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## Anti-Sandinista rebels attack ambulance

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Anti-Sandinista guerrillas ambushed a Red Cross ambulance and killed the driver, a government spokesman said, while army troops battled rebels on several fronts around the country.

The spokesman, Herty Lewittes, said Monday night that the ambulance was attacked in northwestern Nicaragua near the Honduran border, where fighting between guerrillas and the leftist government's troops has been escalating during the past two months.

Lewittes, who is also minister of tourism, did not identify the driver or say who the ambulance was carrying when it was ambushed Sunday night. But he said the situation in the region remains serious and reported that the army is keeping troops off highways after 5 p.m. to avoid casualties in ambushes.

Residents of Rancho Grande, a town of about 5,000 people 150 miles northeast of the capital, said the town was surrounded by insurgents early Monday but there was no attack on the town.

The government estimates the number of guerrillas operating in northern Nicaragua at up to 5,000.

A rebel broadcast claimed insurgents also were fighting in the south, near the Costa Rican border.

## Nicaragua seeks talks with Honduras, United States

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Nicaragua, charging that rebels based in Honduras are seeking to overthrow its leftist government, has asked to air its grievances in talks with Honduras and the United States.

In a Security Council debate Monday, Nicaraguan Deputy Foreign Minister Victor Hugo Tinoco said Daniel Ortega Saavedra, the head of the Sandinista junta, is ready to meet with Honduran President Roberto Suazo Cordova as soon as possible to settle differences between the two Central American nations.

He proposed that the presidents of Mexico and Venezuela

attend the talks.

Tinoco also proposed Nicaragua and the United States start "direct and frank talks" on their differences in a third country chosen by mutual consent from among France, Spain, Mexico, Venezuela and Panama.

Honduran Ambassador Enrique Ortez said his country was ready to enter talks with Nicaragua, but did not want to include its president until the dialogue had entered an advanced stage.

Ortez said his government would prefer that Mexico, Panama, Colombia and the Dominican Republic be the observers at

the talks.

The Sandinista government says most of the rebels fighting in northern Nicaragua are members of the late dictator Anastasio Somoza's national guard who fled to Honduras after he was overthrown by the Sandinista-led revolution in 1979. Government estimates of the dissidents range up to 5,000, and that figure is doubled by spokesmen at the rebel headquarters in the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa.

U.S. Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, answering reporters' questions when the council broke for lunch, said, "I think that the nations who are involved in Cen-

tral America should talk to each other."

"There ought to be negotiations between Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Honduras and the other states in the region," she said.

She added, "the United States has no questions to discuss with Nicaragua which are in fact appropriately dealt with at a bilateral level."

But, Mrs. Kirkpatrick continued, "if there were to be a conference of all governments who are accused of importing arms into the region, that would be a different conference with some very different composition."

tion led by the Sandinista National Liberation Front.

The Sandinistas now control the government and there is some dissatisfaction within the country over the leftist slant the government has taken. However, the government says the current rebellion is fueled by the former national guard soldiers, thousands of whom fled to Honduras in the last days of the revolution that toppled Somoza.

Nicaragua contends the United States is the prime mover in an attempt to topple the revolutionary government and claimed Monday night that Honduras has rejected two Nicaraguan proposals to improve the situation "because of manipulations by the North American government."

The Sandinistas said only a tenth of the 434-mile border with Honduras hosts "counterrevolutionary bands of former Somoza national guardsmen" and the area could be patrolled by Honduras if it wished to do so.

Honduras, for its part, accuses Nicaragua of trying to export its revolution throughout the region by arming and bankrolling leftist guerrilla movements.

The anti-Sandinista guerrillas have formed a spotty crescent of outposts in northwestern Nicaragua

A broadcast monitored in San Jose, the Costa Rican capital, said rebels attacked soldiers near Fatima, seven miles from the Costa Rican border, and killed 12 soldiers.

The report said the guerrillas suffered four casualties before they were forced to withdraw because they were outnumbered.

In recent weeks of fighting at

least 275 people, including 61 soldiers, have died, according to official estimates.

In Managua Monday night, an estimated 1,000 demonstrators held a protest at the gates of the U.S. Embassy, blaming the Reagan administration for the death of a young French doctor, Pierre Grosjean, who died in an attack by anti-

government guerrillas in western Nicaragua last week.

Grosjean was studying leprosy as part of a cultural agreement between Nicaragua and the Socialist government of French President Francois Mitterrand. He died along with three soldiers in an attack that also left 17 civilians, including seven children, wounded.

The demonstration, which lasted less than an hour, was orderly. The embassy staff had been sent home early and the grounds were dark when marchers arrived.

Nicaragua claims the guerrilla force is made up of former national guardsmen loyal to the rightist dictatorship of Anastasio Somoza, who was ousted in July 1979 in a revolu-

## El Salvador's record criticized

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Three visiting U.S. congressmen assailed the Salvadoran government's human rights record at a news conference interrupted by protests from Defense Minister Jose Guillermo Garcia.

One congressman said an army officer had lied about a reported massacre of Salvadoran peasants. All three expressed special concern about Thomas J. Western, a 32-year-old freelance journalist from St. Paul, Minn., who was arrested Saturday without explanation.

"The situation in El Salvador is very difficult and complicated... but some things remain the same," Rep. James Oberstar told a news conference Monday.

"A year ago I arrived here shortly after a massacre and this year I arrived just after another massacre."

Oberstar, D-Minn., is in this Central American country with Bill Richardson, D-N.M., and James Jeffords, R-Vt., on a four-day visit sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, a human rights organization based in Boston.

Oberstar's first visit to El Salvador came three days after a January 1982 incident in which police reportedly dragged 23 youths from their homes in a San Salvador suburb and gunned them down in the street.

The recent incident referred to by Oberstar involves the reported slayings last Feb. 22 of at least 20 civilian peasants in western Sonsonate province by army troops. Some

groups claim many more peasants were killed.

Oberstar told reporters that the commanding army officer in Sonsonate, Col. Elmer Gonzalez Araujo, lied to him Sunday by claiming that the killings occurred in a firefight between guerrillas and his troops.

Garcia, who attended the news conference, interrupted to protest that Oberstar was biased.

"I am a friend of the truth," he shouted. "While you say human rights are worsening, there are others, whose opinions I also respect, who say they are improving."

Richardson said he was concerned by what he described as El Salvador's "deteriorating human rights situation."

Jeffords said several towns in his home state have passed referendums calling for a halt to U.S. aid for El Salvador, adding "there is deep concern among many people about continued reports of (human rights) violations."

Oberstar said the congressmen were especially concerned about Western, who was arrested Saturday with fellow journalist Joan Ambrose Newton as they edited radio tapes at his San Salvador apartment.

Miss Newton, a 31-year-old South African-born U.S. citizen, was questioned briefly and released. Western was still in jail.

Garcia replied that he knew very little about the case, but believed the arrest "was performed legally."



The Great Wall

Climbing the Great Wall of China Monday is a group of U.S. Congressmen led by House Speaker Thomas "Tip" O'Neill. From left are Tony Coelho, D-Calif.; O'Neill; Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill.; John Joseph Moakley, D-Mass.; Silvio Conte, R-Mass.; Joseph Minish, D-N.J.; and John Murtha, D-Pa. A related item appears in World in Brief on Page 8A.

## Home delivery rate increasing

Midland Reporter-Telegram home delivery rates will be increased effective April 1. It will be the first increase since February 1980.

New monthly rates for home delivery will be \$5 for daily and Sunday, \$4 for daily only and \$3 for Sunday only. Thirty percent of the increase will go directly to carriers.

Any payments received by April 15 will be honored at the old rate. Even with the increase, Reporter-Telegram subscription rates are the lowest in this West Texas area.

By ED TODD  
Staff Writer

Jurors in the second capital murder trial of a Lubbock man who had spent almost four years on death row are being selected this week in Midland's 238th State District Court.

The defendant, ex-convict Clarence Allen Lackey, 28, is charged with raping and murdering 23-year-old Texas Tech University secretary Toni Diane Kumpf by slashing her throat and severely beating her after he allegedly had crashed through her apartment door about 6 a.m. on July 31, 1977. Later that day, her partially nude

body was found in a cotton field by a farmer.

Lackey was convicted of the crime in February 1978 and sentenced to die by lethal injection after the case was transferred to San Angelo following the "great notoriety" the case received by the news media in Lubbock. Previously, he had served penitentiary time for burglary with intent to commit rape.

