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Three creditors file an
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Art Cole, former director of Midland
Community Theatre who enjoys dipping into new
projects, is back in town dipping a paint brush and
creating Summer Mummings backdrops.

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A Midland medical clinic will
swing open its doors tonight, but
not for people. This clinic will
provide emergency services for cats
and dogs.

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PLO factions declare truce; Panel named

TUNIS, Tunisia (AP) — While its
factions called a truce, the
PLO's top leaders ended an
emergency meeting today by appointing
a committee to mediate the bitter
dispute between chairman Yasser
Arafat and Syria.

The initiative came one day after
Arafat's loyalists and Palestine Lib-
eration Organization rebels backed
by Syria declared a cease-fire in
eastern Lebanon's Bekaa Valley and
appointed seven men to oversee the
truce.

In Jerusalem today, spokesman
for Israeli Prime Minister Menachem
Begin said Begin had rejected
a U.S. "idea" that Israeli troops
should pull out of Lebanon and not
wait for Syria to remove its forces.

Spokesman Uri Porat said U.S.
special envoy Philip C. Habib raised
the idea during a meeting with
Begin this week. The scenario was
not "an outright demand, but one of
several ideas raised by Habib con-
cerning timetables" for withdrawal,
Porat said.

In a report today on the PLO-Syrian
situation, the Saudi press agency
said Saudi Arabia and Algeria have
decided to mediate a settlement —
an effort apparently not directly
related to the work by the PLO-
appointed committee. It quoted
Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud
al-Faisal.

Representatives of the PLO's eight
major guerrilla factions announced
the truce in a joint communique
issued in the Bekaa city of Baalbek.

Arafat has been fighting a mutiny
by rebel PLO guerrillas in Lebanon
for nearly two months. The muti-
neers claim he has botched the
struggle with Israel and selected
aides for their loyalty rather than
skill.

As the cease-fire took effect, 13
members of the 15-member execu-
tive committee, the PLO's highest
decision-making body, were at Arafat's
headquarters in Tunis for an all-night
meeting that broke up today.

The participants included one
member who reportedly supports
the rebels in Arafat's Fatah faction,
Abdel Mohsen Abu Maizer. He was
one of six men named to a commit-
tee which will try to resolve differ-

ences between Arafat and Syrian
President Hafez Assad, according to
a PLO official who asked not to be
identified.

But the official added: "It is a very
difficult suggestion. They have been
killing our people and I can't see
how we can reconcile with them
that quickly."

Relations between Syria and
Fatah loyalists worsened after Assad
kicked Arafat out of Syria last week
to retaliate for accusations made by
the PLO chief and his aides that
mutiny was Syrian-backed.

The PLO official said Maizer and
members of five other PLO factions
— but none from Fatah — will try to
mediate the Arafat-Assad dispute.

In Baalbek, one PLO spokesman
told reporters the early stages of the
cease-fire would "decide whether or
not the Palestinian guns would stop
shooting each other."

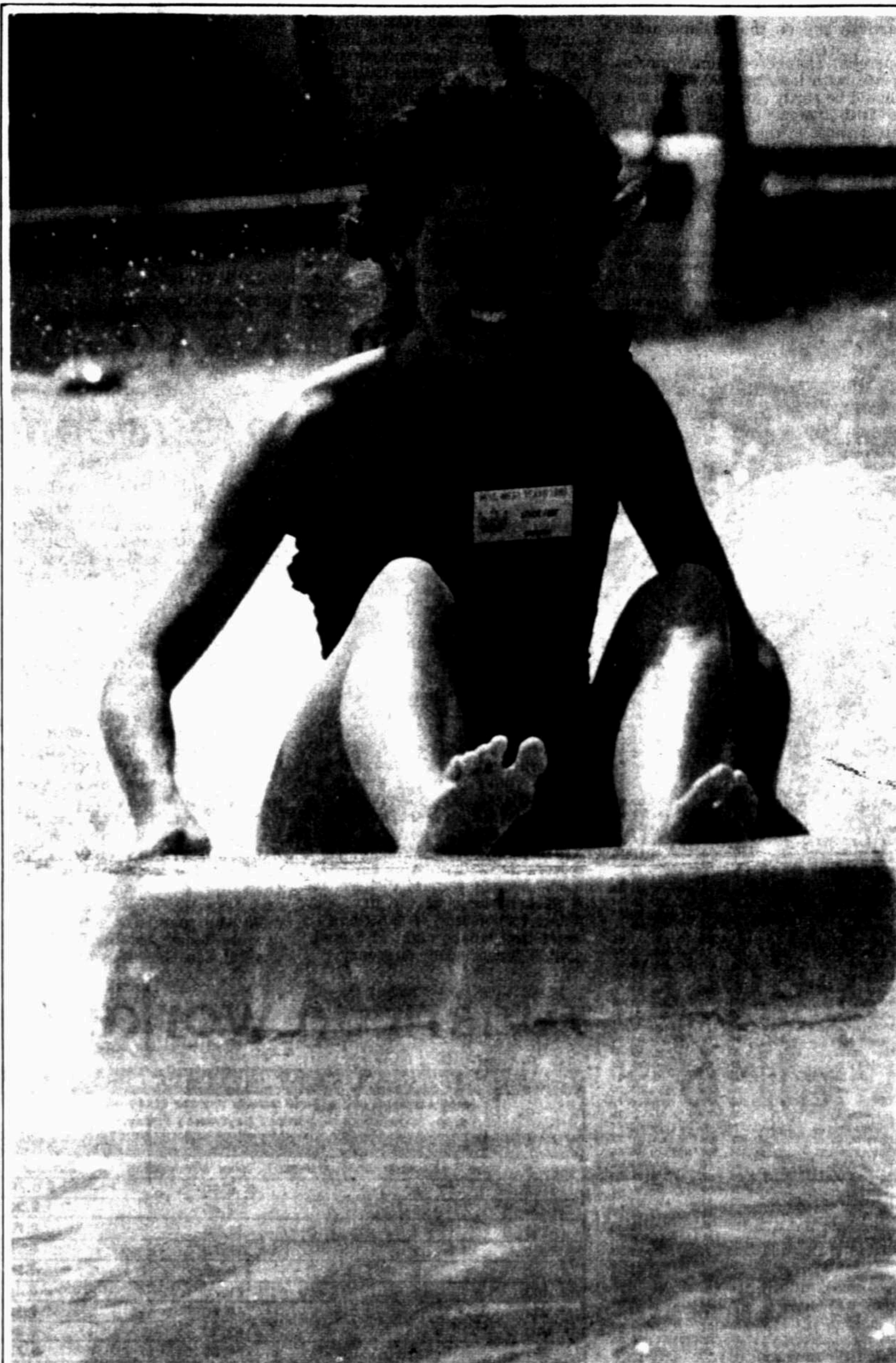
The cease-fire committee includes
three Palestinian guerrilla representa-
tives and four Lebanese leftist
allies of the PLO, according to the
communique.

The agreement calls for removal
of all guerrilla forces from both
sides of the Beirut-Damascus high-
way in the Bekaa, where fighting
has flared since Monday. It also calls
for the release of prisoners.

The communique said a "demo-
cratic dialogue" is the best method
to resolve the mutiny, which has
been led by breakaway PLO Col.
Saed Mousa. Mousa was consulted
about the agreement and pledged to
abide by it, the communique said.

Despite Arafat's problems with his
own guerrillas, his popularity among
Palestinian civilians remains high —
according to poll conducted by an
Arab weekly paper and summarized
today in the Jerusalem Post. The
poll said 92 percent of 777 Palestin-
ians surveyed in the Israeli-occupied
West Bank and Gaza favored Arafat's
continued leadership of the PLO.

Syria's government-controlled
media escalated attacks on Arafat
Thursday, challenging the PLO's
right to make independent policy
decisions when they involve anti-
Israeli strategy.



Leslie Fort, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royce
Fort, makes a big splash at a party given for 31

contestants entered in the 36th Annual Miss
West Texas Scholarship pageant.

Regional pageant continues

Thirty-one young women
will be competing in the 36th
annual Miss West Texas
Scholarship Pageant held
Thursday through Saturday
in the Ector County Colli-
seum.

Preliminary judging began
Thursday and continues
tonight, with the new Miss
West Texas being chosen
and crowned on Saturday.
Pageant events begin at 7:30
p.m.

The theme for this year's
pageant is "Dream Girl,"
with music from the Broad-
way play of that title being
featured.

"We'll have the girls
dressed in the styles of the
'50s, '60s, '70s and '80s, with
music to fit the era," said
Russel King, pageant pro-
ducer. "The opening number
each night will be the
'Dream Girl' theme."

The 31 contestants make
this the largest Miss West
Texas Pageant ever. The page-
ant, which has been offi-
cially affiliated with the Miss
America Pageant system
since 1961, is the largest in
the state with the exception
of Miss Texas.

The only Midland resident
in the pageant will be Leslie
Gayle Fort, Miss Hamilton
Equipment, who is the
daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Royce Fort of Midland. She
is 17 and a recent graduate
of Midland High School,
where she was a cheer-
leader, twirler and a band
member. She will play the
piano and sing "I Owe You"
in the talent competition.

The current Miss West
Texas, Stephanie Oates, will
perform "Under the Double
Eagle" each night of the page-
ant. She will perform the
same song when she repre-
sents this area in the Miss
Texas Pageant in Fort Worth
July 5-9.

MMH boards approve drawings for expansion

By HALLYE JORDAN
Staff Writer

Architectural drawings for a \$15
million bed expansion at Midland
Memorial Hospital were given a
green light while construction of a
drug and alcohol abuse treatment
center stayed stalled pending a ruling
out of Austin.

Bids for the construction of the
77-bed expansion, approved by the
Texas Health Facilities Commission

(THFC) in March, are expected to be
taken in October, Gene Abbott told
trustees and directors during regu-
lar meetings of the hospital gov-
erning boards Thursday.

