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Reagan must navigate 'fog of demagoguery'

SAN DIEGO (AP) — President Reagan, defending himself against criticism from feminists, complained today that his efforts to protect the rights of women have become clouded by a "fog of demagoguery."

In the aftermath of charges that his administration has compiled a record of empty promises for women, Reagan said, "All of us are interested in one goal: insuring legal equity for women."

In his speech, on the 63rd anniversary of women's suffrage, Reagan tried to repair some of the political damage caused by charges from for-

mer Justice Department official Barbara Honegger. She has accused Reagan of reneging on a commitment to purge federal laws and regulations of provisions that discriminate against women.

That program has been described by the administration as its alternative to the proposed Equal Rights Amendment. Ms. Honegger called it a sham.

"There are laws already on the books to safeguard the rights of women," Reagan said, speaking to a Republican women's leadership

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forum. "Those laws must be enforced. Some must be strengthened."

"I think it's time to cut through the fog of demagoguery that surrounds this whole issue," he added.

heard or read, that process is going forward."

He said he had instructed the Justice Department and the Cabinet Council on Legal Policy "to accelerate their review of federal laws and to have specific recommendations on my desk for discussion immediately upon my return to Washington."

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said earlier this week the Cabinet group would meet in early September, but said that did not represent an acceleration of its work.

Reagan, who returns to the Santa

Barbara ranch today for the remainder of his 25-day vacation, is due back in Washington on Sept. 5.

In a brief discussion of foreign policy matters, Reagan expressed disappointment with Israel and the Arab world over the Middle East peace initiative he announced last Sept. 1.

Reagan said his peace plan "is definitely alive and available to those parties willing to sit down and talk. It's unfortunate that neither Israel nor its Arab neighbors have yet grasped the opportunities afforded."

Tower reaction building

By GARDNER SELBY
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Texas Sen. John Tower's surprise decision not to seek re-election has sent shockwaves through Republicans who see Tower's departure as another sign that their slim 52-48 Senate majority will disappear in 1984.

The withdrawal of the administration's strongest defense ally is also viewed here as a blow to Texans' stake in the military spending pot.

"His leadership as a conservative member of the Senate and as a defense expert will be sorely missed," said Hunt Rep. Tom Loeffler, chief legislative counsel to Tower from 1972 to 1974.

Tower's announcement Tuesday came on top of a previous decision by Tennessee Sen. Howard Baker, the GOP majority leader, not to seek re-election. Even before their decisions, 19 Republican incumbents faced re-election races, compared to 14 Democratic incumbents.

"We're very pleased," said Brian Atwood, executive director of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, a group chaired by Texas Sen. Lloyd Bentsen to recruit senatorial candidates. "Things have been going our way in recent months."

Atwood rated odds at more than even that Democrats will regain control of the Senate, which was captured by the Republicans in Reagan's landslide election in 1980.

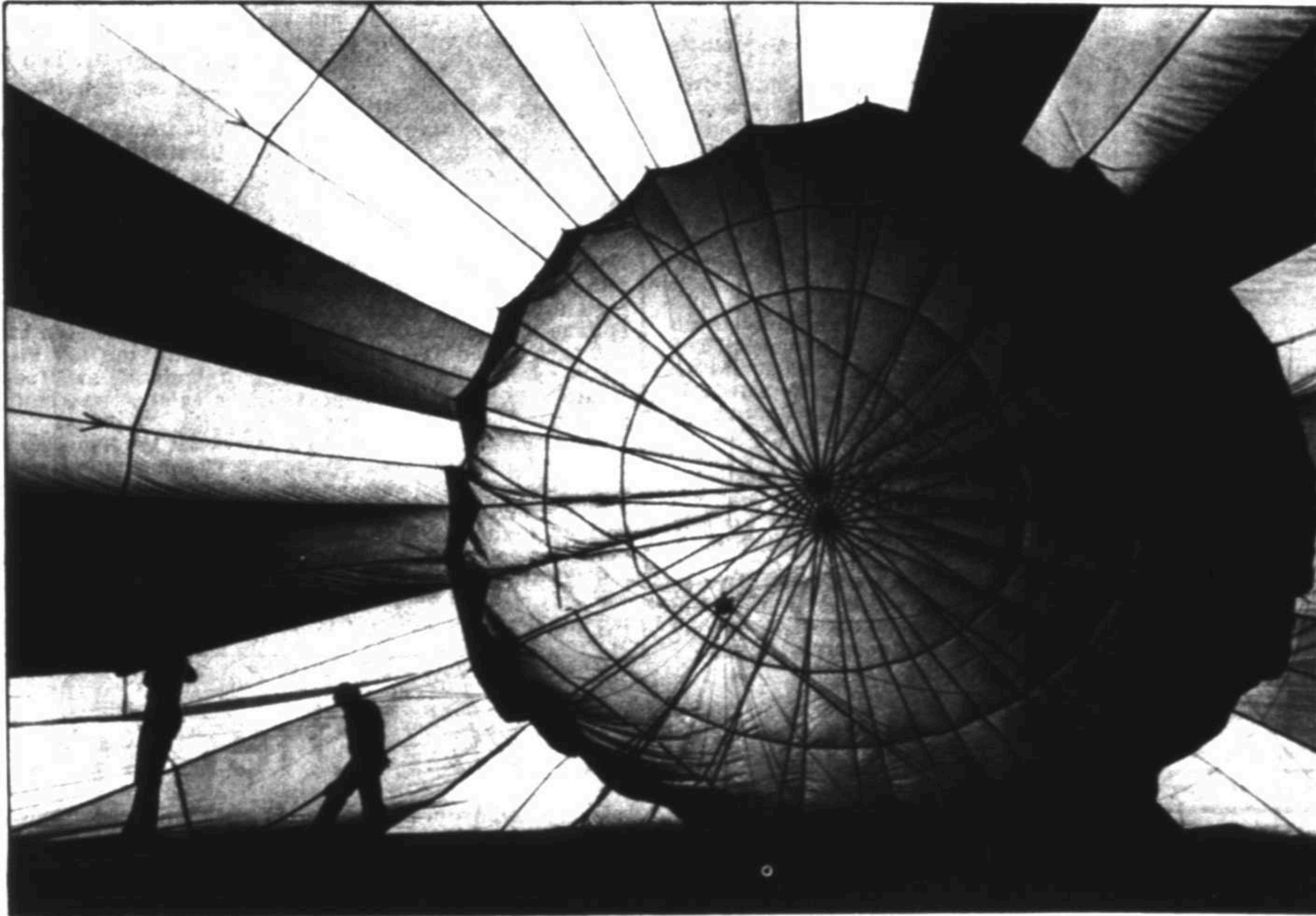
Conservative analysts counter that should College Station Rep. Phil Gramm jump into the Republican primary to replace Tower, he would be a formidable opponent in the general election against any Democrat. Gramm, who switched from the Democratic to Republican Party in January, says he will make up his mind in two weeks.

Hours after Tower announced his decision not to run, Lake Jackson Rep. Ron Paul declared his intentions to seek the Republican nomination. Paul differs from Tower in favoring cuts in the defense budget and elimination of the MX missile and B-1 bomber, an aide said.

Tower was sworn in as a freshman on June 15, 1981, and accepted to the chairmanship of the Armed Services Committee nearly 20 years later, after establishing himself as an expert on defense affairs and an advocate of expanded weapons systems, including the MX missile and B-1 bomber.

"We'll miss that sort of stewardship," said Tim Elder, a lobbyist for Caterpillar Tractor Co., a major defense contractor. In July, Tower promised to ensure federal payments to Caterpillar for special scrapers and graders purchased by the U.S. Army, a move praised by Caterpillar and Sen. Charles Percy, R-Ill., who represents Caterpillar's home state.

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Weathering inflation

Jill Anderson works on straps to get her hot air balloon rising while the shadow of a person from the other side is reflected on the fabric. The balloon was

displayed downtown Thursday evening during "Good-bye to the Dog Days of a West Texas Summer."

Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert

Mid-section sweltering

By CYNTHIA GREEN
Associated Press Writer

The smothering blanket of heat which has claimed 17 lives offered no relief today for the Midwest, where farmers pleaded for federal disaster aid to rescue them from the "slow torture" of billion-dollar crop losses.

The nation's mid-section continued sweltering Thursday as temperatures climbed over 100 from Oklahoma to Iowa, while lightning from thunderstorms killed one person and injured two others in Alabama.

But the Deep South got a breather as thunder showers bathed parts of Alabama, Georgia and the Carolinas, touched off in part by sputtering tropical depression Barry.

Barry was downgraded from a tropical storm Thursday as its top winds dropped from 55 mph to only 25 mph. But as the system limped across central Florida to the Gulf of Mexico, forecasters warned that the tepid gulf waters could bring it roaring back to life.

The National Weather Service offered a hint of good news for the drought-stricken Midwest over the weekend, with a chance of scattered showers predicted for Saturday. But many discouraged farmers say their parched fields are beyond hope, regardless of nature's plans for the rest of the summer.

"I've had poor crops before," said Iowa farmer Clyde Knapp, "but this is the first time I haven't had any crop."

More than 2,500 farmers rallied Thursday in Bloomfield, Iowa, to urge federal disaster assistance, particularly low-interest, long-term loans.

Late rainfall a windfall for some farmers

By TOM SEERY
Associated Press Writer

ROCKWELL CITY, Iowa — As the punishing Iowa sun drove temperatures toward 100 degrees, a sweating Roger Bahls strained to unload corn from one of his bins — but he wasn't complaining.

Unlike many corn belt farmers, Bahls at least had corn to unload, and he expects big profits in a year when heat has left most Midwestern corn and soybeans shriveled in the field.

Two timely rainfalls, last weekend and in late July, saved Bahls' northwest Iowa farm from the disastrous drought that has burned a withered path across much of Iowa, Illinois and Indiana. Many corn belt farmers have simply written off this year's harvest as beyond hope.

"I think we're fortunate here. The crops have been pretty fair," said Bahls. "From here south, it's a different story."

"I never once saw my corn leaves curl," he added. "We had good subsoil moisture."

With their neighbors' misfortune sapping supplies and inflating prices, Bahls and other farmers in unaffected areas of northwest Iowa and Minnesota figure to reap a

windfall come harvest time.

"You have to go back to 1977 to find corn this high-priced," said Craig Van Waardhuizen, Calhoun County extension director in Rockwell City. "Right now, we're the breadbasket."

Bob Sexton, executive director of the federal Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Calhoun County, estimates that soybean prices are at their highest in almost 10 years. "The only thing we have to worry about is an early frost," Sexton half-joked in Wednesday's searing heat.

High prices are good news only "if a guy's got enough corn to sell," said Bahls. "Those guys in southeast Iowa — all they can do is go to the elevator and look at the prices on the board and say, 'I wish I had some of that.'"

Bahls should have enough corn to sell. He estimates he'll pull in 125 bushels an acre — not as much as he expected, but then he didn't expect the price of corn to reach \$3.34 a bushel, as it had on Wednesday. Last summer, corn was going for about \$2.40 a bushel across the state.

Besides the devastating weather, the price increase is also attributed to the federal government's payment-in-kind crop reduction program. Faced with massive sur-

pluses, the government offered to pay farmers who agreed not to plant this year with leftover stores from last year — and thousands flocked to participate.

John Collison, who farms near Bahls, put all of his corn acreage into the PIK program. This fall, he'll be paid with surplus corn for 80 percent of his normal yield.

"We feel good about it, no question," Collison said, even though a bumper crop would have allowed him to take full advantage of high corn prices. PIK "takes a little pressure off you," he said.