The capital-murder conviction was upheld by an appellate court but a higher court ruled that a prospective juror had been improperly questioned, declared a mistrial and ordered the case to be retried.

PUNISHMENT UPON conviction

of a capital murder case is either life in prison or death.

Texas law says in a capital murder case: "A prospective juror shall be disqualified from serving as a juror unless he states under oath that the mandatory penalty of death or imprisonment for life will not affect his deliberations on any issue of fact."

The higher court ruled that a juror in the first trial was not questioned enough even though the juror had indicated that his deliberations would be affected by the mandatory punishment.

The higher court recognized that any normal person would, to some

degree, be adversely affected in trying a capital-murder case. However, the court ruled that the juror's projected deliberations must be so "insurmountably disabling" that he could not be fair and impartial.

Presiding over the case is Lubbock's 137th State District Court Judge Robert Wright, who presided over Lackey's first trial.

THIS IS THE first capital murder case to be tried in Midland since 1971, when Orville Davis Jr. a convicted robber and burglar, he was tried for the shotgun slaying of Glascock County rancher Steve Currie during a robbery at Currie's ranch house near Garden City. The jury

opted to sentence Davis to life in prison rather than to death.

Jury selection in Lackey's trial "probably" will take eight to 10 days, Wright told the panel of 121 prospective jurors on Monday. He has scheduled to voir dire 16 prospective jurors per day — eight in the morning and eight in the afternoon — until 12 jurors and two alternate jurors are selected.

Eight prospective jurors were lined up Monday afternoon, but only three were examined by the prosecutor and defense attorneys, and only one was placed on the jury.

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## Hospital director seats unopposed

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of articles examining candidates and issues in local elections which will be decided by voters Saturday. This part deals with the three seats open on the Midland County Hospital District.

By GAIL BURKE  
Staff Writer

Midland County Hospital District's race for the three director "sleeper" seats will be a yawn for the candidates in Saturday's election.

Because the seats are unopposed, incumbent Wanda Mohr and candidates Frank Cahoon and Dr. Walter Parks already have the position in hand.

And with Midland Memorial Hospital's present issues — a \$3.4 million drug/alcohol center and \$15.1 million 77-bed expansion — in limbo although both have been approved by the state, the candidates' platform is quality care.



Frank Cahoon



Wanda Mohr



Dr. Walter Parks

"With 20 percent of Midlanders seeking care outside the city, I feel it's necessary to create an institution to provide quality medical care," said Cahoon, whose expertise is in finance. He is running for the seat held by Ed Magruder, who decided not to seek re-election.

Parks, a Midland gynecologist who will replace Dr. Henrie Mast on the board, also is concerned about the type of health care at MMH. "As a physician, I have an intimate understanding of what is quality care and what is needed in the community," he said. "I consider it this

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seat) a mandate from the people of Midland County to provide a high quality of medical care for all the citizens.

"With the hospital district in charge of using tax funds in indigent care for the first time, the cost of this care has been carried by the public at large rather than the sick people. As an elected member of the board, I will try to see that we get the best quality care need for our citizens at minimal cost," Parks added.

Ms. Mohr, wife of cardiologist Dr. Brian Mohr and a former registered nurse who is in a master's psychology program at The University of Texas at the Permian Basin, stresses quality care through top nursing personnel.

(See HOSPITAL, Page 2A)

## INSIDE TODAY

### Weather warnings

"Our primary function here is issuing severe weather warnings. It's doubtful if we could provide adequate warning services if we don't have control over the tools we use," says Don Oettinger of the National Weather Service.

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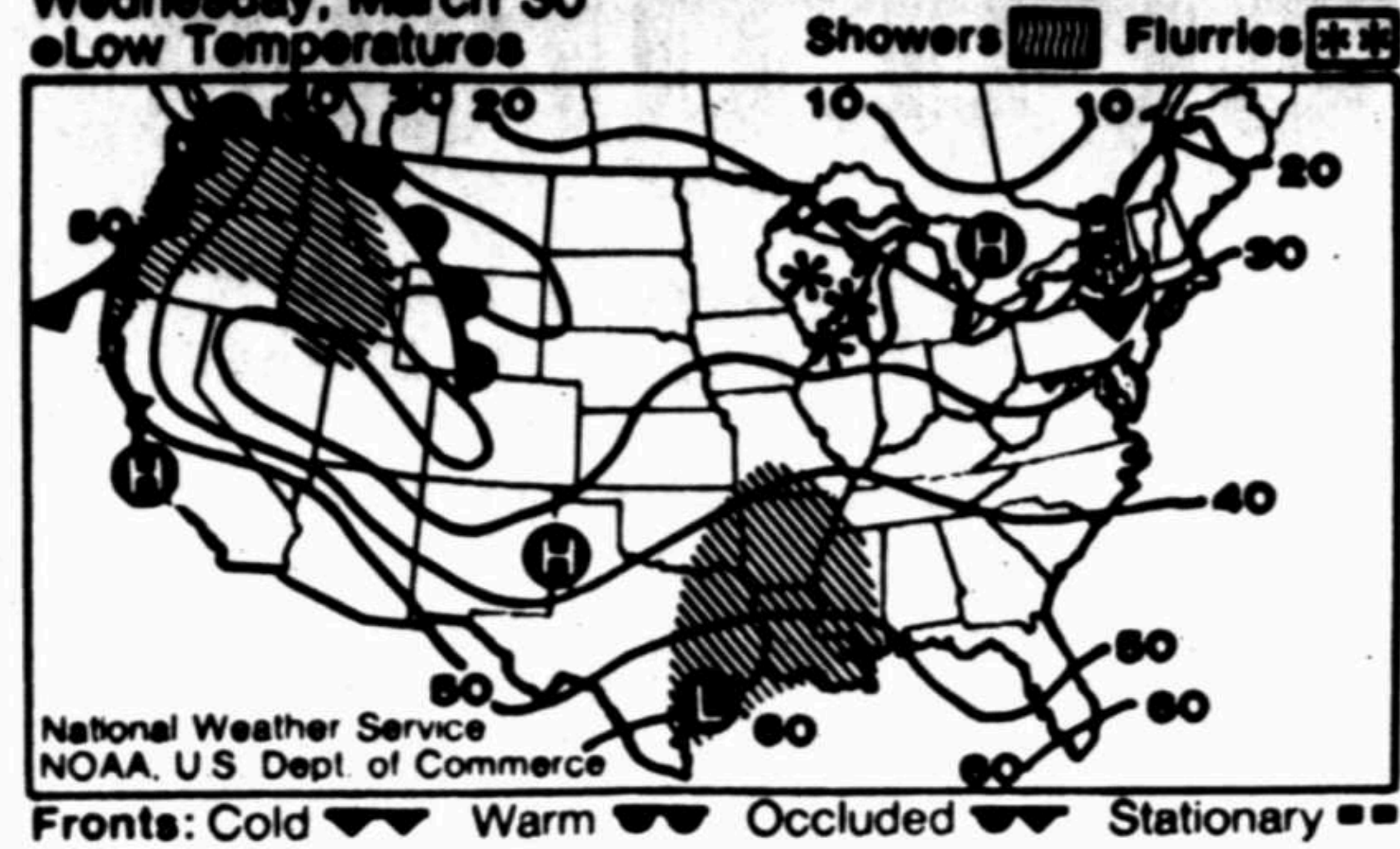
Fair tonight and Wednesday with a high in the middle 70s. Details on Page 2A.

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# WEATHER SUMMARY

## The Forecast For 7 a.m. EST Wednesday, March 30



Rain is forecast through Wednesday from the eastern and central Gulf to the lower Midwest and for the Northwest, according to the National Weather Service. Snow flurries are predicted for the upper Midwest, with clear skies expected in most other areas.

### Warm spell expected to continue

The Permian Basin may bask in blue, sunny skies and warm temperatures through Wednesday, according to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport.

Temperatures should drop into the upper 30s tonight and climb into the middle 70s Wednesday.

Tonight's light westerly winds at 5-15 mph are expected to shift southerly at 10-15 mph Wednesday.

Monday's high of 73 was 19 degrees cooler than 1963's blistering record of 92. The overnight low of 49 was 31 degrees warmer than 1944's record low of 18 degrees.

### Midland statistics

**FORECAST**

Fair tonight and Wednesday with low tonight in the upper 30s and high Wednesday in the middle 70s. Westerly winds at 5-15 mph tonight shifting to southerly at 10-15 mph Wednesday.

**NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS**

Yesterday's High: 73 degrees  
Overnight Low: 49 degrees  
Sunset today: 7:06 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:40 a.m.