"We're waiting for a revised esti-
mate, which is due anytime," the
chairman of the board of trustees
said. "For all practical purposes, I
think we're pretty well on sched-
ule."

In other action, trustees heard
updates on the purchase of a new

\$1 million Cat Scanner, parking lot
expansions and an increase in
patient revenues.

Drawings for the 77,000-square-
foot expansion, approved in concept
by both boards, will be returned to
architects for preparation of the
final detailed drawings, MMH Presi-
dent Ray Branson said.

The expansion will be used to
house "primarily all of the nursing
services," said Arlene Strickland,
MMH director of public relations.

Included in the services are mater-
nity, surgery, radiology and same-
day surgery, which will be a self-
contained unit. Patients who enter,
have surgery and are released dur-
ing the same day will be admitted at
the unit, rather than through regu-
lar hospital procedures.

The expansion also will be used to
accommodate personnel, business,
administration, social services and
the chaplain's offices.

Approved by the THFC, the

expansion is being financed through
revenue bonds "that have been sold
and delivered," according to Ms.
Strickland.

"The money is in the bank," Dale
Miller, vice president of finance,
said.

Plans for the 50-bed drug and
alcohol treatment center are pro-
ceeding although no action may be
taken until the THFC rules on a site

change, according to Abbott. Origin-
ally planned to be built on 5 acres on
Wadley Avenue, the site was
changed to a 10-acre tract of land,
donated by Scharbauer Brothers
and Co. in February.

If the site, valued at \$1 million, is
approved, the City of Midland will
need to annex it, Branson said ear-
lier this month.

(See MMH, Page 2A)

Reagan reiterates his Central American policy

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) —
President Reagan says failure to
approve his military and economic
aid program for Central America
could unleash an "explosion of vio-
lence" that would eventually threat-
en "the safety of American citi-
zens."

The president told a Republican
Party audience in Long Beach,
before flying to his California ranch
for the Fourth of July weekend, that

"if we do not get what we asked for,
we cannot do the job, and we will
leave the door open to more subver-
sion."

"We must not turn our backs on
our friends," Reagan said. "We must
not permit dictators to ram commu-
nism down the throats of innocent
people in one country after another.
If we are to be successful in helping
the forces for democracy, then we

must have the full financial package
we requested."

Reagan's plans for Central Ameri-
can aid are running into opposition
from some moderate Republicans as
well as Democrats in Congress. But
some Democrats fear that by failing
to go along with the president, they
will leave themselves open to blame
for any leftist gains.

For El Salvador, where the presi-
dent has focused his Central Ameri-

can assistance program to counter
leftist efforts, Reagan is seeking \$136
million in military aid this year. So
far, Congress has approved spending
\$56 million. Overall, the president is
seeking \$392 million in military and
economic aid, with \$264 million
approved so far.

The president's remarks on Cen-
tral America represented a shift in
his focus of the past two days, when

education was the key topic as he
headed West.

As he has traveled, however, one
subject has been close behind: The
briefing books prepared for Presi-
dent Carter during the 1980 presi-
dential campaign that were obtained
by Reagan aides.

Questions about the handling of
the issue were occupying the time of
the president's aides, if not the presi-
dent himself, on the trip.

About 50 Texans expected to die in holiday mishaps

AUSTIN — The Texas Department
of Public Safety estimates that up to
40 persons could lose their lives in
traffic accidents across the state
during the upcoming July 4 holiday
period.

DPS Director Col. Jim Adams said
the estimate is based on expected
traffic volume and previous holiday
fatalities.

"Independence Day can bring

more motorists to our streets and
highways, compared to a regular
weekend," said Adams. "We are esti-
mating fewer deaths than we had
during the last July 4 holiday
because thus far this year we have
experienced a decline in traffic fata-
lities."

Last year, 55 traffic deaths were
recorded during the 78-hour period.
But subsequent deaths from serious

injuries brought the final count to
64 for the three-day holiday.

Adams said if motorists would
stay sober, slow down and use seat
belts, their chances for survival
would increase.

"Drivers who speed or who are
intoxicated pose the greatest threat
to law-abiding motorists," said
Adams. "Some people will insist on

drinking excessively and attempting
to drive during this period.

"We will do our best to remove
these individuals from the roads. If a
person drinks, that is his personal
business. But if he drives drunk,
that's police business."

Adams encourages motorists who
observe drunk drivers to report

them to the nearest police or DPS
agency.

DPS commanders throughout the
state will use additional troopers in
areas deemed appropriate.

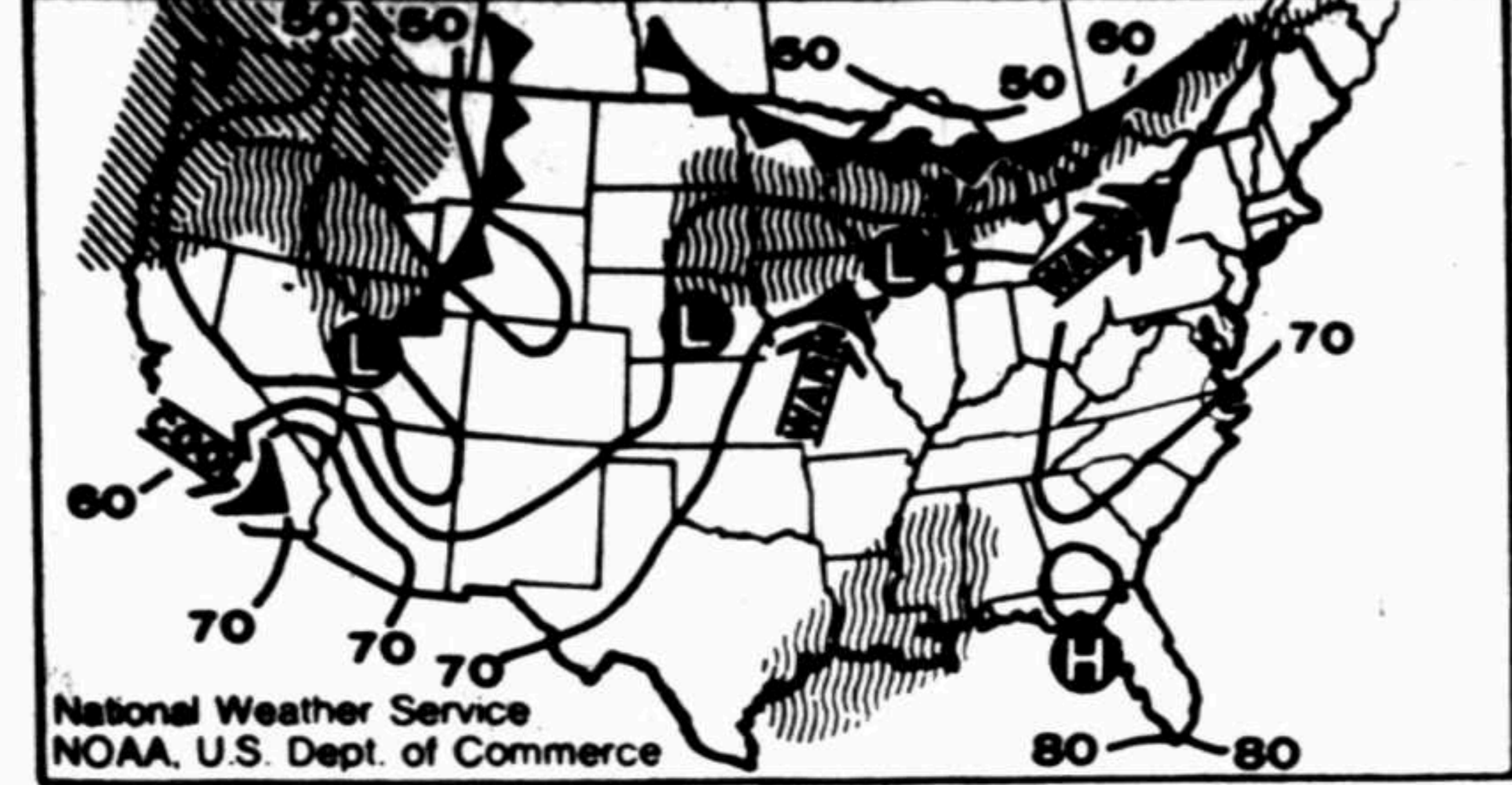
The DPS also will conduct "Oper-
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lic of the number of traffic deaths
occurring during the 78-hour holi-
day period, which begins at 6 p.m.
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WEATHER SUMMARY

The Forecast For 8 a.m. EDT
Saturday, July 2

Low Temperatures



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

Fronts: Cold Warm Occluded Stationary

Rain for parts of the Gulf Coast and Pacific Northwest, along with showers from the Dakotas and Nebraska stretching across the North Central U.S., is forecast for Saturday by the National Weather Service.

Thunderstorms possible in area

Clouds and possible thunderstorm activity are on the Midland area's horizon for the next 24 hours.

It will be partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms tonight, says the National Weather Service, with lows near 70 and winds from the south at 10-15 mph. Saturday should be partly cloudy and hot with a high near 100 and winds from the south at 15-20 mph.

