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City Council readies federal funds request

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

For the first time in four years, the Midland City Council prepared a package of projects to gain \$1.09 million from the federal government in the form of a Community Development Block Grant fund.

The city staff tried to spread the money out over streets, drainage, park improvements and housing rehabilitation, but about 40 residents from the south and east sides weren't pleased with the allotments. Their preference, they told the council Tuesday, was more money for housing rehabilitation.

The council held a public hearing on the CDBG funds at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. This followed a 5 p.m. public hearing on proposed uses for \$625,000 in Revenue Sharing funds from Uncle Sam.

Richard Hennessy, director of planning and community development, explained the breakdown for each category.

STREET PAVING and drainage improvements would take \$774,000, he said. This would include \$150,000 for resurfacing Lamesa Road from Mississippi Avenue to Wadley Avenue. Another \$624,000 would be used to double the width of a Scharbauer Draw drainage channel and pave Indiana Avenue from Dallas to Marshall streets, plus installing curbs and gutters.

The \$141,000 allotment for parks improvements would provide playground equipment for Sparks and Washington Parks and sprinkler systems in three parks, Hennessy said.

The housing allotment of \$250,000 would continue a rehabilitation program carried out in previous years under CD funds when the city applied for them until 1977. This money, said Hennessy, would rehabilitate about 80 houses in the targeted area. Or, it could be used in a combination grant-loan program.

The remaining \$59,000 would be directed toward administering the program and for planning the next year's application.

This money, he said, applies for October 1981 through September 1982.

Fred Baker, director of public works, explained his reasoning for the streets selected for paving and the drainage work.

Lamesa Road, he said, is the major thoroughfare for that area. "Traffic has increased dramatically over the past two years. The street wasn't built for that."

Indiana Avenue, he said, only lacks three blocks of paving before it can become an east-west paved connection street from Main Street to Fairgrounds Road.

THE HIGH RATE of development above Scharbauer Draw "will create a large amount of runoff" in the current channel. That channel was designed for a 10-year rain, he said.

The target area for use of the \$1 million in funds is south and east Midland, Hennessy pointed out.

Council Member Doris Howbert objected to the amount of money going to drainage instead of to housing. "I thought more money needed to be in housing rehabilitation."

Money to widen the drainage channel could come from bond money, she suggested.

Fred Kester, executive secretary of the Midland Housing Authority, looked back at the time when federal funds were used for rehabilitation and were administered by his agency.

The problem was trying to find small contractors who wanted to do the job, he explained. Midland succeeded in making its money go farther than other cities on the same program by seeking bids on the small jobs.

Tamara Oakman, executive director of Permian Basin Planned Parenthood, asked the council to consider her \$40,000 request for renovations at the Midland clinic.

That office serves 2,000 comprehensive patients a year and many more on an information-education basis, she said. A majority of the patients are low-income women. The renovations would increase the laboratory and examination rooms.

URGING THE COUNCIL to do some swapping around of funds was Don Hellinghausen with the Midland Housing Association. He wanted the figured "nudged up to \$300,000 for housing rehabilitation. The drainage channel could be held off a year."

He supported the loan-grant combination, saying, "There's a lot of pride in that target community and some people wouldn't want a grant. They

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Framed in fear

Two persons trapped in the upper floors of the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel call for help as fire roars through a portion of the city's largest hotel. Fire department ladders were unable to reach the upper stories, but many were rescued from the roof by helicopter. At least eight persons died. Related stories and photos, Page 9A. (AP Laserphoto)

Small blazes add to fatal Las Vegas fire

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — One fast-moving fire and three smaller blazes, all of "suspicious origin," engulfed the Las Vegas Hilton in smoke as a pillar of flame shot up the side of the 30-story building Tuesday night. Eight people were killed and at least 242 were injured, officials said today.

Authorities today were conducting a room-to-room search for possible additional victims, and an arson investigation was under way.

Fire Chief Roy Parrish said authorities were questioning two men in connection with the blaze, which came less than three months after the fire at the nearby MGM Grand hotel, where 84 people died and more than 700 were injured.

However, Homicide Detective Michael Brady of the Clark County Metro Police said "nobody is in custody for arson." He said six people were being questioned about possible looting after the fire.

Hundreds of guests fled the 2,783-room stone-fronted building, billed as the largest hotel in the United States and the second largest in the world, some scrambling to the rooftop, where helicopters plucked them to safety.

Others screamed for rescue from broken windows or lowered themselves by bedsheets, while others jammed stairways to the ground floor. The first-floor casino was untouched by the blaze.

A wall of fire shot 100 feet up the east tower of the hotel, and flames quickly leapt window-to-window from the eighth floor to the top of the building, spewing smoke over the nearby Las Vegas Strip, Parrish said.

