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Catty consideration

A cat sits attentively outside the Superior Oil Building, 204 W. Illinois Ave., Tuesday evening. According to the building's security guard, the

cat makes a nightly appearance at the front door, waiting patiently for several hours before finally moving on.

Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert

Soviets test new missile, stir debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The test of a new Soviet intercontinental ballistic missile, reported by U.S. intelligence sources, seems likely to kindle debate over whether Moscow is trying to cheat on the unratified SALT II nuclear arms limitation treaty.

The intelligence sources said Tuesday that a small missile, powered by solid fuel and launched Feb. 8 from Plesetsk, appears to be a new weapon with a number of characteristics different from what they described as a Soviet medium-sized solid-fuel missile tested last October.

The medium-sized missile was reported to have failed in the October test.

According to the sources, who spoke on condition they remain anonymous, a preliminary analysis suggests the Feb. 8 launch may have been the first successful test of a second new Soviet ICBM.

"It was a missile we haven't seen before," said one of the sources.

The missile propelled four warheads, the sources said. It was not known how many warheads were aboard the missile that failed in October.

The text of a letter signed by then-Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, submitted the SALT II treaty to President Carter on June 21, 1979, says the treaty "permits each party to flight test and deploy only one new type of ICBM."

Last December, State Department spokesman Alan Romberg said that if the Soviets "begin to test another new

type of ICBM, this would conflict with the terms of SALT II."

While there was no formal comment from either the State or Defense departments, officials cautioned against jumping to the conclusion that the Soviets have violated the SALT agreement, to which the Reagan administration has said it will abide so long as the Soviets do likewise.

Speaking privately, State Department officials said they were not "aware of any charges that the Soviets may be preparing to violate the agreement."

Intelligence sources said late last year the United States had evidence that the Soviets were developing four types of advanced land-based missiles.

Two were described as probably improved versions of current Soviet weapons, the powerful and highly-accurate SS-18s and SS-19s.

A third missile mentioned by the intelligence sources at the time was the medium-sized solid-fuel missile tested in October. The fourth missile they discussed was identified as a small solid-fuel weapon, which appears to fit the description of the missile reported tested last week.

The Soviets long have powered their land-based and submarine-launched strategic missiles with liquid fuel while the United States switched to solid fuel about 20 years ago.

Missile specialists say solid fuel is more reliable, less corrosive, safer to handle and requires less maintenance.

Changes sought in touchy jobs bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans and Democrats are demanding additions to the Reagan administration's \$4.3 billion jobs proposal despite a warning that such changes could sabotage the bill.

The newest suggestion for change came Tuesday from Sen. Mark Hatfield of Oregon, the Republican chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Hatfield unveiled a \$4.4 billion alternative that differs in key respects from the administration-backed proposal and dovetails with Democratic proposals for revision.

For their part, House Democrats repeated a determination to press for changes at a meeting tentatively scheduled today between the party's Whip, Rep. Tom Foley of Washington, and White House Chief of Staff James A. Baker III.

"We have no intention of sabotaging this package in any sense whatsoever," Rep. Jim Wright, D-Texas, said. "Nor does it mean we won't add whatever is prudent" to the \$4.3 billion the White House has proposed, the House leader added.

The White House has outlined a plan that includes \$1 billion in grants to local governments, \$250 million in emergency food and shelter for the homeless and the remainder to be spent in various federal programs.

Hatfield floated his alternative one day after top House Democrats first disclosed they might want to beef up the administration's package with up to \$1 billion more for summer youth jobs, women and infant feeding programs and weatherization of low-income housing.

Those three programs were omitted from the White House plan, but Hatfield penciled in a combined \$350 million.

"There are going to be a lot of chunks of beef in the stew" as Congress proceeds with the jobs legislation, Hatfield said as he introduced his proposal. "This is just another chunk."

Hatfield also mentioned a major difference between his proposal and the \$4.3 billion the White House is backing.

Under the White House plan, most of the \$4.3 billion would be money now earmarked for 1984. Those funds would simply be transferred ahead one year, and while the deficit would increase for this year, it would decline a corresponding amount for 1984.

But under Hatfield's plan, there would be no tradeoff. Additional spending in 1983 would not be offset by reductions in 1984, and there would be an overall increase in the deficit.

Waitresses 'taxed' by tip ruling

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Barbara Nadobny worked 56.5 hours and took home a \$19.41 paycheck. That's about enough to eat one meal in a nice restaurant and maybe leave a tip.

As a person who depends on tips for a living, Ms. Nadobny is upset about about enforcement of a provision in the 1982 Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act which became effective this month. While the act has disturbed the city's waiting help and restaurant managers, the Internal Revenue Service is claiming it's nothing new and is only a means to collect the government's fair share.

Ms. Nadobny wasn't aware of the changes until last week when she picked up her paycheck. Expecting a take-home figure near \$100 for the two weeks of work, she was shocked at the \$19 amount and began checking on the ruling.

"It's about as clear as mud," she said of the 12-page explanation prepared by the restaurant's accounting firm. Sitting in the bar at Montana Mining Company during an afternoon break, the former Michigan resident with a teaching degree was joined in her frustration by another waitress, Vicky Kelly, and her manager, Jerry Mareschal.

MAKING A BASE pay of \$2.01 per hour with another \$1.34 to account for tips, Ms. Nadobny's estimated tips for that pay period were placed at \$333. Added together, that gave her an income of \$441.57. Taxed on that amount, the federal share came to \$64.24 and FICA, \$29.92. That was sub-



Staff Photo by Cindy Bell

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tracted from the base pay of \$2.01 for 56.5 hours and it left \$19.41.

According to Mareschal, the law reads that a waitress or waiter is assumed to make 8 percent of his or her gross food sales in tips. For Ms. Nadobny who had just finished the lunch hour with \$441.70 to her credit on food sales, she would be taxed on \$34.92 in tips — with the federal government assuming she had received that much.

She sees her ability to sell higher-priced menu items to the public as a

disadvantage in which she might wind up owing the government money instead of receiving a paycheck.

"You're not far away," she was told by Mareschal. "And that was a bad two weeks," she said of food sales.

"In essence, I'm going to be the one most penalized for being a good waitress. I can suggest to people less expensive items to keep my gross sales down," she said.

A spokesman with the IRS office in Dallas contended the rules haven't changed. It's just that TEFRA enforces

compliance with paying Uncle Sam.

"THIS IS NOT a new tax on tips," said Marlene Gaysek. "Tips have always been taxable. TEFRA addresses some problems uncovered by economists and the IRS, that there's an underground economy."

She pointed out that studies revealed only 16 percent of tip income is reported for tax purposes. The remaining 84 percent is pocketed, and the federal government is unable to take its share.

A "tipped employee" can ask that the 8 percent withholding not be included on his or her paycheck. But a "tipped employee" must keep accurate daily records for the year to show how much they made in tips and how much was paid in taxes, said Ms. Gaysek.

"I know people have been upset to tears about this," she said. "If a waitress has been keeping accurate records, nothing has changed. These tips have always been reportable."

But for various reasons, most waiting help doesn't report every penny. And although the IRS contends it's not new, restaurant managers reply that it's causing them more paperwork.

"It's a lot of added cost as far as my job is concerned," said a spokesman at Denny's Restaurant, who added that employees at "just about every restaurant in town are upset."

Rick Hoskins at El Chico's contends the IRS will be using the paperwork as an indicator of who to audit. "The government is saying everyone is getting 8 percent in tips and if you don't report that much, we'll audit you."

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Begin facing no-confidence motions

JERUSALEM (AP) — Saying he had "grave worry in my heart" about the Begin government's handling of Israel's invasion of Lebanon, former Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin today brought the first of three no-confidence motions before Parliament.

Rabin, a member of the opposition Labor Party, said he feared that Israel's actions during the Sept. 16-18 Beirut massacre were indicative of the government's handling of the entire war with Lebanon.

He acknowledged that Prime Minister Menachem Begin's ruling coalition has a 64-56 parliamentary majority which would probably defeat the motion of no-confidence, but said he still felt obliged to try.

Two more motions, by the Communists and the centrist Shinui (change) Party, also were before the Knesset, Israel's parliament. They call for the government to resign because it retained ousted Ariel Sharon as a Cabinet minister without portfolio after his ouster this week as defense minister.

The first indication of Sharon's weakened status came today when the committee of ministers guiding the negotiations on Lebanon held a meeting from which Sharon was excluded.

His critics say retaining Sharon in the Cabinet post violated the intent of the commission that probed the massacre. The inquiry findings were released Feb. 8.

The commission ruled Sharon should have known Lebanese Christian militiamen might slaughter Pales-

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tinians when he deployed them into two Beirut refugee camps last Sept. 16-18.

It also outlined mistrust in Begin's Cabinet and found Sharon had ignored the prime minister's authority without restraint.

Rabin said the commission's findings had aroused "grave worry in my heart" about how the Begin government has handled the whole Lebanon invasion, which began last June 6.

"Can we be sure that what happened here, and was investigated and is therefore known to us, did not happen in other stages of our involvement?" he asked.

"Did you know that this is how the war in Lebanon would develop when you took the decision to go in? Were these the results you expected? The length of the war? Its price?"

As Parliament convened, Israeli newspapers reported secret feelers aimed at bringing Prime Minister Menachem Begin's Likud Bloc and the Labor Party together in a "national unity government."

Yediot Ahronoth said Interior Minister Yosef Burg, whose National Religious Party (NRP) is Begin's senior coalition partner, had initiated the contacts.

The idea reportedly was to give Labor Party leader Shimon Peres the post of deputy prime minister, and Rabin a top portfolio.

Pressure has grown for such a government to heal the nation divided over the commission's recommendations and to present a united front against President Reagan's Middle East peace initiative.

Critics have argued that keeping the pugnacious Sharon, who is anxious to succeed the prime minister, is going to destroy Begin's Cabinet.

Yoel Marcus, a columnist for the daily Haaretz, said Tuesday that Sharon's position is "a time bomb...a destabilizing factor."

"As a minister without portfolio, he will have the time to appear in public a lot and undermine, to leak information, to ignore the restraints required of the government, and in the end he may inspire extremism," Marcus wrote of Sharon.

Begin's supporters said Sharon was retained because the prime minister thought the commission's report unduly harsh. They said Begin could not bring himself to fire Sharon because he was responsible for building almost 100 West Bank settlements, which Begin considers one of the greatest achievements of his government.

INSIDE TODAY

Mayoral message

Midland Mayor G. Thane Akins, as a member of the Energy and Environmental Committee, carried his city's conservative position to the recent meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

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\$67,000 in improvements have been approved by the Midland Parks and Recreation Commission for Washington Park, on the city's southside.