**PRECIPITATION**

Last 24 hours: none inches  
This month to date: 2.1 inches  
1983 to date: 1.61 inches

**LOCAL TEMPERATURES**

6 a.m.	37	6 p.m.	68
7 a.m.	38	7 p.m.	66
8 a.m.	40	8 p.m.	61
9 a.m.	42	9 p.m.	58
10 a.m.	46	10 p.m.	53
11 a.m.	60	11 p.m.	57
noon	67	Midnight	57
1 p.m.	67	1 a.m.	57
2 p.m.	70	2 a.m.	56
3 p.m.	72	3 a.m.	55
4 p.m.	71	4 a.m.	53
5 p.m.	71	5 a.m.	53
6 a.m.	51	6 a.m.	51

### Weather elsewhere

City	Hi	Lo	Prc	Okls
Albany	44	32	07	clr
Albuquerque	64	44	00	clr
Anchorage	40	29	00	clr
Ankeny	51	35	00	clr
Atlanta	48	35	00	clr
Baltimore	54	39	02	clr
Bilings	40	29	10	clr
Birmingham	50	28	00	rn
Bismarck	43	30	05	clr
Boise	45	39	00	rn
Boston	59	43	05	clr
Buffalo	44	22	12	clr
Burlington	41	27	15	clr
Casper	41	20	16	clr
Charleston S.C.	44	30	00	clr
Charleston W.V.	47	36	04	clr
Charlotte N.C.	58	33	00	clr
Chattanooga	39	22	00	rn
Chicago	37	25	00	rn
Cincinnati	41	34	00	rn
Cleveland	44	31	10	clr
Columbia S.C.	38	33	00	rn
Columbus	41	34	10	clr
Dallas	39	32	02	clr
Davenport	46	32	13	rn
Des Moines	38	28	00	rn
Detroit	42	28	02	clr
Duluth	31	20	00	rn
Fairbanks	36	12	00	rn
Fargo	41	30	00	rn
Flagstaff	48	28	00	rn
Great Falls	50	29	00	rn
Hartford	50	44	06	clr
Helena	42	25	00	rn
Honolulu	84	65	00	rn
Indianapolis	40	33	00	rn
Jackson Miss.	51	32	00	rn
Jacksonville	72	38	00	rn
Juneau	46	38	00	rn
Kansas City	41	37	00	rn
Last Vegas	66	47	00	rn
Little Rock	55	35	00	rn
Los Angeles	68	58	07	clr
Louisville	63	36	00	rn
Memphis	47	32	00	rn
Miami	80	62	00	rn
Madison	35	24	00	rn
Minneapolis	38	24	00	rn
Mobile Ala.	45	40	00	rn
Nashville	58	46	00	rn
New Orleans	55	47	00	rn
New York	55	47	00	rn
Norfolk	68	41	00	rn
North Platte	38	35	00	rn
Oklahoma City	50	44	00	rn
Omaha	38	30	00	rn
Orlando	77	49	00	rn
Philadelphia	51	40	06	clr
Phoenix	66	53	00	rn
Pittsburgh	44	31	01	clr
Portland Ore.	45	36	00	rn
Portland Me.	47	47	31	clr
Providence	63	43	00	rn
Raleigh	62	37	00	rn
Rapid City	37	29	03	clr
San Antonio	50	44	00	rn
San Diego	60	41	00	rn
St. Louis	42	35	00	rn
St. Pete Tampa	74	50	00	rn
Salt Lake	49	35	00	rn
San Jose	62	56	11	clr
San Francisco	62	51	01	clr
Scranton	34	29	00	rn
Seattle	47	46	31	rn
Shreveport	57	43	00	rn
Spokane	37	31	01	clr
Syracuse	43	38	00	rn
Topeka	48	38	01	clr
Tucson	65	46	00	rn
Tulsa	49	42	00	rn
Washington	57	45	02	clr
Wichita	42	36	58	clr

### Texas temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Prc	Okls
Abilene	68	50	00	rn
Alice	76	53	00	rn
Amarillo	64	40	00	rn
Austin	65	45	00	rn
Beaumont	66	50	00	rn
Brownsville	76	61	00	rn
Childress	61	44	00	rn
College Station	67	47	00	rn
Corpus Christi	69	55	00	rn
Dalhart	59	44	00	rn
Dallas	62	47	00	rn
Del Rio	75	55	00	rn
El Paso	72	51	00	rn
Fort Worth	62	47	00	rn
Galveston	63	58	00	rn
Houston	68	46	00	rn
Lubbock	69	42	00	rn
Lufkin	66	41	00	rn
Marfa	74	36	00	rn
Midland	69	42	00	rn
Midland	73	51	00	rn
Palacios	67	52	00	rn
San Angelo	71	52	00	rn
San Antonio	68	52	00	rn
Stephenville	63	45	00	rn
Texarkana	60	45	00	rn
Victoria	71	50	00	rn
Waco	64	47	00	rn
Wichita Falls	62	46	00	rn
Wink	77	58	00	rn

### Texas area forecasts

**West Texas:** Fair to partly cloudy through Wednesday. Highs 58 Panhandle to 73 south and 85 Big Bend valleys. Lows 32 Panhandle and mountains to 39 southeast and 45 Big Bend valleys. Highs Wednesday 68 Panhandle to 75 south and 86 Big Bend valleys.

**North Texas:** Partly cloudy through tonight with scattered thunderstorms. Mostly fair Wednesday. Highs 65 to 69. Lows 39 to 43. Highs Wednesday 64 to 68.

**South Texas:** Cloudy to partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms tonight and Wednesday. Highs 70 north to 80 south. Lows 45 Hill Country to near 60 along the coast.

**Port Arthur to Port O'Connor:** Southeasterly winds increasing to 15 to 20 knots tonight becoming northerly near 15 knots Wednesday. Seas 3 to 5 feet increasing to 5 to 7 feet offshore. Winds and seas higher in scattered showers and thunderstorms tonight and Wednesday.

**Port O'Connor to Brownsville:** Southeasterly winds 15 to 20 knots tonight becoming northerly to northeasterly 10 to 15 knots Wednesday. Seas 4 to 6 feet near shore and 5 to 7 feet offshore. Scattered showers or thunderstorms becoming more numerous tonight and Wednesday.

### Border forecasts

**New Mexico:** Decreasing cloudiness tonight becoming fair to partly cloudy Wednesday. Highs 45 to 55 mountains, 55 to 65 north and 65 to 75 south. Lows teens and 20s mountains and 30s to 42 elsewhere. Highs Tuesday 48 to 50s mountains to 70s southern lowlands.

**Oklahoma:** Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms south and east through tonight. Clear to partly cloudy and warmer Wednesday. Highs in the 50s. Lows in the 30s. Highs Wednesday in the 60s.

**Louisiana:** Partly cloudy with a chance of rain or thunderstorms tonight increasing Wednesday. Highs 65 to 68. Lows 45 north to 55 south. Highs Wednesday 65 north to near 70 southeast coast.

### Extended forecasts

**Thursday Through Saturday**

**West Texas:** Fair and warmer Thursday. Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday. Cooler north Friday and all sections Saturday. Highs mid 70s north to mid 80s south Thursday cooling to mid 50s Panhandle to 70 south except near 80 Big Bend by Saturday. Lows mostly 40s Thursday cooling to low 30s north to upper 40s south Saturday.

**North Texas:** Mostly fair skies, cool Thursday and warmer Friday and Saturday. Lows Thursday morning 30s north to 40s south, warming to 40s north to 50s south by Saturday. Highs 60s Thursday and 70s Friday and Saturday.

**South Texas:** Fair and mild Thursday and Friday increasing cloudiness Saturday. Lows 40s north to the 50s lower coast and south Thursday and Friday and from the mid 50s to mid 60s Saturday. Highs from the 70s north to 80s south.

### Clear skies prevail

By The Associated Press

Mostly clear skies prevailed over Texas early today, but forecasters watched increasing clouds over western portions of the state and warned of the possibility of showers and thundershowers tonight.

Temperatures at 4 a.m. were mostly in the 50s. Southeasterly winds at 5 to 10 mph were the rule over most of the state.

# Prosecutor: Conviction is message

DALLAS (AP) — Felony convictions against three officers in a police brutality case that rocked New Orleans sent a message to the city that "it has a problem," a federal prosecutor says.

But a defense lawyer, citing the acquittal of four other officers in the same case Monday, attacked the verdict as "obviously a compromise" and "ripe for appeal."