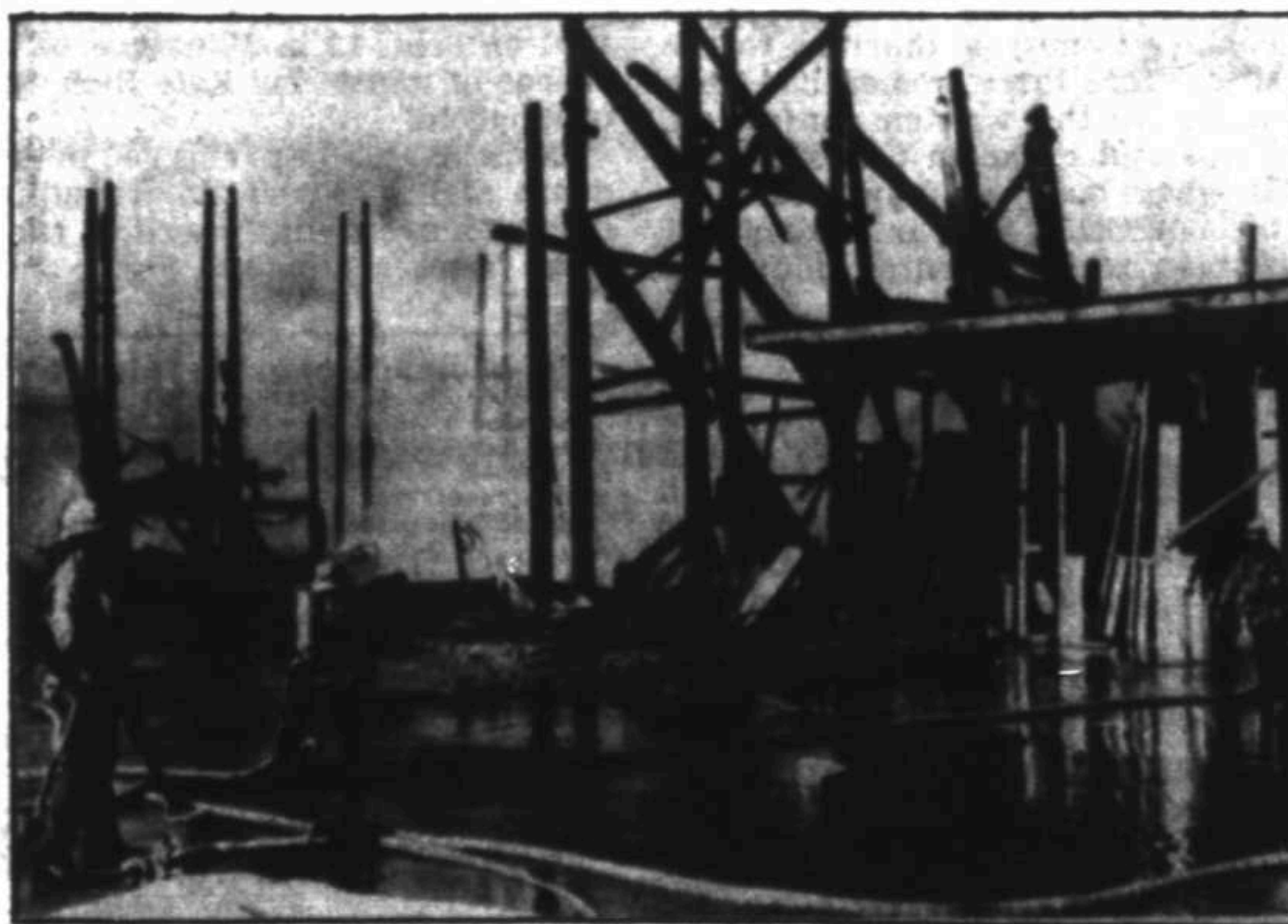
But farmers with good yields — either because they joined PIK or escaped the drought — aren't eager to part with their crops yet, because prices may be driven higher still.

Many farmers sold some corn when the price hit \$3 a bushel earlier this year, but then the market "really slowed down," Sexton said.

"They're holding on. They're waiting for higher prices," he said.

And James Patton, president of National Bank of Rockwell City, said farmers are spending money conservatively, wary of their good fortune.

"I think there might be some isolated purchases in the areas of equipment," he said.



Los Angeles firemen hose down the skeletal remains of a set inside the Paramount Studios complex after a fire of unknown origin broke out Thursday afternoon. According to reports, two sound stages and four outdoor sets were destroyed.

Fire damages, destroys sets at historic Paramount Studios

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — "Star Trek" star William Shatner joined firefighters to battle a "solid sheet" of flame that raced through Paramount Studios, destroying vintage movie sets and damaging stages where the TV shows "Cheers" and "Happy Days" are shot.

Flames at the 50-acre studio Thursday afternoon shot 90 feet into the air and swept over six acres, demolishing the 56-year-old "New York Street" set where the movies "Going My Way" and "Bells of St. Mary's" were filmed.

"There was solid fire from building to building, a solid sheet, just like a tornado," said David Pondella, chief of set lighting at Paramount. "It was roaring."

■ Studios pose special fire hazard

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All that remained of the outdoor sets were 30-foot-high telephone poles that had supported building facades.

Damage was estimated "in the millions," Fire Inspector Ed Reed said. Earl Lestz, vice president of studio operations for Paramount, said that while "New York Street" was "priceless," damage to the sound stages was "minor."

One Paramount employee told arson investigators that he saw

smoke and then flames coming from a facade called the Tatoo Shop on "McFadden Street," said Patrick Patterson, a city Fire Department spokesman, adding that the fire was under investigation.

Firefighters rushed to Sound Stage 15, where an expensive set depicting the Vulcan planet for "Star Trek III: The Search for Spock," had just been completed.

The set features 40-foot-high "rocks" made of polystyrene, which is highly toxic when it burns. However, a sprinkler system went off in the stage, which did not catch fire but suffered water damage, said Michael D. Eisner, president and chief operating officer of Paramount Pictures Corp.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

The Forecast For 8 a.m. EDT
Saturday, August 27
• Low Temperatures



Fronts: Cold Warm Occluded Stationary

Sunny skies and hot weather are forecast for most of the country Saturday, according to the National Weather Service. Cool weather is expected for the Great Lakes, with showers due in the Northeast.

Midlanders may get wet weekend

Midlanders may be in for a wet weekend but the chance of rain is slight through Saturday.

According to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport, a 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms lurks in the forecast today with less than a 20 percent chance of isolated storms Saturday afternoon. Temperatures will drop into the

Midland statistics

WEATHER FORECAST

A 20 percent chance of thunderstorms this evening with less than a 20 percent chance of isolated afternoon thunderstorms Saturday. Low tonight is the upper 60s, high on Saturday in the middle 80s. Southwesterly winds at 5-10 mph tonight and Saturday.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's High 96 degrees

Overnight Low 70 degrees

Sunrise today 6:21 a.m.

Sunset tomorrow 7:21 a.m.

Precipitation 0.0 inches

Last 24 hours none inches

This month to date 4.3 inches

1983 to date 2.79 inches

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'Munchkin' may make House race

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barbara Honneger, thrust willingly into the limelight for her criticism of President Reagan's policies on women's rights, says she may write a book about her experiences and eventually run for Congress.

Now unemployed, the native Californian, who interests include creative writing and parapsychology, quit her \$37,000-a-year job at the Justice Department on Monday.

She resigned the day after she attacked the administration's sex discrimination policies in a long article in The Washington Post.

A self-described "zealot," Ms. Honneger said her public attacks on Reagan are in keeping with the energy she has put into projects she embraces.

"I'm seriously considering doing a book on all of this," she said at a news conference Thursday. Eventually, she said, "I will run for U.S. representative at some point down the line."

Martin Anderson, Reagan's former domestic policy adviser who brought Ms. Honneger to the White House as his assistant after Reagan's 1980 victory, said Ms. Honneger is "very, very intelligent...and has an extraordinary enthusiasm for a wide variety of things."

Anderson was interviewed by telephone from California, where he is now a fellow at Stanford University's Hoover Institution.

After working at the White House, Ms. Honneger in 1982 became a consultant to the Justice Department, working on a project to identify laws that discriminate against women.

Justice Department spokesman Tom DeCair has called Ms. Honneger a "low-level munchkin" at the agency, a reference to the little people in the movie, "The Wizard of Oz."

One of Ms. Honneger's enthusiasms is parapsychology, which the dictionary defines as "the branch of psychology that investigates psychic phenomena, as telepathy, extrasensory perception, clairvoyance, etc."

In 1981, Ms. Honneger, 35, received her master's degree in parapsychology from John F. Kennedy University in Orinda, Calif., a little-known institution near San Francisco that has a graduate school of consciousness studies. JFK University, with about 2,000 students, has no permanent campus but offers courses around the Bay area.

Ms. Honneger's graduate thesis was entitled: "An Experimental Test of Harvey J. Irwin's Structural Stratum Hypotheses of Psi-Mediated Secondary Memory Trace Activation Using Ambiguous Targets."

Mary Kay Wright-Maleare, assistant dean at JFK University, said she could not explain the topic to an outsider because it was "too scientific."

Ms. Honneger was first hired by Anderson to do research at Hoover in 1978. "She did excellent work for me in terms of research," he said.

Reagan, too, faces hare-raising issue

BY EVANS WITT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Carter had his "killer rabbit." Now President Reagan has an "Easter bunny" problem.

Carter's problem was just a rabbit that swam toward his boat as he was fishing on a Georgia vacation in 1979. The story, when it came out almost exactly four years ago in August, made the Democratic incumbent the butt of many a joke.

Maybe it is something about August — the weather, the heat, the vacations or what — that leads to these unusual developments from American presidents, but the "Easter bunny" story may cause much more trouble for Reagan than the killer rabbit did for Carter.

For the Easter bunny story is yet another in the series of the self-inflicted wounds the Reagan administration has suffered as it struggles to do something about the GOP incumbent's problems with women.

The bunny story is part of the White House staff's counterattack against an insider who went public with her dissatisfaction.

Barbara Honneger, a Justice Department official charged with examining federal laws and regulations looking for sex discrimination, blasted Reagan for doing nothing to push for any change in the laws she spotted and then resigned on Monday.

Reagan spokesmen belittled her as a "munchkin," calling her a low-level functionary who did not have a policy-making role.

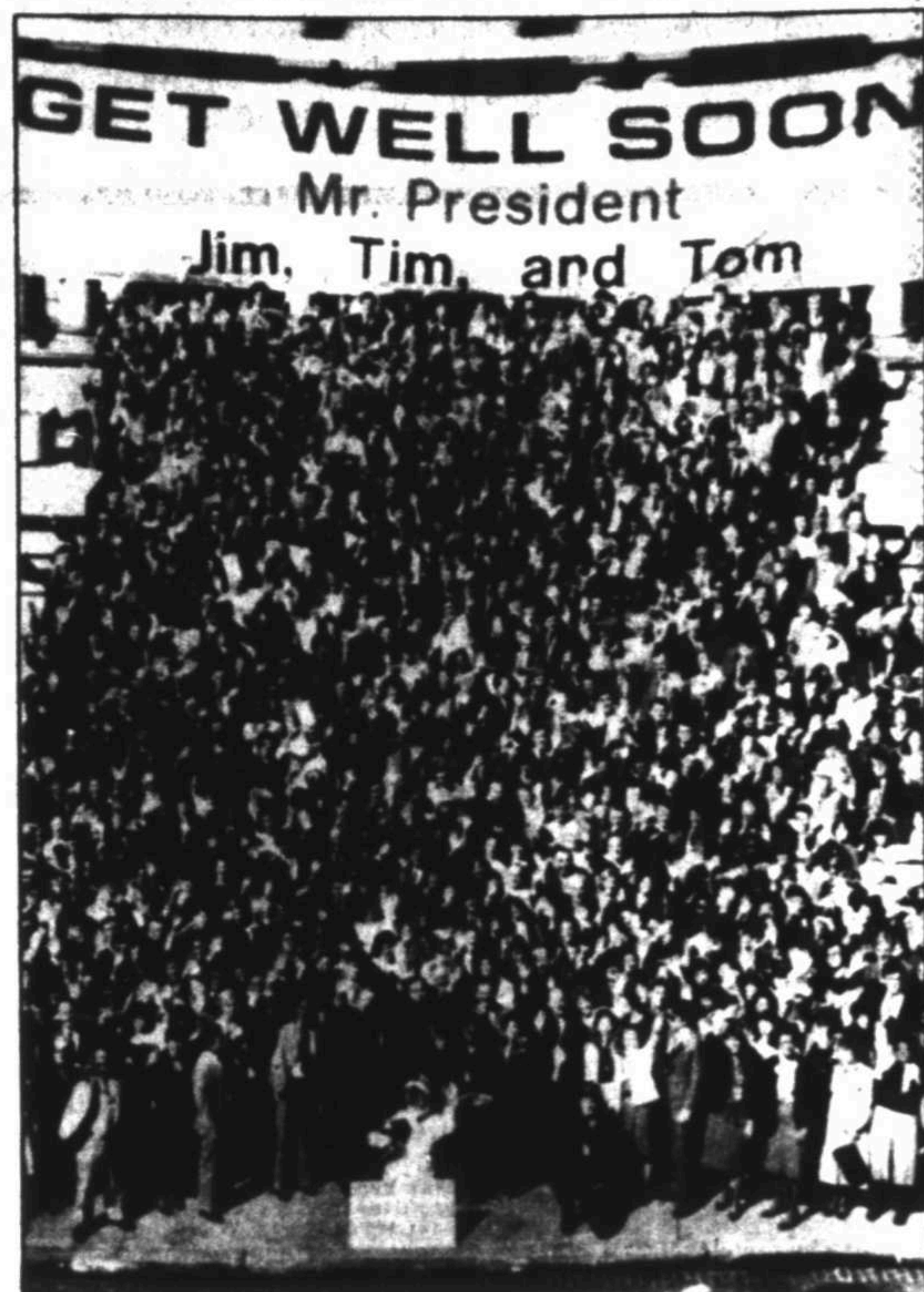
Then on Wednesday, spokesman Larry Speakes ridiculed her for showing up at the White House Easter egg roll in a bunny outfit, saying that showed how important she was.