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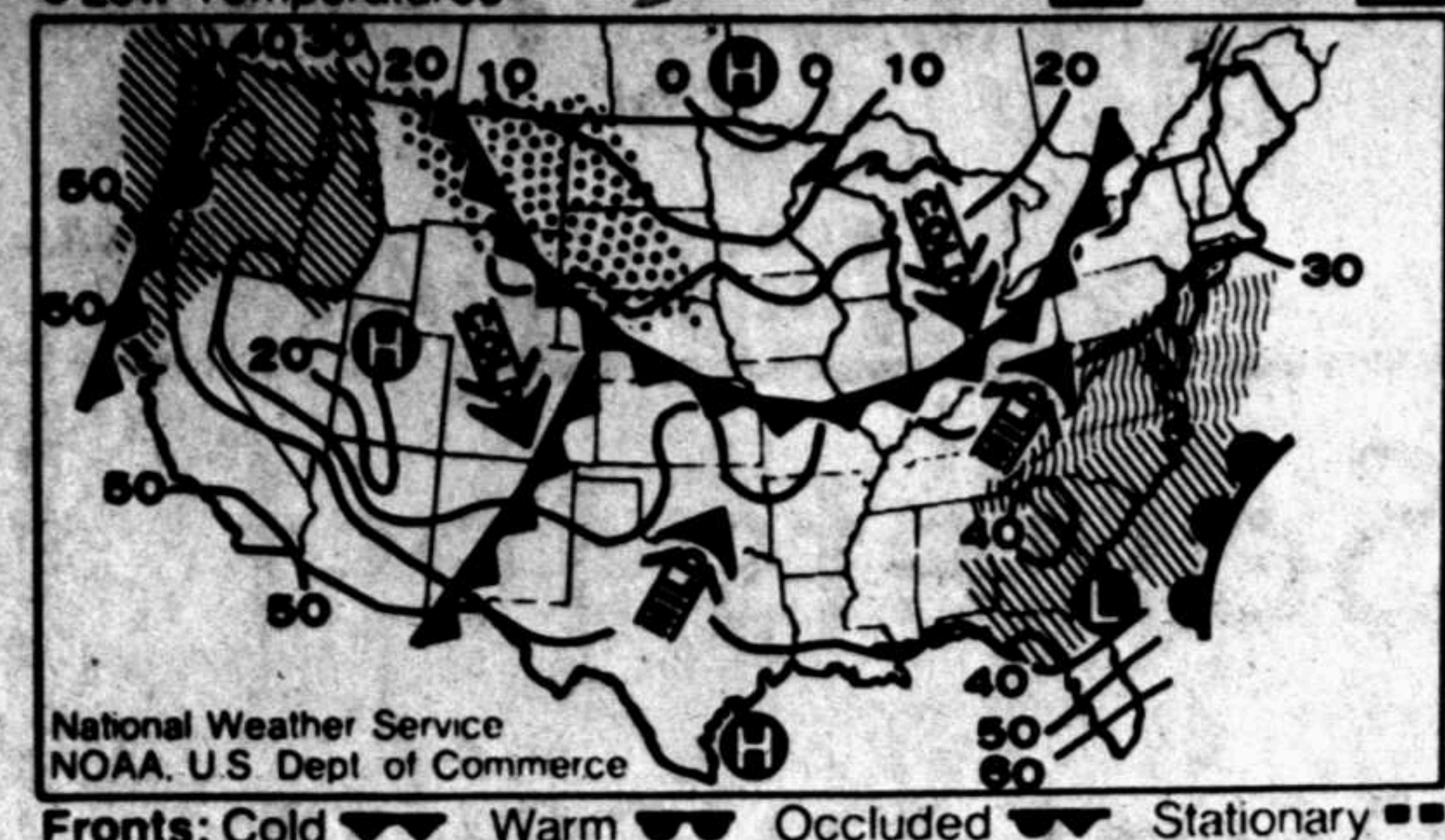
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Service

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

WEATHER SUMMARY

The Forecast For 7 a.m. EST
Thursday, February 17
Low Temperatures



Rain is forecast through Thursday for the Northwest and Southeast, according to the National Weather Service. Snow is predicted for the northern Plains. Mild weather is expected in the south, cold in the north.

Not much change in Thursday's forecast

It seems like the the National Weather Service has been stamping out its forecasts with a "cookie cutter" of late, and the prediction for tonight and Thursday is no exception.

Tonight should be fair and cold with the low in the upper 30s and southerly winds at 5-10 mph. Thursday should not vary significantly from the general weather trend of late, with partly cloudy skies and a high in the mid-60s. Winds Thursday should be northerly at 10-20 mph.

Tuesday's high of 56 fell easily short of the record 81 set in 1945. The overnight low of 29 compares with a record low for this date of 17 set in 1936. Sunset tonight is at 6:36; sunrise Thursday comes at 7:29.

Midland statistics

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High 56 degrees
Overnight Low 30 degrees
Sunset today 6:36 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:29 a.m.
Precipitation:
Last 24 hours 0.00 inches
This month to date 0.00 inches
This year to date 1.22 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

Time	Temp	Wind
6 a.m.	43	6 p.m.
7 a.m.	43	7 p.m.
8 a.m.	43	8 p.m.
9 a.m.	44	9 p.m.
10 a.m.	45	10 p.m.
11 a.m.	47	11 p.m.
noon	51	midnight
1 p.m.	54	1 a.m.
2 p.m.	56	2 a.m.
3 p.m.	56	3 a.m.
4 p.m.	56	4 a.m.
5 p.m.	56	5 a.m.
6 a.m.	56	6 a.m.

Texas temperatures

City	High	Low	Pcp
Abilene	52	34	0.0
Albino	52	34	0.0
Alamo	52	34	0.0
Amarillo	54	36	0.0
Austin	58	40	0.0
Beaumont	58	40	0.0
Brownsville	58	40	0.0
Childress	57	39	0.0
College Station	58	40	0.0
Corpus Christi	58	40	0.0
Dallas	58	40	0.0
Del Rio	57	39	0.0
El Paso	57	39	0.0
Fort Worth	58	40	0.0
Galveston	58	40	0.0
Houston	58	40	0.0
Longview	58	40	0.0
Lubbock	58	40	0.0
Lufkin	58	40	0.0
Marfa	57	39	0.0
McAllen	58	40	0.0
Midland	58	40	0.0
Palacios	58	40	0.0
San Angelo	58	40	0.0
San Antonio	58	40	0.0
Stephenville	58	40	0.0
Texasville	58	40	0.0
Victoria	58	40	0.0
Waco	58	40	0.0
Wichita Falls	58	40	0.0
Wink	58	40	0.0

Texas area forecast

West Texas: Generally fair and warmer today. Partly cloudy southwest tonight and all sections Thursday but little change in temperature tonight and Thursday. Highs today mid 50s north to near 70 south. Lows tonight low 30s north to mid 40s south. Highs Thursday in the mid 50s north to the low 70s in the Big Bend.

North Texas: Morning clouds in the east and a few areas of sunrise haze and ground fog elsewhere. Otherwise sunny and unseasonably mild today. Highs 61 to 66. Fair tonight with some ground fog possible. Lows 36 to 44. Increasing clouds and continued mild Thursday. Highs 63 to 67.

South Texas: Partly cloudy through Thursday. Highs today mid 50s north to low 70s south. Lows tonight in the 40s.

Border states forecasts

Louisiana: A good chance of light rain today over southwest portion and a slight chance of rain in southwest portion this morning, otherwise a gradual clearing through Thursday. Rain ending in the state by late this afternoon. Highs today upper 50s north and low 60s elsewhere. Lows tonight mid 30s north to mid 40s coastal sections of the southeast. Highs Thursday 60 to 65.

Oklahoma: Clear and cool tonight. Fair and mild Thursday. Low tonight low 30s to low 40s. High Thursday upper 50s to mid 60s.

New Mexico: Fair with variable high cloudiness this morning. Partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Thursday with slight chance for light showers or snow showers over the higher mountains. A little warmer most areas today, turning a little cooler mountains and north Thursday. Highs 60s and 50s mountains and north with 50s to mid 60s lower elevations in the south. Lows tonight 20s and 30s mountains with 20s and 30s elsewhere.

Arms control nominee Adelman may soon face Senate floor vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr. is predicting a key committee will send Kenneth L. Adelman's nomination as arms control director to the Senate floor even though the nominee still faces opposition.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee was tentatively set to vote on Adelman's recommendation today.

Baker, R-Tenn., asked by reporters Tuesday whether he thought the committee would vote to send the nomination to the floor for confirmation, said,

"I think it will come out." He did not elaborate. But Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., chairman of the committee's arms control subcommittee, said, "I will oppose him very reluctantly for a number of reasons that I will give in my statement at the time."

An aide to a Democratic senator, who spoke on condition he not be named, predicted that four or more of the eight Democrats on the 17-member committee would oppose confirmation. Most Republicans have said they plan to support Adelman, although some

have expressed reservations about his experience.

John Edinger, press secretary to Sen. Charles McC. Mathias, R-Md., told a reporter Mathias has apparently made up his mind, but is "playing his cards very close to his chest." Mathias had previously said he was undecided.

Adelman, 36, deputy U.S. ambassador to the United Nations since 1981, was nominated by President Reagan to head the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency after Eugene V. Rostow resigned at the president's request.

Fifty Democratic members of the

House said Tuesday that Adelman "has displayed a shocking ignorance of arms control issues."

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Lawyer goes to battle for 184-year-old building



The Rhodes Tavern in Washington D.C., as seen today, top, a witness to 184 years of history, may be torn down unless funds are raised to save it. The tavern, shown below in a painting by Earl Minderman was built in 1799.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rhodes Tavern, dowdy witness to 184 years of history, may soon be demolished unless someone steps forward with cash to save the oldest commercial structure in downtown Washington.

It was built in 1799, the year George Washington died, and served as the new city's first town hall. Gen. Andrew Jackson helped found a bank there. From the intersection of 15th and F streets, it has seen every inaugural parade from Thomas Jefferson's to Ronald Reagan's.

From a second-story window on the night of Aug. 24, 1814, Adm. George Cockburn of the British navy watched invading troops burn the White House, one block away, while he dined on roast chicken and biscuits by the light of the conflagration.

Half the building was torn down in 1957 to make way for a savings and loan association. Dingy white stucco covered its Federal-period brick facade when it was abandoned four years ago by its last tenants — a souvenir store, a coffee shop and a fruit stand.

It is, nearly every Washingtonian agrees, an eyesore. But Rhodes Tavern has a tireless champion in Joseph N. Grano Jr., who quit his \$20,000-a-year job as a government lawyer three years ago to work full time and virtually alone to try to save the building.

Grano is David to the Goliath of the Oliver T. Carr Co., one of the city's biggest developers. Grano charges that Carr has "played Monopoly with the historical buildings on the block to see how much money he can get out of the city government."

As Grano sees it, Rhodes Tavern is threatened by a combination of corporate greed and indifference by the city's political and cultural establishment to the threatened loss of an his-

torical landmark. Grano has taken his battle as far as the Supreme Court, and lost.

Rhodes Tavern occupies the southwestern corner of a city block where Carr is ready to complete construction of a \$100 million "superblock" of office buildings, shops and a glass-enclosed atrium known as Metropolitan Square, typical of several complexes that are changing the face of downtown Washington.

Carr has been legally free since May 1981 to demolish Rhodes Tavern and start the final phase of his project. He has hinted he will make his move by May 1, unless someone makes an offer he can't refuse.

"There are three possibilities: tear it down and save the pieces, tear it down and throw away the pieces, or relocate it," says Philip Carr, senior vice president for company operations.

A three-year effort by a citizens group to move the 400-ton building to another site collapsed recently. One of the group's leaders, Robert B. Gair, said "relocation is no longer an option" and urged Carr to preserve Rhodes Tavern where it is.

Carr's "superblock" project is backed by the District of Columbia City Council, the District of Columbia Superior Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals, The Washington Post and the U.S. Commission on Fine Arts, which must approve architectural plans for construction near federal buildings. The block containing Metropolitan Square is across the street from the Treasury building.

J. Carter Brown, chairman of the fine arts commission and director of the National Gallery of Art, has described Rhodes Tavern as a "poor, beat-up derelict" that is not worth saving. If it remains in Carr's superblock, said Brown, it would be

Rhodes Tavern...a "poor, beat-up derelict" that is not worth saving. If it remains in...superblock, it would be "the missing tooth in the smile of 15th Street...All it needs... is a little tender, loving care."

"the missing tooth in the smile of 15th Street." Carr's architect, David Childs, said "Rhodes Tavern should be put out of its misery."

Even a local preservationist group called "Don't Tear It Down" compromised with Carr and agreed, in effect, to tear it down in exchange for preserving the beaux-arts facades of a neighboring bank building and abandoned movie theater in the same block.

Grano concedes that Carr has "won all the legal battles and overcome all the legal hurdles," and sees no possibility that the federal government would intervene to save Rhodes Tavern. He opposes moving the building elsewhere. "History is where history is made," he says.

But Grano hopes an aroused public can save Rhodes Tavern.

He is collecting signatures for a ballot initiative in the school board election in November that would declare a public policy by the District of Columbia government to support preservation of Rhodes Tavern, where it stands.

Grano believes that beneath the grimy stucco exterior of Rhodes Tavern lies an aesthetic gem. "All it needs," he said, "is a little tender, loving care."

Ojinaga is tough territory

OJINAGA, Mexico (AP) — Ojinaga is the toughest town along the 1,760-mile United States-Mexico border, law enforcement agents say.

