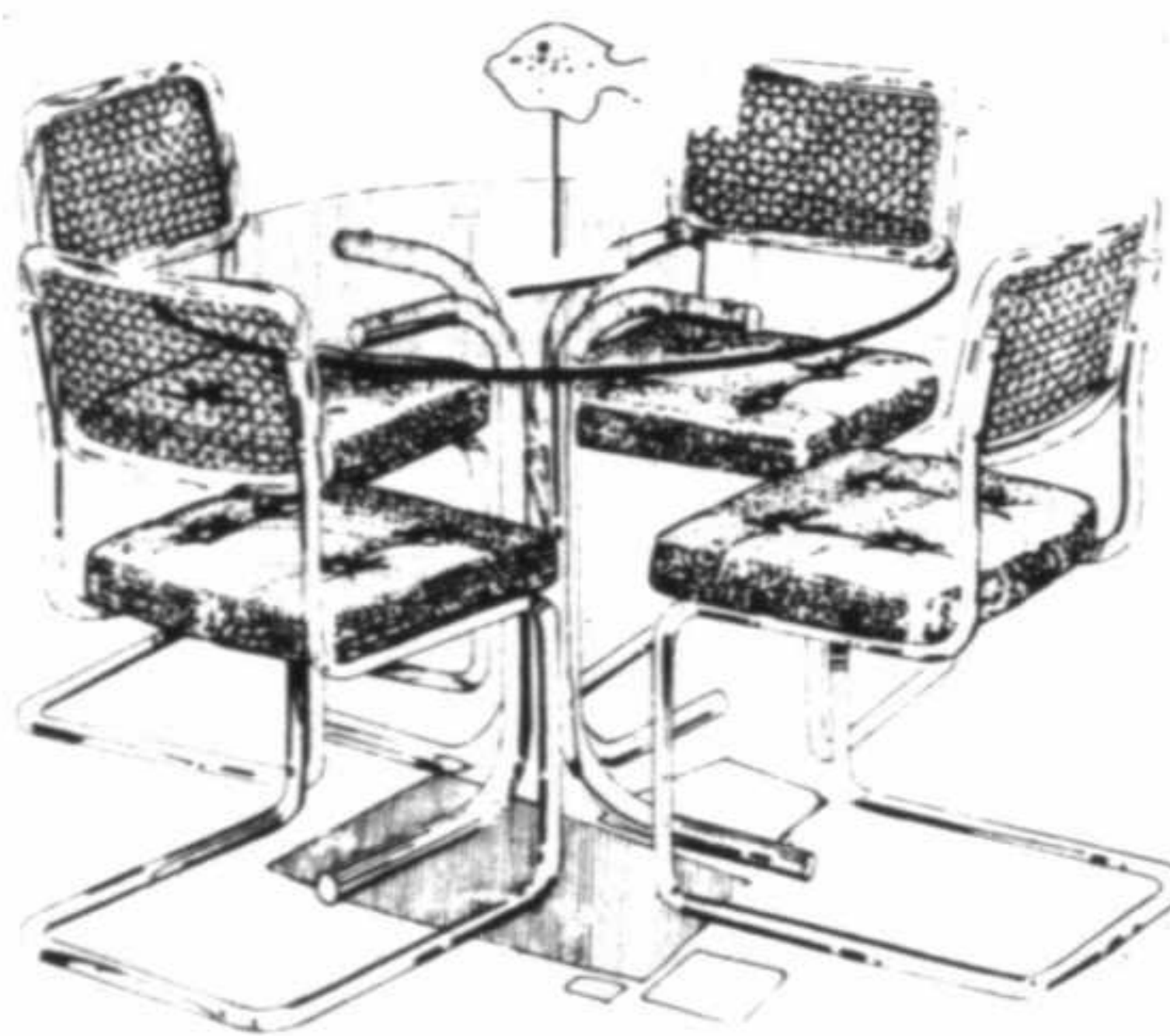
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Allen supports Reagan's defense spending



Former national security advisor Richard V. Allen makes a point during a press conference at Texas A&M University Wednesday.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Former U.S. National Security Adviser Richard V. Allen expressed solid support for the Reagan administration's big defense spending plans, which have been drawing heavy fire since being unveiled last weekend.

Allen said that unless Congress passes President Reagan's defense requests, the United States could become militarily inferior to the Soviet Union for the "first time in the history of our Republic."

Allen spoke Wednesday to about 400 students at Texas A&M University in a wide-ranging address on Soviet foreign policy, the first session of a four-day conference entitled "Perspectives on Soviet Foreign Policy."

He said the U.S. policy of detente toward the Soviet Union "simply does not work" and he proceeded to give his own bleak assessment of Russian foreign policy motives.