Thursday's high of 101 was four degrees short of the record 105 set in 1946. The overnight low of 70 was 10 degrees above 1967's record for the same day in 1967.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High	101 degrees
Overnight Low	70 degrees
Sunrise today	6:59 a.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	6:47 a.m.
Precipitation	none inches
Last 24 hours	none inches
This month to date	2.36 inches
1983 to date	2.36 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 a.m.	71
7 a.m.	71
8 a.m.	73
9 a.m.	77
10 a.m.	82
11 a.m.	85
noon	90
1 p.m.	93
2 p.m.	96
3 p.m.	98
4 p.m.	100
5 p.m.	100

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES

Abilene	94
Albany	94
Albuquerque	94
Amarillo	101
El Paso	102
Fort Worth	95
Houston	95
Lubbock	101
Marfa	99
Odessa	93
Wichita Falls	94

Texas temperatures

Friday

Abilene	94	75	00
Alice	93	73	00
Amarillo	101	72	00
Austin	94	77	02
Beaumont	89	80	36
Brownsville	95	80	00
Childress	98	73	26
College Station	93	78	00
Corpus Christi	93	79	39
Dalhousie	99	85	00
Dallas	98	75	00
Del Rio	93	78	00
El Paso	102	71	00
Fort Worth	96	78	00
Galveston	89	84	00
Houston	95	80	00
Longview	93	70	00
Lubbock	101	87	49
Lufkin	94	75	00
Marfa	96	58	00
McAllen	99	80	00
Midland	101	70	00
Panhandle	92	82	00
San Antonio	95	78	00
San Angelo	96	80	00
Shreveport, La	99	79	00
Stephenville	91	75	00
Texasark	93	78	00
Victoria	94	78	00
Waco	99	79	00
Wichita Falls	94	75	00
Wink	92	72	00

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Fair to partly cloudy with hot afternoons and mild nights through Saturday. Highs 95. Panhandle and mountains to near 112. Big Bend. Lows 62. Panhandle to 75. Big Bend.

North Texas: Partly cloudy and warm through Saturday. Widely scattered thunderstorms through tonight. Highs 94 to 99. Lows 72 to 78.

East Texas: Partly cloudy and warm through Saturday. Widely scattered thunderstorms this evening. Highs around 95. Lows around 75.

South Texas: Partly cloudy with hot days and warm nights through Saturday. Widely scattered showers or thunderstorms, mostly in the afternoon and evening. Highs near 90 along the upper coast to 106. Rio Grande plains. Lows mostly in the 70s.

Port Arthur to Port O'Connor: Southerly and southeasterly winds near 15 knots through Saturday. Winds locally higher and gusty near shore during the afternoons. Seas 4 to 6 feet. Widely scattered showers and a few thunderstorms.

Port O'Connor to Brownsville: Southeasterly winds 15 to 20 knots through Saturday. Winds locally gusty near shore during the afternoons. Seas 5 to 7 feet. Widely scattered showers or thunderstorms.

North Texas: Partly cloudy days. Mostly fair at night. Continued hot. Highs 90s. Lows 70s.

Students praised for 'hard work'

WHITTIER, Calif. (AP) — Students at Pioneer High School, praised by President Reagan as among the best in the country, admit it takes some time getting used to the school's old-fashioned formula: hard work.

Situated in a predominantly Hispanic, middle-class community 15 miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles, Pioneer has 1,800 students firmly tutored in an academic work ethic that the National Commission on Excellence in Education recommends to stem "a rising tide of mediocrity."

"When we first came here, only the strong could survive. It was a tough school," college-bound senior James Leal said Thursday. "Now whatever you do, it's accepted (by other students) because you're part of the school."

The ground rules Robert Eicholtz spelled out when he became principal four years ago typify the old-fashioned values of the "back-to-basics" movement: nightly homework, demonstrated scholastic effort, regular attendance, Saturday schoolyard work for truants, respect for authority.

Pioneer High basked in triumph Thursday as Reagan personally presented its leaders with the first of 144 awards for excellence destined for top schools across the nation.

Teachers and administrators in business suits beamed as broadly as honor students in distinctive red T-shirts when Reagan lauded them for "pioneering a new age of education based on old values."

By students' accounts, Eicholtz has blended the basics with a genuine respect for them as individuals and a vision of the school as a community.

Another June graduate, Belinda Puno, recalled suffering through an English class, her boredom a frequent complaint of today's high schoolers.

"They tried me out in an easier class because I wasn't doing so well, and I was still bored," the 17-year-old said. "Finally, they switched me to a harder class and I got interested. I was challenged."

Before Eicholtz' arrival, 30 percent of Pioneer's seniors went to college. The average now is 50 percent. He has reduced absenteeism from 13 percent to 8 percent and cut instances of truancy from 3,000 to 800 annually.

More than half the school's incoming ninth-graders fail at least one of California's mandatory proficiency tests in reading, writing or arithmetic. By senior year, the failure rate is down to 1 percent, Eicholtz said.

The principal shares the credit with his "dedicated teachers" and the community.

"Parent involvement is incredible," Eicholtz said. "Their budget every Tuesday night brings us almost \$1,000 a week. We wanted to build a chain link fence, instead the parents voluntarily put up a beautiful wrought-iron fence."

The money crunch at most U.S. public schools plagues Pioneer, too — Eicholtz longs to add new computers for students — but there's a sense that what's right at Pioneer doesn't depend solely on money.



Unfurling a flag recognizing Pioneer High School, Whittier, Calif., as recipient of a Department of Education award for excellence are President Reagan, left, and Robert Eicholtz, principal.

Reagan addressed a meeting of educators at the school.

NEA's new leader says union's presidential support up for grabs

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The leader taking over the reins of the National Education Association says the union's support in the 1984 presidential race is up for grabs and anyone could get it — even President Reagan.

But Mary Hatwood Futrell, who is running unopposed to advance from secretary-treasurer to president of the union, said Reagan would have to mend his ways to get the NEA's support.

The 1.7 million-member union, holding its annual convention for 7,000 delegates through Tuesday, has become a mainstay of the Democratic Party and has been unrelentingly critical of Reagan's policies.

Three Democratic candidates — Walter F. Mondale and Sens. John Glenn of Ohio and Alan Cranston of California — arrived Thursday to court the teachers' vote. Mondale and his wife, Joan, also were to make the rounds of state teacher caucuses today. Another Democratic hopeful, Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado,

was due today, while Sen. Ernest F. Hollings Jr. of South Carolina was scheduled to arrive Sunday.

Mondale is considered a favorite to win the NEA's backing when its political action committee and board of directors meet in late September and early October. His brother works on the NEA's national staff.

But Ms. Futrell, who as president will make a recommendation to the political action committee, said in an interview, "I will be the one who will make that decision and I can assure you that I am just as neutral as neutral can be."

"If (Reagan) wants to, he has a chance of winning the NEA vote," she said, adding that Reagan would have to "come out in support of public education ... give up his fight for tuition tax credits" for private schools and stop trying to abolish the Education Department.

Unlike Reagan, who has tried to cut federal aid, most Democratic candidates favor sharp increases in federal aid to schools. Glenn

unveiled a \$4 billion plan Wednesday in Washington. Mondale is backing an \$11 billion increase, and Hollings wants to give all teachers a \$5,000 raise at a cost of \$14 billion.

Hart is the main sponsor of the NEA's American Defense Education Act to give \$4 billion in general aid to public schools.

The Democrats agree with Reagan that standards need to be raised in schools.

Glenn drew shouts of "That's right!" when he told 500 teachers in a packed hotel ballroom Thursday that the harsh report from Reagan's National Commission on Excellence in Education was "just telling us something we've all known for a long time."

The former astronaut said it was "stupid" for the United States to let itself lose in international competition.

The NEA sent more than 300 delegates to the 1980 Democratic National Convention in New York.

American workers getting third tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — Workers begin picking up their 1983 federal tax cut today along with advice from economists to spend it now and save later.

The third installment of the permanent tax cut enacted at President Reagan's request won't mean a lot of money to most people — about \$2.40 a week for the median-income married wage earner with two children.

But the Treasury Department estimates it will pump \$30 billion into the economy over the next 12 months — although much of that will be soaked up by rising state and local taxes.

"I would assume most people are going to spend it," Robert Orner, chief economist for the Commerce Department, said of the federal tax cut, which will average about 10 percent. He advised workers to "enjoy it any way you see fit because this will only unravel a few years of 'bracket creep' (inflation-caused tax increases) and take your effective tax rates back to where they were in late 1978."

"Go out and spend it or we're all in trouble," said Sandra Shaber, a consumer economist with Chase Econometrics. She agreed with Orner that the continued recovery from recession is dependent on consumer spending.

Ideally, she said, consumers should spend this year's share of the permanent tax cut but start saving it next year and 1985 when, many economists say, the growing federal deficit is expected to begin pushing interest rates upward. A larger pool of savings at that time would relieve

some of that pressure, Ms. Shaber said.

Many Democratic members of Congress fear that the tax cut will do more harm than good for the economy. Since the government will have to borrow the money to finance the tax reduction, they reason, that is likely to push up interest rates.

The tax reduction is supposed to show up in all checks paid after Thursday, even those that are compensation for work done earlier. The cut in the amount withheld from paychecks will be about 10 percent for most workers, raising to 23.5 percent the average reduction in withholding since President Reagan's program began taking effect Oct. 1, 1981.

The Labor Department says the median wage — half the people earn more, half make less — is \$319 a week. A married person with two children and earning \$319 will take home an extra \$2.40 a week starting Friday. Withholding will fall to \$25.70 a week, \$7.30 less than two years ago.

Withholding from a single person earning \$319 will drop \$4.40 a week, to \$44.40.

A single person earning \$1,000 a week will get an extra \$19.80. A \$500-a-week married worker claiming withholding allowances only for himself and his wife will get a \$7.80 cut. A married person earning \$400 weekly and claiming four allowances will take home \$4.20 more.

The cut in withholding is less as wages rise above \$637 a week because that is the point at which the maximum withholding rate — 37 percent — takes effect.