Ojinaga's days often are filled with contraband deals, and nights frequently are punctuated by gunshots, observers say. Some believe they're witnessing the revival of the frontier frenzy that consumed past Western towns.

"It's kind of like the movies you see of the Old West. This is a bang-bang town — just listen to the shots each night," Acting Sector Chief Wayne Winn of the U.S. Customs Service in neighboring Presidio, Texas, said.

Ojinaga is a known smuggler's haven where local police have little control over Mexican mobsters who run the profitable narcotics and gunrunning trade, Winn said.

Gene Dickson, criminal intelligence officer for the U.S. Border Patrol in Marfa, agrees: "It's pretty common knowledge you have a lot of people in Ojinaga connected with narcotics. And I'm sure there are Mexican officers who get payoffs."

U.S. law enforcement agents say most residents in this town of 15,000 are so tough, even Mexican federals find it deadly to cross the wrong people.

Drug-related killings in Ojinaga are commonplace, officials say. At least six of the town's killings last year were spin-offs from feuding Mexican mobsters, Winn said.

The Ojinaga Motel is the hottest meeting place in town for drug couriers and their contacts, Winn said. Known marijuana and cocaine dealers often rent out rooms for their transactions, he said.

A motel clerk who declined to identify himself denied the allegation.

Ojinaga police officers wink at certain crimes that occur behind their back. Marfa border patrolman Bob Hecht said.

U.S. officials concede they have too little manpower in too large an area to cut the flow of contraband, gunrunners, and illegal alien and diesel gasoline smugglers who thrive in West Texas' mountains between Van Horn and the Big Bend National Park.

U.S. agents are most preoccupied with cutting down on the daily transactions that occur illegally in the Ojinaga-Presidio area.

Mexican law enforcement in Ojinaga "is usually put out of business, scared out or killed. It's kind of dangerous over there and they don't ask any questions," Winn said.

Agents have uncovered 12 well-traveled Rio Grande crossings around the Ojinaga region where smuggling and contraband trafficking regularly occurs with little fear of apprehension.

More manpower "is one solution," Winn said. But the desolation of the area makes their sector "impossible to defend."

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For Northwest doctors, aid just MEDCON call away

SEATTLE (AP) — The phone number Dr. Greg Hemingway found glued to the office telephone when he arrived in tiny Jordan, Mont., has linked him to expert medical advice on everything from heart attacks to delivering babies.

A single toll-free telephone call connects Hemingway, and thousands of other physicians throughout a five-state area, with 190 full-time faculty members of the University of Washington School of Medicine.

"Knowing that it's there and I can reach an expert at any time of the day or night is a wonderful feeling," says Hemingway, since 1978 the only physician serving Jordan's 700 residents.

In eight years, MEDCON has logged more than 104,000 calls from physicians in Alaska, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon. Now a 24-hour service, MEDCON fields about 2,000 calls a month.

Hemingway once phoned at 3 a.m. to ask emergency advice on setting a 3-year-old boy's fractured thighbone.

"I got the chairman of the Department of Orthopedics," he said. "I woke him up, but he very graciously talked with me and walked me through the procedure."

For 10 1/2 hours each day, the calls are referred by a three-woman MEDCON staff headed by program supervisor Dorothy Wright-Budke. At night and on weekends, calls are handled by University Hospital operators.

Once the doctor describes his question, MEDCON staffers track down a physician in the appropriate specialty and link the expert by phone with the doctor asking for help.

If the on-call physician in any one of 14 medical specialties isn't reachable, MEDCON workers keep calling until they find a doctor who can answer the question.

Their search is not restricted to doctors at UW. They've phoned physicians in Anchorage, Alaska, to get advice on frostbite.

While only about 2 percent of the calls are emergencies, Ms. Wright-Budke tells of doctors who've left the operating room in the middle of surgery to call for advice.

If necessary, Ms. Wright-Budke will ring Dr. Loren C. Winterscheid, the University Hospital medical director who also directs MEDCON.

Launched in July 1975, MEDCON was initiated by Dr. Robert Van Citters, professor of Medicine-Cardiology and dean emeritus of the UW medical school.

"The system was established to provide a link between the practicing physician and the active faculty of the medical school," says Winterscheid.

Doctors with questions are linked to faculty members, never doctors in training.

"It's really a one-on-one medical education endeavor," he said of the free consultation service. "It allows a physician with a particular problem to talk to a specialist in that area."

"Often it's a matter of reassurance," says Dr. William Kirby, an infectious disease specialist who often answers MEDCON calls.

"He (the phoning physician) says, 'Here's what I'm doing and I just want you to reassure me I'm doing the right thing.'"

Kirby recalled a late-night call from a doctor in eastern Washington who described a patient Kirby concluded was suffering from gas gangrene in the abdomen.

"I said, 'You better get a surgeon,' and he said there was no one (in his town) who could manage that," Kirby recalled.

"I told him about Airlift Northwest...The next thing I heard, at 6 a.m., was that my son, who happened to be the chief orthopedic resident at Harborview Medical Center then, was operating on this patient."

Airlift Northwest is a program which provides an airplane on 24-hour call to fly patients from anywhere in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska to one of four Seattle-area hospitals — University, Harborview, Children's Orthopedic and Providence.

MEDCON also can link doctors to specialists in the care of newborn infants through University Hospital's Newborn Care Program.



Dorothy Wright-Budke handles a caller to MEDCON, a 24-hour medical help service.

Some find drink name tasteless

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Members of a compulsive gamblers group say a casino hotel is "making fun of sick people" by naming a drink in one of its lounges "Gamblers Anonymous."

"There isn't a bar in this nation that would name a drink 'Alcoholics Anonymous,'" Arnie Wexler, vice president of the National Council on Compulsive Gambling, said.

The cocktail, a concoction of two rums, is served in the casino lounge at Caesars Boardwalk Regency, and some casino officials there said privately they had lobbied unsuccessfully against putting the item on the menu.

"Gamble on this lucky parlay alone or with a friend," the menu reads. "A palatable combination of light and dark rums, liqueurs and tropical fruit juices. A real 'kicker'!"

The recipe also calls for triple sec, grenadine, straw-

berry liqueur, cream de noya and pineapple juice. It costs \$3.75 for one, and \$6.50 for a larger serving with two straws.

"It's making fun of sick people," said Wexler.

"We vigorously deny that," said Caesars Boardwalk spokesman Dennis Gorski. "We're certainly not trying to make fun of anyone. It's wrong to assume we don't understand and have compassion for the problem of the compulsive gambler."

"What are they doing if they're not making fun?" said Wexler.

Wexler said there are an estimated 10 million compulsive gamblers in the United States.

He said about 375,000 of them live in New Jersey, one of the biggest gambling states in the nation. Revenues from gambling in the Garden State topped \$2.2 billion in 1982, including money from casinos, bingo, the state lottery and horse racing.

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LAREDO (AP) — George Washington never set foot in Texas and probably never heard of the Rio Grande. But that doesn't matter to folks in Laredo, who cross the river each year in Washington's honor.

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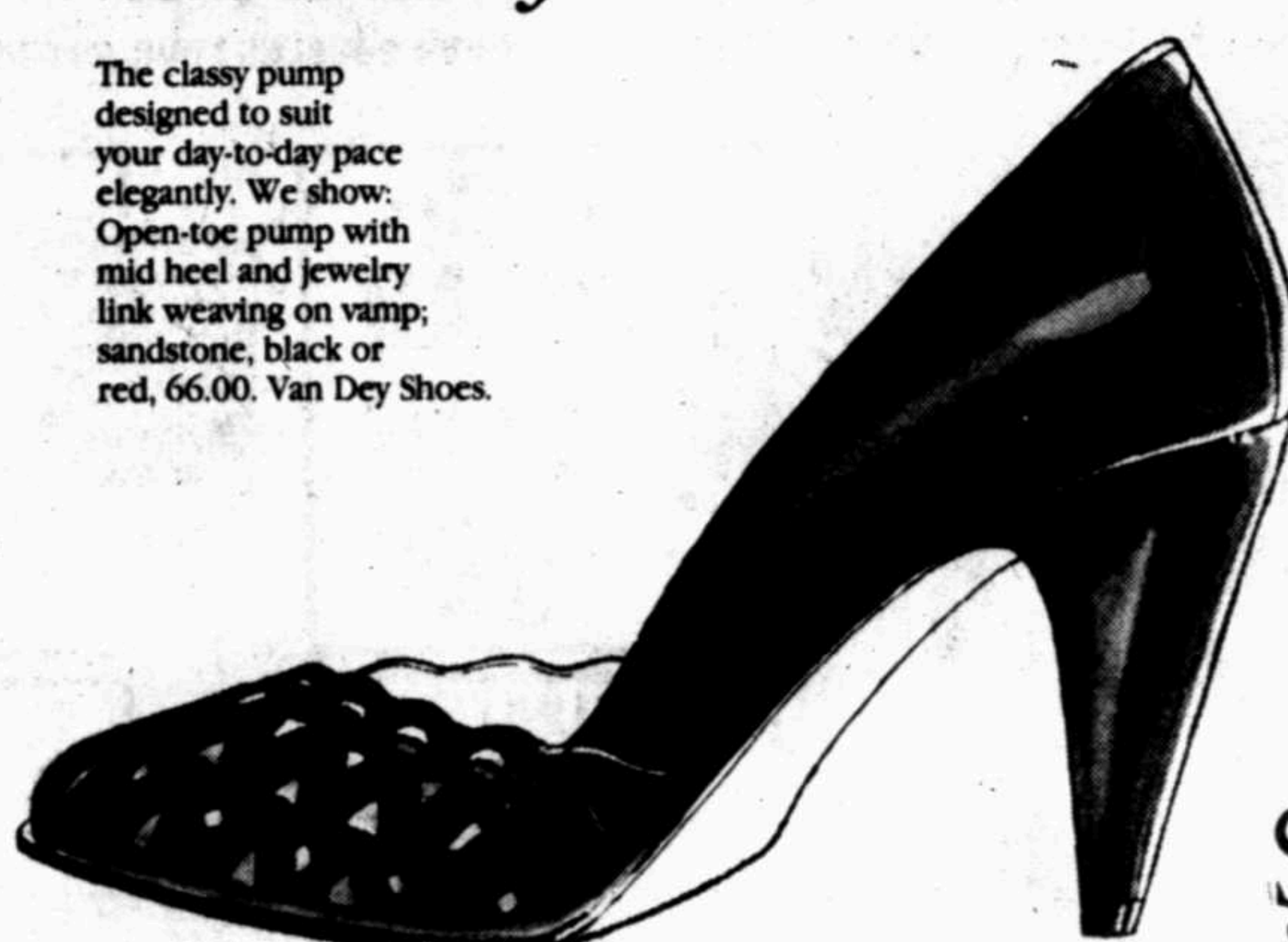
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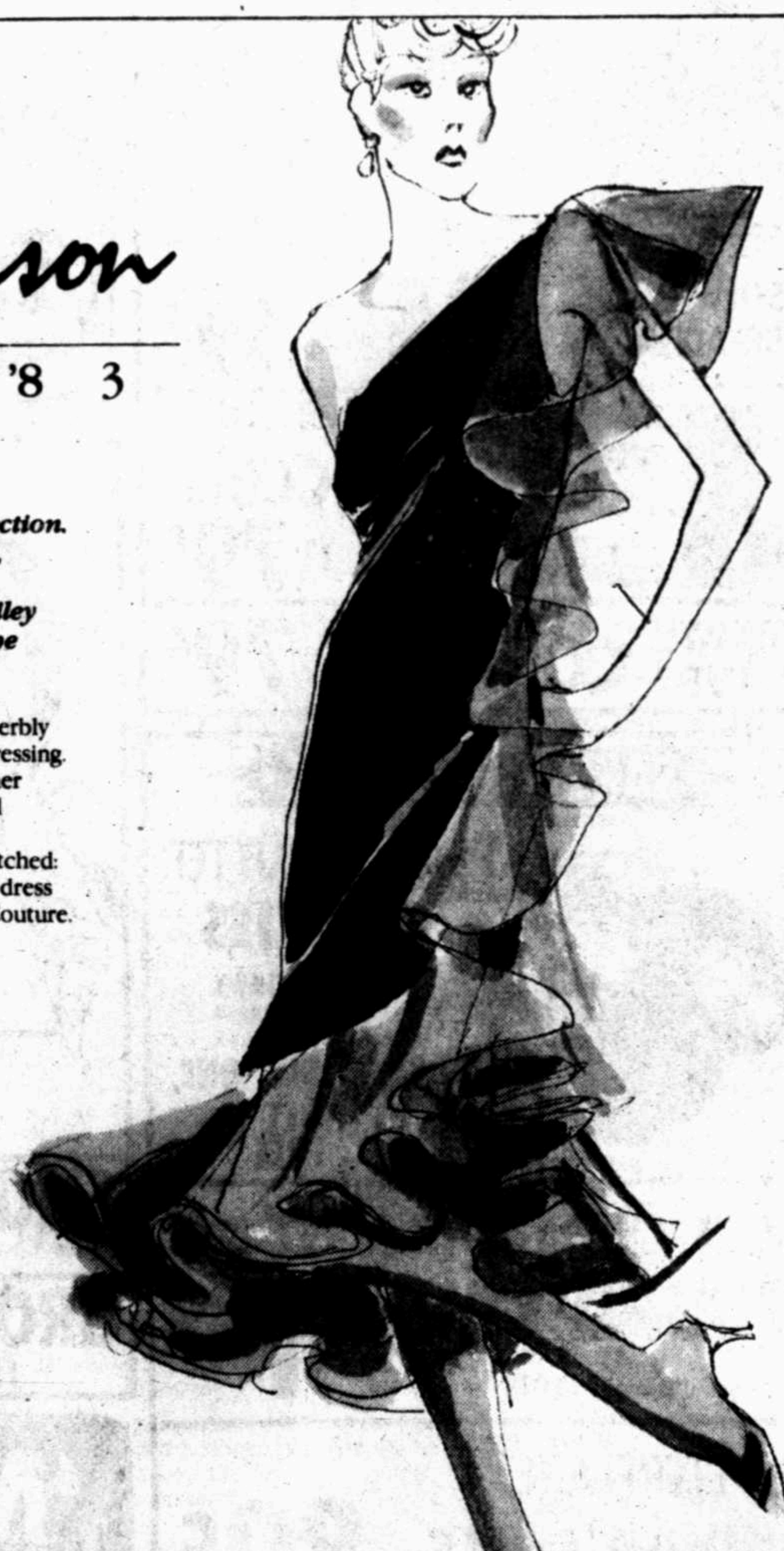
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Dropping crude prices threaten Venezuelan economy