The seven officers, all white, had been accused of brutally interrogating residents of the mostly black Algiers neighborhood about the killing of a white officer, patrolman Gregory Neupert.

After 2½ days of deliberation in the three-week trial, Sgt. John McKenzie and officers Dale Bonura and Stephen Farrar were found guilty of conspiracy and violating the civil rights of Robert Davis by beating and assaulting him.

"This verdict sent a message to New Orleans that they have a problem, or that they had one in November of 1980," said prosecutor Michael Johnson.

"Hopefully they can take this and proceed on it," said prosecutor Glenn Burns.

Four blacks were killed by police during the crackdown after Neupert's slaying. No charges were filed in the deaths, but the controversy prompted the police superintendent and his top lieutenant to resign.

McKenzie, Bonura and Farrar face up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine on the felony charge of conspiring to assault, intimidate and threaten residents questioned about the Neupert killing. On the misdemeanor charge of violating Davis' rights, they face up to one year in



Five of seven New Orleans police officers on trial for civil rights violations enter federal court in Dallas Monday, where a jury convicted three of conspiracy in the beating of a man during questioning. From left are Richard LeBlanc, found

innocent; an unidentified New Orleans policeman; Thomas Woodall, found innocent; and unidentified policeman; Stephen Reboul, found innocent; Dale Bonura, convicted; Stephen Farrar, convicted; and Farrar's wife Janet.

prison and a \$1,000 fine. U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer scheduled sentencing May 19. Defense lawyers said it was "unbelievable" that the three could be

convicted on the same evidence used to acquit detectives Ronald Brink and Thomas R. Woodall and officers Richard LeBlanc and Stephen Reboul.

# Reagan offers missile compromise

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan is giving Soviet negotiators a compromise arms proposal to take back to Moscow to break the deadlock on limiting medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe.

On the last day of the talks before an eight-week recess, Reagan is offering the Kremlin an "interim agreement" that falls short of his "zero-zero" plan to eliminate all medium-range missiles.

The new U.S. proposal was being laid on the table today in Geneva, Switzerland, by Paul Nitze, the chief U.S. negotiator in the talks. A senior administration official said Reagan likely would reveal the new plan before leaving Washington on Wednesday on a five-day trip to California.

The Soviets have steadfastly rejected the zero-zero plan, and Reagan has come under increasing pressure from European allies to offer an alternative. NATO defense chiefs told Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger last week that Reagan should come up with an option to the zero-zero formula.

The senior administration official, speaking anonymously, said Reagan is sticking with his goal to eventually eliminate all medium-range weapons.

"I don't think it's a retreat," the official said, calling the compromise

## Six-week recess begins today in stalled U.S.-Soviet arms talks

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — American and Soviet negotiators at the deadlocked European nuclear missile talks adjourned today for a six-week recess without saying whether any new proposals had been offered.

"I'm not very optimistic. Let's wait and see," Soviet negotiator Yuri Kvitsinsky said as he rushed by reporters to a waiting black Mercedes after the hour-long session, one of the shortest of the more than 70 meetings so far.

Chief U.S. negotiator Paul A. Nitze was not seen as the meeting broke up. His aides refused to confirm that the United States had even been considering a compromise proposal, which President Reagan reportedly plans to announce as soon as Wednesday.

The talks, which began in November 1981, are deadlocked over President Reagan's "zero option" — a demand that the Soviet Union dismantle all its 340 Soviet SS-20 missiles aimed at Western Europe in exchange for a halt in NATO plans to deploy 572 new cruise and Pershing 2 missiles in five Western European countries.

According to a Reagan administration official, the president now is expected to propose a compromise under which the United States would deploy only a fraction of the missiles if the Soviets dismantle some of theirs.

Both sides have agreed to refuse any comment on the substance of the Geneva talks, and most reports of their progress usually come from Moscow, Washington or other capitals.

gest a mutual cutback in the number of ground-based nuclear missiles to break the negotiating deadlock, according to the official.

"There may not be precise numbers. The president holds fast for the eventual elimination" of the medium-range weapons, but is offering this proposal to break the negotiating deadlock, he said.

Reagan's offer had been expected by European leaders who had received letters from the White House last week which said the president would propose a temporary solution "to the limitation of missiles."

Depending on the Soviets' response, the modified U.S. proposal could result in the dismantling of most of the triple-headed Soviet SS-20 missiles now aimed at Western Europe while only a fraction of the 572 American Pershing 2 and cruise missiles would be deployed.

When the Soviet Union rejected Reagan's initial plan, it countered with a proposal to reduce its force to 162 missiles if the United States would bar deployment of its nuclear arms in Europe. The 162 missile figure matches the total French and British missile force now deployed.

Reagan plans to give a more detailed explanation of his arms control position in a speech Thursday to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council.

plan "a step toward zero-zero." The zero-zero plan would require the Soviet Union to dismantle all its intermediate-range missiles and the

United States to cancel plans to deploy 572 new missiles in Europe in December. As an alternative, Reagan will sug-

# Hospital director seats unopposed

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"We need a baccalaureate and master's program for nurses," she said. "We need something to interface with Midland College (two-year nursing program).

"I think it's great that Al Kelm (MMH vice president of patient care services) has recruited highly-qualified nurses, but we could have these nurses here if the nurses in this area didn't have to go to Lubbock to finish their education."

Parks and Ms. Mohr agreed that the biggest challenge in health care this year is the Medicare provision in the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) of 1982, enacted

in October. One of TEFRA's provisions is designed to cut health care costs by tightening Medicare reimbursements. MMH stands to lose up to \$1.2 million in Medicare dollars over the next two years.

"TEFRA will force all hospitals to be more economical, which is its purpose," Parks said. "People are not going to unnecessarily stay as they used to. They can stay in the hospital. If a patient is not ready, we'd never tell anybody he has to leave. But now the patient will be told he has to pay for that extra day."

Ms. Mohr said TEFRA "is not all

evil. While it will force both the hospital and physicians to be extremely judicious, it will make sure a hospital is utilized properly. However, it puts the hospital in an awkward position of the watchdog — but it's a challenge and I think we can do it."

With a background in finance and a former city council member and state legislator, Cahoon said it is important to keep high quality staff at MMH.

"Staffing is critical," he said. "It's like the football coach. If you've got good players but don't have a good coach, you're not going anywhere. We don't want to shave (financial) areas that will hurt the quality of

personnel."

In areas of finance, Cahoon said Midlanders need to open their pocketbooks a little wider.

"The hospital has had wonderful (money) gifts from major contributors. But to have a quality medical facility, we need to encourage more," Cahoon said. "In the bigger cities — Houston — expansion growth is funded from donations. We need to educate Midlanders about contributing, not only when a loved one is in the hospital or when they have some kind of relationship with the hospital."

Wednesday: City Council races.

# Jury chosen for man's second murder trial

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The first juror selected was a 32-year-old accountant, who said he felt the death penalty was a "proper punishment" for a capital-murder offense.

"IT'S VERY SIMILAR to the Bible's 'an eye for an eye' (and) 'a tooth for a tooth,'" he said. He was the second prospective juror questioned by the attorneys in the case.

Examining prospective jurors were the prosecutor, Lubbock County Criminal District Attorney Jim Bob Darnell, and court-

appointed defense attorneys Jack Stoffregen and Rick Wardrop, both of Lubbock, and Mark Withrow of Midland.

Other than as a deterrent, the juror said he had "no idea" of other benefits of the death penalty. "The (convicted) person would be used as an example of what would happen to you if you committed the same crime," he said.

In addition, the juror said he could consider a punishment as lenient as five years in prison were the offense reduced from capital murder to "regular" murder, which carries a punishment range of five years to 99 years or life in prison.

The first prospective juror, a 45-year-old businessman who said he has never served on a jury, said he "looked forward" to serving on the jury until he found out that it was a capital murder case of a "heinous crime."

"MY STOMACH has totally been in knots," he said. "I don't know, candidly, that I would be a good juror."

The man was disqualified as a juror after he insisted that he under no circumstances could impose the death penalty.

"I, as a Christian person, could not vote for that punishment in true

conscience, even if it was my own child... or wife." The man said he believed that "no matter what we do, there is a God" who can forgive and change the errant ways of a person. "I would vote against death," he said that through his "Christian background" he's "not geared to vote for somebody to die."

Disqualified, too, was a Midland housewife who said she believes that death as a means of punishment "is right in (certain) circumstances." However, the woman said that under no circumstances could she consider a five-year sentence for murder, "because murder is murder."