"When we got outside, there were flames shooting up the side of the hotel. It looked like the 'Towering Inferno,'" said Hank Arkin, a guest from Merrick, N.Y.

Some 450 firefighters battled the fire. Room-by-room searches were being conducted early today for possible victims.

One of the victims died in a fall onto an outside deck and the others succumbed to smoke inhalation, Clark County Coroner Otto Ravenholt said.

The bodies of three men were found in the eighth floor elevator lobby, those of an elderly couple in their bathroom on the 10th floor. A woman died in her 21st floor room, and a man found alive in his 24th floor room died moments after firefighters arrived, Ravenholt said.

Asked how he felt in the aftermath of a second hotel-fire tragedy, Parrish, red-eyed and weary, shook his head and replied, "sick."

The main fire began on the southeast corner of the eighth floor about 8:05 p.m., and three others were discovered 25 minutes to 45 minutes later in a different wing, Parrish said one erupted in a second floor laundry room, another on the third floor and the third on the ninth floor.

The first was brought under control shortly after 9 p.m. and the other three were extinguished later. The huge, glittering Hilton sign remained on during the blaze.

The eighth and ninth floor hallways were gutted, Sgt. Bob Hillard said, and smoke damage extended to the 11th floor. Rooms closest to the elevators received the most damage.

Baron Hilton, chairman of the board of the Hilton Hotel Corp. in Beverly Hills, Calif., expressed "profound shock and sorrow over the deaths and injuries.

"If as...Parrish suggests the fire was deliberately set, the entire resources of the Hilton Hotel Corporation will be committed to bring the person or people responsible for this tragedy to justice," he said.

Parrish said the fire was "of suspicious origin" and "entirely different" from the MGM blaze Nov. 21. The hotels were built and financed by the same concerns.

The MGM fire was a "low-level (building) fire. In this case, we had a high-rise fire. The circumstances are different," he said.

But for many panicked guests, there was a grim sense of flashback. "We thought of the MGM fire and...it scared us half to death," said Tom Sawyer of Key West, Fla.

"We looked out the window and it was awful scary seeing the chopper and the lights," said his wife, Deborah, after their escape from their 23rd-floor room. "We saw windows breaking and people screaming. We felt trapped."

Joseph Adolf, a conventioner from Chicago, headed for the roof from its 29th story room.

Alternate school site proposed in joint council, trustee meeting

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Midland school trustees had their hearts set on a new elementary school north of Loop 250, but Midland City Council on Tuesday tried to talk them out of it and suggested another site.

By the end of the first joint City Council-Midland Independent School District board meeting on Tuesday, the school trustees were almost agreeing with the council — but never came out and voted that way.

The first joint meeting to work out mutual problems — such as tax office transition phase, streets, utility service and bond issues — was held in the school Administration Building.

Dr. James Mailey, superintendent, explained the northern site would relieve pressure on westside elementary schools.

LOOKING AT THE SITE on a map, Richard Hennessy with the city staff pointed out the school is in the middle of an open pasture with very little single family development going on nearby. The lack of developments translates into no road system worked out in that area and no nearby utility hookups, according to the director of planning and community development.

"Right now we can't project an appropriate street pattern. Much of the land out there is zoned A-E (agriculture estates)," he noted. Hennessy later predicted that land probably will remain in large lots for many years to come.

The Younger school site, which is located south of Loop 250 and in the northwest part of the city, would be preferable, according to Councilman Gordon Marcum II.

"We spent years on the Younger

school site working on the street system," he said. "It seems to be a faster developing area than anything north of Loop 250. The water and sewer lines are almost all in."

As it is now, if the school district went ahead with the northernmost site and wanted to start construction this fall, the city would have to buy rights of way for streets in that area, pave the streets and lay the utilities — all at taxpayers' expense.

And Fred Baker, director of public works, warned the trustees the northern site will be in the middle of a problem drainage area.

"The entire area presents a whole of a drainage problem. Some major drainage facility will have to be supplied," he said, explaining it would have to go north to connect into the

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Cuts in energy use asked during record cold spell

By SUE FAHLGREN
Staff Writer

Midland's weather set a record low early this morning, prompting representatives of Texas Electric Service Co. to ask residents to cut back on their energy consumption.

According to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport, temperatures dipped to a chilly 10 degrees this morning for a new record low. The previous record was set in 1933 at 12 degrees. With the wind-chill factor computed, the low was even colder, figured at 9 degrees below zero.

The winds and cold temperatures should subside tonight as the thermometer is expected to drop only into the mid-20s and winds should be a light 5-10 mph coming from the south, according to the National Weather

Service at Midland Regional Airport. The weatherman reported the tip of the current cold front had passed through Midland early this morning and the weather this evening should be fair and not as cold.

However, this morning authorities at TESCO geared up for another high consumption day.