By the Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

CARACAS, Venezuela — Ever since the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries failed to relieve a glutted world oil market last month, a formula for economic crisis has hung over this capital like a kind of suspended sentence.

Each day, Venezuela's leadership has watched the world's tottering oil prices with a kind of helpless, almost paralyzed suspense. And with growing urgency, the equation is repeated that could shape the country's upcoming

elections, its payment of a huge foreign debt and its future as an OPEC member.

With each \$1 that is clipped from the price of a barrel of oil this year, the formula says, Venezuela will lose \$500 million — or 2 percent of its total government budget.

And with each decrease of 100,000 barrels from the 1.6 million barrels of oil Venezuela hopes to export per day, \$1 billion will be lost from the revenue that funds this nation's social services, backs its industries and alone has raised it from poverty to the richest state in Latin America.

Despite a decade of lavish spending on development projects, Venezuela's economy remains deeply vulnerable to any shift in the price of oil. After four consecutive years of stalled economic growth, a price drop of even a dollar or two per barrel could deal a major shock to the country's industry and sharply curtail incomes and employment.

Few here now believe that Venezuela will survive this year without a painful reshaping of its state-dominated economy — or an equally difficult refinancing of some of the more than \$30 billion it now owes foreign banks.

In the skyscrapers of Venezuela's oil industry, meanwhile, a new strategy of world oil marketing is taking shape that could distance the country from the commitments and politics of the oil cartel it helped found more than two decades ago.

Venezuela will not be the first OPEC nation to cut its oil prices, and would be among the last to abandon hopes of rebuilding the fractured organization, officials and diplomats here say. Publicly, officials still express hope that a new OPEC agreement will prevent a drop in oil prices.

But after years of failed lobbying for

regular OPEC production quotas and long-term price schedules, Venezuelan officials are talking of a new emphasis on relations with non-OPEC producers and consuming nations — in particular Mexico, a new producer, and the United States, a major client for Latin American oil.

"OPEC can no longer play the role of a slim producer in the oil market," Energy and Mines Minister Humberto Calderon Berti said in an interview. "I

think we have to begin talking to the non-OPEC producers and to the consumers."

Following OPEC's failed meeting in Geneva late last month, Calderon Berti already has met with Mexican oil officials and obtained a separate promise that Mexico will hold to its current oil production levels. Further Venezuelan and Mexican talks are planned for next month.

Extortion trial evidence ruled illegally seized

HOUSTON (AP) — A typewriter, envelopes, stamps, long distance telephone receipts and other items taken from a former Amoco Oil Co. pipefitter's apartment were legally seized and may be used at his extortion trial, a federal judge says.

U.S. District Judge Gabrielle McDonald ruled Tuesday the evidence could be admitted at the upcoming trial of Alton S. Edwards.

Edwards is accused of sending 16 threatening letters in November to Amoco and Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union officials and a Houston Chronicle reporter.

The letters said the "People's Worker Revolutionary (sic) Committee for Worker Justice" would sabotage refinery equipment unless Amoco hired back all workers fired since Jan. 1, 1982.

Edwards was fired from a \$2,300-a-month job at Amoco in October. He was arrested a month later and charged in a seven-count indictment.

His attorney has asked that some of the charges against Edwards be consolidated. Ms. McDonald, who has not set a trial date, said she would rule later on that motion.

CPAs to meet

The Permian Basin Chapter of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants (CPAs) will meet Thursday 1983 at 5:30 p.m. at the Midland Country Club.

Guest speaker will be Paul Munter, Audit Sampling. CPE credit will be granted.

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CRANE COUNTY
Sand Hills (Widits Albany)
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1272 W.N. Waddell et al. 3,250 ft. 21,120 bbl of oil, sec. 11, bbl 6-21, P.S. 18 as Mentone, 2,500, PB 8,473, Elev. 8,633, Completed 1/14/83.
Casing: 5 1/2 inch at 8,406. Perforations: 5,304-5,455. Acid: 2,536 gallons. Frac: 38,000 gallons and 93,000 pounds sand.
Potentialized 1/30/83. 14 barrels oil, 20 Mcf of gas, 20 barrels water daily. Gravity 36.2. Gas/oil ratio 1,429.1. Formation tops: Tub 4,403, Wichita Albany 4,932.

LOVING COUNTY
Dime (Cherry Canyon)
Most Producing Tr. & N.M. Inc. No. 2 Lacy et al. 1,980 ft. 1,980 bbl of oil, sec. 14, bbl 5-3, T&P, 6 ne Mentone, 2,558, PB 6,505, Elev. 2,976, Completed 1/10/83.
Perforations: 6,584-6,585. Acid: 8,000 gallons. Frac: 2,000 scf N2, 43,000 gallons and 105,000 pounds sand.
Potentialized 2/3/83. Pumping 17 barrels oil, 21 Mcf of gas, 206 barrels water daily on 2 inch choke. Gravity 37.6. Gas/oil ratio 1,225.1.
Formation tops: Bell Canyon 4,850, Cherry Canyon 5,950.

MARTIN COUNTY
Spreary (Trend Area)
HCW Exploration No. 1 Alice, 560 ft. 1st of lease, sec. 135, bbl 4, Simpson Holloway, 5 ne Tarran, TD 8,406, PB 8,389, Elev. 2,851, Completed 1/2/83.
Casing: 5 1/2 inch at 8,406. Perforations: 8,223-8,340. Acid: 8,250 gallons. Frac: 200,000 pounds sand and 60,000 gallons.
Potentialized 2/7/83. Pumping 75 barrels oil, 25 Mcf of gas, 80 barrels water daily. Gravity 42. Gas/oil ratio 333.1. Formation tops: Clearfork 5,559, Spreary 7,979.

PECOS COUNTY
Brown & Thorpe, E. T. (J. A.)
HCW Exploration No. 15 J.W. Scott, 779 ft. 6,110 ft. 1st of lease, sec. 18, bbl 11, H&GN, 2 se Given, TD 3,247, PB 3,118, Elev. 2,313, Completed 12/29/82.
Casing: 4 1/2 inch at 3,247. Perforations: 2,484-3,100. Acid: 12,000 gallons. Frac: 40,000 gallons and 12,000 scf N2.
Potentialized 2/4/83. Pumping 26 barrels oil, 41 barrels water daily. Gravity 35.
Formation tops: Clearfork 2,467, Lower Clearfork 2,998.

REVES COUNTY
Tunhill
Phillips Petroleum No. 4 TXU, 330 ft. 990 ft. 1st of lease, sec. 15, bbl 58, T-2, T&P, 3 ne Ora, TD 3,400, PB 3,359, Elev. 2,776, Completed 2/4/83.
Casing: 5 1/2 inch at 3,399. Perforations: 3,272-3,280. Acid: 800 gallons. Frac: 200 BPD and 11,000 pounds sand.
Potentialized 2/4/83. Pumping 15 barrels oil, 24 Mcf of gas, 160 barrels water. Gas/oil ratio 1,600.1.
Formation tops: Delaware Lime 3,256, Delaware Sand 3,295.

STERLING COUNTY
Conner (Parr)
C&K Petroleum No. 8 Foster, 360 ft. 1,000 ft. 1st of lease, sec. 33, bbl 22, H&TC, 17 se Sterling City, TD 7,508-8,145. Acid: 3,000 gallons. Frac: 194,000 pounds sand and 33,000 gallons.
Potentialized 2/2/83. Flowing 66 barrels oil, 547 Mcf of gas, 2 barrels water daily on 13/64 inch choke. Gravity 47. Gas/oil ratio 8,287 cpi.
Formation tops: Cisco Sand 7,372, Canyon Sand 7,703.

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ARCO Oil & Gas No. A-5 University 11 sec 12 PD 7,200, location.
Brazos-Granger Petroleum Co. No. 1 McWhorter PD 7,800, location.
Calway Production Co. No. 1 Nobles 'A' PD 11,800, no report.
Calway Production Co. No. 1 Cowden 'A' PD 11,800, Spud 2/13/83 9:30 p.m., drilling 1,440 feet.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 1 State University 'D' location.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 2 State University 'BM' location.
Hillard Oil & Gas Co. No. 1 ULS 10-45 PD 12,200, shut in waiting on pumping equipment.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 2 Location, C.W. PD 6,809, no report.
Texaco No. 1 Guy Mabree 'B' PD 13,800, light.
V-F Petroleum Inc. No. 1 GAO PD 6,000, prepped to drill out cement.

BORDEN COUNTY
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1-468 Don A. Jones PD 8,500, install pumping unit.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1-468 Don A. Jones PD 8,500, production testing perforations.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1-479 Don A. Jones PD 8,500, no activity.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 2-479 Don A. Jones PD 8,500, no activity.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1-409 T.B. Shaffer PD 8,500, drilling 5,478 feet.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 2-466 Don A. Jones PD 8,500, no activity.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 3-4-L.C. Drum PD 8,500, no activity.
Dorchester Exploration Inc. No. 1-22 Good PD 10,000, testing.
RK Petroleum Corp. No. 1-4 Fred PD 9,400, contractor Robinson Drilling, location.

CHAVES COUNTY
Harper Oil Co. No. 1-M Gannar PD 7,200, light.
Mesa Petroleum Co. No. 1 Butler State PD 3,500, contractor Dall rig No. 30, light.
Mesa Petroleum Co. No. 1 Travis Federal PD 4,500, light.

COCHRAN COUNTY
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 2 M.C. Gandy PD 4,900, no report.
D.E. Ratliff & Assoc. Inc. No. 1 Drennan PD 5,100, waiting on completion unit.