Not only did the ridicule outrage some women, it was apparently wrong.

Ms. Honneger said she'd never been to an egg roll, much less in a bunny outfit. Now there were some highjinks at the 1980 GOP National Convention where she tossed on such a costume — in part, inspired by the killer rabbit episode — and she did say she had been called "The Bunny" by some around the White House.

But Ms. Honneger's charges and now the ridicule from on high are unfortunately timed for Reagan. For he was preparing to show his concern for women with a speech before a group of GOP women leaders today, on an important political anniversary.

Sixty-three years ago, the women's right to vote was written into the U.S. Constitution. On



Barbara Honneger, in bunny suit at bottom center, poses with White House staffers for a photo sent to President Reagan, James Brady, Tim McCarthy and Thomas Delahanty, all injured in an assassination attempt on the president.

Aug. 26, 1920, Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby certified that the 19th Amendment had been ratified by the necessary three-fourths of the states and was added to the U.S. Constitution.

On the campaign trail, Reagan liked to say that he is for the "E" and the "R" but not the "A" of the ERA. He even had a plan for rooting out sex discrimination from state and federal laws, a plan that was better than the ERA.

But Ms. Honneger wrote in the Washington Post on Sunday that Reagan's dedication lacked substance, saying her reports on identifying federal laws and regulations that discriminate against women languished on a White House desk.

As is often the case in Washing-

ton, the net effect of her public outrage may be to accomplish far more than she could have from the inside. The controversy swirling around Ms. Honneger's charges may goad the administration into cleaning sex discrimination out of federal laws and working with the states to do the same.

For the Reagan administration really has little choice but to try to deal with the gender gap.

His problems with women — now merely differences in poll numbers between women's attitudes toward Reagan and men's opinions — could translate into votes in November 1984. And the president's advisers fear that the gender gap might just be wide enough then to deny Reagan another term.

Judge orders 'chemical castration'

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — A judge disturbed when jurors sentenced a man to only 10 years probation on three rape-related counts says he fears for the man's safety and will order him to undergo "chemical castration" at an out-of-town treatment center.

Joseph Frank Smith, 29, was fined \$10,000 and sentenced to 10 years probation Thursday after pleading guilty to three counts of burglary with intent to commit rape.

Smith, who had been linked to two separate sexual assaults on a San Antonio woman, could have received up to 99 years in prison.

State District Judge Tom Rickhoff expressed disappointment in the sentence and told Smith he didn't think "it would be a responsible act to release you into the community."

As a condition of probation, he ordered Smith to spend 30 days in the Bexar County Jail before being sent to an out-of-town residential

treatment facility for an unspecified period of time.

"I don't want him walking around town," the judge said. "I want him out of town."

After a residential facility is located, Rickhoff said he would order Smith to undergo the "chemical castration" treatment "for a period of not less than 10 years and it is not to be halted without the consent of this court."

Under the process, Smith would be injected weekly with the drug Depo-Provera, which reduces the level of male hormones in the bloodstream, causes the testicles to shrink and results in impotence.

Bexar County District Attorney Sam Millsap called the jury's sentence "absolutely mind-boggling" and said it would "set back all efforts" to get rape victims to report the crimes.

"I'm angry, disappointed, frustrated almost to the point of being

sick," he said. "This constitutes a complete breakdown of the criminal justice system. The system has not worked in this case."

Millsap and Rickhoff said Smith probably would be endangered if he was released into the community.

Smith was apprehended March 18 by some of the victim's angry neighbors, who booby-trapped her home after the second rape on Feb. 21. When Smith tried to enter the house a third time, he was caught wearing only socks and a ski mask, according to trial testimony.

The woman was not home at the time.

Psychotherapist Joseph Stevens testified that Smith is a chronic "peeping Tom" who became attracted to the woman after seeing her in a bar and then spied on her through her window several months before first raping her on Jan. 28.

Prosecutor Jeff Scott implored

jurors to disregard the possibility of chemical castration and sentence Smith to prison.

"They want you to put him on the same streets where his victims live," Scott said. "Think of the other young ladies who didn't know this guy was looking in their window two or three times a week."

Other defense witnesses said Smith suffered from "too much sexual stimulation" because his mother was a topless dancer who walked around the house "in panties and bras and sometimes even less than that."

Defense attorney Raymond Taylor asked for leniency, saying Smith did not brutalize the woman.

"Because he did it in a gentle way, he is not in the same class with someone who humiliates and beats his victims," Taylor said. "It's still wrong and it's still bad, but as rapes go, it's as mild as you can get."

Texas law officers wait to talk to Lucas

CONROE, Texas (AP) — Law officials are waiting in line to talk to self-proclaimed mass-murderer Henry Lucas, hoping to find the answers to unsolved murders in their jurisdictions.

Lucas, who claims to have murdered more than 100 women in 16 states, has signed a confession in the slayings of three females in the county.

"All he did was put in writing what he told us verbally," a sheriff's officer who declined to be named said Thursday.

State District Judge Frank Douthett in Montgomery reminded lawmen in the Houston area Thursday he had issued a statewide gag order in cases involving Lucas.

Investigators from the Conroe and Houston police departments and the Grimes County sheriff's office were in Conroe Thursday questioning Lucas about unsolved killings of women that are sex-related.

Officers from Baytown, Pasadena and Harris and Walker Counties also want to question the 47-year-old drifter, said sheriff's detective Capt. Art Collins.

Jim Wiggins, a Conroe detective working on one of the cases in Montgomery County on which Lucas has been questioned, said, "He had a regular habit of driving from Montgomery County to Houston."

"Basically, anyone on that route who has an open sexual assault case wants to talk to him," Wiggins said.

Two Houston area law enforcement officials said Lucas, who was convicted of killing his 74-year-old mother in 1960, has referred to himself as the "moonlight killer."

Thursday, Lucas was quizzed by Conroe police Capt. Monty Koerner about the death of Terri Jo Backhus, 22, who was found strangled in her apartment on Aug. 20, 1982.

Conroe police have not charged anyone in the Ms. Backhus case.

Earlier this week, Lucas led Montgomery County authorities to the sites where three women had been killed. In the written confession, Lucas said he killed Gloria Stepan, 28, whose body was found near Magnolia on Oct. 2, 1981; an unidentified woman whose burning body was

found March 17; and Laura Doney, a 18-year-old Houston student whose body was found April 18.

He also provided information about the three slayings that only the killer would know, Sheriff Joe Corley said.

Lucas has not been charged in the Montgomery County slayings, but he faces five other murder charges.

Lucas is to return to Montgomery County on Sunday. He has been found mentally competent to stand trial on Sept. 13 in Montgomery on a charge of murdering Kate Rich, 80, of Ringgold.

Lucas also has been charged in the death of his 15-year-old traveling companion, Frieda Powell, a runaway from Jacksonville, Fla.

Reaction builds to Tower's surprise decision not to run

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"There's nobody on that committee that can lead like John Tower has led," a conservative arms analyst said. "The man has fought tooth and toenail to ensure that we're spending enough to take care of America's defenses."

If Democrats regain Senate control, the committee chairmanship will probably go to Washington Sen. Henry "Scoop" Jackson, the senior Democrat on the panel who was chairman before the Republicans took control in 1981.

Jackson is seen as equally committed to weapons hardware, but softer on provision of American arms and aid to Central America and the Middle East, analysts say.

Unlike Tower, Jackson voted for the Panama Canal treaty. In 1974, Congress approved a Jackson amendment to link U.S. trade with Russia to the Russian government's release of Jews, a move that effectively slowed President Nixon's detente initiatives.

"There might be differences of nuance (between Tower and Jackson), but not any less of a commitment to strong defense," said a lobbyist for a huge aircraft manufacturer. "(But) naturally, Jackson's not going to click his heels every time Reagan says this or that."

Tower was President Reagan's most loyal soldier on the Senate floor this summer, refusing to back down from Reagan's proposed 10 percent increase in defense spending.

Critics say the hawkish senator's refusal to compromise left the Reagan administration with a minimal 5 percent increase, rather than a Jackson compromise of 6.5 percent — offered as between the administration goal and a House-approved 4 percent.

For the past decade, Jackson rated a 70 out of 100 on a voting scale prepared by the American Security Council, a conservative think-tank. Tower rated a 92 over the same period, while South Carolina Sen. Strom Thurmond, who could take the chairmanship if Republicans keep their majority, rated 100.

In 12 key defense-related votes last year, Tower and Thurmond voted "incorrectly" every time, according to the liberal Coalition for a New Foreign and Military Policy.

Jackson voted "correctly" five times, favoring minor cuts in chemical weapons production, aid to Central America, the president's Caribbean Basin initiative and general defense spending.

Whether Democrats take the Senate or not, analysts agree that Tower was the strongest possible advocate of right-wing views — and increased expenditures to Texas military bases — during his two-decade tenure in the Senate.

Joe Trevino, a traditionally critical spokesman for LULAC, said, "Clearly, Mr. Tower did bring in a lot of military money.... He's been here so long, he's become a fixture, if not a magical name."

Hollywood's old movie studios pose special fire risk

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

HOLLYWOOD — Most movie studios are "old and full of combustible stuff," says one Hollywood maven, and that makes the dream factories vulnerable to blazes like the one that raced through Paramount Studios.

"Movie studios are especially susceptible to fire," Samuel Goldwyn Jr. observed after a fast-spreading blaze destroyed six acres at Paramount on Thursday, including some familiar silver-screen scenery.

With their wooden sets, flammable film and explosives, Hollywood studios have a history of fires.

"Most of them are old and full of combustible stuff. There has been virtually no opportunity for modernization since the conversion to sound, and that was more than 50 years ago," Goldwyn said.

He knows about studio fires. The Samuel Goldwyn Studios lot his father built in mid

Another American athlete bites the Pan Am dust

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Mike Tully is back in town, the latest name in an increasingly complex crackdown on the use of steroids by athletes at the Pan American Games.

Tully, a former U.S. record-holder in the pole vault, flew into Caracas late Thursday, his fiberglass poles preceding him.

It was less than three days after Tully, along with 11 other members of the U.S. track team, had abruptly flown home. One, Randy Williams, wanted to be with his wife, who had just given birth to a son.

No official reason was given for the departures of the others. But they came just hours after news broke of strict new drug testing among athletes at the Games, and U.S. Olympic Committee officials accompanied the announcement that the athletes had left with a stern warning against the use of steroids or other banned substances.

Tully would shed no light on the matter when he arrived, but promised further disclosures later today. "Things have been really bad at home," Tully said at the Simon Bolivar International Airport. "I will give a

statement after the competition. I think the issue will become clearer (today)."

The pole vault is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. CDT today.

The biggest drug bust in the history of amateur sports added another name Thursday.

Pan Am officials said anabolic steroids had been found in urine tests of Fernando Vera, the top member of the Chilean cycling team.

Vera was the 12th Pan Am athlete to be named for using steroids, and the first other than a weightlifter. The initial 11 names sent to their national Olympic committees and international sports federations for possible sanctions.

Earlier this week, Vera was suspended for one month when initial tests showed traces of steroids — artificial hormones which have been found to increase muscle bulk.

Meanwhile, there were questions over just how many athletes had been found using steroids or other banned substances.

Canadian officials said they had been informed that

a Cuban volleyball player, whose name they did not know, had tested positive for drugs, and that the score of Canada's victory over Cuba would be changed from 3-2 to 3-0.

A Cuban official said there was a positive test for Ephedrine, one of 95 drugs on the Pan Am list of banned substances. But, the official added, the amount detected was small and Cuban officials were able to prove that the athlete had legitimately used an over-the-counter medicine containing Ephedrine. So the doctor said, Pan Am officials were withholding a decision on whether to take action in the case.

Only one U.S. athlete — weightlifter Jeff Michels of Chicago — had been among those found with drugs in their system. Michels said Thursday that he would continue to train, despite a one-year suspension that knocks him out of the Olympics, and that he was confident he could be cleared if his case is appealed.

"I haven't been suspended yet, and I still have my medals," he said. "Presuming notification does come, I'm sure there will be an appeal. I expect to be cleared."

The president of the U.S. Weightlifting Federation, Murray Levin, told Cable News Network. "We have to make sure the findings were correct. They may have the wrong apparatus. We have not been, and the boy has not been notified what was found in Caracas."

Michels interviewed in Chicago, declined to comment when asked if he had ever taken steroids. But earlier he said, "I don't use them. They're against the rules."

Meanwhile, a U.S. decathlete who had been mistakenly included in a list of track team members leaving the games after word of strict drug testing broke on Monday was scratched from the competition because of leg injuries.

Gary Bastien of Auburn, Ala., was diagnosed by Dr. Roy T. Bergman, the chief physician of the U.S. team, as having three problems with his left leg — a strained calf muscle, a strained Achilles tendon, and bursitis of the Achilles tendon.