What You Will Take Home			
Here are examples of how federal income taxes will drop, showing up in workers' paychecks Friday.			
Single			
Weekly Wages	Number of Allowances	New Withholding	Reduction
\$100	1	\$ 6.90	\$ 0.70
200	1	22.40	2.20
250	1	31.90	2.70
300	2	37.70	4.10
350	2	46.60	4.20
400	0	71.70	8.10
400	1	66.90	7.20
400	2	62.10	6.20
450	2	74.60	8.70
500	2	89.30	10.40
600	2	120.60	14.00
700	2	155.50	16.10
900	2	227.60	16.20
Married			
Weekly Wages	Number of Allowances	New Withholding	Reduction
\$100	2	\$ 2.10	\$ 0.00
200	2	14.40	2.00
250	2	22.00	2.40
300	3	27.30	2.60
350	4	32.50	3.20
400	0	55.90	6.40
450	0	66.90	7.40
450	2	58.40	6.60
450	5	46.20	5.00
500	4	61.00	6.80
500	6	52.50	6.10
600	0	105.90	11.40
600	6	75.60	8.00
700	4	112.40	12.20
800	4	143.90	16.30
1000	6	198.30	19.80

MMH governing boards OK drawings for expansion

(Continued from Page 1A)

According to Abbott, an ad hoc committee is still in the process of "preparing proposals for the solicitation of two interested parties for operation or participation in operation" of the facility.

"We have been talking to two people but we are anticipating talking to a larger number of people," Abbott said. "We're sorta in limbo right now waiting (for the THFC ruling). We're trying to do a little groundwork now."

Branson explained the hospital is considering owning and operating the center, as well as alternatives, such as contracting with an outside firm to manage the operations.

If the site change is denied, Branson said he is not sure what process of appeals will be taken.

MMH officials expect to have a

ruling on the site change later this month, Abbott said.

In other action, Abbott told trustees a developmental committee will be appointed to develop priority items. Number one on the list is the new Cat Scanner, he said.

According to Branson, the present scanner is outdated. A certificate of need (CON) must be approved by the THFC for any equipment of services costing at least \$400,000. The CON was approved around June 14.

According to Ms. Strickland, the new scanner provides better images faster than the old one. Time should be reduced from 30 seconds to five to 10.

The scanner is expected to be delivered Sept. 5, Miller said. Installation takes about 30 days.

Bids for the construction of a parking lot south of the hospital are expected to be submitted in a week,

Abbott said. A 2 p.m. meeting July 11 for the opening of bids was approved by directors, who will sign the contract if a quorum approves a bid. While bids must be opened in a public meeting, actual signing of the contract may be done later.

Gross patient revenues hit an all-time high of \$3,064,000 at the end of May, Tom Bruner, chairman of the finance committee, told trustees. Partly because of a rate increase put into effect at the first of April, patient revenues exceeded the budget by \$178,000.

Miller later explained there is usually a decrease in patients during the summer. According to Ms. Strickland, the patient revenues will provide a cushion for the slow summer.

"We were in a profit mode through May 31," Bruner said. "But there are some trends of concern."

The hospital, which was operating on a "very tight occupancy rate" of 80 percent was operating at 75 percent in May. Lengths of stay, which average 5.2 days, averaged 5.5 days and Medicare patients, which average about 30 percent of patient totals, were averaging 34 percent in May, Bruner said.

In addition, he said births budgeted for May were down although he said the numbers in June were making up for it. Emergency room visits and same day surgeries were above figures budgeted for May, he said.

In other action, directors approved the placement of \$625,000 in contingency operation funds, \$2,795,000 in capitalized reserve funds and \$1,350,000 in interest and sinking funds into 18-month treasury bills drawing 9.9 percent interest.

Construction funds of \$15.1 million were placed in treasury securities and two money market savings accounts were opened from which construction fund checks will be issued.

Directors also approved the following checks: \$13,258.02 to the tax appraisal district; \$1,435.89 for the hospital's share of costs from the April election; \$6,719.95 for legal services to Kerr Fitts-Gerald & Kerr law firm; \$68,542.32 for indigent care in May; \$7,845.24 to Lubbock General Hospital for indigent care; and \$65,037.50 to First Southwest Co. for financial advisory services in relation to the \$19 million revenue bond issue.

Directors also approved bids on equipment totaling \$107,980.50.

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'Players' charge politics in fine

LPGA Jackson Results

POINTE CLAIRE, Quebec — LPGA Peter Jackson Classic on the par-72, 6,033-yard Beaconsfield GC (4-detectors amateur):	
M.J. Smith 32-35-05	Sharon Barrett 34-33-07
Pat Bradley 34-33-07	MPFoye-Osman 33-34-07
Donna Caponi 32-35-07	Jan Stephenson 33-35-08
Shirley Ann 34-34-08	Hollis Stacy 34-34-08
Jo Ann Weaman 34-34-08	Donna White 34-36-08
Janet Anderson 35-35-09	Mindy Moore 34-35-09
Terril Luckhurst 35-34-09	Rose Jones 32-37-09
Yasuko Okamoto 35-34-09	Vicki Tabor 35-34-09
LeAnn Hew 34-35-09	Obi Masy 33-36-09
Patty Sheehan 36-33-09	Cathy Mastaglio 36-34-70
Greg Norman 36-33-09	Bruce Fleisher 35-34-09
John Adams 34-35-09	Jim Thorpe 33-37-70
David Edwards 33-37-70	Lance Brock 35-35-70
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Nick Faldo 36-36-72	Greg Norman 36-36-72
Levonson 35-37-72	John Charlton 36-36-72
Clarence Rose 36-36-72	Jack Renner 39-33-72
Steve Benson 37-35-72	

By HAL BOCK
NEW YORK (AP) — Angered by what is believed to be a record fine imposed on pitcher Steve Howe, the Major League Baseball Players Association has charged that the action taken by the Los Angeles Dodgers and Commissioner Bowie Kuhn may have been politically motivated.

"I'm shocked and saddened," said Kenneth Moffett, executive director of the union, after Howe was fined \$54,000 and placed on three years probation by the Los Angeles

Dodgers following his return from a drug rehabilitation program.

The fine, representing one month's pay for the pitcher, was announced by the Dodgers and reached, they said, "in coordination and consultation with the commissioner's office."

Moffett said he had met and talked several times with Kuhn about the Howe case.

"He assured me that there would not be disciplinary action taken in this case," he said. "Subsequent

events have shown that the commissioner misled me concerning his plans, and that a sacrifice Steve already had made to a decision Steve as an example to other players.

"I now believe he and the Dodgers management were motivated by personal and political considerations other than what is best for the game of baseball and the men who play it."

Kuhn's term in office expires Aug. 12 and the Dodgers have been one of the commissioner's staunchest allies in his battle to keep his job.

A number of major leaguers have been through rehabilitation programs in the last two years without any punishment imposed by the commissioner or their clubs.

Apparently, the fact that Howe was forced to return for further treatment was part of the reason he was disciplined.

Kuhn issued a statement, saying, "This decision is entirely consistent with baseball's policy granting amnesty to players who on the first occasion voluntarily seek drug abuse treatment. Baseball's policy does not, however, guarantee amnesty

for renewed drug usage or for failure to follow a rehabilitation program. Moreover, the facts developed in our investigation demonstrate that Howe sought treatment only after a series of absences alerted the Dodgers to Howe's current problem, which the Dodgers relayed to Howe's agents.

"Baseball's policy granting amnesty to any player who voluntarily seeks drug abuse treatment will continue to be followed. However, in other types of cases, including trafficking, renewed involvement with drugs after undertaking rehabilitation treatment, failure of a player to follow a drug rehabilitation program or detection by a club of drug abuse by a player might well result in the imposition of discipline by a club, the commissioner's office or both."

"Our position from the outset was that unless the commissioner takes the same stance with all the players, they will not have anyone coming forward," he said. "All players in the past have had amnesty and were paid. They've gone 180 degrees in attitude."

Jim Murray

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So now it's a new age and the drug of choice is not bathtub gin but powdered poison. Like the other, it's illegal but available, socially acceptable to some, profitable and habit forming. And expensive. Just the ticket for a 25-year-old kid with the world at his feet.

Except Steve Howe didn't embrace his habit. He writhed in it and fought to get free. He knew it wasn't funny. He committed himself twice at great public embarrassment and humiliation.

And now baseball wants to punish him. Or is weighing the advisability.

For what? For coming forward himself and trying to cure himself, rid himself of this curse? Would baseball be better pleased if he continued to be a closet hothead, if he came to the ballpark in questionable condition to play? Would they then tell affectionate stories about him, would his exploits while under the influence go into the lore of baseball, the

romance of the game?

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Punishment is not an outmoded theory. There are offenses it is needed for. It is hard to see why baseball is calling on its outraged morality at this late date for a man who is essentially fighting crime and struggling to remove one more addict from our streets.

Western Open Golf

OAK BROOK, Ill. — Western Open on the par-72, 6,033-yard Beaconsfield GC (4-detectors amateur):	
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John Adams 34-35-69	Greg Norman 36-33-69
Bruce Fleisher 35-34-69	Jim Thorpe 33-37-70
Jimmy Roy 34-36-70	Danny Fent 33-37-70
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WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Women for soccer team

Women interested in participating on a Midland women's soccer team are invited to practices 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Trinity School. The teams will compete in pickup games and tournaments.

Women interested in learning soccer or those with soccer experience are welcome. For details, contact 697-2993 or 699-4906 after 5 p.m.

Mixed tournament

BIG SPRING—Big Spring will hold a 5-5 mixed league softball tournament July 8-10. Entry fee is \$85. Contact Danny Heckler (287 1061).