COKE COUNTY
Sinclair Exploration Co. No. 1 Littlefield PD 5,000, no report.
J.M. Huber Corp. No. 1 T.M. Wylie, location.

CRANE COUNTY
Amoco Production Co. 1 David Fasken 'BX' PD 12,000, no report.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 2 State 'NY' PD 7,857, no report.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 12 'J' McJee PD 8,900, Total depth 8,500 feet, acidized with 2,500 gallons 8,144-8,202 feet, swabbed 41 barrels water in 2 1/2 hours.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 University, 25 PD 12,500, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 4 Nellie Tucker 'C' PD 4,800, light.

CROCKETT COUNTY
Cities Service No. 1 University 'C' location.
Cities Service No. 1 University 'G' PD 8,515, no report.
C.F. Lawrence & Assoc. No. 1 Todd 'V' PD 2,200, no report.
Estoff Production Corp. No. 2 Shannon Estate '59' temporarily abandoned, dropped from report.
Gaffney Oil Co. No. 1 University '33-30', no report.
Henry Petroleum Corp. No. 1, 1982 PD 9,200, drilling 4,572 feet.
International Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1 Parker 14 PD 10,500, location.
J&M Petroleum Co. No. 1 Shannon 'B' PD 9,500, light.
C.F. Lawrence & Assoc. Inc. No. 2 Trapper PD 1,800, no report.
Staley Operating Co. No. 1 Crab-Evans 3 PD 4,500, plugged, abandoned, final report.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 Shannon Estate '4' PD 8,200, contractor G.C. rig No. 3, light.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 Shannon Estate '37' PD 8,800, location.
TXO Production Corp. No. 3 Aro '17' PD 7,100, location.

CULBERTSON COUNTY
Bess Enterprises Production Co. 3 George Fraser 'S', location.
TXO Production Corp. No. 7 Catclaw State 'A' PD 3,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 8 Catclaw State 'A' PD 3,800, light.

DAWSON COUNTY
Adobe Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1-37 Smith PD 11,000, location.
BTA Oil Production Co. 1 8205 J.V.P. Bennett PD 8,000, re-entry, light.
Henry Petroleum Corp. No. 1-Y-82 Stuart Estate PD 8,500, location.
Hillard Oil & Gas Inc. No. 1 E.O. Barron PD 7,900, swabbing and testing.
J.M. Huber Corp. No. 1 Brown PD 12,000, Spud 12/13/83, drilling out from surface casing at 400 feet.
RK Petroleum No. 1 High Line PD 7,900, light.
RK Petroleum No. 12 Lamesa North PD 7,900, location.
Terry Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1-128 Elford PD 12,300, waiting on completion unit.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Spurt PD 7,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 2 Burkett PD 7,900, location.
TXO Production Corp. No. 3 Burkett PD 7,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 4 Burkett PD 7,800, light.

ECTOR COUNTY
Argo Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Fasken '32' PD 13,800, waiting on completion.
Cals Corp. No. 1X B.J. Foster 'A' PD 9,200, contractor Lando, location.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1369-D C.A. Goldsmith et al PD 8,200, no report.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1370-D C.W. Goldsmith et al PD 8,200, no report.

EDDY COUNTY
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Slaughter Canyon Federal Unit PD 12,300, location.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Federal B.F. no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Federal DB, no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 State OS, no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Federal 'CY' Gas Com PD 9,500, location.
Bass Enterprises No. 52 Packer Lake PD 16,300, contractor McVay rig No. 9, shut in for 72 hours for bottom hole pressure build up, prepped to do 4 point test.
Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1 Federal X Com PD 12,700, running temperature survey at 8,000 feet, sand and shale.
Exxon Corp. No. 1 Simsko Federal PD 8,000, location.
Exxon Corp. No. 1 Wilson Federal PD 8,000, location.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1 Boud 'B' PD 6,500, contractor Cactus Drilling No. 67, no report.
HNG Oil Co. No. 1 McKittick 30 Federal, location.
Pogo Producing Co. No. 2 Sam Federal PD 13,400, Total depth 12,855 feet, pulled out of hole, time and shale.
Santa Fe Exploration Co. No. 1 New Year Federal PD 7,000, waiting on rig.
The Oklahoma Oil Co. No. 1-F Mayes PD 4,500, location.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 Mayes Federal PD 14,300, waiting on completion unit.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Hanson-Federal PD 9,000, light.
J.C. Williamson No. 1 Abby Federal PD 5,800, waiting on potential.

GAINES COUNTY
Dowling Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Jones Estate PD 12,500, gas testing and testing.
Aaron F. Gabel No. 1 Adams PD 7,700, location.
Hillard Oil & Gas Co. No. 1 McKinnon PD 13,400, moving in completion unit, prepped to drill out DV tool.
Mabee Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Amerasia-Fed PD 5,200, light.
Marino Inc. No. 1 L.B. Russell PD 11,000, light.
North American Royalties No. 1 J.D. Mills-Loop PD 3,400, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Folk PD 5,850, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Zalemy PD 5,850, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 2 Zalemy PD 5,850, light.

GARZA COUNTY
Anadarko Production Co. No. 1 Connell Ranch PD 3,200, Total depth 3,250 feet, testing.
Marino Inc. No. 1-A Connell Estate PD 8,000, light.
TXO Production No. 1-C Swenson PD 8,000, light.
Woodbine Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Hattie Spelling PD 8,600, location.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY
Bess Exploration No. 2 Houston 'A' PD 11,300, location.
BTA Oil Producers No. 1 8102 J.V. Gibson PD 11,300, light.
BTA Oil Producers No. 9 7613 J.V. Gibson PD 11,300, light.
William E. Hendon No. 2 Calverly '36' PD 11,300, location.
William E. Hendon No. 1 Clark '12' PD 11,300, swabbing.
Texaco Inc. No. 1 Glasscock 'L', Fee PD 11,500, no report.
Wood & Locker Inc. No. 3 Blacklock '33' PD 4,000, Total depth 3,907 feet, waiting on electricity, set pumping unit.

HALE COUNTY
David Fasken No. 1 Lola Set PD 10,000, building location.

HOCKLEY COUNTY
Cities Service Co. No. 1-A Dukahn PD 9,900, swabbing.
Bass Enterprises Exploration Inc. No. 1-13 Given PD 10,300, waiting on completion unit.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1-N Reed PD 10,000, light.

HOWARD COUNTY
Blanks Energy Corp. No. 1 White PD 7,600, running DST no 2,758 feet line.
Blanks Energy Corp. No. 1 Crawford PD 7,300, location.
Erlie M. Craig No. 1 Avenger '40' PD 9,400, light.
Hanson Corp. No. 1 Scott, location.
J&M Petroleum Corp. No. 2 Cowden PD 10,500, will be drilled light.
North American Royalties Inc. No. 1 Striping PD 9,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Buchanan 'A', light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 3 Fryar PD 9,900, light.
Exxon Corp. No. 2 Aurilia Safford PD 9,600, location.

IRION COUNTY
Exxon Corp. No. 11 Pearl Williams 'B' PD 7,500, moving in, rigging up well service unit, pumped 10 barrels water - 14 hours, repairing pump.
Exxon Corp. No. 12 Pearl Williams 'B' PD 7,500, location.
TXO Production Corp. No. 2 George 'A' PD 8,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 3 Winterbotham 'C' PD 8,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 4 Winterbotham 'F' PD 8,800, light.

KENT COUNTY
Wee Lovelady No. 1 W.A. May PD 7,500, Marao Inc. No. 1-B Connell Estate PD 7,900, location.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Spikes Estate, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1-34 Spree PD 8,000, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Shift PD 7,800, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1-D Alexander PD 7,900, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1-Biggs Trust PD 7,400, light.
Marao Inc. No. 1-B Connell Estate, light.

LEA COUNTY
Amoco Production Co. No. 1-Y E. Mito Grande, no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Federal 'CP', no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 State 'DV' PD 12,750, no report.
Dowling Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Hooper PD 13,250, location.
Estoff Production Co. No. 1 Alto Federal PD 13,500, light.
Estoff Production Co. No. 2 Curry State PD 13,000, light.
Great Western Drilling Co. No. 1 State 82 PD 11,000, testing.
HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Pichtork 36 State PD 15,700, Contractor Parker Drilling, no report.
HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Madera '28' Federal PD 13,500, shut in.
HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Pichtork Federal Com PD 15,000, light.

LOVING COUNTY
Marao Inc. No. 1 Cain PD 4,500, location.
Pogo Producing Co. No. 1 Moshbacher '20' PD 20,000, contractor Cactus Drilling rig No. 23, ran out of hole, laid down tubing.

LOVING COUNTY
American Trading & Production Co. No. 2-A-4 Lineberry PD 20,000, drilling light.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Haley Hill, no report.

ARCO O&G No. 1 Loving Fee, light.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 1 C.G. Lademan 'E' PD 20,500, location.
HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Glenn S. Brunson 'B', shut in.
HNG Oil Co. No. 1 Abernathy, light.
Wilson Petroleum No. 1 Matcom-Madera PD 5,033, waiting on rig.
Texaco Inc. No. 1 Harold Krom PD 5,500, no report.
J.C. Williamson No. 1 Exxon PD 8,200, location.
H.L. Brown No. 1 Red Bull PD 12,700, location.
Holy Energy Inc. No. 1 Texas Bend PD 6,000, location.

LUBBOCK COUNTY
TXO Production Corp. No. 1-Macha PD 6,800, light.

MARTIN COUNTY
Exxon Corp. No. 3 State University DD PD 9,950, set pumping unit.
Flag-Hedder Oil Co. No. 1 Robt '34' PD 11,100, drilling 8,789 feet, shale.
Parker & Parley No. 1 Caprock PD 11,500, total depth 375 feet, ran 9 points 16' 65' pump H-40, 316' casing, set at 372 feet, deviation 3/4 degree at 167', 1/2 degree at 370', cemented w/400 sacks, circulated 50 sacks cement, plug down at 730 p.m. 1-14-83, made 289 feet in 5 hours red bed.

MCCULLOUGH COUNTY
C.H. Jure-Don H. Blanks No. 1 Price PD 2,000, no report.
C.H. Jure-Don H. Blanks No. 1 Schuz PD 2,000, no report.

MIDLAND COUNTY
Brazos Petroleum Co. No. 1 Dorothy PD 6,000, location.
Brazos Petroleum Co. No. 2 Norma PD 6,000, drilling light.
C&K Petroleum Inc. No. 2 Perouse Oldham PD 12,200, no report.
Texaco Inc. No. 8 C. Scherbarber 'D' PD 11,320, total depth 11,362-9,915 feet w/10 gallons (587 barrels total water) ran 9,915-11,362 feet.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Parks Estate, light.

MITCHELL COUNTY
Anadarko Production Co. No. 1 Ellwood Trust PD 7,500, no report.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1 Mattie Hines, no report.
Mellon Drilling & Exploration Co. No. 1 Ellwood PD 7,800, light.
NRM Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Self PD 8,300, spud 2-12-83, light.

MOTLEY COUNTY
Blanks Energy Corp. No. 1 Groves PD 8,000, drilling 11,020 feet red beds, shale.

PECOS COUNTY
Jack N. Blair No. 1 Fay-State PD 10,500, location.
Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1-A Loper, drilling 6,749 feet line, shale.
Coastal Oil & Gas Corp. No. 13 Stony PD 9,500, well perforated 25,584-26,069 feet.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 1 M. McComb Gas Unit 'B', drilling 22,218 feet.

CONTINENTAL OIL CO. No. 6 Charles Canon, location.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 1 State University 'EL', fishing.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 8 Longfellow Corp., location.
Gaffney Oil Co. No. 1 Bred Woodard PD 6,300, light.
Hill Production Co. No. 1 HRT 13 PD 1,700, light.
C.F. Lawrence No. 1 McComb 'B' PD 3,200, no report.
Pogo Producing Co. No. 2 Page Royalty PD 6,650, no report.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 University '19-1' PD 7,400, total depth 7,200 feet shale, time, ran 5 1/2" casing at 7,200 feet, ran 5 1/2" casing at 7,200 feet w/1,020 sacks cement, waiting on cement.