The U.S. Olympic Committee said Bastien would remain in Caracas.

Lowly Miners are quietly upbeat

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The University of Texas at El Paso is quietly upbeat this season about its football fortunes, despite four wins in three years and a tradition of being among the worst college teams.

UTEP, 2-10 in 1982, has won 10 times since 1975. But the Miners gave the Western Athletic Conference notice in 1982 that it no longer was a patsy when it scored 66 points in its last two games, and beat Wyoming 38-32 in the finale.

"Depth will certainly be a factor with us this year," said second-year head coach Bill Yung of UTEP's 36 returning lettermen — including 13 starters.

Depth is something UTEP has had little of in the past, senior lineman Kevin Chandler said. Chandler has

witnessed three years of lopsided losses, including humiliations such as Washington's 51-0 win in the second game of the 1982 season.

Perennial WAC leader Brigham Young University has tallied 199 points against UTEP since 1980 with scores such as 83-7, 65-8 in 1981 and last year's 51-3 shellacking.

Sportswriters once thought UTEP was so bad that the Miners often were ranked in the top 20 worst college football teams. UTEP was nicknamed the "University of Texas at El Interception Paso" by one nationally syndicated writer.

Now, Yung is fielding a team that some football experts believe could have a winning season — UTEP's first since 1970, when the Miners were 6-4.

UTEP opens the season with four home games in the Sun Bowl, which drew controversy this summer when the school fought with seven college deans over spending \$500,000 for the new AstroTurf field.

The deans suggested the money would have been better spent on academics, rather than on a losing football team.

Yung, who won a pair of Missouri Valley championships in five years at West Texas State, is confident this season that the Miners will be an improved product over 1982, when UTEP lost to five teams that appeared in post-season bowls.

Senior inside lineman Raymond Morris, at 5-8 and 230 pounds, was a second-team All-WAC linebacker last year, leading UTEP with 122

tackles. The third-year starter and linebacker Mike Gentry, sidelined most of last season with knee surgery, are expected to anchor the front line.

Sophomore lineman Tony Russo, 6-5 and 285 pounds is Playboy magazine's All-Far West squad pick at tackle. The magazine has picked the Miners to finish 5-7 this season.

Junior quarterback Kevin Ward, team co-captain with Morris, 6-4 center Dave Touh and defensive back Keith Caraway, is expected to lead a revived offense that put 66 points on the scoreboard in the Wyoming win, and 45-30 loss to Utah.

The 5-7 Ward was UTEP's total offensive leader last season, with 96 yards rushing, including a 77-yard touchdown run.

Jabbar approves new contract terms

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Basket-

ball star Kareem Abdul Jabbar has approved basic terms of a new contract that will pay him \$11 million plus incentives to remain with the Lakers center for the next two years, the Los Angeles Times said today.

A couple of minor points still be resolved at a meeting probably this weekend, between Jabbar's agent, Tommy L. Lutz, and Lakers owner Jerry Buss, the paper said.

Buss is still trying to get Jabbar to sign a new contract, but progress has been made, and he looks forward to the season, the paper said.

Jabbar's agent, Tommy L. Lutz, said today that a final agreement is in place.

Jabbar, 33, is putting up the wages of a star player, but he has won 11 championships, and is a member of the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Already approved was a raise of \$1 million, from \$5 million to \$6 million a year, and a new \$1 million bonus.

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Gunslingers fight for Alamo home

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — The attorney for the San Antonio Gunslingers says he is not intimidated by the City Council's threat to go to court to keep the United States Football League franchise from using Alamo Stadium.

And officials with South Texas Sports Inc., the holder of the USFL franchise, say they will proceed with their renovation of the stadium despite the council vote Thursday night.

"We're certainly not shirking away from litigation," said State Sen. Hector Uribe, the lawyer for the Gunslingers. "I'm not intimidated by going into the courtroom. I've always enjoyed jury trials."

The City Council vote Thursday night was designed to keep the professional team out of Alamo Stadium and to keep the franchise holders from altering the stadium.

The vote authorized the city staff to go to court to keep South Texas Sports from renovating the facility and to enforce a 1939 deed restriction prohibiting professional sports in the 44-year-old stadium.

Assistant City Attorney Jack Hubbard indicated the city will seek an injunction, possibly early next week, to halt the renovation of the stadium.

"We're going straight ahead. We're going to continue our improvements. We have a valid lease," Bud Haun, South Texas Sports president, said after the council vote.

The vote to sue came after a month of talks, negotiations and controversy surrounding the lease between the school district and the team, principally owned by oilman-rancher Clinton Manges.

Work crews hired by South Texas Sports started preparing the field at Alamo Stadium for artificial turf 10 days ago. The grass and surrounding cinder track were stripped within three days, and the field's drainage system was completely overhauled.

South Texas Sports contends it has a valid 50-year lease with the stadium's owner, the San Antonio School District.

The lease gives the franchise the right to install artificial turf and expand the stadium to 30,000 seats by next year and up to 60,000 seats by 1986.

Midessa women win Michelob's state title

The Midland-Odessa women's tennis team won the Michelob Lite 5.5 state tennis tournament over the weekend in San Antonio, losing only one of 10 matches.

The Midessa ladies downed San Antonio 4-1 and Houston 5-0 to win the state crown and advance to this weekend's regional finals in Dallas.

The eight-member team consists of Jeanne Hightower, Cindy Hazen, Debbie Phillips, Christie Kerr and Leslie Buckley of Midland and Barbara Starnes, Suzie Girard, Rosie Garza and Linda Mitchell of Odessa.

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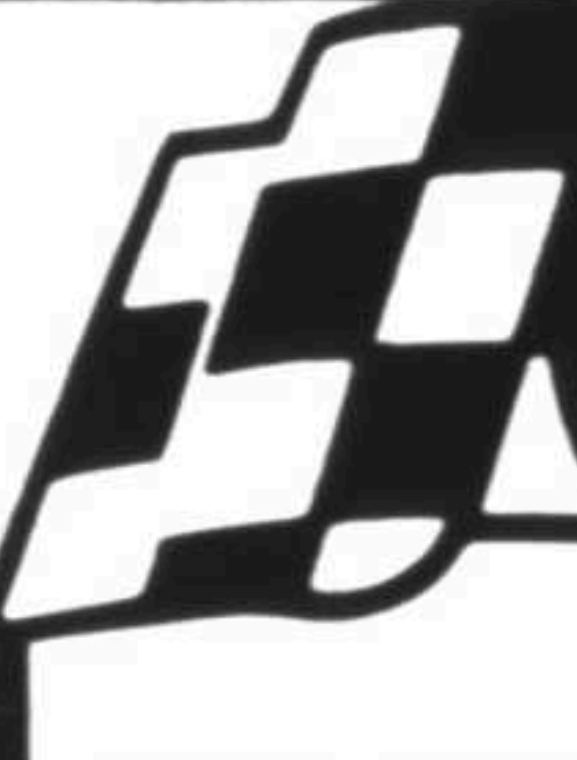
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Compressor Systems, Teraco add shifts

Two Midland firms grow in share of their industries

By JIM PRESNELL
Business-Energy Writer

Two Midland companies have added staff, slightly reducing the number of people out of work in the city and indicating a recuperating economy.

Compressor Systems Inc. (CSI), off I-20 at the 1788 intersection, has called back 21 loyal workers for its 5:30 p.m. night shift "on a very iffy basis," said Jim Ingram, company president, Thursday afternoon.

Teraco Inc., has hired 10 to 12 employees for a night shift at its 2080 Commerce Drive manufacturing plant, said manager Ron Schwisow.

Both companies reflect Midland's low July unemployment rate — 6.2 percent. The firms are hiring or calling back employees to beef up staffs that had been reduced during recessionary times in 1982 and early 1983.

Compressor Systems, which manufactures natural gas compression units used in producing gas wells, ranks number one United States in sales volume, among independently-owned compressor makers, says management. The company is mainly owned by Johnny Warren, its chairman and chief executive.

CSI currently has "more work than we can say grace over," said Charles Lout of human resources. "We hope (business) hangs on at this level. It's fantastic right now." Lout

said he could not give a specific sales figure, but that many millions of dollars are involved.

Compressor Systems has its equipment in use from the Permian Basin in Texas and New Mexico to North Dakota, California, Colorado, Egypt, and China. "It's a tough, competitive market," said president Ingram.

"We have fought and kicked and scratched for additional business, so we could rehire some of our laid-off employees," said Ingram, "and now we don't know if this will be profitable." In order to make a profit, the production from this rehired group must be exceptional.

The highest value for the customer's dollar — including top quality compressors and professional service — is the objective of Compressor Systems' management, Ingram said. "We can't give that to the customer for a least-dollar price."

Business is healthy, but is not booming, emphasized Ingram. He said the firm still has its Tyler, Tx. plant completely closed down. Workers hired back were loyal, experienced ones. The shift may not last long, but at least represents an attempt by the company to increase business.

Ingram said he was "very thankful" for the opportunity to call back the employees at this time. He's not sure how long he can offer these shifts.

Teraco is a major supplier, through a large sales force, of U.S. companies'

plastic credit cards, ID cards, and other polymer-made advertising specialties.

Manager Ron Schwisow said, "Our business is up pretty dramatically from last year," but he said the added work force is "not a real big deal."

Radio stations, hospitals, clubs, department stores, airlines, and others are making more orders for specialty-marketing tools. Teraco custom plastic products, some of which are made by local firm Texas Plastics, are the chosen ad media.

Usually, companies begin spending more for these advertising specialties as business improves, or else they have faith in the "freebies" for clients helping them do increased business in accelerating economy.

Teraco and CSI aren't the only firms in town that are growing. Bell Petroleum Services advertised recently for several people in oil and gas analysis, wireline well service, and other oil-related fields.

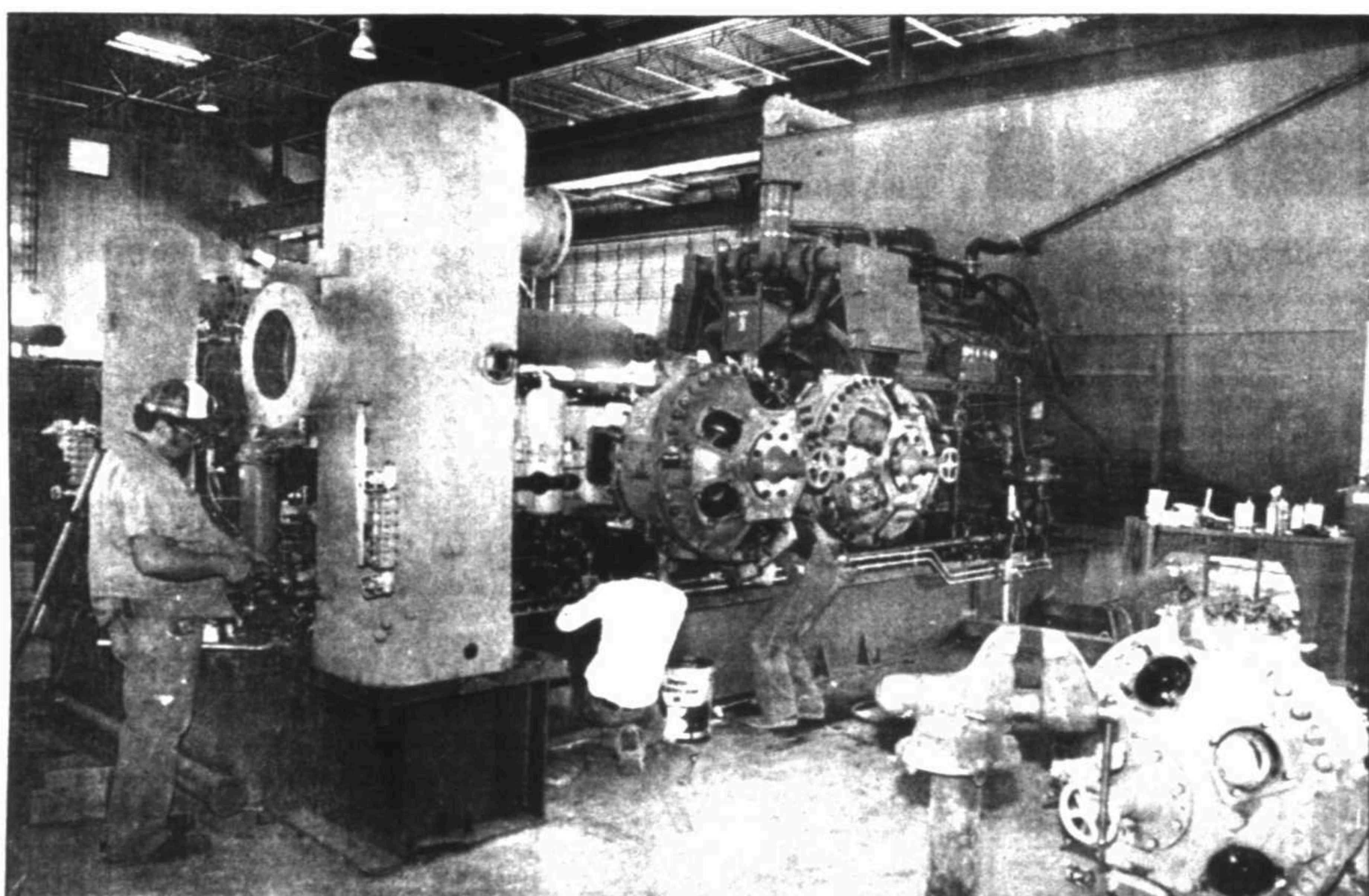
One independent operator needs an operations manager, TXO Production wants a geologist, and Home Savings is looking for a business development officer. These positions seem to indicate a healthy economy. Outside of the oil industry, fast-food restaurants, retail stores, grocery stores, and other outlets are looking for staff people to handle increased trade.