Texas League

By Associated Press	
EAST	
Shreveport 4 3 571	Arkansas 4 3 500
Tulsa 4 3 364	
WEST	
Midland 7 4 636	El Paso 5 6 455
San Antonio 5 6 455	Yamont 3 8 373
Don't list half	
Thursday's Results	
El Paso 17 Beaumont 6	Midland 9 San Antonio 0 (called after 6 innings rain)
Shreveport 7 Arkansas 0	Tulsa 3 Jackson 0
Friday's Games	
Beaumont at El Paso	Midland at San Antonio
Shreveport at Arkansas	Tulsa at Jackson

Academic Team

SAN DIEGO — The Academic All-America at large teams announced by the College Sports Information Directors of America with name school sport year grade point average and major:

MEN'S UNIVERSITY DIVISION FIRST TEAM

Carlton Young, Villanova, track and field; Sr. 3.9 biology and pre-medicine. Mike Brown, Michigan State, swimming, Sr. 3.99 pre-medicine. Charlie Johnson, Stanford, swimming, Jr. 4.0 physics. Eric Finck, Texas, swimming, Sr. 3.96 pre-medicine. Mike Christaki, Canisius, track and field, Sr. 3.86 pre-medicine. Scott Johnson, Michigan State, swimming, Sr. 3.86 pre-medicine. Steve Abbott, Western Michigan, ice hockey, Sr. 3.93 business. Raymond Iannaccone, St. John's, track and field, Sr. 3.9 philosophy. Doug Reist, Indiana State, wrestling, Jr. 3.98 business management.

Ruidoso

Thursday's Results

First — 6 1/2 furlongs, Me No Something, 15 80, 5 80, 3 40. Derby 4:00, 2:00, 1:20, 1:23.1

Second — 5 1/2 furlongs, Little Joseph, 4:00, 2:00, 1:20, 1:20. Jerry 5:40, 4:20, Princely Salute 4:20 T — 1:09.1 Q — \$18.00

Daily Double — \$49.80

Third — 4:00 yards, Miss Whiz N Bird 34.00, 13.60, 5.20, Jeans Row 4:00, 3:00, Rhuu 2:40 T — 21.01 Q — \$88.80

Fourth — 870 yards, Swinging Breeze 11:40, 5:20, 2:80, Annes Moon 8:00, 3:40, Via Moon 2:40 T — 48.34 Q — \$58.80

Fifth — 5 1/2 furlongs, Annes Dancer 8:00, 4:00, 2:30, Master Bit 16:40, 8:40, Snappy Cash 5:40 T — 1:08.4 Q — \$73.80

Sixth — 6 furlongs, Idocelerate 10:40, 5:00, 3:20, Spunky Lark 6:00, 3:00, She Is A Pleasure 2:40 T — 1:18.1 Q — \$29.80

Seventh — 440 yards, The Chronicle 44.80, 12.40, 8.40, Fame At Last 5:20, 4:40, Moonlight Four 3:40 T — 22.48 Q — \$131.20

Eighth — 6 furlongs, Rebel Sea 4:40, 3:00, 2:80, Yucca Stee 4:40, 3:40, Strick and Go 4:00 T — 1:16.3 Trifecta — \$965.80

Ninth — 400 yards, Mighty White Hope 6:40, 3:00, 2:60, Haze Row 5:00, 3:20, Primate 5:00, 2:80 T — 20.20 Q — \$11.60

Tenth — 5 1/2 furlongs, Lets Sail 15:40, 4:40, 3:00, Imbabell 10:20, 5:00, Senataria 6:20 T — 1:08.3 Q — \$41.60

Eleventh — 400 yards, El Rey Burrier 4:40, 2:20, 2:20, Code Mundi 2:40, 2:40, Barbido 3:20 T — 20.42 Q — \$33.20

Twelfth — 7 1/2 furlongs, Grey Area 10:00, 7:20, 6:00, Scatolotto 5:40, 3:80, Finn Two 5:40 T — 1:37.1 Trifecta — \$562.20

Arduance — 2:07.1 Handle — \$255.99

Thursday Homers

National League

Lefebvre (3) Phillies, Redus (1) Householder (3) Reds, Wayne (2) Pirates, Guerrero (1) Dodgers, Lezcano (5) Padres, Knight (5) Doran (3) Astros, Royster (1) Braves

American League

Upshaw (15) Blue Jays, Gaetti (9) Twins, Gamble (5) Yankees, Downling (5) Angels

Minor Leagues

EASTERN LEAGUE

Lynn 11, Nashua 3
Waterbury 7, Reading 2
Albany 6, New Britain 3
Buffalo 2, Glens Falls 1

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Pawtucket 8, Tidewater 2
Richmond 5, Charleston 3
Toledo 8, Syracuse 5
Columbus 10, Rochester 9

NEW YORK-PENNSYLVANIA LEAGUE

Utica 10, Batavia 4
Erie 3, Elmira 1
Oneonta 3, Niagara Falls 0
Watertown 6, Geneva 2
Little Falls 5, Jamestown 4
Auburn 10, Newark 4

SOUTHERN LEAGUE

Charlotte 6, Columbus 0
Knoxville 4, Birmingham 3
Nashville 4, Orlando 2
Chattanooga 6, Savannah 5, 11 innings
Jacksonville 5, Memphis 4, 11 innings

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Wichita 10, Oklahoma City 3
Denver 5, Omaha 3
Louisville 4, Evansville 2
Indianapolis 7, Iowa 3

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Portland at Vancouver, pdd
Tacoma 8, Tugson 3
Salt Lake 6, Hawaii 1
Albuquerque 13, Edmondton 12
Las Vegas 12, Phoenix 11

Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Results in the All-England Tennis Championships at Wimbledon Thursday (seatings in parentheses):

Women's Singles Semifinals

Martina Navratilova (1) Dallas, def. Yvonne Vermaak, South Africa, 6-1, 6-1

Maria Doubles Quarterfinals

Kevin Curren, South Africa, and Steve Denton, Ontario, Texas, (2) def. Mike Bauer, Lafayette, Calif., and Gilles Moreaux, France, 4-6, 6-7 (7), 6-7 (7), 6-7 (7)

Men's Doubles Semifinals

Peter Fleming, Scotland, and S.C. and John McEnroe, New York, (1), def. Anders Jarryd and Hans Simonsson, Sweden, (6), 6-2, 6-2, 6-6

Mixed Doubles Second Round

Bernie Mitton, South Africa, and Pam Teagarden, Los Angeles, def. John Fitzgerald, Australia, and Betsy Nagelsen, Kapulu Bay, Hawaii, 7-5, 6-1, 6-1

Festival

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Thursday's National Sports Festival (all events finals unless otherwise noted):

CYCLING

Sprint

Men

1. Bobby Livingston, Riverside, Calif., 1:08.4
2. Kyle Winkler, 1:11.3
3. James Gordon, Huntington Beach, Calif.

Team Pursuit

1. Tim Henz, Ames, Iowa, James Urbano, Boulder, Colo., Craig Schommer, San Jose, Calif., David Brint, on, Studio City, Calif., 4:50.95

Hi Junior

Hi Junior League

Mavericks 17-11, Athletics 16-9, Winner, Jay Roach, L-Craig Gifford 2b-Jay Roach, M-Jody Higgins, A-3b-Jerry Haley 2, A-H-Tony Borge.

Corby 16-11-0, Lions 3-2-4, Winner-R Sims, Loser-B Rivas 2b-Mark Torres, C-Brad Edgar, Robert Johnson, Lions 3b-Tony Rankin, C-Jimmy Phillips, Rodney Sims, C.

Cubs 15-6-2, Gardendale Cowboys 8-4-2, Winner-Craig Shaw, Loser-Shane Sanders.

Shamrocks 14-10-9, Mustangs 4-3-5, Winner-Mike Small, Loser-Michael Brown, 2b-Eric East, Mike Small, S-3b-Jamie Salazar, M.

Transactions

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Optioned Leo Hernandez, third baseman to Rochester of the International League.

CALIFORNIA ANGELS — Activated Rick Burston, shortstop. Optioned Rick Adams, infielder to Edmonton of the Pacific Coast League.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Named Murray Cook vice president and general manager. Named Cedric Taylor director of player development.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Sold Todd Cruz, shortstop, to the Baltimore Orioles.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CINCINNATI REDS — Traded Wayne Krenchick, infielder, to the Detroit Tigers for Pat Underwood, pitcher. Sent Underwood to Indianapolis of the American Association. Activated Dan Driessner, first baseman.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

HOUSTON OILERS — Signed David Carter, center, Mark Konrad, offensive tackle, and Ralph Williams, offensive guard.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS — Signed Mike Washington, defensive back.

Fights

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Jimmy Jackson, 129, Las Vegas, Nev., posted a unanimous decision over Delio Palacios, 129, Fort Worth, Texas, 10, junior lightweight.

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Today's mid-morning market report

Table of stock market data including NYSE, NASDAQ, and various sector indices. Columns include stock symbols, prices, and percentage changes.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund data including fund names, assets, and performance metrics. Columns include fund names, assets, and performance metrics.

Stock market gains

By CHET CURRIER AP Business Writer NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market closed out a rousing first half of 1983 with a broad gain Thursday as evidence of an improving economy continued to accumulate.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, up 4.61 Wednesday, climbed another 8.12 to 1,221.96. That led the average with a gain of 175.42 points, or 16.8 percent, since New York's opening.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange totaled 76.31 million shares, against 81.58 million in the previous session.

Simmonds Precision jumped 7 to 55 1/2, while Hercules fell 1 1/2 to 39 1/2. On Wednesday Hercules agreed to acquire Simmonds for \$25 million in stock.

Gainers among the volatile blue-chips included Merrill Lynch, up 1 1/2 to 52 1/2, Citicorp, up 1 1/2 to 45 1/2, and General Electric, up 1 1/2 to 55.

Advancing issues outnumbered declines by more than 2 to 1 on the Big Board, and the exchange's composite index rose 85 to 97.41.

Natwide turnover in NYSE-listed issues, including trades in those stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 87.40 million shares.

Standard & Poor's index of 400 industrials gained 1.75 to 189.88, and S&P's 500-stock composite index was up 1.47 to 188.11.

BUSINESS MIRROR IOXUS wants to be on top

NEW YORK (AP) — IOXUS Corp. is a mere corporate shell today, but Robert H. Winnerman, athleticly trim at 62, predicts it will have annual sales of a billion dollars and profits of \$55 million within six years.