STERLING COUNTY
Dorchester Exploration Inc. No. 3 Terry & PD 8,950, location.
Norton Gas & Oil Co. No. 1 Wilkinson '6' PD 8,700, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 McIntire No. 1 PD 7,600, light.

SUTTON COUNTY
Norbert D. McIntire No. 1 Baker 'A' PD 5,200, waiting on completion unit.

TERRY COUNTY
Forest Oil Corp. No. 1 North Corrigan PD 11,900, drilling 4,813 feet.
R.A. Mendenhall Assoc. No. 1 Rails PD 10,300, light.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Graham PD 3,850, light.

TOM GREEN
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Emmett Jacobs PD 5,400, no report.
Argo Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Stack PD 8,000, waiting on orders.
ARGO Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Washington CS, PD 6,200, location.
Bill G. Burns No. 1 D.J. Johnson PD 5,700, light.
Dynasty Exploration & Development Inc. No. 1 Pate-Druck-hammer PD 5,000, testing on pump.

WARD COUNTY
Borden Exploration Co. No. 1-21 Borden Inland PD 15,000, no report.
Coastal Oil & Gas Corp. No. 5-W Winter PD 10,000, location.
J.C. Williamson No. 1 Energy Brown PD 12,800, location.

WINKLER COUNTY
Amoco Production Co. No. 2 Hendrick Operating Area-D, no report.
Bass Enterprises Production Co. 2 Pan Am 'B'-Hil Mitchell, no report.
Jack N. Blair No. 1-19 Vest Ranch PD 9,000, drilling 8,500 feet.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 1 Waddell Brothers et al. shut in.
William E. Hendon Jr. No. 1 Seely-Smith '11' PD 9,500, location.
Sage Energy Co. No. 1 Seely & Smith '72-C' PD 11,500, contractor Stirling Drilling, light.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1A Walton, J.B. PD 6,820, shut in, set cast iron bridge plug w/20 feet of cement on top, went in, perforated 4,310 feet w/4 shots, perforated 4,510, squeezed 4,310 w/45 sacks, squeezed 7,150 w/75 sacks, drilling out cement 4,053-4,177 feet.
The Superior Oil Co. No. 2 Wheeler, R.A. PD 10,562, location.
Texaco Inc. No. 1 E.W. Cowden Unit PD 7,835, no report.

YOAKUM COUNTY
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 57 Matlet Land & Cattle Co. PD 10,000, no report.
J&M Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Walden PD 12,500, light.
Tom Brown Inc. No. 1 Cook PD 9,700, waiting on completion unit.
J.C. Williamson No. 1 Energy Brown PD 12,800, location.

Nucorp Inc. agrees to cash sale

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Bankrupt Nucorp Energy Inc. has agreed in principle to an all-cash sale of the assets in 12 of its oil field supply stores to Trico Industries Inc. of Gardena.

The purchase is subject to approval by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Herbert Katz, Nucorp's new trustee Barry Galt, and creditors of the financially impaired oil and gas company which has operated under Chapter 11 protection since last July.

Nucorp's creditors and lenders are being asked to approve the deal in advance, without knowing beforehand what the final price will be, but so far none has objected.

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Safety, please

Sharon Kohout, who co-founded Midland's "Kids 'N' Cars Loan-a-Seat" volunteer program, recently spoke at regional hearings in Dallas on the child passenger seats.

Avoiding child deaths by car safety seat proponents' goal

By GAIL BURKE
Staff Writer

If the Texas Senate gets its way, a new law this fall could help eliminate the leading cause of death for children under 5 years old.

The killer is not a disease; it's a deadly machine — the car. In 1980, 5,418 Texas children were killed or injured while riding in a car, according to State Sen. Carl A. Parker of Port Arthur.

In December 1982, the National

Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) urged 31 governors to include in their 1983 legislative sessions a program requirement for mandatory use of child safety seats to protect young children. Since that time, Nebraska and New Mexico have passed the legislation.

While 23 states have passed some type of child passenger protection laws, Texas is among those which have not. Parker has introduced Senate Bill 6, requiring drivers to safely secure child passengers in federally approved

safety seats. The bill unanimously passed in the Senate and is in committee before going to the House.

In January, the NTSB met in Dallas for the first of several regional hearings throughout the country on child passenger safety. Midlander Sharon Kohout was asked to speak. Ms. Kohout co-founded Midland's "Kids 'N' Cars Loan-a-Seat" volunteer program. She was invited to the day-long conference because Midland has the largest volunteer safety seat program in the state.

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UTPB status bill surprises Parrish

By HALLYE JORDAN
Staff Writer

A bill "dropped" into the State Legislature by an Odessa representative pertaining to four-year status for the University of Texas at the Permian Basin fell into the laps of surprised presidents of Midland College and UTPB, MC trustees were told during a meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Trustees also heard a report on the increase in student enrollment, toured the new housing facility on campus and approved administrative reappointments during the meeting.

House Bill 598 was introduced by State Representative Jay Gibson Feb. 2. The bill, which would allow the University of Texas System Board of Regents, with the approval of the Texas College and University System Coordinating Board, to establish a four-year undergraduate program at UTPB, was an unwelcome surprise, according to Dr. Jess H. Parrish, MC president.

"Dr. (Donald) Rippey (UTPB acting president) assured me it had been dropped in without their (administrative) knowledge," Parrish said, adding it appeared to be "primarily a Friends of UTPB bill."

Friends of UTPB is a citizens group advocating four-year status for the university, which enrolls only junior, senior and graduate students. In October, regents denied a request for four-year status and instead proposed a Permian Area Cooperative Academic Plan to develop baccalaureate degree programs involving UTPB and the three area community colleges.

Parrish's feathers apparently were

ruffled as he dropped a few opinions of his own. "I gave some indications that it was questionable if our participation in PACAP would continue (if the main goal was actually to establish a four-year degree at UTPB)."

The Coordinating Board has "shown vehement opposition" to four-year status and UT regents have "gone out of their way" to improve cooperation between UTPB and the three area community colleges, he said.

Trustees moved to continue with PACAP and to go on record in opposition to four-year status for UTPB based on the harm it could bring to the cooperative effort between the four campuses as well as the enrollments at the community colleges.

Enrollment at MC, however, has not been jeopardized this spring. Trustees were informed that the 3,240 students who enrolled at the beginning of the semester represented an 18 to 19 percent increase over spring 1982.

Reports indicated contact hours, on which funding is based, were 40 percent higher in vocational-technical areas and 22 percent higher in academic areas, representing an overall increase of 22 percent in contact hours.

In other action, board members toured the newly constructed dormitory for athletic and academic scholarship students. The facility, which will house 40 students, consists of 10 units and an apartment for housing supervisor Reggie Franklin.

The units include four bedrooms, two baths and a joint kitchen and living area. Students are expected to move in March 1.

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Akins carries Midland side to other mayors

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

When G. Thane Akins attends the U.S. Conference of Mayors, he sometimes stands as a lone voice while Midland looks like it's marching to a different drummer.

As a member of the Energy and Environmental Committee, Akins tells the other 50 members from across the country the petroleum industry's side of the story amid calls for continued government regulation of the industry.

And despite the Democratic majority of that group, Midland's mayor feels he's making some headway.

About the conference's mid-winter session held at the end of January in Washington, D.C., Akins said, "They've been very tolerant of me. The resolutions that have come out of this committee for the past several years have been much more reasonable, more toward the conservative side, than (those from) other committees."

While Akins explained the need for decontrol of natural gas and continuing "take-or-pay" contracts to producers, other mayors appeared more concerned about the environment and Clean Air Act, he said.

MIDLAND'S CHAIR on the conference's Energy and Environmental Committee first was filled by his predecessor, Ernest Angelo Jr., a petroleum engineer. "When Ernest first got on the Energy Committee, he educated people about the facts. That's why I continue to be interested in it."

This year, committee members — who ranged from mayors of Torrance, Calif., to Cincinnati to White Plains, N.Y. — couldn't understand the industry's push for decontrol.

"What I heard was a negative fear that decontrol would make prices go up more. I said I'd heard the same thing when they decontrolled oil prices and that gas prices would be over \$2 a gallon. Now it's dropped to almost \$1. The market's the best to determine what prices ought to be."

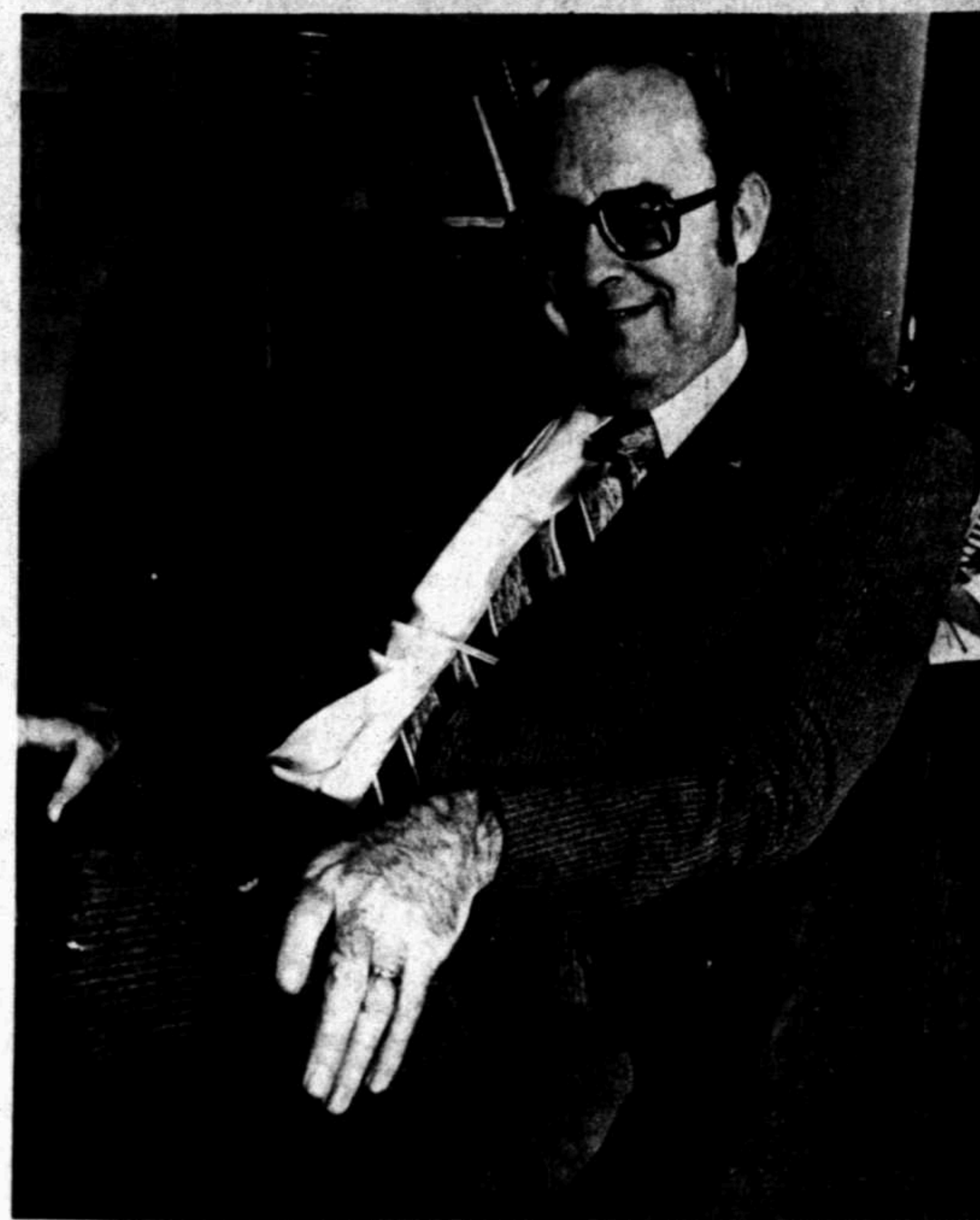
Members also blamed higher prices and the soft market on "take-or-pay" contracts, but Akins defended it. "If you go out and drill a well and you have no assurance no one will take that gas, there's no reason to drill the well," he said.