Arley Trull (above), with Compressor Systems Inc., is working to attach a water line to a cylinder. This is one procedure in manufacturing the company's natural gas compressor units — used at pipeline stations all over the

world. At left, a \$250,000 to \$300,000-value CSI compressor for natural gas transport is assembled at the I-20 and 1788 location. The local plant is adding workers, but the company's plant in Tyler, Tx. is closed down.

Staff photos by Ron Jaap



'Lawyers in love' could be asked to resign

BOSTON (AP) — The staid Harvard Business Review has taken up the topic of love, warning corporate managers that an increase in boardroom romance makes for hard feelings, inter-office feuds and a less efficient organization.

"It's disruptive on different levels," says Eliza Collins, author of "Managers and Love" in the September edition of the prestigious business journal. "Peers in the organization see it as a threat."

Ms. Collins, a senior editor at the Review, said affairs between corporate executives can have such a widespread effect on a company's operations that it is often necessary to seek the resignation of one of the lovers, preferably the one on the lower rung of the corporate ladder.

That usually means the woman, she said. Ms. Collins said the problem is growing as more and more women join the executive ranks. With better education and social standing, these women are equal partners in an affair, rather than the object of a sexual fling.

BUT MS. COLLINS says this "love alliance," of powerful bosses creates more jitters than the traditional boss-secretary liaisons.

Citing four examples of corporate love affairs, without naming the companies or people involved, Ms. Collins says the women eventually left the firm and married their companions. But



the happy endings often followed long, bitter periods of gossip and uncertainty, particularly among underlings.

"If they fancy themselves as proteges, they will see any redirection of the executive's affection as a loss," Ms. Collins writes. "They will be jealous and angry and feel abandoned. To alleviate these feelings, they'll politicize them and assert that the affair disrupts the social order."

The company's informal communication network may also break down as workers choose sides. There will be fewer gripe sessions, less honest dialogue.

The affair may also affect the home life of other executives.

"WHEN EXECUTIVES of a company and their spouses get together on social occasions and the lovers appear, couples whose marriages are shaky can become anxious and angry," said the article.

Ms. Collins said these affairs create big headaches for top officers who must choose between involvement in their employees' personal lives and an unsettled, unhappy staff.

She recommends that managers confront the problem as a business issue and point out to the two executives that their affair is a conflict of interest.

Managers should make the lovers see they "cannot and should not be expected to be objective in their decisions when someone they love might be hurt or put at a disadvantage by the outcome," she said.

She also said top managers should make that position a company policy.

"THIS POINT OF view takes the focus off the romance, puts it on the business issue, and does not force the two managers to go on the defensive about the affair," she said.

Ultimately, she says, it is best for the company — and the lovers — if one leaves the job.

Zapata declares 21 cent dividend

HOUSTON (SWN) — Zapata Corporation has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 21 cents per share to be paid Nov. 15, 1983 to stockholders of record at the

close of business October 14.

The company said a regular quarterly cash dividend of 50 cents a share will be paid on its noncumulative convertible pref-

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Stock market mixed

By CHET CURRIER AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) —

Stock prices turned in a mixed showing Thursday, braking the slide of the past two sessions but failing to muster any strong rally.

Trading continued at its recent sluggish pace.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial, off 18.90 points Tuesday and Wednesday, recovered 81 to 1,185.06.

Most other market indicators posted modest losses.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange came to 70.14 million shares, against 72.20 million Wednesday.

U.S. Steel dropped 1/4 to 26 1/2 in active trading. The company announced a price increase of about 7 percent for its sheet and strip steel products.

Among other actively traded blue chips, International Business Machines lost 1/4 to 116 1/4; Sears Roebuck 1/4 to 35 1/4; and American Telephone 1/4 to 64 1/4.

General Motors, by contrast, rose 1/4 to 60 1/4. The company said it believed its "business results will bottom out" this year, but added that "that bottoming process is not yet complete."

Many defense and aerospace stocks were lower for the second straight day, with some analysts citing the decision not to run for reelection in 1984 by Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, a leading advocate of greater defense spending.

Northrop declined in price for every third that rose on the Big Board, and the exchange's composite index slipped 26 to 93.18.

Standard & Poor's index of 400 industrial stocks fell 41 to 181.27, and S&P's 500-stock composite index was down 56 to 181.27.

The NASDAQ composite index for the over-the-counter market fell 1.33 to 289.53. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index closed at 226.48, down 1.54.

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MUTUAL FUNDS

NEW YORK (AP) —

The following table shows the performance of mutual funds as of August 25, 1983.

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Oilman leads fruitful life on arctic barrens

By GUS STEVENS
Copley News Service

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Clean work in sheltered surroundings. Free private room and free board. All the steak and chocolate sundae you can eat. First-class recreational facilities. Two weeks on and two weeks off, with a free round-trip, first-class airline ticket home. Salary: more than \$50,000 a year.

Sounds like a pretty snappy way to live, doesn't it? But when he finishes his shift and is shut in his private room, listening to the howl of a 75-degrees-below-zero wind outside his double-thick window, Starr Kilian sometimes wonders just how good a deal he's gotten himself into.

He knows there's nothing outside but frozen earth, the malevolent and sullenly heaving Beaufort Sea, snarling oil construction and drilling machinery — and the cold. There's very little between Kilian and the North Pole.

Kilian, 35, is one of 1,100 people who manage to exist in a true twilight zone, in a rim-of-the-earth atmosphere at Prudhoe Bay, at the north end of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline.

"When I took the job, I was sure I'd have time for reading and research for my thesis," Kilian said. "Forget it. The life is draining and it drains me. I come back to my room after my shift and fall into bed. I stare at the ceiling until I fall asleep."

KILIAN is a tall man who works at keeping fit. He works for a Pasadena, Calif., construction firm which has a contract with Arco at Prudhoe

Bay. He is a cost estimator and, as such, he deals in millions of dollars worth of educated guessing every day.

His company first sent him north in March and, since then, Kilian has commuted between his Anaheim home, where his wife Esther and two young sons stay, and the North Slope of Alaska: two weeks on and two weeks off.

He works seven-day, 70-hour weeks when he's at Prudhoe and, when he started, he was concerned. "I'd heard stories about life in the oil fields," Kilian said. "I'm not a drinker and I don't like to run around. Luckily, it's a dry camp: no liquor, no drugs — presumably."

"Some of it gets in anyhow. Did you know the per-capita spending on liquor in Alaska runs \$1,700 a year?"

There's a so-called town at Prudhoe. It's Deadhorse and it consists of a general store and a motel where the busboys get \$45,000 to \$50,000 a year. Once in a while, I'll walk over to the store just to see the lights."

Kilian lives a modular life in buildings joined together above the ground, on pilings, to prevent the interior heat from melting the permafrost below.

"ONCE IN A WHILE, a better-horn who doesn't know any better builds a house on the ground," Kilian said. "His heat melts the permafrost and, as it begins to sag from below, the guy's house breaks up."

Kilian lives in a college dormitory-style private room and, at his level in the company, he shares a bathroom with the occupant of the next room. Others lower on the Alaska-

style corporate totem pole share rooms and use the facilities down the hall. Higher-ups have private rooms and baths.

Kilian walks through a tunnel to his office and he goes outside in winter only to cross a street to the cafeteria. There the regular fare consists of T-bone steak, pork chops, prime rib and Alaska king crab. And all the dessert the employees want: pie, cake, ice cream, whatever.

The local work force is, surprisingly, 40 percent women. Kilian said they work at "all sorts of jobs and there's all kinds of security."

"They try to make our conditions pleasant," Kilian said. "They built a \$3 million gym where we can play basketball and racquetball, which I do, I like to do some fencing, too."

"They bring in live bands and we used to have first-run movies six nights a week, piped into our rooms. Now we get satellite television in every room: the USA Network, CNN and HBO. The satellite dishes are pointed due south, almost parallel with the line of the Earth. I'd hate to think how much they spent on them."

"I work straight through, 10 hours a day with no days off, while I'm at Prudhoe. Everybody does. It costs so much to keep a man here, they work him as efficiently as they can. It's a double life for us. You've got your home life and you've got your Slope life."

IN HIS ITUNERANT existence Kilian never has touched down elsewhere in Alaska except to change planes at Anchorage. "I've never been into Anchorage or Fairbanks or anywhere but the North Slope,"

Kilian said. "I just fly back and forth, Los Angeles to Prudhoe."

Kilian is careful not to complain too much. "It's tough, but the money is there and, the way things are going in the Lower 48, if I wanted to stay and work in Southern California, I might be out of a job."

"It's dicey on the Slope. If you can't do the job, if you don't get along with your supervisor, if you don't get along with almost everybody, you're gone. They can't afford incompetence and troublemakers. There's too much risk to life and to profits. A lot of people don't make it."

Kilian makes certain he gets along in the north, where construction costs dominate his work life. Although the 4-foot-wide oil pipeline which winds 750 miles south to Valdez on the Gulf of Alaska has been completed for years, lots of building still is going on.

"They're making drilling islands out in the Beaufort Sea," Kilian said. "That's right. Man is making islands and putting oil rig platforms on them. All day and all night, the trucks run, never stopping, hauling gravel along causeways, out over the Beaufort to drop their loads."

"They never turn off the engines of the trucks. They just run them until they burn out and then put in new ones. They say some engines are shot and worthless after 6,000 miles of constant running. Probably don't get enough oil."

IS PRUDHOE BAY worth the prodigious cost of maintaining men and machinery in such a hostile environment?

"You bet it is," Kilian said. "The

oil companies are making money, all right: British Oil, Shell, Texaco, all of them. Arco just finished the tallest office building in Anchorage — 22 stories."

"You figure it out. Even with the price down, oil still goes for \$25 to \$30 a barrel and at any given point in the pipeline, 1.6 million barrels

pass in any one day. They're working on ways to thin out the oil and speed it up even more. We're talking about \$50 million a day coming out at Valdez."

Which pays for a lot of first-class airline tickets and ice cream sundae.

Oil imports increase

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — U.S. oil imports increased for the fifth straight month in July, indicating an economic recovery and possibly setting the stage for OPEC to raise prices, analysts said.

"The world oil market is certainly firming," said Bill Skinner, technical assistant in the Energy Information Administration.

Department of Energy estimates set July imports of petroleum products, including natural gas, at 33.4 percent of total U.S. supply, compared to 30.5 percent in June and 36 percent in July 1982.

Skinner said the latest surge marks a rise in net imports — petroleum imports minus oil stored in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve — from a rate of 2.8 million barrels per day in March to 5.1 mbd in July.

"It's really a recovery from abnormally depressed levels," Skinner said, noting that the July import rate matches imports during late 1981.

In April, oil ministers of the 13-member Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries responded to a stagnant world market by lowering their price ceiling from \$34 to \$29 per barrel and setting a production ceiling of 17.5 million barrels per day.

As world demand increases during the next few months, Skinner said, consumer nations can expect OPEC to raise its production ceiling, rather than increase prices.

But R.G. Ensz, spokesman for the American Petroleum Institute, said it is equally likely that OPEC will increase prices at its next meeting. Ensz said U.S. production is unlikely to increase in response to demand because of the windfall profits tax and because coal prices have dropped, encouraging utilities to switch from oil.

Increased imports still indicate industrial revival, Ensz said.

"If industry expands, people start driving more, (and return to) leaving the lights on in their homes and so on," Ensz said.

Merger up for vote

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Common shareholders of Natomas Co. and Diamond Shamrock will vote next week on a proposed \$1.3 billion merger of the two companies following the California Supreme Court's refusal to interfere.

On Thursday, the court denied without comment requests for a court order halting all merger proceedings. The petitioners also had asked for a hearing in which the two firms would have to show why the merger shouldn't be blocked until preferred shareholders were allowed to vote.

The petitions came from Natomas preferred shareholders Lynn Woods of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and David Kotok and others, who were denied a vote on the merger under a San Francisco Superior Court ruling.