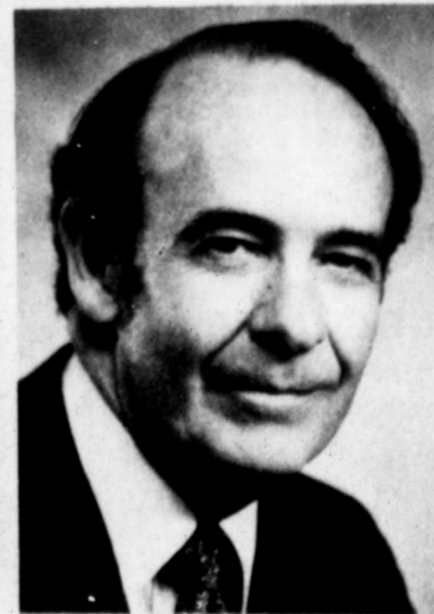
"We hope to make it through (the cold snap) with everyone's voluntary cooperation," Shug Bowlin, TESCO spokesman, said this morning. "We're asking residents not to use anything that's non-essential." He suggested cutting back on heat by turning thermostats below 60 degrees, if possible, and using extra blankets instead.

"When it gets cold," Bowlin explained, "we get curtailed on our

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Murray Fasken



Tony A. Martin



William P. "Bill" Franklin

Three bank executives promoted

The Board of Directors of the Midland National Bank has announced the promotion of three of the bank's executive officers.

Murray Fasken, a longtime civic leader of Midland, was promoted to senior chairman of the board. Fasken is a 1934 graduate of Midland High School and a 1938 graduate of Texas A&M University where he earned his B.A. degree in economics. He began his career at Midland National in 1950 as a teller and was named president of the bank in January, 1958, serving in that position until August, 1964, at which time he was named chairman of the board.

He has served as president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, Midland College Board of Trustees, Midland Country Club, trustee of First Presbyterian Church, member of the Board of Directors of Trinity Towers and West Texas Boys Ranch and chairman of the Texas A&M University Development Foundation.

He also is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of Schreiner College, the Board of Governors of the Midland Memorial Hospital Foundation and the Board of Directors of the

First City Bancorporation of Texas, Inc.

Tony A. Martin was promoted to chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Midland National Bank. He came to Midland in 1967 as president of Bank of the Southwest. In 1968, the banks were merged and Martin was made president of Midland National Bank. He has served as president of the United Way of Midland, Inc., and the Petroleum Club of Midland, vice president of the Chamber of Commerce and a director of the Industrial Foundation of Midland and the Midland Country Club.

Martin is currently a member of the Society of Fellows of the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies and is a moderator for its "The Corporation in Contemporary Society" seminars. He is also a board member of the Texas Council for Economic Education and serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the Texas Research League and the Advisory Committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce Objectives for Midland.

William P. Franklin was promoted to president of Midland National. He is a 1951 graduate of Midland High

School and attended Texas A&M University, receiving his B.A. degree in 1955 before graduating from The University of Texas Law School in 1958. Franklin joined the bank in September, 1958, as assistant trust officer and was subsequently named manager of that Department until 1969. He then moved to the commercial loan department and was executive vice president of the bank in 1971.

Franklin, active in civic and community work, is past president of the Metropolitan YMCA, Midland Country Club and the Permian Basin Estate Council. He also has served on the board of directors of the High Sky Girls Ranch, Heart Association and the board of trustees of Midland Memorial Hospital. Currently, he serves on the executive committee of Midland Memorial Hospital Foundation, is president-elect of the United Way of Midland, Inc., a director of the Chamber of Commerce and is on the board of trustees of the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum and president of the Petroleum Club of Midland.

Franklin was honored in 1964 as Midland's Outstanding Young Man and, in 1980, was named a senator of Jaycees International.

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A happy Cynthia Dwyer walks hand-in-hand with United States ambassador to Switzerland, Richard D. Vine, left, to the transit room after she arrived at Zurich airport Wednesday morning on the way to the U.S. (AP Laserphoto)

Dwyer would return to Iran

By KATHY BISTAWI
Associated Press Writer

ZURICH, Switzerland (AP) — Cynthia Dwyer said today that despite nine months in an Iranian prison and the anxiety caused to her family, she did not regret her stay in the Islamic Republic. "I like Iran and its people. I would return if possible," she said.

The 49-year-old American writer talked with reporters aboard the Singapore Airline jumbo jet that brought her from the Persian Gulf sheikdom of Dubai to Zurich. She left at noon — 6 a.m. EST — aboard a Swissair flight due in New York at 2:40 p.m. EST, where her husband and three children were waiting.