# Jews worried gefilte fish contains tainted Michigan carp

NEW YORK (AP) — Two major food companies were deluged with calls from customers who feared that a Passover staple — gefilte fish — contained Michigan carp caught in a dioxin-tainted bay.

But the companies reassured worried consumers Monday that the carp used to make the appetizer for the Jewish holiday does not come from Saginaw Bay in Lake Huron.

"This has developed into a scare situation for the people who want to enjoy the holiday," said Robert Starr, president of B. Manischewitz Co. of Jersey City, N.J., after the company heard from anxious callers

mindful of the start of Passover on Monday night.

Michigan's Department of Health and Natural Resources acknowledged Monday that hundreds of thousands of pounds of fish shipped each year from the bay contain traces of dioxin, a powerful chemical that was an ingredient in Agent Orange, a defoliant used in Vietnam.

However, state officials said dioxin levels in the carp were not harmful and their reassurances were echoed by regional Environmental Protection Agency administrator Valdas Adamkus.

"There is a dioxin problem," Adamkus said Monday. "But this is

not of great concern. There should be no need to panic."

The New York Times reported Monday that carp from Saginaw Bay are shipped to markets in the Northeast each year. But two of the largest kosher food companies said they did not use Michigan carp.

Gefilte fish usually contains some combination of ground carp, whitefish and

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**'Electronic handcuffs' being tested**

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Experiments with tamper-proof "electronic handcuffs" to assure that probationers don't stray from home must await approval by the New Mexico Supreme Court.

District Judge Jack Love had planned to begin experiments this week with the anklets, which contain a miniature radio transmitter that sends a signal to the probationer's home. The signals are recorded on a printout which shows if the probationer has strayed more than 200 feet from his home.

But Love received a letter Monday from the Supreme Court which ordered a delay to insure that the experiments "will be appropriate." Some defense lawyers had objected that probationers would be made to pay \$70 a month for the program, which was designed to help supervise probationers and help thin crowded jails.

**'Scores' of dolphins trapped by ice**

MYSTIC, Conn. (AP) — Five dolphins trapped in an icy harbor near the Newfoundland coast were reported in guarded condition today at Mystic Marineland Aquarium, where they are being nursed back to health.

The white-beak dolphins, believed to be the only ones in captivity in the United States, were "weak and disoriented" when they arrived at the aquarium Monday evening, spokeswoman Julie Quinn said.

A team from the aquarium reached Newfoundland on Sunday after learning that scores of dolphins and porpoises had been trapped by spring ice. But they were able to fit only five of the dappled mammals on their plane for the flight back, she said.

**Man convicted in tenement fire**

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — A man who says he can't remember confessing to throwing a Molotov cocktail that caused a tenement fire killing eight people will be sentenced next month after being convicted of second-degree murder and arson.

Victor Rosario, 25, was found guilty Monday by a Middlesex Superior Court jury in the March 5, 1982, blaze. "He says he didn't do it and believes God will take care of it all and make the right decision," said Rosario's lawyer, John R. Campbell, before the verdict.

Rosario, of Lowell, testified he couldn't remember giving statements to investigators after the fire admitting he threw a gasoline-filled bottle at the building.

**Agents seize 10 tons of marijuana**

LUCY, N.M. (AP) — U.S. Customs agents seized 10 tons of marijuana and arrested seven people after tracking a propeller-driven DC-7 transport plane from Texas into New Mexico, authorities say.

Bruce Van Matre, agent in charge of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration in New Mexico, said the arrests were made shortly before dawn Monday when the four-engine plane landed at a ranch near this small, east New Mexico community.

**Gritz' story composite, newspaper reports**

WASHINGTON (AP) — James G. "Bo" Gritz, the former Green Beret who has directed POW rescue missions in Laos, fabricated his participation in a mission in Vietnam where he claimed a fellow soldier took his life so his comrades might live, according to the Washington Times.

In a copyright story in Tuesday's editions, the newspaper said Gritz has told the inspirational story in his travels to win public support for the POW-MIA cause. Gritz' missions are financed privately.

The newspaper said Army records and eyewitnesses show that the soldier Gritz mentioned did not commit suicide, the battle did not take place where and when he claimed, and Gritz wasn't even there.

Gritz admits the story is a "composite" and also says he wasn't on the mission, according to the newspaper.

The Times said a veterans' publication printed an account of a speech Gritz made on May 29, 1981, at a Vietnam veterans lunch in Buffalo, N.Y., in which he told a graphic tale of how a special forces sergeant named "Hoagland" took his own life in a December 1965 battle in the Ia Drang Valley in Vietnam.

Gritz was quoted as saying that Hoagland was wounded as a group of soldiers were fleeing under heavy fire and that Hoagland killed himself rather than see his comrades stay behind to protect him and risk being killed or captured themselves.

The newspaper says former special forces Sgt. Charles F. Hiner, now 47, of Fayetteville, N.C., recalls the incident differently.

The Times says it was given official Army records by Hiner which showed the battle where Sgt. George

C. Hoagland died was on Jan. 29, 1966, instead of in December 1965, as Gritz said.

The documents also showed that the battle was at a different location, and that Gritz was not listed among the 17 Americans said to have fought there, the newspaper said.

"I can state for a fact that Gritz wasn't there. I was, and I got a head wound," Hiner said.

Hiner also said it would have been very difficult for Hoagland to kill himself because he was "literally blown away... he was killed instantly." He described Hoagland as having one of his arms severed from his body and another hanging by a thread.

The newspaper also quoted retired Army Col. Charles Beckwith, who led the unsuccessful 1980 attempt to free the American hostages in Iran, as saying that Gritz was not present at the battle.

In 1966, Beckwith was a major in Vietnam leading men in that area, including Hiner and Hoagland, the Times said.

"Gritz was not along on the mission where Hoagland was killed," Beckwith told the newspaper.

Gritz told the newspaper in a telephone interview from his California home that the story was a "composite" of action he had seen in Vietnam and added, "I wasn't part of the mission."

He also said he had only "concluded that" Hoagland had committed suicide from reports of the condition of the body.

Gritz said he had been in a similar action where such an incident took place, and made up the composite to "get a point across" about battlefield heroism.

**Stokes uses immunity shield to escape charge**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Police in suburban Maryland say Rep. Louis Stokes, D-Ohio, was detained several hours Friday for driving while intoxicated.

Police say he was not charged because of a federal law that prohibits arrest of congressmen while Congress is in session or on their way to or from a session.

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Chinese relations 'deteriorating'

PEKING (AP) — Chinese Foreign Minister Wu Xueqian told U.S. House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill today that U.S.-China relations are deteriorating and that Congress should stop deliberating on the status of Taiwan.

The official Xinhua news agency said Wu urged efforts by both China and the United States to remove obstacles to better relations — mainly U.S. arms sales to the rival Nationalist Chinese government on Taiwan.

"What makes us feel uneasy is that these obstacles have not been surmounted through the efforts of both sides but, on the contrary, have been increased," he said.

Grenada foresees U.S. attack

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Grenada's foreign minister has charged that the United States is planning to attack his Caribbean island nation soon, but the State Department says the allegation is "ridiculous."

Foreign Minister Unison Whiteman, whose country is an ally of Cuba, contended at a news conference Monday that the Reagan administration "is planning an aggression, direct or indirect, against Grenada."

Asked for comment, State Department deputy spokesman Alan Romberg said in Washington: "That's a ridiculous charge."

U.S. failed to surrender Barbie

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government failed to take formal action on a request to turn accused Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie over to France for prosecution, State Department documents show.

The documents said the French ambassador in Washington made a formal request for Barbie, known as the "Butcher of Lyon," on Nov. 9, 1949.

U.S. officials sent the French ambassador's request to the U.S. high commissioner in Germany with the suggestion that the French be told to pursue the matter with him, according to the documents.

That was done in January 1950, but Barbie was not turned over to the French. Instead, he fled to Bolivia in 1951.

The documents in the National Archives surfaced Monday during a Justice Department investigation of the former Nazi official's relationship with the U.S. government.

Israeli troops observe Passover traditions

KAHALE, Lebanon (AP) — Israeli soldiers clapped and sang Passover songs as a rabbi dressed in khaki read the story of the Jews' exodus from Egypt in the days of the pharaoh.

Two hundred yards away, guerrillas attacked an Israeli patrol with rocket-propelled grenades, killing one soldier and injuring two.

As Rabbi Zvi led an Israeli unit in the traditional Seder service Monday night, the dull thump of the explosions sent most of the 70 soldiers rushing into the fog with their Galil assault rifles through the door left open by tradition for the prophet Elijah.