Most of the other cities were concerned about the Clean Air Act and the fact this was the deadline for many on cleaning up their environment.

Of the government speakers they heard, Akins was impressed with two from the Environmental Protection Agency. John Hernandez, deputy administrator, "seems to be very knowledgeable about industry concerns." And Kathleen Bennett, who works for Hernandez, "really knew her business. She's one of the most reasonable people I've run into with the EPA. She took a pragmatic view that a balance has to be struck between concerns for clean air and at the same time not stifle industries."

THE CONFERENCE's first speaker wasn't Akins' favorite, though. "It started with Tip O'Neill and went uphill from there," he joked about the Democratic Speaker of the House.

"He spent the whole time talking about how terrible the national deficit



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— Mayor G. Thane Akins

was and why (President) Reagan should be blamed for it," said the mayor. "Why, it's Congress who passes the laws."

In sharing problems with other mayors, Akins said Coleman Young of Detroit was more concerned about jobs. "He wants to do something on an emergency basis for people out of work. But he also wants to see some kind of jobs program to put people back to work."

A majority of mayors weren't optimistic about the economic outlook for 1983. "They want to see the tax cut for this year repealed and the money used for a jobs program," Akins recalled. "And they want to see the Community Development Block Grant program and Revenue Sharing retained. They're also concerned about urban infrastructure and getting more federal grants for rebuilding it."

"Urban infrastructure" refers to the internal workings of a city, such as sewer and water lines and streets.

"SO MANY CITIES over the years have done nothing to maintain these systems. They can't do it with taxes and many don't have the borrowing power. The only way they see is to get the federal government to step in and do it."

Akins objected to that idea and told the mayors "why should the taxpayers in Midland help Albany, N.Y., pay for

its sewer system. One of the mayors on the Energy Committee said she'd been trying for years to get a grant to rebuild her city's sewage treatment plant. I asked why she didn't issue revenue bonds and get it done quicker and cheaper. Her answer was that everybody else gets federal money."

In the late 1970s, Midland City Council issued revenue bonds and proceeded with enlarging its sewage treatment plant after engineers estimated the cost for that procedure or for trying to get a portion paid by the federal government. Those figures showed the city would be putting out the same amount of money either route, but trying for a federal grant would mean about 10 years of waiting.

"This idea is in the minority," said Akins of the philosophy to do major projects without federal help.

One presentation that dealt with waste management projects that generate energy caught the mayor's eye.

Already in use at Tuscaloosa, Ala., Akron, Ohio, and Trenton, N.J., Akins said, "We're probably not at that point yet, but it's something I want to keep up with. I think all cities will come to that point of having to do it this way."

"We're out of step with the U.S. Conference of Mayors and the National League of Cities," Akins said of Midland. "We don't operate and think the same way they do."

County residents wish school district change

By HALLYE JORDAN
Staff Writer

ODESSA — Residents of an area on the boundary of Midland and Ector counties took the first step across the line by presenting a petition asking for detachment from Midland Independent School District and annexation to Ector County Independent School District during a meeting of the ECISD Board of Trustees Tuesday.

That step could increase the budget for ECISD by more than \$100,000 annually, an attorney representing the residents said.

Annual revenues from the addition would be about \$130,000 for ECISD, according to Richard Buck, attorney with Shafer, Gilliland, Davis, McCollum & Ashley, Inc., who is representing the residents.

"It's only fair," Buck said. "As they (MISD) lose revenues, they lose a portion of bond indebtedness."

The actual terms of bond indebtedness would be determined through a joint meeting of both boards, Buck suggested.

If the petition, signed by a 67 percent majority of the qualified voters in the area, is approved at the next board meeting, residents plan to approach the Ector County Commissioners Court for a hearing.

The families reside just east of the county line and north of U.S. Highway 80, Buck said. "They are requesting that some steps be taken so they will have some assurance their children will attend Odessa schools."

"The primary issue is the kids involved and where they are going to be educated," he said later in response

to a question pertaining to several Midlanders' financial investments in the property. "The whole issue right there is the corporation itself is not going to live out there. It's going to be the families."

Sixty-seven of the 80 identified students in the area are attending Odessa schools although they reside in the Midland school district and Midland County, said Scott Sharp, attorney for HBF Corporation, developers of Mission Estates, one community involved in the petition.

Twelve ECISD employees also reside in the area, according to Nancy Sims, a resident of Ridgewood and an ECISD teacher.

Mission Estates, along with the Ridgewood community, Odessa Country Club and a mobile home community, make up the 6.5 square-mile area seeking annexation into ECISD.

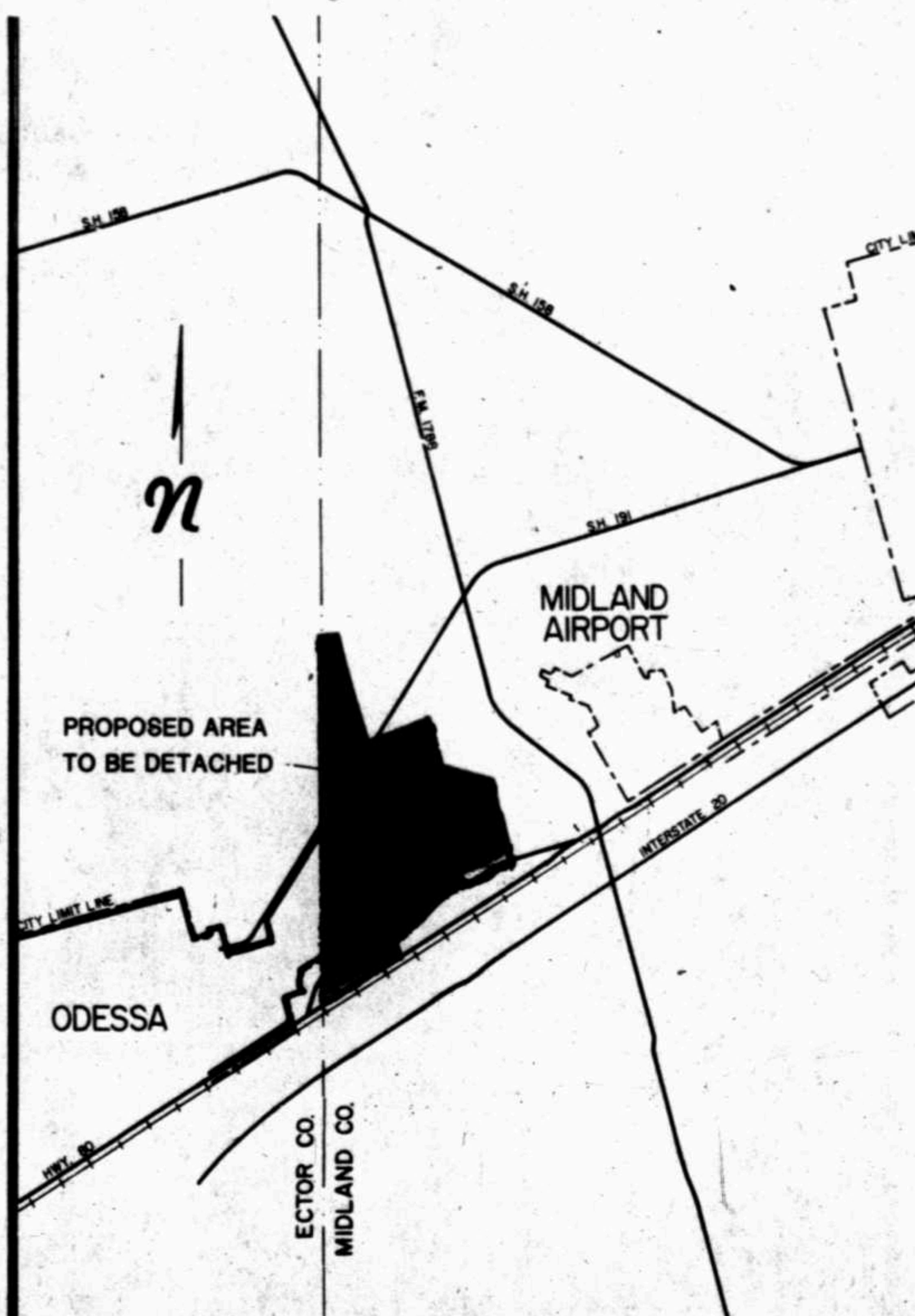
While the area is within Midland County and MISD boundaries, parts of Mission Estates have been annexed into the Odessa city limits.

Residents who addressed the board pointed out they work, shop and have doctors in Odessa. Until April 1982, they also sent their children to schools in Odessa on a transfer basis at no cost.

Last spring, due to the potential growth of ECISD, trustees announced tuition amounting to \$1,280 per child would be charged for transferring non-district students into the Odessa public schools, said Jean Berridge, a three-year resident of Ridgewood.

Mrs. Berridge said she approached MISD trustees last summer about contracting the students with ECISD.

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Source: Landgraf, Crutcher and Associates, Inc.

Residents of an area in Midland County are seeking detachment from the Midland Independent School District. The area is shown above in the red shaded area.

Parrish discusses UTPB bill

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Administrative reappointments, a usual February board consideration, were approved with salaries scheduled to be revised later in the year.

Reappointments included Dr. Don Hunt, vice president for instruction; Bob Phillips, vice president for business and finance; Camal Dakil, dean of students; Dr. David Norton, assistant to the president; Michael Stevens, director of A. G. Langford Chaparral Center; Delnor Poss, athletic director; and H.A. Tuck, director of public relations.

Reappointments of administrators included James Bramlett, director, community service; Dr. Wayne Holcomb, chairman, vocational studies; Dr.

Richard Holmes, dean, occupational-technical studies; Dr. Weldon Horton, director, learning resource center; Dr. Richard Jolly, chairman, technical studies; Dr. Will Morris, chairman, cultural studies; Dr. Hosni Nabi, chairman, scientific studies; Dr. Jack Schneider, chairman, communications studies; Dr. Charles Stewart, chairman, fine arts studies; and Dr. Raymond Yell, dean, transfer-general studies.

Also approved for re-employment were Shirley Stuart, director of accounting; Sharon McCrary, director of personnel/payroll; Wiley Lynch, director of computer services; John Holenberger, director of maintenance; Margie Paddy, snackbar manager; Gage Setliff, bookstore manager; and

Dwayne McColm, grounds supervisor.

Also receiving contract renewals were Dee Windsor, associate dean of students and registrar; Ricardo Saldaña, director of guidance and foreign student advisor; Bill J. Burns, counselor and financial aids officer; Dr. Robert Hawkins, counselor and testing coordinator; Dr. Elizabeth Robinett-Merckle, counselor and college transfer coordinator; Dr. Teena Carson-Hughes, student activities director/job placement coordinator; and Reggie Franklin, intramural coordinator.

Continuation of art instructor Jane Lunson's three-quarter contract also was approved for the spring 1983 term.

Grand jury may study possible fee theft

From Staff and Wire Reports

ODESSA — The Ector County grand jury probably will study the results of a nine-month investigation by the Texas Rangers into the possible embezzlement of thousands of dollars in state motor vehicle registration fees, according to Ector County District Attorney Mike Holmes.

Rangers Charlie Havrda of Midland and Joe Coleman of Pecos conducted the probe, and Havrda said he submitted his final criminal investigation report to Holmes on Monday.

"The criminal aspect of the case is

over. We're ready to go to court," Havrda said.

Neither Havrda nor Holmes would say how many people were named in the report, but they said everyone mentioned has worked in the Ector County tax assessor-collector's office.

Holmes said Monday the report could lead to the indictment of one person for second-degree felony theft and more than one third-degree felony indictment. "Several indictments are being considered," Holmes said.

A second-degree felony conviction in Texas carries a prison sentence of two to 20 years and as much as a \$10,000

fine. Third-degree felony convictions have sentences of two to 10 years and a maximum \$5,000 fine.

The Texas State Comptroller's Office conducted an audit, but its report hasn't been submitted yet.