The Court of Appeal rejected similar petitions last week. Both companies will hold separate shareholder meetings here on Tuesday.

The plaintiffs claimed that California law and contract rights of share-

holders give all classes, including preferred, the right to vote on the merger. The companies argued that the law allowed them to eliminate preferred shareholders from voting.

Lawyers for Natomas and Diamond Shamrock had argued that the preferred shareholders were not seeking voting rights, but hoped to threaten a veto of the merger so the company would redeem their shares at full value.

Bernard Nussbaum, a lawyer for Natomas, said the preferred shareholders were seeking \$53 a share compared with the merger price, amounting to a \$50 million windfall.

The proposed merger calls for exchanging Natomas shares at \$30 a share for Shamrock common stock. Natomas preferred would be exchanged for Shamrock preferred.

Natomas, based in San Francisco, has varied interests including oil and shipping and listed revenues at \$1.7 billion last year. Diamond Shamrock is a Dallas-based oil company with \$3.2 billion revenue reported in 1982.

Better mousetrap invented

By The Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

Ace Pest Control is waiting for the world to beat a path to its door.

No, the Los Angeles-based unit of Bekins Corp. has not invented a better mousetrap, but it has developed

what it says "may well be the first major advancement in the control of rodents and other pests since the mousetrap was patented in 1896."

What Ace has done is bring mouse-catching into the computer age.

DRILLING REPORT

WILDCATS OPERATED BY MIDLAND-AREA FIRMS

AUGUST 25

ANDREWS COUNTY

Devils Oil Co. No. 1 Andrew Unit PD 13,600; drilling 11,266 feet.

Wyoming Resources Corp. No. 1 McNeil PD 7,500; total depth 7,905 feet.

BORDEN COUNTY

G.W. Brock Inc. No. 1 Miller PD 8,800; waiting on pumping unit.

Exxon Corp. No. 1-B Coleman Farms PD 9,900; total depth 9,900 feet, waiting on completion unit.

Parmer & Parsey Inc. No. 1 Jones PD 8,450; drilling 8,866 feet, ran drillstem last.

Richard & Winkler No. 1 Susie Koonman PD 8,400; new location 8/10/83.

TXO Production Corp. No. 4-U Miller PD 8,500; plug back total depth 7,700 feet. Strawn 8 perforations 7,800-7,800 feet, shut down.

TXO Production Corp. No. 5-U Miller PD 8,700; plug back total depth 7,800 feet. Strawn 8 perforations 7,780-7,800 feet, shut down.

TXO Production Corp. No. 1-A Patterson PD 8,100; waiting on completion unit.

CRANE COUNTY

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 0147 P.J. Lee at PD 4,650; new location 8/19/83.

TXO Oil Corp. No. 148 P.J. Lee at PD 4,650; total depth 4,157 feet, waiting on procedures.

DAWSON COUNTY

Earle M. Craig Jr. No. 1-43 Lightning PD 12,400; total depth 12,407 feet, trip in hole with drilling pipe, open ended.

Omni Operating Co. No. 1 Winkler PD 7,800; pumping.

Tipperary Oil & Gas Corp. No. 2-128 Eldon PD 12,300; new location 8/16/83.

GARZA COUNTY

Durham Inc. No. 1 McKenize Draw PD 13,000; drilling 10,870 feet, shale and lime.

Aaron F. Giesbel No. 1 State PD 7,700; waiting on completion unit.

Aaron F. Giesbel No. 1-A Adams PD 7,700; new location 8/17/83.

Samedan Oil Corp. No. 1 Perkins PD 12,800; drilling 8,067 feet.

TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Zelamy PD 8,850; location abandoned, final report.

TXO Production Corp. No. 2 Zelamy PD 8,850; location abandoned, final report.

GARZA COUNTY

Smith Energy No. 1 Justice PD 8,150; new location 8/24/83.

TXO Production Corp. No. 1-C Benson PD 8,000; location abandoned, final report.

TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Conell Estate PD 3,400; plug back total depth 3,161 feet. Gloria 2 perforations 3,098-3,108 feet.

Great Western Drilling Co. No. 1 Hattie Spelling PD 8,800; drilling 7,980 feet.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

Beach Exploration Inc. No. 1 Poe PD 10,200; drilling 6,820 feet, lime and shale.

Exxon Corp. No. 1 E. Wilde PD 11,100; drilling 5,796 feet, side track hole.

Lacoste Mining Inc. No. 1 Phillips PD 4,000; new location 8/24/83.

Western Reserves Oil Co. No. 1 Isabel Houston PD 11,500; new location 8/24/83.

HOCKLEY COUNTY

Texas Crude Exploration Inc. No. 1-91 Robinson PD 7,500; drilling 5,995 feet, dolomite and lime.

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HOWARD COUNTY

Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Florence Hall PD 11,300; new location 8/16/83.

Estoril Producing Corp. No. 1 Northcutt PD 8,700; new location 8/17/83.

Fairchild Petroleum Corp. No. 1-A Bacon PD 3,800; new location 8/24/83, re-entry.

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Witness receives court protection

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Federal Judge Lucius D. Bunton said Thursday he will hold a "contempt hearing" and will "put anybody in jail" who contacts witness Wesley Michael Nickell in regard to his testimony in the trial of three men accused of violating the U.S. Airborne Hunting Act.

"We will have a contempt hearing that day," Bunton said in a hearing leading up to the Sept. 12 federal trial in Midland. "We'll put anybody in jail that contacts him in any way, shape, form or fashion. I don't think it's any secret that Mr. Nickell will testify for the government," the judge said.

Nickell, 23, has pleaded guilty to violating the U.S. Airborne Hunting Act.

To be tried in Bunton's court next month are James Clyde "J.C." Short Jr., 35, a Midland helicopter pilot; Lee Milton Bell, 29, a Midland farmer; and Larry Weldon Todd, 30, an Odessa who owns Sportsman's Den, hunting equipment and firearm businesses in Midland and Odessa.

Bunton issued the warning against witness tampering after U.S. Department of Justice trial attorney Christopher A. Nuechterlein of Washington, D.C., noted that Nickell had been harassed.

The judge said the witness "will be protected from any harassment whatsoever. We will not have it... They had just better get the word passed out."

The government is to share with the defense attorneys the names of

its witnesses, statements and other evidence to be used in the trial against Short, Bell and Todd.

A fourth defendant, Midland taxidermist Karl Douglas Brosig, 26, has pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor offense of working on animals killed in illegal airborne hunts. He was fined \$500 and placed on probation for two years after U.S. Magistrate Darrell F. Smith suspended a 30-day jail sentence he had meted out to Brosig.

Short, who makes his living in the airborne hunting of coyotes and other predators on ranches, and Bell are accused of being involved in the sale of deer, barbadillo sheep and a javelina killed from an airborne craft and of killing an eagle in violation of the U.S. Bald Eagle Protection Act.

Todd is charged with perjury by lying to the federal grand jury last Nov. 30. The government says he denied that he had arranged illegal airborne hunts.

A month ago, Bunton sentenced two Midland bear killers, Steve Dudley Quain, 40, and Frankie Keller, 30, to 179 days in confinement, fined them \$600 each and placed them on three five-year probations for violating federal customs laws. They were accused of killing three bears in Mexico while flying in a helicopter piloted by Short in June 1981 and smuggling the bears and a live bear cub across the border.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Agent Jim Stinebaugh is heading up the investigations into violations of federal wildlife laws in West Texas.

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Melancholy flutists

Giving a concert Thursday outside Lee High School are LHS band members, from left, Kris Wade, Amy New and Dani Dyer.

MMH project may lag in schedule, cost

By HALLYE JORDAN
Staff Writer

Despite plump plans for a 77-bed expansion at Midland Memorial Hospital, as well as other proposals, growth was stunted as trustees and directors learned Thursday the project was a month behind schedule — and possibly behind costs.

Bids on the \$15 million expansion, which will house nursing services, maternity, surgery, radiology, same-day surgery and several business offices, won't be taken until November.

"The time has slipped about 30 days," Trustee President Gene Abbott said.

Approved in March by the Texas Health Facilities Commission (THFC), the 77,000-square-foot expansion may cost less than originally expected, according to a report from the executive committee. While preliminary figures submitted when applying for a certificate of need from the THFC placed construction costs at \$11 million, architect Jason Moore's revised estimate was \$9.8 million. A professional estimator, hired by Moore, tentatively placed construction costs at \$8.8 million.

"Jason (Moore) is concerned about whether or not the estimate for the expansion given to the THFC was accurate," Abbott told trustees during regular board meetings. "But it appears there is really no change in the certificate of need."

Another MMH project, a proposed alcohol and drug abuse treatment center, also has slowed as administrators await moves by the City of Midland in annexing the land. A 10-acre tract of land, valued at \$1 million, was donated by Scharbauer Brothers and Co. in February. While the original site was a 10-acre tract of land on Wadley Avenue, the THFC

approved the site change early this month.

No action was taken on financing a CT Scan, a sophisticated X-ray machine, and a proposed \$600,000 parking garage for the east parking lot. The CT Scan and renovation of space to accommodate it was placed on the agenda for a special board of directors meeting at 1 p.m. Tuesday. Estimated cost is \$1.2 million.

In other action, Trustee Tom Bruner, chairman of the finance committee, reported on the previous month's finances. "July was not a good month for the hospital," he said.

Patient days were 145.3, compared to the budgeted amount of 158.2. For the 10-month, year-to-date count, patient days were 402 below projections while admissions were 48 below.

However, Bruner said, the hospital realized a \$73,000 profit after 10 months compared to last month.

"Actually, we are ahead of our census for the month," Bruner said. "There are no unusual items other than the low census for the month of July — which is typical for July."

Budget assumptions for the 1983-84 fiscal year, expected to be approved in the special directors' meeting Tuesday, included the following: no change in the tax rate from 7 cents per \$100 valuation with a 96 percent collection rate; a 127 percent increase in hospital rates, including an average 9.1 percent increase in room rates; an increase in patient days and costs of supplies, consulting and physician fees, utilities, maintenance contracts, travel and seminar expenses.

Directors approved checks totaling \$77,282.19 for equipment, and \$930,617.29 for the expansion certificate of need preparation, architectural fees, general obligatory bond payments, attorney and indigent care fees.

Mistrial declared in 'Kissing Bandit' case

By RICHARD ORR
Staff Writer

A mistrial was declared Thursday after jurors were unable to reach a verdict in the "Kissing Bandit" case.

The seven-man, five-woman jury deliberated more than four hours before announcing they couldn't agree on whether or not 37-year-old Willie Byers was guilty of armed robbery in the 9-15 a.m. May 20 holdup of the Little & Co. stock brokerage firm at 300 W. Wall.

Byers maintained he was drunk when he walked into the office, pointed a cocked, large caliber revolver at company President Glenn Little and demanded \$900. He said the money was owed him for some remodeling work he had done in 1981 for

Temporary Resources, a personnel service run by Little's wife, Patricia.

Byers was dubbed the "Kissing Bandit" because, according to testimony, he kissed Little on the forehead after the stockbroker gave him the money.

Although the Littles acknowledged owing Byers some money for the job, they claimed he never submitted a final, documented bill after they fired him in early 1982 because they weren't satisfied with his work.

Byers, however, testified that he quit the job. He also insisted that he did submit a final bill and received a partial payment that left a \$900 balance.

He said he ignored the alleged debt until his Wild Willie's Video Parlors fell on hard times this year and he found himself in

need of money.

Odessa defense attorney Roy Bell argued that his client "went in to collect a bill owed him. There was no malicious intent to rob. And while his methods may have been a little out of the ordinary," it wasn't like a convenience store holdup.

"This is not a classic armed robbery case," Bell added.

Assistant District Attorney Bill Cooper responded by asking Byers, "When you use a gun to get money, isn't that robbery?"

"Not unless it already belongs to me," Byers replied.

Asked why he didn't file a mechanic's lien on the property or use other legal means to collect the money, Byers said, "What I did was wrong, yes. But I once filed an \$18,000 lien on another job. It cost me \$3,000 in legal fees

and I still never got my money."

About halfway through their deliberations, jurors sent a note to Judge Vann Culp asking if they couldn't consider a lesser charge than armed robbery.

When Culp said no, they resumed deliberating until announcing about 6 p.m. that they were unable to reach a verdict.

One juror contacted after the trial refused to discuss the deliberations. But sources later said eight jurors favored acquittal, while four sought conviction.

Sources also say the district attorney's office will not prosecute the case a second time.

Instead, Byers is expected to be offered seven years probation and ordered to pay back the \$900 in return for a guilty plea.

A hearing on the plea bargain arrangement is set for today.

Agriculture commissioner pushes trade plan

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower says both the Mexican government and the Texas farmer will benefit by dealing with each other directly.

He has proposed eliminating major international grain traders who have a monopoly on such business.

Hightower said Texas farmers would make more money by directly selling their own wheat and grain and Mexico would be able to buy at a cheaper price.