That would bring IOXUS near the top in U.S. homebuilding but probably still behind U.S. Home Corp., which he founded in 1968 and built to sales of \$325 million a year before retiring in 1974. It is now a billion-dollar operation.

Ten years of world travel, skiing, climbing in the Himalayas, golf and tennis left something missing, however. For the past few years, he says, he has been conceiving his new plan and waiting for economic conditions to ripen.

IOXUS, he suggests, won't be content when it reaches a billion dollars in sales, and when you reflect on the five symbols of the corporate name, which can be read "ten times U.S.," you get an idea of his determination.

Winnerman's "Plan For The Creation of a National Building Company ... Again!" envisions an umbrella operation of successful existing homebuilding companies merged through an exchange of stock.

In many ways it sounds like a repetition of the U.S. Home concept, which brought local, independent builders together in a national company, enhancing their financing and management capabilities and reducing their risks.

IOXUS' companies will be in many parts of the nation and be capable of building a variety of structures, including rental properties rather than homes alone, thus providing additional insurance against local or cyclical downturns.

The component divisions will know their local markets, giving them a step up on "outside" firms, which always have had problems in moving into new areas. And because of IOXUS, says Winnerman, they will have national stature.

Ups & downs

Table of stock price changes, listing various stocks and their percentage changes.

What is the true meaning of yield?

By BILL DOYLE Q. I can't get my financial teeth into the relevance of "yield." Studying a list of mutual funds, I see Twentieth Century Select Investors has a yield of one-half of 1 percent, while T. Rowe Price New Income Fund has a yield of 12 percent. I believe dividend divided by price per share equals yield. But, why the big difference in yield?

A. Because the two funds you picked as examples are different kinds of mutual funds, with different investment objectives.

Twentieth Century Select Investors is a growth fund. It invests in common stocks that have the potential for increasing in value. On that score, it has a good record and has been one of the top performers among mutual funds that aim for growth.

When the investments a mutual fund holds increase in value, the value of the fund's shares rise proportionately. Of course, if the fund's investments turn out to be losers, the fund's share value drops.

Gold futures

Table of gold futures prices, including London morning fixing and various gold contracts.

XYZ

Table of XYZ stock prices, listing various companies and their current prices.

Cotton

Table of cotton futures prices, including New York (AP) Cotton futures and various cotton contracts.

Market index

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Mobile home fire

Ricky Hall, a resident of the Pecan Grove Mobile Home Park on East Highway 80, works to extinguish a blaze that broke out in a mobile home owned by Dick Beaudoin about 2:20 p.m. Thursday.

Firemen said Beaudoin was working on a patio cover with a cutting torch and sparks ignited grass surrounding the trailer, which sustained heavy damage to its floor and inside walls.

Midland oilman claims FNB, firm used 'trickery'

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Midland oil operator Bill Mathis has charged in a lawsuit that The First National Bank (FNB) of Midland and Wood & Locker Inc. used "trickery and deceit" to get his signature on a \$3.5 million Wood & Locker promissory note to the bank.

The FNB loan in 1981 was for Wood & Locker to secure 32,069 acres of oil and gas leases in the Overbelt region of Montana.

In turn and under a like-kind exchange, Wood & Locker agreed to acquire for Mathis a 4,500-acre ranch in Hood and Erath counties in Central Texas.

Proceeds of the note went to Wood & Locker but under Mathis' signature, according to the petition.

At time of the loan, Wood & Locker, independent oil operating company, "was at or near the limits of its credit line" with the bank.

Mathis claims FNB and Wood & Locker agreed that the deed of trust on the ranch would never be foreclosed, since "it was not being founded upon any debt" of Mathis.

Further, FNB and John W. Wood Jr., president of Wood & Locker, and Walt A. Locker Jr., vice president, agreed that Mathis would not be liable for the note.

But, says Mathis, FNB turned the note over to Texas Commerce Bank National Association (TCB) for collection on March 24. Both FNB and TAC contend Mathis is liable for the note.

Three months later — on June 24 — Wood & Locker, one of the bank's larger debtors, filed for emergency bankruptcy under the re-organization (Chapter 11) of U.S. bankruptcy rules, reported the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in San Antonio.

In his petition, Mathis is seeking a court order to enjoin the TCB from the "improper confiscation" of his 4,500-acre ranch. A hearing was to

be held at 1:30 p.m. today before visiting Judge George Kelton of Odessa in 142nd State District Court.

That first note was signed by Mathis, as managing general partner of Mathis Assoc. I, Mathis Assoc. II and Mathis Assoc. III, on Oct. 14, 1981, and was renewed by Mathis on April 12, 1982.

"The signature of Bill Mathis... was with the express understanding and agreement of all parties that the debt... was the debt only of Wood & Locker Inc.," says the petition.

Mathis claims he was "tricked and deceived" into signing the note.

He contends that Wood & Locker was "seriously and deeply" in debt to FNB.

"Bank examiners and auditors were observing and auditing the operations of FNB, which was by that time already in a precarious financial condition," says Mathis' petition.

"Special attention was being paid by federal authorities to FNB's loans to its larger debtors, including Wood & Locker Inc. FNB feared repercussions from the bank examiners and auditors in relation to additional loans to Wood & Locker Inc. or Wood & Locker."

Subsequently, FNB, Wood & Locker and Wood and Locker "devised a scheme" whereby the \$3.5 million FNB loan to Wood & Locker "would appear" to be Mathis' debt as well and would be secured by a deed of trust to Mathis' ranch, Mathis charges.

"It was in FNB's interest for the loan to Wood & Locker Inc. to appear to be other than it actually was, so that the bank examiners and auditors would not place the loan in a category which would deny it the status on FNB's books."

Mathis says that attempts by FNB and TCB to compel him to pay the promissory note "constitute deceptive acts" under the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices/Consumer Protection Act.

Council decides not to decide

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

It took three days for Midland City Council to decide not to decide.

On Thursday, the council in its final work day of the 1983-84 budget was told the Midland County Appraisal District wouldn't have final tax figures ready until July 25. Although the council spent two days reviewing each department's spending requests, the panel held off making decisions until they can see how much ad valorem tax money the city will receive.

The tax rate now is 43 cents per \$100 valuation. Roland Wilkinson, chief appraiser, said preliminary figures show the city's tax base to have grown from \$2.36 billion to \$2.765 billion this year. The final official tally should be ready by late July and the tax rate needed to cover all expenditures will be figured from that.

With the increase in tax base and regulations of the law, to bring in the same amount of revenue as last year the city may have to drop the tax rate. This is known as the effective tax rate,

according to Wilkinson. If the city increases that tax rate above 3 percent, it will have to be advertised and a public hearing held.

Because of the way the tax law is written, Wilkinson noted that if the tax rate is dropped but is 3 percent higher than this year's effective tax, it still could be below 43 cents.

Using the preliminary figures and the 43 cent tax rate, Midland should receive \$11,893,000 for 1983-84. This year, the tax revenue should have been \$10,149,000. At the current tax rate, the city would get \$11,744,000 more next year.

From 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., the council met in executive session to discuss salaries.

"No final decision will be made until they receive the information from the tax office," said City Manager James Brown. With an expected deficit next year, those final figures will be necessary for figuring the tax rate.

After finalizing the budget and deciding on a tax rate, the city must file the material for public review for 30 days.

The proposed budget of about \$49 million should run about the same as this year's, with the expenditures kept at a level to maintain services.

Odessan loses cosmetics suit

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Maybelline's mascara survived a jury's scrutiny.

But an Odessa restaurant waitress was left without satisfaction and without money damages Thursday after the jury found the eyelash cosmetic was not in a defective condition and was not "unreasonably dangerous" to the user.

The woman, 51-year-old Lillie Bowling, had sued Maybelline Co. and its parent company, Schering-Plough Corp. of Memphis, Tenn., for \$2.5 million in federal court after her right eye became infected in 1980 after she had used the company's Fresh Lash 24-hour Polymer Mascara, an oil-base cosmetic. She claimed use of the mascara and brush resulted in her suffering impaired vision.

"We're gratified that the jury agreed that Maybelline is a safe, quality product," Joe Connors, associate general counsel for Schering-Plough, said following the verdict by the three-man, three-woman jury in federal court in Midland.

"The company and the product were rewarded for its (Maybelline's) quality," allowed Jim Boldrick, Maybelline's Midland attorney.

The jury had deliberated about eight hours Wednesday and Thursday before rendering its verdict in the two-day trial. U.S. District Judge Lucius D. Bunton presided over proceedings.

Ms. Bowling's counsel, Waco lawyer Tom Ragland, said he found the jury's verdict both disappointing and confusing.

"I was disappointed, of course, in the results," he said. "I'm not certain what it means."

In answering questions propounded to it by the court, the jury ruled that the mascara was not defective as manufactured, as designed or as marketed and was not "unreasonably dangerous to the ultimate user."

However, in answering other questions submitted to it by the court, the jury determined that the packet of mascara Ms. Bowling had purchased in August 1980 was:

—Represented by Maybelline as "original or new when in fact it was deteriorated."

—Represented as "a particular quality when in fact was of another quality."

In addition, the jury decided that Maybelline "failed to comply with any implied warranty that their mascara was fit...to be used."

The jury allowed that the mascara was "not a producing cause" of the eye injury and subsequent infections.

Ms. Bowling alleged that she inadvertently had scratched her right eye with a Maybelline nylon bristle brush while applying the eyelash makeup on the morning of Aug. 22, 1980. Later, the eye began watering, aching and oozing fluid, and the cornea was destroyed by the infectious bacteria pseudomonas. She suffered what physicians termed "pseudomonas corneal ulcer" and ultimately was given a transplanted cornea.

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Midlanders deny shooting bears from helicopter

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Two Midlanders accused of shooting bears while airborne in a helicopter over Mexico and then smuggling the bearskins and a live cub across the border denied the accusations in federal court Thursday.