The grand jury probably will consider indictments at its next session, Holmes said.

The investigation was touched off after the county tax collector reported in March 1982 that a clerk in his office was issuing motor vehicle renewal stickers and keeping registration fees without reporting them to the state or his office.

Committee hears testimony on rape

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate Jurisprudence Committee sat silent and attentive as an Arlington woman told them how it feels to be raped and the aftermath.

"I know because I, too, am a rape victim," said Debbie Cartwright of Arlington. "I still tend to live as a recluse."

Then the committee heard Tuesday a

tape in which the screams of a woman being raped echoed through the Senate chamber.

The committee voted 7-0 to clear Senate debate a bill by Sen. Bob McFarland, R-Arlington, that would extend the maximum time that rape charges could be filed from three to five years.

"There were almost 7,000 rapes in

Texas in 1981 and for the first six months of 1982 there were 3,000," said McFarland. "Officers need a longer time for investigation and identification."

He said the suspect sought in Miss Cartwright's case was believed to have committed 25 to 30 rapes and was still at-large.

Sharp motion opposed

KERMIT (AP) — The state's attempt to strengthen a capital murder case through a re-indictment of Michael Eugene Sharp in the June 11, 1982, stabbing death of a Kermit woman has brought a protest from Sharp's attorney.

Glen Williamson, appointed last month to represent Sharp, filed a motion seeking dismissal of the latest indictment on grounds it violates the state's Speedy Trial Act.

Williamson, an Andrews lawyer, noted that the Winkler County grand jury action last Nov. 24 came more than 120 days after the offense.

District Judge James Clack set a pre-trial hearing on the motion for 9 a.m. Friday.

Sharp, 28, is accused of killing Brenda Kay Broadway after abducting her and her two daughters from a Kermit car wash.

The former toolpusher was convicted in Lubbock on Nov. 17 and sentenced to life in prison for the murder of Christie Elms, 8, Ms. Broadway's daughter. The bodies of the two were found in shallow graves near the Winkler-Ector County line.

Ms. Broadway's other daughter, Selena Kay Elms, 15, testified at Sharp's trial that she freed herself after being bound, but that as she fled she saw Sharp stabbing her mother.

"He grabbed my mother and pulled her down and he stabbed her, from what I saw, two or three times," Miss Elms told the Lubbock jurors.

Aircraft owner files second suit asking plane replacement

By ED TODD Staff Writer

Milton Tankersley Jr., who has rejected an insurance company's offer to pay for repairing his damaged aircraft, which lost power and crashed-landed on a northeast Midland street near noon last May 2, has filed a second suit in his effort to get replacement value of the twin-engine aircraft.

Tankersley alleges that the airplane's engines malfunctioned shortly after takeoff from Midland Air Park after an inexperienced refueler at Basin Aviation there had pumped jet fuel — kerosene — rather than 100 octane aviation gasoline into the fuel tanks. No one was injured in the landing, but the aircraft was heavily damaged.

The first suit, filed in July in Midland's 238th State District Court, has been dismissed. In that suit, Tankersley sought \$443,000 to replace the aircraft, a Piper Navajo Chief pilot by Fred Michna, and \$30,000 to compensate him for loss of the craft's use.

In the latest suit, filed in Midland's 142nd State District Court, Tankersley is alleging deceptive acts by the insurance companies, which are Basin's co-defendants.

He is asking for \$527,911 in damages to replace the craft, which an insurance company claims is repairable; \$5,615.60 in medical expenses which he incurred, he claims, as a result of a "severe attack of angina pectoris" — chest pains — which was brought about by anxiety over the incident; \$100,000 in additional damages and up to \$40,000 for his attorneys, Darrell F. Smith and Harris E. Kerr.

Court records indicate that co-defendant United States Fire Insurance Co. of Austin offered Tankersley \$164,250 to repair the craft's damaged fuselage, wings, propellers, surface controls and fuel cells and would pay for costs to repair the engines.

In rejecting the settlement, Tankersley says in the suit's petition that "the repaired aircraft would have no value whatsoever, as no person or company would have confidence in the repairs...and no person or company would be willing to purchase the aircraft for substantially more than scrap or salvage."

Tankersley says the airplane had only 150 flight hours since he purchased it.

Co-defendants in the suit are Basin, U.S. Fire Insurance Co., the Dallas Love Field-based Aviation Office of America, Associated Aviation Underwriters of Dallas, Gulf States Insurance Agency of Fort Worth and Gulf States Agent Ron White, who wrote the policy.

Basin allegedly violated provisions of the Texas Business and Commerce Code by holding "itself out as providing first-class service" but hired an "unskilled" refueler, the petition says. Furthermore, Tankersley's petition says Basin and Associated Aviation Underwriters purportedly reached a settlement but "never intended to abide by the terms" of the agreement.

Tankersley also contends the insurance company claimed the aircraft insurance was not in force at time of the crash due to certain stipulations which Tankersley claims were deceptive. But the company agreed to pay for the aircraft's repair cost, an offer Tankersley rejected.

DEATHS

J.D. Smith

LAMESA — Services for J.D. Smith, 68, of Lamesa will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church of Lamesa with the Rev. A.E. Burns of Artesia, N.M., and the Rev. Rick McGee, pastor of the Klondike Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park directed by Brannon Funeral Home.

Smith died Tuesday morning in a Lamesa hospital after a brief illness.

He was a retired farmer and a resident of Dawson County for 59 years. He married Ila Gordon Nov. 24, 1934, in Lamesa. He was a longtime member of the Klondike Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Barbara) Airhart of Lamesa and Mrs. Roy (Sharon) Graham of Midland; a sister, Mrs. J.D. Scott of Lamesa; a brother, Carl Smith of Hazelton, Idaho; and six grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Bill Brown, Bill Rose, Quinton Airhart, Wayne Airhart, Jimmy Airhart, Al Cornet, Nolan Cornet and A.B. Cornet.

Nettie Burnett

MCCAMEY — Services for Mrs. Lovie (Nettie) Burnett, 81, of McCamey, mother of J.P. Burnett of Midland, were to be at 11 a.m. today in First United Methodist Church here. Burial was to be in Resthaven Cemetery directed by Richard W. Box Funeral Home of McCamey.

Mrs. Burnett died Sunday night in a Rankin hospital.

She was born Dec. 13, 1901, in Rising Star. She married Lovie Burnett June 21, 1921, in May, Texas. She was a member of the Methodist church, the Rebekah Lodge and the McCamey Garden Club. She had been a resident of McCamey since 1936 and was a homemaker.

Other survivors include her husband, a son, Royce P. Burnett of McCamey;

two daughters, Dorothy Marie Allred of Irving and Dalpa Wayne McCoy of Jal, N.M.; two sisters, Augusta Richey of Ruidoso, N.M., and Claudia May Watkins of Cross Plains; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

James A. Crosby

Services for James A. Crosby, 51, of 3511 Humble Ave. were Tuesday p.m. in Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield, minister of West Kentucky Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Crosby died Sunday morning in a Midland hospital.

Pallbearers were Lester Hendrick of San Angelo, Robert L. White, R.T. Haile, Harold Matthews, Buster Davis and Bob Horwath.

Honorary pallbearers were John Knittel and Joey Knittel.

Juanita Johnson

BIG SPRING — Services for Juanita Johnson, 57, of Big Spring are pending at Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home of Big Spring.

Mrs. Johnson died Monday afternoon in a Big Spring hospital.

Agnes Montgomery

Services for Agnes Montgomery, 76, of 2800 W. Illinois Ave. were to be at 2 p.m. today at the Fannin Terrace Baptist Church. Burial was to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Montgomery died Monday afternoon in a local retirement home.

She was born April 20, 1906, in Blooming Grove and was raised in East. She lived in Seagraves and Lubbock

prior to moving to Midland in 1980. She was a charter member of the Emanuel Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Survivors include three daughters, Mattie Thurman Chenoweth of Midland; Treva H. Routh of Newport News, Va.; and Bonnie M. Brown of Seminole; two brothers, C.V. McAfee of Albany and William McAfee of Eastland; a sister, Beulah Bolding of Huntsville; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Vada Morrow

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. James G. (Vada) Morrow, 75, of Big Spring are pending at Trinity Memorial Funeral Home of Big Spring.

Mrs. Morrow died Tuesday morning in a Big Spring hospital.

Joe Glen Bailey

Services for Joe Glen Bailey, 65, of 3712 Amelia were Tuesday in Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield, minister of the West Kentucky Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He died Saturday night in a Midland hospital.

Pallbearers were M.F. Machen, Bobby Ellis, Robert Bailey, Jerald Bailey, Jerry Don Stuard and Milton Mow.

Honorary pallbearers were employees of Machen Dirt Contracting Company.

Safety seats could cut child deaths

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"They (NTSB) picked Texas for their first hearing because between 1978 and 1981 Texas had the largest number of child (passenger) fatalities," Ms. Kohout said, adding that these fatalities were children up to 4 years old.

According to Patricia A. Goldman, vice chairman of the NTSB and coordinator of the Dallas hearing, purpose of the session was to increase public awareness.

"We focused on two areas. First, identification of the problem — needless death and injuries of young children in motor vehicle crashes and second, actions which can be effective in reducing these deaths and injuries," Ms. Goldman said at the hearing.

Six panels and testimonies from parents whose children died in accidents were on the agenda, as well as addresses by Parker and State Rep. Anita Hill.

Ms. Kohout said it "was a moving experience. The testimonies from the parents were emotional."

According to Ms. Kohout, one Texas woman, who testified in Dallas and in Austin, brought her 4-year-old daughter to the hearing.

"The child's hand is now a hook. Her face was disfigured, scarred. She had been riding in the front seat with her parents and brother. There was an accident. She went through the windshield. Her brother was killed. Two car seats were in the back seat."

Ms. Kohout, a mother of three children, hopes the Texas Legislature will pass the car safety seat bill.

According to Parker's bill, "the child passenger safety seat system means an infant or child passenger restraint system that meets the federal standards for crash-tested restraint systems as set by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration."

The law would require Texas resi-

dents to secure — in an approved child safety seat system — children in a moving vehicle. Parker proposed a fine of "not less than \$25 nor more than \$50" be enforced. But, if a person acquires a safety seat within 10 days, the court will dismiss the charge.

According to an NTSB investigation, since Tennessee enacted a safety seat program in 1978, usage of the seats has tripled and fatalities of children in the affected age group have been cut by 50 percent.

"Given the magnitude of the child passenger safety problem and the number of fatalities and injuries that are being incurred by children not protected by child safety seats in crashes, the Safety Board strongly encourages and supports the adoption of public policies and programs which have been demonstrated to be effective in reducing these tragic losses," the NTSB wrote to governors in states without safety seat laws.

ECISD receives district change petition

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When it was denied, she requested a year extension on paying the tuition from Ector school trustees so she and others in the affected community could study alternatives.

"The only permanent solution is changing the boundaries," she said.

Under the Texas Education Code,

areas meeting specific standards may be annexed into another district without approval of the trustees of the school district from which the land is being taken, Sharp said.

The land must be contiguous to existing school district boundaries, a ratio must be maintained between the size of the districts, a majority of the qualified voters in the area must sign a peti-

tion and the area to be annexed must be less than nine square miles in size.

Following cooperation from Odessa Country Club, the common boundary criteria were met.

MISD presently contains 900 square miles including 134 square miles in the Greenwood Independent School District, said Robert Wilson, a Ridgewood resident. ECISD has 906 square miles.

Wild River Canyon break-in reported

Damage estimated at \$4,000 was reported at Wild River Canyon after someone scaled a chain link fence and broke into several buildings at the amusement park sometime in the past two weeks.

Twelve video arcade game machines were broken into and seven doors were damaged in the break-in, but the only item apparently taken was a \$100 stereo amplifier.

A gold ring and a TV set worth a total of \$1,100 were reported taken from the Lurie Williams residence, 606 E. Broadway, sometime in the past four days. There was no sign of forced entry, according to police.

And Jessie Johnson of 1121 E. Estes told officers several guns and \$180 in cash were stolen in a burglary at his residence sometime Wednesday. Entry was made through a rear door.

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