He said that Russia aimed to split up NATO, encourage pacifism in Western Europe, obstruct the peace process in the Middle East and, of most immediate concern, import communism to the Western Hemisphere — specifically, El Salvador.

"The prospect of a communist regime on the land mass of Central America, much less Latin America, is intolerable to the United States," Allen said.

"But that is what we are faced with in the growth of communism fanning out from Cuba into Central America, causing instability in places like El Salvador where I believe our policy is on the right track, and in Nicaragua, where we are faced with an increasingly important challenge of military significance."

Allen also declared that Poland should be declared in default on the \$27 billion debt it owes to the United States and other Western powers.

"I would favor those who are on the side of default," Allen told reporters after his speech.

He said permitting Poland to defer payment of its overdue debt while under repressive regime would be "throwing more good money after bad."

The former aide to Reagan resigned under pressure after investigations of his conduct cleared him of any criminal wrongdoing in his acceptance of gifts from Japanese journalists and associates.

He expressed continued anger over the role he said the press played in spreading "in some cases, outright lies" about his accepting the gifts and cash from Japanese businessmen while in public office.

Three McAllen police officers found innocent

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Months of anguish vanished in a burst of tears as Tom Carter heard jurors pronounce him innocent of police brutality charges.

The heavy-set, baby-faced former McAllen police investigator sobbed as U.S. Magistrate William Mallet told him and two other former officers Wednesday they were free to go.

"It's been hell for all of my family," Carter said afterward. His mother and pregnant wife broke into tears at the verdict.

After Carter, Jaime Contreras and Alfredo Saldana thanked jurors with handshakes, nods and words, the former colleagues on the late night shift huddled together like a winning team.

THEY HAD won acquittal in what many thought was the strongest of the government's police brutality cases against five former McAllen officers. Two others indicted in separate incidents have pleaded guilty.

In the misdemeanor case, Special Prosecutor Ross Connealy argued the three violated Pedro Dennett's civil rights when they slapped, kicked and punched the drunk prisoner at the police station on Oct. 23, 1978.

Evidence included a nationally aired videotape of the incident, recorded on police monitoring cameras installed over the booking desk.

Defense lawyers contended the policemen were faced with a potentially violent situation and

had to subdue the unruly and uncooperative prisoner.

"I'm convinced that this was nothing but a scuffle and if we are going to indict officers every time there's a scuffle with a drunk, we have problems," Juan Hinojosa, lawyer for Contreras, said in closing arguments.

Jurors agreed after 1½ hours of deliberations.

"THERE was no willful intent (to violate Dennett's rights)," said one juror who asked not to be identified. "We went through the whole thing."

Mallet told jurors that prosecutors had to prove the men intentionally violated the man's rights by using excessive force.

"Whatever the jury made of that tape is what this case boiled down to," Connealy said after the acquittal. "I don't know why the jury decided like they did. It was a fair trial."

He said he did not know whether the verdict ended the Justice Department investigation of the McAllen police department, which began last spring.

"There are some unresolved questions," he said. Dennett, who testified at the three-day trial, was not present for the verdict and could not be located for comment. He has collected a \$17,000 settlement in a civil suit filed over the beating.

All three defendants had resigned the McAllen force before they were indicted Nov. 4, 1981. After leaving McAllen,

Carter became police chief in Bishop. He was forced to resign that position when the Dennett tape and others were shown on national television.

THE TAPES had been used as evidence in an American Civil Liberties Union suit against the department. After viewing the tapes, a federal judge ordered changes in police training and internal review practices.

Jim Harrington, the ACLU lawyer for the suits, said he was disappointed in the verdict but

"I'm convinced that this was nothing but a scuffle and if we are going to indict officers every time there's a scuffle with a drunk, we have problems."

felt there was little left to do. "It's very difficult to convict officers. People don't like to believe officers are going to do something wrong," he said. "There's not much left to do. Mr. Dennett received a settlement of about \$17,000 in a civil suit against Carter, Contreras and Saldana. We've done everything we can do. It's an unfortunate situation," he added.

The defendants said they were anxious to resume normal lives. "I'll never be a policeman again. The rewards are too cheap," said Carter, a businessman in George West. "I feel like

I've been tried and convicted by the news media all over the United States without due process." Saldana said he has been unemployed since the indictment.

"Ever since the indictment, it's been pretty terrible for me and my entire family. Now maybe I can get a job," he said.

CONTRERAS, like Carter, said his days as a policeman are over. He works in a family auto parts store.

"As far as I'm concerned I've had it with

law enforcement. I don't feel any animosity for the people of McAllen," he said. "I put in my three years of service."

Nelson Sharpe of Kingsville, Carter's lawyer, viewed the verdict as a community vote of confidence for law enforcement officers.