Instead, the men, Frankie Keller, 30, and Steve Dudley Quain, 40, admitted they did shoot and kill three bears in a Texas ravine near the Rio Grande. But they said they used rifles — not shotguns — and were stalking the bears on the

ground. The U.S. Airborne Hunting Act prohibits the shooting of wildlife from airborne aircraft.

Both men testified in the criminal jury trial in federal court that they paid Midland helicopter pilot J.C. Short \$1,600 in June 1981 to fly them

along the Rio Grande in search of a good fishing lease.

They drove from Midland to Pinky Carruthers' ranch, south of Sanderson. There, they met Short, who was hired by Carruthers to shoot, with a shotgun, coyotes and other predators on Carruthers'

35,000-acre sheep ranch in the broken, mountainous country in Far Southwest Texas.

QUAIN SAID they were airborne for about 1½ hours when they spotted what appeared to be javelinas in a ravine. He said Short landed the heli-

copter and that he and Keller grabbed their .223-caliber rifles, left the aircraft and stalked the wild hogs, which turned out to be bears.

Quain said they killed three adult bears and captured a cub on the southern part of the ranch.

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New medical clinic limited to clientele with four legs

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

A new medical clinic will be opening tonight, but its clientele are limited to four legs — small dogs and cats.

After almost two years of planning, Permian Basin Emergency Veterinary Clinic will provide relief in two forms — for the owner whose pet needs immediate attention and for the veterinarians who want to spend a night or weekend with their families.

Dr. Tom Green, a Midland veterinarian, said the center is located at 8519 West Highway 80 between Midland Regional Airport and OIME. The gold metal building is about one-quarter of a mile west of the stop light at the entrance to OIME.

Opening at 6 p.m. today, it will be staffed by a veterinarian until 7 a.m. Tuesday. Normally, said Green, the center will be open until 7 a.m. the next working day, which is Monday. But with the July 4th holiday Monday, the clinic's hours will be extended.

"We will have one animal technician and a receptionist on duty with the veterinarian until midnight. The vet will be spending the night there," Green said.

Work schedule calls for one vet on duty from 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. during the week and from 1 p.m. Saturday to 7 a.m. Monday.

"We're real pleased with it," he said of the clinic. "It will provide a service to our clients and

to our families. We'll live like normal human beings again."

Eighteen vets from Midland, Odessa and Monahans are participating in the clinic and will take their turns. First on duty will be Dr. Greg Adkins during the week and Dr. Phil Whisnand during the weekend.

Phone number for the clinic is 561-8301. Green said all participating veterinarians will have call forwarding on their lines. When someone calls their office at night or weekends, it will be answered at the clinic.

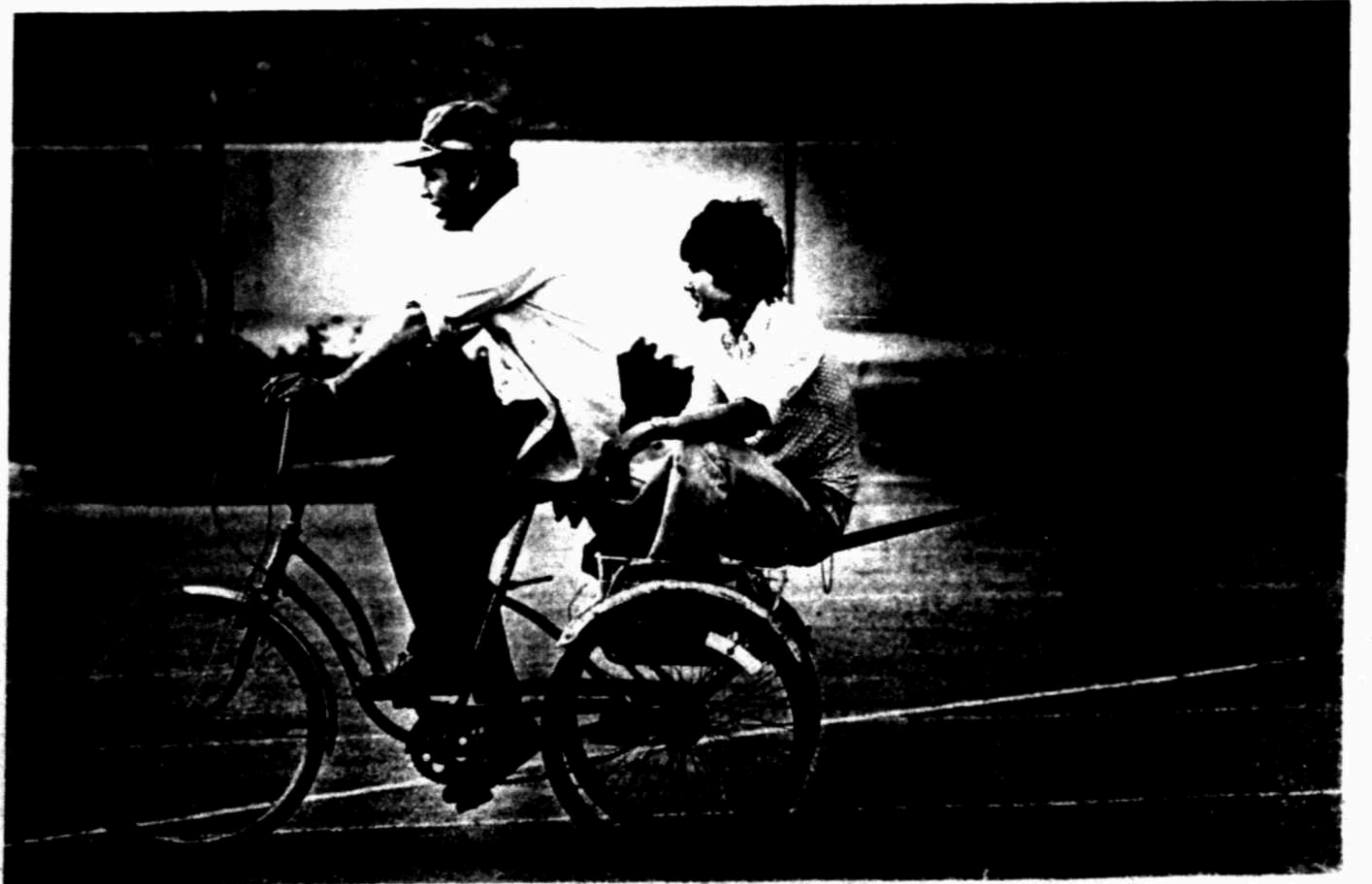
The emergency line will provide 24-hour care, he said.

A \$35 fee will be charged for an office call, said Green. The bill will be determined by the amount of treatment.

The clinic also will ease the minds of veterinarians who have animals in their office which need to be monitored at night or during the weekend. The animal will be taken out to the clinic, watched all night and picked up the next morning.

If a cat is not sick enough to be hospitalized but needs daily injections, the owner will be given a prescription to take to the clinic where that veterinarian will administer the treatment.

As a joint venture, the area veterinarians have put in about \$130,000 in the land and building, said Green. It was not intended to be a non-profit clinic, but he doesn't expect any of the vets will start getting repaid for five to 10 years. Money made by the clinic will go back into equipment there.



Midland College groundskeepers Jose Valdez, left, and Jesus Chavez find that sharing a ride aboard Valdez' three-wheeler beats a long walk under West Texas' hot sun.

Staff Photo by Ron Jepp



Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert

George B. Irish, left, publisher of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, was named Rotarian of the Year and Camal C. Dakil was installed as president of Midland Rotary Club this week.

Rotary installs officers; Publisher wins award

Officers for 1983-84 were installed and George B. Irish was announced as recipient of the Rotarian of the Year award at the regular meeting Thursday of the Midland Rotary Club.

Officers include Camal C. Dakil, president; Frank See, vice president and president-elect; Roger A. Freidline, treasurer; and Russell O. Smith, secretary. Directors are Joe Baressi, Mark Berman, Frank Downs, Irish, Jim May and Dick White. David Grimes is immediate past president.

Irish came to Midland as publisher of The Reporter-Telegram in March 1983 from Midland, Michigan, where he also served as publisher. He and his wife, Mary, have two daughters,

Sandra Lynn, 15, and Christine Marie, 14. They attend St. Ann's Catholic Church.

He was described as having provided "outstanding service to his community" through a number of civic organizations. He is a member of the boards of directors of United Way, Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement, High Sky Girls Ranch and Palmer Drug Abuse Program, as well as the Rotary Club.

The Rotarian of the Year is chosen on balloting by the entire club membership and the award is based on Rotary International's three main areas of service: ethical business practices, better world understanding and service to the community.

DEATHS

Beeman Fisher

FORT WORTH — Services for Beeman Fisher, 84, of Fort Worth, will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the University Christian Church in Fort Worth.

He died Wednesday in a Fort Worth hospital.

Fisher, former president and chairman of the board of the Texas Electric Service Company, was a native of Dallas County. He began his career as a newsman before going into the electric utility industry.

He became TESCO's third president in 1961 and chairman of the

board in 1966. He retired in 1969. In 1954, Fisher was cited for "Outstanding Service to West Texas," and in 1966, he was named "Top West Texan" by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include a daughter Mrs. Lem G. Neely of Kerrville and a granddaughter.

Donald J. Simon

Services for Donald J. Simon, 60, of Midland, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in the St. Nicholas Episcopal Church with the Rev. Joseph H. Schley, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial

Park under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Simon died early Thursday in a Lubbock hospital following a heart attack.

Pallbearers will be Joe Chastain, Sam Curtis, Paul Woods, Bill Newton, Jimmie Leath and Tim Thompson.