Currently, grain is sold on the world market by five international companies that "control almost all the grain shipments in the world," Hightower said.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Hightower said he has received some support from Mexi-

can officials for his direct-sale plan.

"This (Mexico) is a government that believes in the small farmer," he said.

Jose Ernesto Costemalle, director general of CONASUPO, the Mexican agency that tries to facilitate exports and imports, "was very positive" to the plan and asked for a copy in writing, Hightower said.

"We're going to put in on paper tomorrow," he said.

Hightower said that during his four-year term of office, he will continue to work toward establishing a relationship between Texas and Mexico.

Texas and Mexicans have to realize they are neighbors and that when one suffers, the other is probably going to suffer, too, the Texas official said.

To back up this assertion, Hightower said that when the devaluation of the peso began to inflict pain in the wallets of the Mexican consumer

last year, Texas farmers also felt the pinch.

In the last year, total purchases of Texas agricultural products by Mexico decreased by one-half, with Mexico falling from the third largest purchaser of the state's produce to the seventh largest, officials with Hightower said.

"The single best thing that could happen to the farmers of Texas is for Mexico to have a good economy," said Hightower, who Thursday completed a four-day stay here trying to boost economic ties between Mexico and Texas farmers.

With Hightower on his visit to Mexico was Mike Moeller, president of the Texas Farmers Union. Moeller

said that the current plight of Texas farmers is "pretty bad" and that the direct-sale plan would improve the situation.

"Last year in Texas, we lost over 10,000 farmers who went completely out of business," Moeller said.

As with grain products, Mexico has been a heavy purchaser of Texas livestock, but unlike the situation with grain products, farmers are able to sell their animals directly on the Mexican market, Hightower and Moeller said.

Moeller maintained that previous Texas agriculture commissioners have not been as aggressive as Hightower in fighting for the farmers of the state.

"Maybe it was a fear of upsetting the existing order of things, of incurring the wrath of the big grain companies," Moeller said.

Teen convicted of murder of 31-year-old woman

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Dennis Goff's plans for a military life were squashed Thursday night when he was convicted of the Feb. 26 murder of a 31-year-old woman he had encountered in hours earlier in a Midland lounge.

The six-man, six-woman jury in 142nd State District Court deliberated 4½ hours before returning the conviction against the defendant, 19-year-old Goff at 9:15 p.m.

His mother, Helen Trevino, wept while her husband, Sid, held her. Their son appeared impassive, and his stark expression was virtually unchanged throughout the trial.

Family members of the victim, Mickey Berry, stood by silently, as the jury filed out of the courtroom.

"I could never for an instant thank you for your verdict," presiding Judge Pat Baskin had told the jurors, "because that would be presumptuous of me."

The jury was to return to the Midland County Courthouse at 10 a.m. today to set punishment. Goff could be sentenced from five to 99 years or life for his killing Ms. Berry by hitting her with his fists and kicking her with his boots.

IN SIGNED confessions and on the witness stand, Goff admitted he

had hit, kicked and stomped the woman after he alleged she assaulted him with a switchblade knife while they were having sex in his pickup truck between Midland and Odessa shortly after midnight. He testified she had a switchblade knife in her left hand and her right hand on his genitals when he pushed her out of the cab of his pickup truck and began hitting, kicking and stomping her.

Goff said he was drinking beer and whiskey that night and had smoked some marijuana. A bartender testified that Ms. Berry was drinking whiskey at Bojangles, the nightclub where they had met on the night of Feb. 27.

Goff was detained by law enforcement officers and later arrested and charged with murder as he was about to board a flight out of Midland Regional Airport. He was bound to El Paso to take a physical examination for induction into the U.S. Army.

AMONG THE 21 state and seven defense witnesses were Goff's mother.

She said her son was remorseful over the woman's death. Co-prosecutors David Joers and Janet Copeland said he showed no remorse at all during the trial this week.

"He...cried on several occasions," Mrs. Trevino said, "and told me he was sorry for what happened and that if he could undo it, he would."

Ms. Berry, a former telephone company operator in San Angelo, had moved to Midland in early 1983 and shortly before her death had found a job as a shoe store clerk. Witnesses, including her ex-husband, testified that she had developed a drinking problem after her divorce. Other witnesses testified that she was not a violent person but did frequent bars.

State witnesses, however, said Ms. Berry carried "something" in a purse to protect herself in bars. Two men, one from Midland and another from Paris, said Ms. Berry had pulled a knife on them at different times when they rejected her propositions.

Another said she would do "anything" for money.

IN CLOSING arguments, Joers said Goff's hitting, kicking and stomping of Ms. Berry "was a cold, calculated, deliberate assault...He didn't have a scratch on him," Goff, he said, kicked the woman in the face and head "until his foot started to get too tired."

"He (Goff) got up here and lied about it on the witness stand," Joers said, adding he didn't believe the

story about the woman having a switchblade.

"Whatever it was she said to him triggered something," he said. The prosecutor suggested that Goff sexually assaulted the woman even after he had beaten her and used one of her shoes in an act to "shame and ridicule" the woman. It was a "sexual thing on his part," he charged.

Co-prosecutor Janet Copeland cited inconsistencies in Goff's two written statements which said that even if Ms. Berry had pulled the knife on him the defendant could have left her unharmed after he pushed out of the pickup.

"Dennis Goff cannot consider himself as a man of ordinary temperament," she said. She referred to testimony of the two men who said Ms. Berry had threatened them with a knife after they rejected her advances. "They didn't kill her."

Ms. Copeland charged the defense witnesses' testimony that Ms. Berry carried the switchblade knife and threatened the men she allegedly had propositioned was "fabricated."

"THEY ALL were friends of the Trevinos, and they all party at the Granada Club and they all think of themselves as members of that family, and (Ms. Berry) was not a member of that family."

The prosecutor said that Goff "wasn't upset. He wasn't distraught" over the woman's death. She noted that after Goff had left the woman alongside the road, he drove around, discarded the woman's purse and a shoe, tossed out his bloodied boots, bought a pack of cigarettes, went home, slept, washed his clothes and the pickup truck, went about his "business as usual," and then headed for the U.S. Army via the airport.

Ms. Copeland described Ms. Berry as possibly an alcoholic who was a lonely divorcee "out trying to make friends...She was afraid of knives. She was not a violent person. Her name doesn't deserve to be slandered in this courtroom."

"That woman was a \$100-a-night, 31-year-old prostitute," argued defense attorney Bob Freeman.

He said Ms. Berry took advantage of his client, who was 18 at the time of the slaying.

"It was wrong to have 10 drinks there," he said. "It was wrong to have marijuana."

"IT'S A TRAGIC thing that those two people got together."

Freeman referred to the Feb. 26 incident in which Goff said the woman had her right hand on Goff's genitals and a knife in her left hand. He said that he could imagine "no

more terrifying situation...It would invoke terror in me." He said Goff "acted reasonably under the circumstances."

John Hyde, co-defense counsel, said that state prosecutors Joers and Ms. Copeland "have indeed proved very well that Mickey Berry died. However, he said the state prosecution was "derelict in its responsibilities to prove murder."

"She was a frequent visitor of bars," Hyde said. "They met there (at Bojangles) really by chance. They had drinks, several, too many."

Ms. Berry first started fondling Goff, he said, and was the "initiator" of sexual contact.

In the sex act when Ms. Berry allegedly wielded the knife, Goff was in a "terrible vulnerable position. He's lying there with his genitals exposed."

Goff reacted, pulled the woman out of the pickup's cab, and then hit and kicked her, he said.

"He didn't know he had done anything other than defend himself," Hyde said. "He knew that he had hurt her but he didn't intend to kill that woman."

As did Freeman, Hyde said Goff acted in self-defense and should be acquitted of murder and set free.

"He is entitled to use deadly force" when similar force is used against him, Hyde said.

DEATHS



Leslie Curtis King Sr.

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Services for Leslie Curtis King Sr., 56, of 412 E. Dengar Ave., will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Antioch Baptist Church with the Rev. Johnny A. Mitchell, officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Roscoe Jackson Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday in a Dallas hospital.

King was born Oct. 16, 1926, in Irene. He married Fayrene Ferguson Lee in 1951. He was employed by Howard McCarroll Lumber Co. and Midland Independent School District. He joined the Air Force in 1945, and was ranking sergeant of the military police.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Michael C. King of Denver, Colo., and Leslie and Farris King, both of Midland; three daughters, Gayle Johnson and Laura McCarty, both of Midland, and Marjorie Bishop of Carrollton; a stepdaughter, Alma Bell; a sister, Joye Carter and seven grandchildren.

Roy Leeder

BIG SPRING — Services for Roy Leeder, 28, of Big Spring, will be at 3 p.m. Saturday in Schaeffer Funeral Home chapel in Comfort. Burial will be in Comfort Cemetery with local arrangements directed by Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home of Big Spring.

Leeder died Wednesday at his home.

A resident of Big Spring for three years, he was assistant manager at Winn-Dixie Foodstore in Big Spring and was a Lutheran.

Prebble Wilder

Services for Prebble Wilder, 83, of 3504 W. Ohio, were to be at 2 p.m. today at the Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Neely Landrum, pastor of

Asbury United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was to be at Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Wilder died early Wednesday morning in a Midland nursing home. She was born June 18, 1900, in Bell County. She grew up in Temple. She married W.E. Raney while they both were employed by the Santa Fe and Orient Railway Company. They were transferred to Sweetwater where they spent the next 13 years. In 1935, they moved to Midland. He died in 1948. She later married Earl Wilder of Midland, who died in 1956. She was a member of the Asbury United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, W.E. Raney of Graham; a daughter, Lillie Raney Allen of Midland; a brother, A.L. Willoughby of Sweetwater; and four grandchildren.

Willard Kimball

Graveside services for Willard "Bill" Kimball, 67, were Thursday at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Steve Edwards, pastor of the First Christian Church, officiating. Funeral arrangements were directed by Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday in a Midland hospital.

Honorary pallbearers were Richard Brooks, R.G. Davidson, C.L. Ike McCarroll, Dr. Bill Youngblood, Don Hibbits, George Horst and Tom Nelson.

Clara Coon

Services for Clara Coon, 77, of Austin and formerly of Midland, was to be at 3:30 p.m. Friday at the Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Tom Hale, pastor of Kingston Avenue Baptist Church in Odessa, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mrs. Coon died Wednesday in Austin following a lengthy illness.

She was born Nov. 26, 1905, in Hope, Ark. She moved to Throckmorton and to Lamesa, where she married Hubert Coon Jan. 25, 1925. They lived in Lamesa until 1948, when they moved to Midland. Mr. Coon died in 1978. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include seven sons, Aaron Coon of Kerrville, Hubert Coon of San Antonio, Wayne Coon of Gardendale, Sam Coon of Austin, and James Coon, Kenneth Coon and Jerry Coon, all of Houston; a daughter, Peggy Higgins of Austin; 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Ruby Hicks

BIG SPRING — Services for Ruby Hicks, 75, of Coahoma, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the First Presbyterian Church in Coahoma. Burial will be in Coahoma Cemetery, directed by Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home of Big Spring.

Mrs. Hicks died Thursday morning in a Big Spring hospital.

Houston needs assistance in cleaning up city debris

HOUSTON (AP) — City and state officials say they will look for other means of assistance after the National Guard turned down a request to help clean up the debris left here last week in the wake of Hurricane Alicia.

Houston Mayor Kathy Whitmire had announced the reserve troops would assist city employees in the cleanup. But the request was deemed Thursday an inappropriate function for the agency.

The decision followed a meeting Thursday between Mrs. Whitmire, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, who was acting for the vacationing Gov. Mark White, and representatives of the National Guard.

"After consultation with officials of the National Guard, they have determined that debris removal this far from the actual emergency was not an appropriate function for the guard," Hobby told newsmen.

Mayor Whitmire, who had said the troops were needed to prevent potential health and fire hazards from the piles of rubble left by the hurricane, said she was disappointed.

"I can assure you that recovery from the storm is our highest priority," Mrs. Whitmire said.

"We are still exploring ways of bringing in additional resources,"

she said, declining to elaborate.

Mayor Whitmire's request had been supported by a state legislator. State Rep. Randy Pennington, R-Houston, sent a letter to the governor, urging mobilization of National Guard units to remove debris from Houston and the surrounding cities.

"Each of the 30,000 homes has approximately 700 to 1,500 cubic feet of storm debris stacked in front," the letter said. "There are not enough private haulers available in Southeast Texas to remove the debris before it poses a serious community health risk. Vermin and disease flourish..."