"I think the (Rio Grande) Valley has seen the need for supporting their police," said Sharpe, a former Kleberg County prosecutor. "They (the defendants) did what they thought they were supposed to do."

Controversy over police brutality allegations has

cost the McAllen department two police chiefs. Jack Caldwell, a 28-year FBI veteran, resigned in 1980 after refusing to discipline officers for incidents that took place before his arrival in 1979.

Roy Eckhardt stepped down after a year as chief in a dispute with city officials over how to reorganize the department in the wake of brutality allegations.

SINCE 1976, 11 police brutality civil suits have been filed by the American Civil Liberties Union on behalf of 30 plaintiffs, generally poor Mexican-Americans, against both Hispanic and Anglo officers, the department and city officials. A total of 29 present and former officers were named defendants in the suits.

An internal police review panel concluded in April 1981 that most cases of prisoner abuse came during the graveyard shift of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Officers on the late night watch at one time wore teeshirts calling themselves the "C-Shift Animals."

"Serious incidents of abuse, provocation, excessive force and improper conduct were isolated to this particular group," the report said.

The Dennett booking took place during the C-shift.

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TEC gets reprieve

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Congressional approval of emergency funding for employment programs means 500 Texas Employment Commission employees won't lose their jobs.

President Reagan had asked Congress to restore his own cuts into unemployment benefits and job-finding services after an unexpectedly high rise in joblessness.

The U.S. House passed the additional \$2.3 billion in funding earlier this week, and the Senate unanimously approved it Wednesday.

TEC Administrator Ernie Tullis said the agency also hopes to reopen up to 50 of the 66 offices that were closed Feb. 1 because of budget cuts.

The agency had laid off about 800 employees after funding cuts last October, and planned to lay off 500 more Feb. 1 because of further cutbacks handed down in December. The latest staff reduction had not yet taken place because of controversy over how the agency would choose which employees to let go.

If President Reagan signs the funding resolution, "we can keep the staff we currently have on hand and reopen some of the offices we closed," Tullis said. But he said the restoration of funds only puts the agency back where it was after the October cuts.

Employment programs face another round of cuts in the fiscal 1983 budget.

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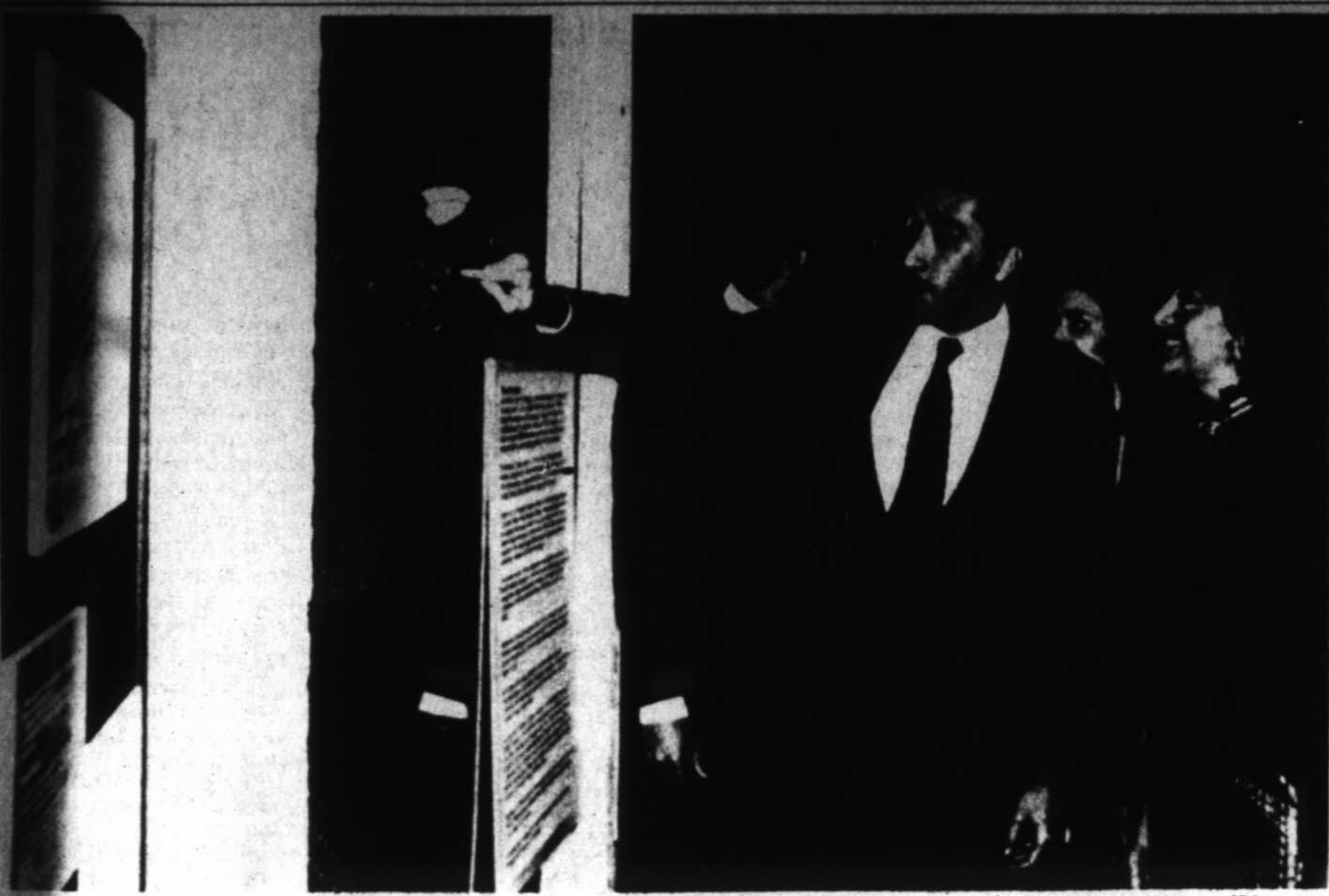
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By JOHN FARINA
Copley News Service