Israeli-fired flares lit up the sky with a reddish glow. Automatic rifle fire followed within minutes of the attack and lasted for more than an hour.

By this morning, however, Israeli soldiers said none of the attackers had been captured even though they had blocked off the mountainous stretch of the Beirut-Damascus highway outside unit headquarters for more than 12 hours.

The Moslem leftist Lebanese National Resistance Front claimed responsibility for the ambush in a statement published in today's edition of al-Liwa newspaper.

Israeli medical corpsmen who

returned from the scene said an unidentified soldier was killed while riding in a command car traveling the highway with a jeep in front and an armored personnel carrier behind. The driver of the car and one other soldier were wounded.

A soldier named Samuel who patrolled the area afterward said the attackers triggered a wire-controlled explosive charge and then opened fire on the area about 7 1/2 miles from Beirut.

"The jeep and APC (armored patrol car) were moving too fast and were 50 meters (yards) beyond the site before they could return fire," Samuel said. Israeli army policy for-

bids soldiers from giving more than their first names.

The army rabbinate sent special kosher food to Lebanon for Seders in even the most remote outposts. But Israel Radio said the Palestine Liberation Organization and Syria refused to let Rabbi Yitzhak Gold- man hold a Seder for eight Israeli troops who are PLO prisoners.

Israel Army Radio broadcast special Passover programs, including happy holiday wishes for the eight prisoners. One mother participating in the broadcast said she hoped "this hell will soon be over for you."

Iranian oil slick threatening coasts of gulf neighbors

KUWAIT (AP) — A huge oil slick caused by Iraqi bombing of Iran is threatening the coasts of neighboring countries, but clean-up crews refuse to enter the area until the two Persian Gulf enemies suspend their 2 1/2-year-old war.

The slick, estimated to contain about 100,000 barrels of oil and growing at the rate of 7,000 barrels per day, is moving south at a speed of six miles per day towards the nearby Gulf states of Qatar and Bahrain.

It was sighted today about 25 miles north of Bahrain, and reports on its progress were being relayed to government officials from military helicopters and coast guard boats. Officials in Bahrain said the slick now

covered an area of roughly 100 square miles.

Environmental officials said winds also are driving the slick to the coasts of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, where it is jeopardizing marine life and fresh water supplies at desalination and power plants.

The slick, more than a foot thick, began forming after Iraq bombed the southern Iranian oil fields at Norwuz on March 2, setting two wells on fire.

Iran's ambassador to Kuwait, Ali Shams Ardakani, said his government had paid American specialist Red Adair \$1 million to cap the two burning and leaking wells.

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# Weather specialist: Services may be contracted out

By VINCE GIORGI  
Staff Writer

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While "weather hawkers" may not be just around the corner, the union steward for the local National Weather Service Employees Organization predicts stormy times if the federal government follows through on plans to contract for weather service positions now staffed by NWSEO members.

Don Oettinger, a weather service specialist representing nine NWSEO members at Midland's National Weather Service office, said the proposal to contract weather services "is something a lot of people would be concerned about if they knew what was going on."

Oettinger said James Winchester,

associate administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration — which oversees the NWS — recently informed NWS Director Richard Halgren that he may seek contractors to fill some NWS functions, including network radar operations and upper air flow monitoring.

**WINCHESTER'S PROPOSAL** includes contracting for network weather radar operators, a move that would affect all nine NWSEO workers in Midland and many of the 5,000 union members nationwide, according to Oettinger.

He said the change would be in line with one of the Reagan administration's basic tenets — what government can do, private industry can do better and cheaper.

But in the case of NWS functions, "it ain't necessarily so," said Oettinger, who noted that contracting for all or part of the weather service Oettinger said, "It's doubtful if we could provide adequate warning services could seriously threaten the integrity of the NWS network, especially in the area of severe weather detection and warning."



Don Oettinger

"Our primary function here is issuing severe weather warnings," Oettinger said. "If we don't have control over the tools we use, and radar is the primary tool that we use,

"Also, I would think to question the quality of people a contractor would put into a station like this. You don't get career-minded, highly-trained people to work for the kind of money contractors usually pay. And the turnover is pretty high."

Oettinger said turning the nation's weather satellites over to a private concern, recently suggested by Reagan, could also seriously damage NWS operations and hurt the country's standing within the World Meteorological Organization, a group of about 100 nations which share weather information free of charge.

**NOAA OFFICIALS** have contracted for selected NWS services — mostly upper air flow monitoring and aviation weather observation — for about four years, said Oettinger, who added that the contracting has created some weak links in the NWS "chain" of weather stations.

He said an upper air monitoring facility in Boothville, La., fell into disarray after a contractor hired high schoolers to staff the station. Information provided by the NWSEO indicates that contract

observations at Chicago's Midway Airport were discontinued after a year when the contractor failed to fulfill its obligations.

Money saved through contracting amounts to "false economy," Oettinger said.

"I think it's politics. You can show we've got so many hundred fewer employees on paper, but you still have to pay for the service."

"This isn't the kind of thing you make money at. I don't think it belongs in the hands of private industry, because they're there for a profit motive."

**RECENT ESTIMATES** indicate the NWS costs every person in the United States about \$1.57 annually. For their money, Oettinger said, the public receives many services, including the weather information offered by local television, radio stations and newspapers.

He said Midland's NWS also answers many "special" requests for information from the public, including anyone from baseball managers planning their pitching rotations to a sheep rancher in need of several dry days for shearing.

"There's just a number of private services, and I don't know if a contractor would provide that or not. If the station were to be all contract, I think it would be more a data gathering system and there wouldn't be the public service we provide now for \$1.57 a year."

He said Winchester indicated further contracting would likely not begin until November.

NWSEO employees — who take an oath not to strike when they are hired — will most likely not strike over the controversy, said Oettinger, who suggested instead that they will use the months before November to write letters to Congress and inform the public about possible consequences of contracting weather services.

"I think that we're the kind of organization that people don't notice. You pick up the paper, turn on the radio, it's a part of everyday life. But if the services weren't there, they'd notice."

"I think if people were aware of what the Reagan administration is trying to do to the weather service, there'd be a lot of complaints about it."

# Ambulance service solution suggested

By VINCE GIORGI  
Staff Writer

A five-member committee which studied possible changes in the Andrews ambulance service suggested Monday the service be removed from the city's police operations and aligned with Permian General Hospital.

Committee members rejected four other options in favor of the hospital-based system, which the group suggested should be funded "fairly and equitably" by the city and county.

The committee reported the findings of its four-month study at a joint meeting of the Andrews City Council and the Andrews County Commissioner's Court in the municipal administration building.

Les Brown, Andrews County judge, said the next step in revising the service probably will be a meeting among the city council, commissioner's court and administrators of the county-operated hospital.

Andrews was left with a combination police-ambulance service when Singleton Funeral Home discontinued its ambulance runs in 1970. Andrews County pays 60 percent of the ambulance expenses and the city bears the remaining cost.

Controversy concerning the combination police-ambulance service flared in November when Citizens for a Safe Andrews vowed to pressure city officials into changing the system. The group charged that ambulance and police duties often clash, to the detriment of citizens' safety.

A CSA organizer, Ellen Hoffman, was robbed at gunpoint Sept. 3 while on-duty police officers responded to a medical emergency.

CSA members suggested that criminals were luring police away from town by phoning in fictitious medical emergencies in distant parts of the county.

A CSA poll in November found 401 respondents in favor of splitting the police and ambulance services and only 35 against such a move.

On Nov. 9, Andrews Mayor Steve Smith announced a committee would study the issue. The committee was charged with recommending one of several ambulance options, which included: retaining the present system, creating a separate ambulance department, contracting with a private ambulance company, arranging for volunteer service or basing the service at Permian General.

No committee members could be reached for comment following Monday's meeting.

Brown said he was one of several people who testified before the committee in favor of a hospital-based service.

"It's a medical function. It just seems logical to me that it be placed in a medical facility," Brown said. "They (police) have enough out here to do in the crime business without being involved in that."

DeBord, Permian General administrator, said a hospital-based service "is by far the most expensive recommendation that they can make. If that's what the citizenry is willing to do, we'll run it."

DeBord said he wrote a letter suggesting the committee explore the possibility of refining — not scrapping — the present system "because it would be a more cost-effective approach."

He said the committee's statistics, which indicate the ambulance makes an emergency run about every 24 hours and a medical transfer every 19 hours, suggest a separate ambulance service with several, full-time attendants may not be justified.