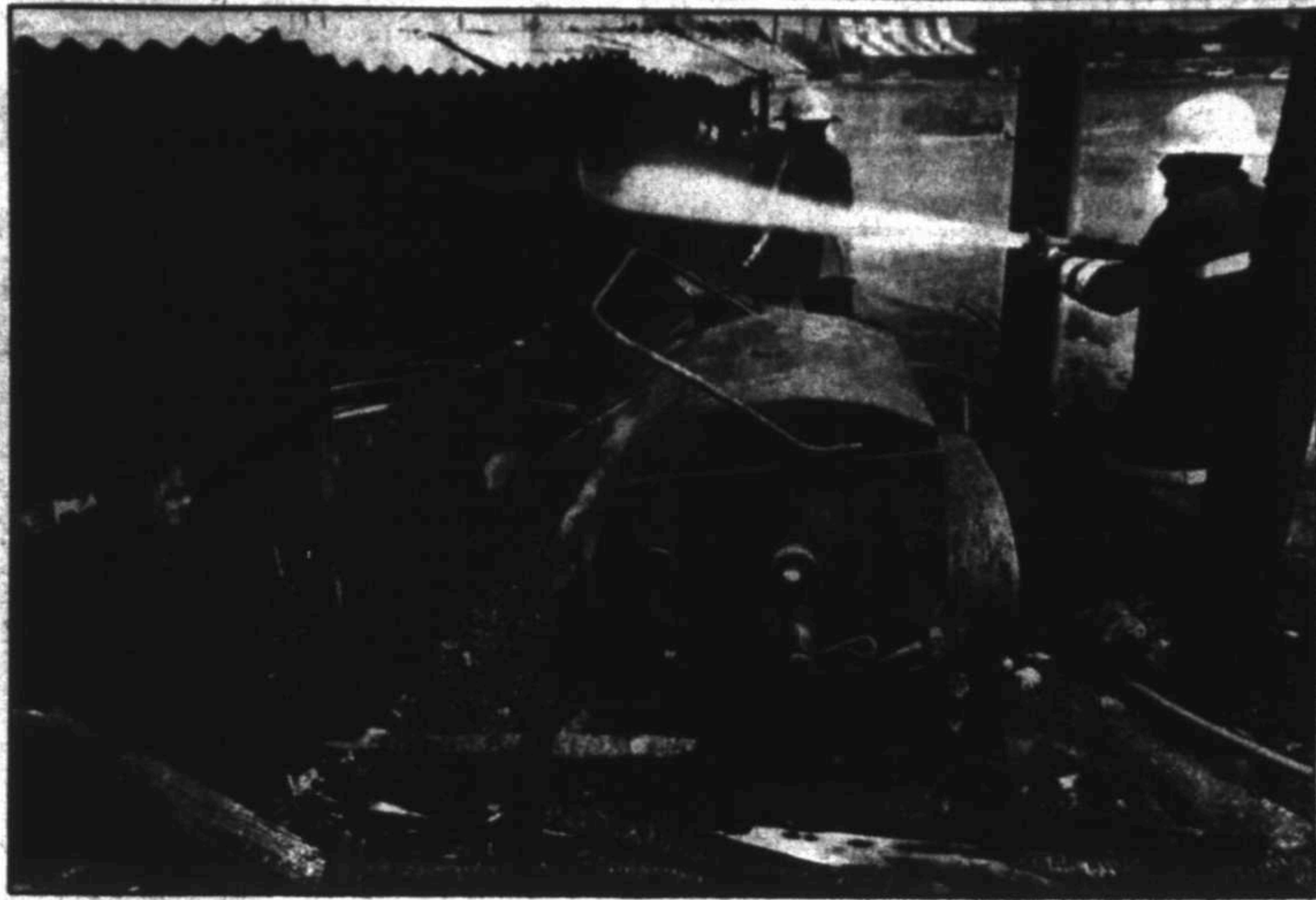
"Please dispatch the National Guard at once to help transport this enormous quantity of debris to an already functioning 'burn site' in the Bay Area," the letter said.

As many as 95,000 Houston Lighting & Power customers still were without power Thursday, one week after Hurricane Alicia slammed into Galveston and moved inland, killing at least 20 people and leaving destruction estimated at \$1.2 billion.

Officials have predicted at least 25,000 people from the six-county area hardest hit by the storm would apply to apply for federal disaster aid.

Firefighters Chuck Haynie, right, and Richard Giles work to extinguish this fire at the Village Manor apartment complex, 2928 W. Louisiana Ave. A fence, storage shed and two utility poles sustained extensive damage in the blaze, which broke out about 12:40 p.m. Thursday. Arson is suspected, according to fire department officials.

Staff Photo by Ron Jaap



Henderson performing his blues 20 years later

By GEORGIA TEMPLE
Entertainment Writer

Bugs Henderson joined the music world when he got out of high school in the late '60s because "the bug" got him just "like it was getting everybody else when rock 'n' roll was becoming The Thing."

"It seemed like an awful good way to get dates, too," Henderson says, during a recent telephone interview. Pausing, he adds, "That worked for me."

Twenty years later Henderson's still performing his brand of blues influenced rock 'n' roll. Saturday will find him playing his "basic good time rock 'n' roll" at Cole Park during R.D.C. Productions' presentation of "A Midsummer's Night Jam."

The seven-hour jam begins at 2 p.m. with "The Marbles." Henderson is up next, followed by "X.I.T." and "The Executives." Food and beer will be sold at Cole Park during those hours. Tickets, priced at \$5, may be purchased at Leo's Oyster Bar or Endless Horizons.

Although Henderson has played with the rock bands Nitzinger and Fancy Space, his roots lie in the blues via B.B. King. Henderson says of the first time he met King, "I immediately went out and bought a pair of alligator shoes. I wanted to be B.B. King."

Many of the young players who got into the business in the '60s have moved on to other fields. For those, like himself, who have survived hard times, Henderson says, "I think a lot of it's commitment." Laughing, he adds, "Maybe it's not knowing how to do anything else, too. I don't know. Maybe they had something to fall back on."

His voice taking on a serious tone, he says, "My life has pretty much been a pattern of setting goals and achieving them."

"I'm one of those people that believes in positive thinking. I think if you try to do something long enough and hard enough, you'll get good enough at it where it will happen for you."

"I've achieved just about everything I ever wanted. Not maybe financially, I don't mean that. Or giant stardom. But essentially all I ever wanted was to have a great band and to put out records and to have a comfortable life. I have that."

The levels of success are many, he says. "I think it's one of the

guys from Van Halen who said, 'Fame is something that people bring you. Success is something you bring yourself.'"

The recent craze for anything Texan has made life more profitable for Texas musicians. How the whole Texas chic thing came about, Henderson says, "I'll be damned if I can tell you exactly how it happened. I don't know if anybody can. I guess the TV show probably had something to do with it — 'Dallas.' And the whole 'Urban Cowboy' thing."

"All of a sudden Texas was in and Texas country music was in and then everything in Texas was in."

"I know when we play up North they go crazy up there for Texas music. It's something completely foreign to them. I can't explain that either. It seems to me like we're playing the same music they're playing up there but must be a different feel to it."

Wherever he plays, Henderson is "just awful darn happy doing what I'm doing."

"I might be in a club one night and I might be in a giant concert the next night and back in a club again."

His greatest thrill comes from performing. As he says, "To arrive at where you're playing and see your name out there and see the parking lot jammed full of people, everyone of them paying to come in and see you, that's a pretty big deal to me right there."

"All that can be enlarged. It could be a giant concert hall every night. Yes, that would be great, I'd make a lot more money. But still to know that people on the weekends, they go pick up their date, they count their money and they decide how much of it they're going to spend on you. They come and they pay to see you play and entertain them, that's quite a compliment to me."

Henderson, a Tyler native who calls Dallas home, once had the childhood dream of being in the FBI, a career, he says, laughing, "I think it's too late for." Now he wouldn't be in any other business than the field he's worked for the past 20 years.

"Anything that has to do with entertainment makes me happy. If I lost both my arms and my legs and I had to work in a music store at least I'd be around music."

Witness gets protection

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In Thursday's hearing, Bunton denied motions to dismiss the indictments, suppress evidence, severance of the defendants and transfer the trial to Pecos.

Midland lawyer Reagan Legg is representing Bell, and Odessa attorney Walter Wilson is representing Short and Todd.

After Bunton had denied granting the defense lawyers' motions, he advised Short and Todd, "There may be a conflict of interest" in Wilson representing both of them.

"The best for each of you may be different," he said in noting that by law a lawyer is charged with performing his best for his client or clients. In representing both, the attorney may "help one and hurt the other," Bunton said.

Todd and Short insisted on letting Wilson represent them in their common trial.

"You may be waiving your constitutional rights to effective assistance

of counsel," Bunton said, "and you may not use that as a ground for appeal" once they have waived that right. Bunton suggested any possible conflict of interest might become readily apparent if one defendant is acquitted and the other is convicted.

Short was hesitant to waive any rights.

"I am not going to waive any constitutional rights," Short said. "I want Mr. Wilson to defend me, and I don't see any problem."

"I feel the same way," Todd said. Todd and Short waived any appeal based on lack of effective counsel should both use only Wilson as their attorney, but indicated that another attorney may be brought in to assist Wilson.

Again, Bunton assured the attorneys the government would furnish the defendants' counsel names of witnesses and other pertinent information prior to the trial.

"We're not going to try this by ambush," Bunton said.

state in brief

State gets price-gouging complaints

AUSTIN (AP) — The state has received more than 60 complaints of price-gouging from the hurricane-stricken area along the Gulf coast, Attorney General Jim Mattox says.

One complaint from Houston said a homeowner was asked to pay \$5,000 for removal of a tree from a roof.

The most frequent complaints concern ice prices and removal of debris, Mattox said. He also is looking into complaints that apartment owners, particularly in hard-hit Galveston, are raising rent prices.

Budget could increase property tax

AUSTIN (AP) — City Manager Nicholas Meiszer recommended Thursday a city budget of \$788.5 million for next year that could cause a 16 percent property tax increase.

Meiszer's proposed budget also would increase utility rates and most city fees.

The budget provides for 453 new city employees and a pay raise for all employees of 4 to 5 percent.

'State leases state-owned land'

AUSTIN (AP) — Land Commissioner Garry Mauro said the state has made its first lease of state-owned land that includes guaranteed annual payments for permanent improvements to the property.

Mauro announced Thursday the acceptance of a bid of \$53,406 a year from L.N. Johnson of Lockney to lease the 9,540-acre Hackberry Creek Ranch in Briscoe County for five years.

The surface lease, for grazing and hunting rights on the land, also commits Johnson to pay the state \$21,465 for permanent improvements for each year of the lease.

Mauro said the improvements could include constructing and repairing windmills and fences, developing additional water sources and pipelines, brush control, establishing wildlife feeding sources and erosion control.

Fire erupts in Galveston

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — Fire erupted today in a historic downtown section of hurricane-ravaged Galveston, spreading across much of one block and injuring three firefighters, officials said.

The fire, adjacent to the section known as the Strand, began about 12:55 a.m. in a drug company and continued to threaten other areas at daybreak, said police dispatcher Sherree Brockstine.

The blaze "is being contained, but firemen have not officially called it under control," said Ann Gibbs, emergency supervisor.

Authorities said one firefighter was taken to John Sealy Hospital.

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Cyanide-laced milk kills jeweler

DALLAS (AP) — Homicide detectives say they have no "specific suspects" in the death of a Dallas jeweler who was poisoned by a carton of chocolate milk laced with cyanide.

Richard Mankin, 34, died Thursday at Parkland Memorial Hospital, two days after he drank from a chocolate milk carton that appeared to have been injected with cyanide, police said.

Capt. Grant Lappin said Thursday detectives are looking at a group of possible suspects.

Mankin purchased milk from the convenience store across from his northside jewelry store and placed it in the refrigerator in his office, police said. After drinking from the carton, he went into convulsions, according to his 24-year-old partner, Steve Schwarz.

Although city and police officials said the incident appeared to be an isolated case, they removed 23 pints and 12 quarts of milk from the convenience store. City Health and Human services officials said there was no indication that milk in any other store was poisoned.

The milk taken from the convenience store was tested and found to be safe.

Police said cyanide is used in plating gold and some of it was in Mankin's office.

"It's our belief the cyanide was administered to the milk after

it came on the premises of (Mankin's) store," said Sgt. Tom Sherman.

Schwarz said that when Mankin took a swallow from the carton, he said "it tasted awful."

Moments later, Mankin collapsed and went into convulsions.

Loretta Lee, M.S., C.C.C.

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Women plan to appeal

LAREDO (AP) — Two Duval County women sentenced for their convictions on charges of conspiracy to buy votes and of vote buying in the 1982 Democratic primary plan to appeal their conviction, according to Corpus Christi attorney Tony Canales.

U.S. District Judge George P. Kazen sentenced Aurora Canales and Elia Garcia Thursday to two-year suspended sentences and fined

them \$4,000 each for their convictions.

Canales represented one of the women.

Aurora Canales is the wife of San Diego Mayor Rupert Canales. Elia Garcia is director of social services for the San Diego Senior Citizens Home.

Both women received a 2-year suspended sentence, 3 years of unsupervised probation and a \$4,000 fine.



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