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Because computers are in the vanguard of the technological age, more and more humans who don't understand the nature of computers are becoming stymied.

Their frustration is spreading from the business world into the home, everywhere computers are used and abused.

Therefore, Thomas F. McDonald, a La Jolla, Calif., clinical psychologist, has decided to try to restore the emotional health of those sad people who have run afoul of computers.

He has computer specialists in therapy for the emotional problems they have suffered as a result of their contact with the world of computers.

One of his patients retired from the computer business at 42. Couldn't take any more of it.

Computers, the psychologist reports, cause tardiness, absences, dwindling enthusiasm, turnover and burn-out.

They have driven some people to sabotage the systems.

What computer workers sometimes fail to

understand, McDonald said, is that computers do only what people tell them to do, what they're programmed for.

"To get mad at a computer is pretty silly," he said.

Understanding that point is the first step toward rehabilitation of a human who has been distressed by a computer, the psychologist said.

"Errors of input can lead to business problems, causing tempers to flare," he said, "but is that any reason to get nasty with the computer?"

"When a computer doesn't perform as expected, blame the human who made it, programmed it, is trying to use it."

If that approach is too much for a computer worker who's had it up to here with computers, McDonald added:

— Take a break: walk around; try some physical activity to get hold of yourself; don't wait for

stresses to build up.

— Don't take on more tasks than you or the machine can be expected to perform within a given time.

— Learn to accept that life's a mixed bag and that no matter how much trouble the computer is giving you the pyramids in Egypt are still standing.

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Reagan tries to sell federalism program

By JAMES GERSTENZANG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's extensive travel schedule in the coming weeks is intended to provide him with a chance to hear what the country has to say about his new federalism program.

That's what his spokesmen said before he set out Monday on the first of the trips.

In Bloomington, Minn., his first stop, the president put it this way:

"You have to get about 50 miles, at least, away from the Potomac River and the District of Columbia to get back to the real world."

As he began his campaign to sell to Congress a budget that includes an unpopular \$91.5 billion deficit and a heavy reliance on the new federalism plan, Reagan said frequently that he wanted to consult with governors and state legislators.

They are the people, he said, who will have to shoulder an increased burden if he successfully transfers to the states more than 40 programs currently administered in Washington.

Those "who sit in the state legislatures, the county boards and the city councils of this country ... know the needs of your neighbors and the programs that will serve them best," Reagan told a joint session of the Indiana Legislature Tuesday.

But if he wants to hear the lawmakers' opinions, the recent trip gave him little opportunity for more than one-sided consultation. He spoke. They listened.

In Des Moines, he conferred for barely 10 minutes with Robert Ray, a Republican and the nation's senior governor. In Indianapolis, it was much the same story with Gov. Bob Orr.

Reagan did have a chance to talk about new federalism with Sen. David Durenberger, chairman of the Senate subcommittee on intergovernmental relations, who will play an important role in Senate consideration of the president's program.

The Minnesota Republican flew to Bloomington with Reagan on Monday evening and chatted with him aboard Air Force One. The topic? The Iowa-Minnesota football games of the mid-1980s when, by the president's memory, snow banks were piled four feet high on the side of the playing field.

Asked about the amount of time, or lack of time, given to the governors and the absence of any give-and-take dialogue with the state legislators, Deputy White House Press Secretary Larry Speakes smiled and said as Reagan flew from Des Moines to Indianapolis: "He met with the governor and lieutenant governor. He'll consult more."

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