"The way it is now, the people that are involved as ambulance attendants have something else to do" when not responding to ambulance calls, DeBord said.

He said the hospital board of directors will need to meet with city and county officials to discuss specifics of transferring the ambulance service to Permian General.

The board will meet April 14, but DeBord said the ambulance discussion may require scheduling of a special meeting.

# Senior citizens will get chance to show their stuff

It used to be that sports was something younger people did and older people watched. Now, there's a chance for senior citizens to get off their duff and show their stuff.

The Parks and Recreation Department and YMCA are joining forces to put on a preliminary competition to prepare senior citizens for and encourage them to participate in Texas Senior Games. The games will be held May 18-21 at The University of Texas-Arlington and are open to anyone 50 years or older. Registration deadline is May 11.

However, the Midland athletic organizations have planned the same games for local competition, as a sort of warm-up before the statewide contest. Em Carnett, director of recreation for the city, said, "To be able to do this, we are looking for individuals who could conduct, sponsor or help with an event."

Events will include basketball free throws, 1 and 5 mile bicycle races, billiards, bowling, bridge, checkers, dancing, 5 and 10 kilometer foot races, Forty-Two, golf, horse shoes, racquetball, tennis, swimming, table tennis, track and field, walk-a-thon and washer pitching.

These events must be conducted prior to May 8, she said. They can be held at any location and time the sponsor chooses.

"This is a great chance for our residents over 50 to participate in these activities with others

in their own age divisions. The rules are simple and the events varied enough so that everyone can participate and enjoy the competition," Ms. Carnett said. "This is a chance to show how many talented and fit seniors Midland has."

She pointed out that it isn't necessary for someone to try out the Midland games to be eligible for competing in Arlington. Entry forms for that contest are available at the YMCA or Parks and Recreation Department, 300 Baldwin St. Registration deadline for the state games is May 11, and the applicant must be at least 50 years old by May 18.

Further information can be obtained by telephoning the Parks and Recreation office, 683-4281, extension 316, or Bob Smith at the Central YMCA.

Also available is a brochure that gives details about the various games and age divisions.

As an example, washer pitching is described as pitching 2½ inch flat washers into a 3 inch inside diameter pipe. There is no separate men's and women's divisions.

Or, there's the billiards contest played according to a double elimination 8-inch ball tournament.

In addition, cardiopulmonary resuscitation training will be provided at no cost to all interested games participants and their spouses.

# Day care center concerned with children's nutrition

By HALLYE JORDAN  
Staff Writer

Day care centers today do more than serve cookies and punch and watch kids swing around on monkey bars.

Well-balanced meals and healthy snacks provided by child care centers may be the only source of needed vitamins and minerals for some children.

"Just like in the public schools, that's the only nutrition some of these children will receive," said Linda Van Auken, R.D. "If a child went to bed hungry at night, at least two-thirds of his nutritional requirements were met."

During inservice training Monday, led by Ms. Van Auken, about 15 staff

members of the Taylor Park Child Care Center received instruction on the importance of good nutrition — and other parental responsibilities.

"The objective is to increase nutritional knowledge of the day care director, teachers, those that cook and prepare the food, those that handle and distribute it and, above all, to educate the children."

"Nutrition is the most boring subject," the chief clinical dietitian at Midland Memorial Hospital said with a laugh. "It still puts me to sleep."

Although serving square meals is important, so is the education behind it.

"You're taking over for us," Ms. Van Auken, the mother of three children, said. "You're picking up where the mother used to be doing

all of this. You're teaching. You're the big link to a child's well-being nutritionally."

"In working with babies, how many times do you answer questions from new mothers? You better make sure you are updated if you're going to be giving advice to others."

The Taylor Park Child Care Center, scheduled to open Monday, is licensed to accommodate 140 children from birth through age 10. According to Debora Phillips, executive director, the 17 staff members will be going through inservice training this week.

No advertisements were posted for staff positions, Ms. Phillips said; however, it wasn't difficult to find

people willing to work at the center. "These people are interested in working with children. That's why we're doing a lot of training. Some already have training but some don't."

The inservice programs will range from how to plan balanced breakfasts to day care center policies.

Nutrition should be a concern of all, Ms. Van Auken said, emphasizing education in health must begin at an early age.

"Good habits don't begin in the teen-age years," she said.

Eating foods from the four main groups — milk, meat, fruits and vegetables and grains — is something that should begin early and last through adulthood. So is exercise.

"It should be a taught habit that will continue instead of when he reaches an age where all he does is work, come home, eat and collapse on the couch," Ms. Van Auken said.

Millions of Americans ignore proper nutrition; meanwhile, many children just don't like some foods.

Ways to increase acceptability of certain foods were discussed by the dietitian. One method included coloring books with pictures of carrots and other vegetables. For example, one page showed a picture of a carrot, and read "I am a carrot. Eat me cooked or nibble me raw. I give Vitamin A. Color me orange."

"This is good teaching and it's something that is pleasant," an important aspect in eating, she pointed out. "If you sit there with

your face drawn up in a knot and feed your child spinach, I don't care how young it is, it will pick up on that."

Babies should always be freshly diapered and awake when fed. Children will be more responsive to eating if the meal times are happy, small portions are served, new foods are introduced with favorites, atmosphere is relaxed, food is not used as a bribe or a reward, the child helps with preparation of the meal, outside distractions are eliminated and children are allowed to eat with the rest of the family, day care staff or school teachers.

"They like to be treated like adults. They love to see the symbol of authority there, eating the same things they're eating," she said.

# Texas couple released from prison in Cuba

HOUSTON (AP) — Their courtship was interrupted by a plane crash and they spent what should have been their wedding day in a Cuban prison, but after 136 days of captivity, a Texas couple plans to "get married... and live happily ever after."

Gina Strickland, 22, and Berni Hofstadter, 29, both of Brownsville, arrived by private jet at a Houston airport Monday afternoon after a four-hour flight from Cuba. They were released to U.S. Rep. Mickey Leland, D-Texas, after he met with Cuban President Fidel Castro over the weekend.

"I love you, America!" shouted Miss Strickland after she and Hofstadter stepped onto U.S. soil. They both fell to the runway to kiss the concrete and were immediately enveloped by more than a dozen relatives.

"This is the happiest day of my life," shouted Hofstadter.

The couple were arrested after their small plane crashed in Cuba on Nov. 12 during a flight from Grand Cayman to Miami. They were forced to sign confessions of drug trafficking and spent 43 days in solitary confinement, they said.

Cuban officials repeatedly promised their release, said Hofstadter. "If you've been in Cuba you would

understand that you can't believe anything until you see it happen. It's a land of manana (tomorrow)," he said. "They always said 'tomorrow, tomorrow, tomorrow...'"

They couple, who plans to wed next month, said they would have been married last December, but instead spent most of that month in solitary confinement in Cuba. The sweethearts were separated throughout their imprisonment for all but a few minutes.

"The only time we saw each other was on her birthday, Dec. 7, and that was only for 15 minutes," said Hofstadter.

Leland, who helped in the 1979 release of American prisoners from Cuba and again last year, said the Cubans were "forthright and cooperative with us" in arranging the release of the couple.

Leland said he met with Castro for about two hours and also discussed the release of another Texan, Neal Nichols, 29, of El Paso. Nichols was a passenger in a small plane that crashed in Cuba 26 months ago; the congressman said he has been sentenced to six years in prison. Leland said he is "convinced" Castro will release Nichols soon.

# Lions Club board member to speak to local club

Art Cook of Lubbock, a member of the board of directors of Lions Clubs International, will be guest speaker at noon Wednesday at the Midland Downtown Lions Club.

A longtime resident of Lubbock, Cook is owner and operator of Agape Personnel Agency there. He will be accompanied to Midland by several members of the Lubbock Lions Club, which only recently was unseated by Midland Downtown Lions Club as the largest Lions club in the United States.

Cook, a native of Wellington, attended North Texas State University where he majored in business administration. He is a former Lions district governor and served as chairman of the Texas Council of Governors. He was named to the Lions International board for 1983-84. He is a former president of the Lubbock club, which he led to international membership honors with a 178 net gain in members.

Cook holds the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest in



Art Cook  
Lions International. He also is active in civic and church affairs in Lubbock.

## DEATHS

### Michael Dunn

Services for Michael A. Dunn, 36, of 4300 Mercedes Drive, were to at 4 p.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Cliff Blackburn of St. Ann's Catholic Church officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Dunn died Sunday morning in an automobile accident.