A.R. Kimble

BIG SPRING — Services for A.R.(Art) Kimble, 82, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel. Burial will follow in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

He died Thursday in a Big Spring

hospital. Kimble, a Big Spring resident since 1934, was a retired operator for the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

LaVerne Rogers

BIG SPRING — Services for LaVerne Rogers, 68, of Big Spring were to be at 1 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial to follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park in Big Spring.

She died Tuesday at her home in Big Spring. Mrs. Rogers, a bookkeeper, was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene.

Midlanders deny killing bears from helicopter

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Afterward, Quain said Short was "upset about it" and feared the rancher "may not like this."

Short flew the bears back to the ranch, returned and picked up the hunters, who skinned the animals in a corral.

"We told everybody else we killed them in Mexico," Quain said. "I didn't have any idea we were going to get in trouble over it."

The trouble Quain and Keller got into was not reporting the bearskins and the live cub to U.S. Customs, since the government is contending the bears were killed in Mexico. Penalty for not declaring skins at Customs is imprisonment and a fine.

Quain said he and Keller decided to alter their hunting story to keep Short in good stead with the rancher.

However, Carruthers, who said he had never seen bears on his ranch until Short flew them in, said he would have been "very happy" had the bears been killed on his ranch.

Likewise, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologist Bill Russ of Sanderson testified that he had never seen bears or bear tracks in Texas. He, however, said he had

heard of bears being sighted in the state.

"J.C. BROUGHT these boys down there to go fishing (on the Rio Grande)," the rancher said. "They went fishing, supposedly." Carruthers said he never saw any fish in the helicopter.

While enroute to Midland with the bearskins and the cub, Quain said he and Keller stopped to eat in a cafe in Sheffield, where the bear cub escaped from the pickup's tool box.

Back in Midland, Quain and Keller hired taxidermist Karl Brosig to mount the bears at \$725 per skin. One of the three skins was stolen.

"They (the bearskins) were slipping (losing) their hair (due to the heat of summer)," Quain said. "It was Mr. Brosig's first time to do this, and they didn't look too good." Furthermore, Quain said his wife "didn't want them at home."

"They were stinking pretty bad," Quain said. "They had bugs in them."

Subsequently, Quain destroyed the bear mounts by fire before, he said, he was aware the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was investigating him and Keller.

Quain, a building contractor, said he and Keller decided not to ask Brosig for their money back. "I said, 'Don't worry about it. We'll make it up when we add on to his (office) building again.'"

IT WAS IN THE fall of 1982 when U.S. Wildlife Special Agent James M. Stinebaugh of Fort Worth approached him and "harrassed" him about allegations that he and Keller killed bears from a helicopter over Mexico.

"He (Stinebaugh) told me I was in a lot of trouble" with the wildlife department and that Internal Revenue Service and Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents were "interested in filing on me." He said the agent did not read him the Miranda warning and did not advise him to seek out a lawyer. Instead, Quain said the agent related a version of the Quain-Keller bear hunt in Mexico.

Quain said Stinebaugh told him that if he would "cooperate and tell me what I want to know" that he could "work out a deal" and get the \$5,000 fine reduced to about half.

"We agreed on a price," Quain said, "and I just went back through what he had told me."

Quain said he just repeated Stinebaugh's Mexican version of the hunt even though he said it was wrong. "I figured a \$2,500 fine to get rid of him was worth it."

"By God, that's not what I want," Quain said the agent told him of the repeated version. "I want names, dates, places. I'm going to prosecute you as far as I can."

In his testimony, Stinebaugh said Quain balked at relating anything about the hunt and denied that Short was his friend. "If Mr. Short wrecked his helicopter and killed himself the next day, it wouldn't make any difference to him," Stinebaugh said Quain told him.

Stinebaugh said he read Quain his constitutional rights and suggested he consult a lawyer.

After the agent told Quain what he had learned about the hunt through investigations, Quain acknowledged "I had the whole story," Stinebaugh said.

"He was willing to give a statement but that he wouldn't name anybody," the agent said.

"Neither one of them used names," Stinebaugh said. "Mr. Quain would not name Mr. Keller, and Mr. Keller would not name Mr. Quain."

Medical firm's waiting room filled with plastic patients

GATESVILLE (AP) — They're all there, as if they just walked, stumbled or were carried on a stretcher from the pages of the catalog.

Choking Charlie, Mr. Hurt, I.M. Hip, Baby Hippy and sundry plastic hearts, lungs and skeletons are displayed in the waiting room of Medical Plastics Laboratory Inc. of Gatesville.

The small-town Texas company that makes the products has a promotional flair that gently and good-naturedly violates the often stuffy decorum of the medical profession.

The company's educational and training aids familiarize medical students, nurses and ambulance attendants with human anatomy. When they see genuine human distress, it might look like Mr. Hurt, a lifelike model of a man's head with no fewer than eight serious injuries.

Mr. Hurt comes complete with the grimace that would be expected of a man in his condition.

Choking Charlie is a plastic mannequin used to practice dislodging food from the throats of choking victims. Included is a piece of "meat" that can be placed in his throat to simulate the real thing.

I.M. Hip and Baby Hippy teach intramuscular injections and diagnosis of congenital hip malformation.

The SK-IAPBP Deluxe Biology Specimen — not all the products have clever names — is what company president Charlie Wise calls a "plastic cadaver." He also calls it Liberace.

The device can be wheeled around a medical school in its tubular stand and presents none of the storage problems of the real thing. Wise

said. Thirty employees, many of them white-haired and grandmotherly, manufacture Medical Plastics Lab's extensive range of training products, while nine salesmen sell them throughout the country. Clients often refer to a company salesman as the "bone man," Wise said.

A major selling tool is a four-color catalog, which explains the likes of I.M. Hip, Ms. Catheter and Liggy in medical jargon inscrutable to the average person. Designations such as Mr. Hurt are not meant to be flippant, Wise said.

"The names are something people will remember," he said, adding with a smile that "if a guy has all that trauma, he has to hurt."

The company was founded in 1949 by three Gatesville doctors who saw a need for the training devices and a need for the industry in Gatesville, 80 miles north of Austin. It took them two years to develop the plastic compound used in most of the products.

Annual sales now are \$1.5 million to \$2 million, Wise said.

Bones used in the company's stable product, plastic skeleton replicas, still are cast from molds taken from a human skeleton the founders imported from India in 1951. Medical Plastics continues to import skeletons from India to satisfy a clientele that "for sentimental or nostalgic reasons have wanted a human skeleton ever since they've been out of medical school," Wise said. "It's like having an antique car."

Odessa waitress loses Maybelline lawsuit

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However, the woman claimed that she was left virtually blind in the right eye, which now is a different color than the left eye. Her vision is correctable with contact lens, but she claims she cannot comfortably wear contacts.

In expressing his regrets over the verdict, Ragland said the jury found a "breach of implied warranty — that it (the mascara) was not any good. But what that means, I don't know."

Jury foreman Carson Watt declined to comment on the verdict.

"It's confusing findings," said Ragland. "We're certainly disappointed."

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MC to offer three short courses

The Midland College Department of Community Services will offer three short courses beginning the week of July 11. Included will be Calligraphy for Beginners, Aerobic Dancing and A Friendly Introduction to Computers.

Kent Lawhorn will teach Calligraphy for Beginners from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays for four weeks. Calligraphy is the art of fine writing using a broad-edged pen. The class is limited to 15 students and the fee is \$30.

Aerobic Dancing, taught by Becky Jones, is geared toward increasing cardiovascular endurance, decreasing body fat, increasing stamina and improving body tone. It includes both exercise and dance movements. Limited to 60 students, the class will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for four weeks. Fee is \$18.

A new course, A Friendly Introduction to Computers will be taught by Connie Davis from 3 to 5 p.m. for four consecutive days beginning July 11. An introductory course for children ages 10 to 12, the course will include basic computer parts, how computers work and some of the various applications. Students will learn general concepts of programming and how to do some simple programming in BASIC. A major portion of the class will involve "hands-on" experience with terminals. The class is limited to 18 students who must have at least fifth grade reading and writing skills.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Midland College Department of Community Services at 684-7851, extension 216 or 147.

Bond set in attempted robbery case

U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton set bond of \$25,000 each on two brothers accused of the attempted robbery of the Mid-American Bank at Loop 250 and Midland Drive about 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Released after posting bond Thursday were 30-year-old Randy George Pridemore of Andrews and his brother, 34-year-old Ralph Harold Pridemore of 2413 Emerson Court.

They were arrested by city police at the scene after bank employees sounded an alarm. Police said one of the suspects was arrested after he

fell from a motorcycle that spilled on some gravel as he was attempting to flee with two bags of money.

The other suspect was arrested as he came out of the bank. Police said he told them he was on the bank's board of directors and that the robbery was "a joke" being played on the bank's president.

An undisclosed amount of money and a pellet pistol that resembled a .357 caliber handgun were recovered at the scene, according to police.

Midlander chosen to represent Scouts

Mary Bruton of 1604 W.Pecan has been chosen as a Texas representative to the 29th World Scout Conference, to be held July 18-22 in Dearborn, Mich. The conference, to be attended by Scouts from more than 118 countries, is designed to increase the common identity of Scouts around the world and to promote a greater understanding of new and different cultures.

Mrs. Bruton, a Midland resident for 14 years, has worked with Scouting U.S.A. for 23 years and has two sons who are Eagle Scouts.

Houston police officer indicted for assault

HOUSTON (AP) — A suspended Houston police officer, already accused of raping a woman he met in a bar, has been indicted with another man in another sexual assault.

Glenn A. Whorton, 23, a suspended probationary officer, and Jay Callis Broussard, 24, were indicted Thursday on aggravated rape and sexual abuse charges.

Prosecutors said the charges stemmed from a June 3 assault in which a 22-year-old woman was raped at gunpoint.

Whorton also is charged with aggravated rape in a June 14 assault on a woman he met in a bar, authorities said.