He was born July 20, 1946, in East St. Louis, Ill. He moved from there to West Texas at the age of 7 and came to Midland in 1959. He graduated from St. Ann's Catholic School in 1960 and graduated from Lee High School in 1964. He later attended Odessa Junior College and worked for N.D.T. Manufacturing Co. He was a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife, Gail Dunn of Oklahoma; a son, Michael Dale Dunn of Oklahoma; a daughter, Deana Dunn of Oklahoma; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George O. Dunn of Midland; a brother, David W. Dunn of Midland; an uncle and an aunt.

### Marvin Embry

QUANAH — Services for Marvin Embry, 81, of Quanah, brother-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Thurston of Midland, were to be at 2 p.m. today at First United Methodist Church in Quanah with the Rev. Hugh Daniel, pastor, officiating. Burial was to be in Quanah Memorial Park.

Embry died Sunday in a Chilli-cothe hospital.

He was born Oct. 21, 1901, in McGregor. He moved to Hardeman County in 1923 and was married to Ann Thurston Nov. 8, 1942, in Quanah.

Other survivors include his wife and four sisters.

### Dee Hambricht

Services for Dee Hambricht, 33, of 1205 W. College Ave., were to be 10 a.m. today in the Glass Memorial Chapel of First United Methodist Church with Dr. Charles E. Lutrick officiating. Burial was to be in

Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Ellis Funeral Home.

Hambricht died Sunday afternoon in a Midland hospital after a brief illness.

He was born Aug. 3, 1949, in Midland and spent his early childhood here. His family moved to Richardson in 1957 and he graduated from Richardson High School in 1967. He was active in sports and was named all-star player for the varsity baseball team his senior year. He attended the University of Arkansas from 1967 to 1970 and was a member of Phi Kappa Alpha.

Hambricht began his career in the construction industry and advanced to civil engineer. He returned to Midland in 1975 and joined Coastal States Corp. as a petroleum landman in 1976. He joined Terra Resources, Inc., where he worked from 1979 to 1980 before becoming an independent landman. His father, Dee Hambricht, died in 1972 and his mother, Helen Shelton Hambricht, died in 1982.

Memorials may be directed to Hospice of Midland, Inc., or the Kidney Foundation of Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Janet Hambricht of Midland; a son, Greg Hambricht of Midland; a daughter, Keli Hambricht of Harrah, Okla.; two sisters, Janet Carter of Rockwell and Becky Brownwell of Wickenburg, Ariz.; and his grandmothers, Mrs. J.R. (Rose) Shelton and Mrs. L.B. (Hazel) Hambricht, both of Midland.

### C. C. Hutchison

Services for Cassie Clemmer Hutchison, 80, of Amarillo, were to at 10 a.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Dick Clemmer, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Hobbs, N.M., officiating. Burial will be in Turlock Memorial Park in Turlock, Calif.

Mrs. Hutchinson died Sunday night in a Midland nursing home.

She was born Feb. 4, 1903, in Rochester. She was married to Herman Read in 1923. He preceded her in death. She was then married to Carl Hutchison. He also preceded her in death. She was a member of the San

Jacinto Baptist Church in Amarillo, where she had resided the past 25 years.

Survivors include two brothers, Gus Clemmer of Riviera, Ariz., and Frank Clemmer of Elk City, Okla., and several nieces and nephews.

### D. Standridge

BIG SPRING — Services for Dwight Standridge, 53, of Big Spring, were to be at 10 a.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Claude N. Craven officiating. Burial was to follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

Standridge died Saturday at his residence.

He was born March 4, 1930, in Yearly, Okla. A former resident of Odessa, he had lived in Big Spring for 14 years. He was a Baptist. He had worked for Hubbard Packing Co. in Big Spring.

Survivors include a daughter, Teresa Standridge of Fort Worth; three brothers, Andrew Standridge and Harrel Standridge, both of Livingston, and Tarrell Standridge of Odessa; two sisters, Vestie Powell of Hope, Ark., and Lena Phillips of Dubois, Idaho; and a grandson.

### Derrel A. Alley

SONORA — Services for Derrel (Warty) Allen Alley, 51, of Sonora, brother of Eugene Alley of Midland, were to be at 2 p.m. today in St. John's Episcopal Church with the Rev. Ray Nations officiating. Burial was to follow at the Sonora Cemetery, directed by Kerbow Funeral Home.

Alley died Sunday night.

He was born near Johnson City Sept. 27, 1931, and moved to Sutton County as an infant where his family was in the ranching business. He graduated from Sonora High School in 1949, and attended Texas A&M University for two years. He then served two years in the Armed Forces before graduating from Texas Tech University in 1957.

He went to work for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 1961.

where he was among the first to work on the Screwworm Eradication Program. After 11 years, he retired from the government and moved to Sonora to run his mother's ranch. He was preceded in death by his father and a nephew.

Other survivors include his mother, a daughter, two sons, a sister, a granddaughter and a niece and a nephew.

### Mattie Arnold

KERMIT — Services for Mattie Vance Arnold, 92, of Kermit, mother of Bobby Arnold of Midland, were to be at 10 a.m. today at Community Church with the Rev. Jim Blagg officiating. Burial was to follow in Kermit Cemetery directed by Cooper Funeral Home of Kermit.

Mrs. Arnold died Saturday at her residence.

She was born April 19, 1890, in Commerce. She married William Lee Arnold July 14, 1909, in Fairlie. He died in 1968. She was an Episcopalian and had lived in Kermit for 48 years.

Other survivors include four sons, two daughters, two brothers, three sisters, 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

### Celia Morgette

KERMIT — Services for Celia Adeline Morgette, 89, of Kermit, mother of Jimmy Clifton Morgette of Greenwood, were Monday at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. David Matkins and James Massey officiating. Burial was in Kermit Cemetery, directed by Cooper Funeral Home of Kermit.

Mrs. Morgette died Friday at a Kermit hospital.

She was born Jan. 18, 1894, in Oneonta, Ala. She married Charles Morgette July 15, 1913, in Clarendon. He died in 1971. She was a Methodist.

Other survivors include five sons, two daughters, a brother, two sisters, 17 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

# Dead boy's parents file lawsuit

The parents of 10-year-old Christopher Scott Baker who was struck by a passing automobile and killed Nov. 29 as he walked along the Interstate 20 service road southwest of Midland have filed a \$150,000 suit against the youthful driver of the car and the car's owner.

The parents, Leonard and Shirley Baker, allege negligence on part of the driver, Rusty Dean Box, then 17, and insurance agent Don Rhomey who "negligently" entrusted the vehicle to Box and who "should have known that Box was not a competent driver," contends the suit's petition, which has been filed in Midland's 142nd State District Court.

The Baker parents allege that Box was negligent in failing to keep a proper lookout, in traveling at an excessive speed, in failing to keep his car on the pavement and in failing to stop and render aid.

Box was charged with failure to stop and render aid, but the charges were dismissed after a Midland County Grand Jury no-billed him. Box reportedly told investigators that he thought he had struck some sort of an animal as he drove along the service road in Midland County, turned around to check what he might have struck but didn't detect anything the car might have hit. A passing motorist discovered the boy's body lying along the service road about 7:20 p.m. that day.

The Baker boy was a fourth grade student at Henderson Elementary School and recently had Mexico has new museum

transferred to the Midland Independent School District from Greenwood ISD

The suit was filed on behalf of the Baker parents by Odessa lawyer Ruff Abders

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Debra Jean Hemphill, 1618 English Drive, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Armando C. Gonzalez, 1110 E. Parker Ave., boy.

March 26, 1983

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald

Louis Hallum, Route 6, Box 400, Space 51, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Luis Rey Enriquez, Route 2, Box 173-K, Sp 10, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. William Scott Engstrom, 4602 Versailles Drive, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Stephen Dowell, 1215 E. Oak Ave., girl.

Mr. and Mrs. William Anthony Ward, Route 4, Box X-8, Highland Drive, girl.

March 27, 1983

Mr. and Mrs. Ruland Lyn Smith, 3209 E. Illinois Ave., girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Juan E. Franco, 1002 S. Marshall St., boy.

Mr. and Mrs. William

Randell Pratt, P.O. Box 30315, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. David Rene Cavazos, 3521 Thomas Ave., boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Randolph, 604 S. Jackson St., girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Jose Humberto Bosquez, 1717 S. Atlanta St., boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reyes Sanchez, 309 E. Golf Course Road, girl.

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