"It is incredibly good to be out," she said before boarding. Mrs. Dwyer, animated and in obvious high spirits, wore a white floppy hat, long red skirt, white sweater with brown and gold trim at the neck, wrists and waist and brown horn-rimmed glasses.

She refused to give details of the ordeal on arrival in Zurich, telling reporters at the Swiss airport, "I'm a journalist too... This may be the only exclusive I'll ever have." But she talked much more freely with the reporters on the flight to Europe.

"I am not saying it was easy and I am not saying it was hard either," she said. "Besides, I have left people behind and we have made an agreement," a reference to captives remaining in Tehran.

Sill in Iranian captivity are naturalized American Zia Nassry, 34, held since March 8 on spying charges and four Britons; businessman Andrew Pyke, medical missionaries Dr. John Coleman and his wife, Audrey, and Jean Waddell, who was secretary to the Anglican bishop of Iran.

But Mrs. Dwyer said she had now

seen the worst aspects of the Iranian revolution.

"I went there because I was curious. I thought we needed to understand what was going on in Iran. I felt there had been too much emphasis on the hostages and the situation could have dragged us into another Vietnam. Besides, I was also looking for a good story — I ended up with a very different one."

Mrs. Dwyer, 49, of Amherst, N.Y., fielded questions alertly and without hesitation. However, she looked pale, tired and with five inches of gray showing through her blond hair. She said she was exhausted from her overnight stay in Tehran airport Monday night.

"I could not sleep — I was too excited," she said.

Mrs. Dwyer was arrested May 5, shortly after the abortive attempt to rescue the American hostages. She was tried last weekend, convicted of espionage and other crimes against the revolutionary regime, sentenced to the time she had already spent in prison and departed Tuesday aboard an Iranian airliner to Dubai.

"I never even saw any charges," said Mrs. Dwyer. "Under the Iranian constitution, they were supposed to have presented charges within 48 hours of my arrest but this was not done. It was a very long indictment but in general terms, I was accused of espionage."

"I told them exactly what I had done, what the people had said to me. I just generally corrected the indictment."

Mrs. Dwyer said she was tried by an Iranian mulla, or clergyman, with some assistants and one prosecutor. "I did not have an attorney and my instinct told me that if I had made a fuss about it, I would have been there longer."

Miami businessman pleads innocent to pot charges

A 45-year-old partner in a Miami, Fla., aviation company has been released under a \$500,000 bond and four of his alleged cohorts in a scheme to fly more than 6,000 pounds of Colombian marijuana into Texas in February 1980 are to be sentenced at noon Thursday in Midland by Federal Judge Lucius D. Bunton.

Anibal Acosta, part owner of Miami's Monarch Aviation, which converts Convair 880 Jet-liners from passenger to cargo aircraft, is to be tried by jury April 20 in the Midland-Odessa Division of federal court.

Acosta, who had been a fugitive until his recent arrest, has pleaded innocent to the three-count indictment that he conspired to possession, did import and did aid and abet in procuring the marijuana from South America.

In a hearing on Tuesday, Judge Bunton reduced Acosta's bail bond from \$1 million to \$500,000. Acosta put up a half-million dollars in collateral to secure the bailbond and his freedom.

Another alleged cohort, Harold Taylor Atkins, 46, of McAllen, also pleaded innocent to the charges. Atkins, who allegedly piloted the DC-3 cargo aircraft transporting the Colombian marijuana, is free under a \$50,000 bond.

Four others pleaded guilty; four are still fugitives.

Pleading guilty were Larry Coulter Foreman, 41, of Woodsboro, another alleged pilot in the scheme; Orren Hayes Ohlinger, 52, of McAllen; Michael Ohlinger of McAllen, and Ronald Marshall Watson, 31, of Laredo. Each faces up to five years imprisonment on each count and a \$15,000 fine on each count.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Bock will go against Acosta's attorney, Jon Burke of Miami, Fla., to prove the government's case against Acosta

purportedly one of the leaders of the band to fly in the "pot," which had a "street value" of \$5 million or far more.

Lawmen made one of West Texas' largest "drug busts" in February 1980, when they initially arrested three men hauling aviation fuel in a leased truck and confiscated the marijuana in 106 sacks on a ranch near Odessa.

The 6,332 pounds of marijuanas were confiscated last Feb. 25 after a twin-engine DC-3 Skytrain of World War II vintage landed on a makeshift dirt landing strip on the Kenneth Wayne Meek Ranch near Odessa.

Fugitives in the case are Carlos Ibarra, Humberto Pablo Nunez, Laureano Ibarra and Richard Morley Stewart.

Elton Faught, then the Ector County sheriff, described the catch as a lawman's godsend.

"This is the mother load we've been looking for," he said a year ago.

The case was investigated by U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration agent-in-charge Harold Whitworth of Midland.

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The trial took place inside Evin Prison.

She had been kept alone from the time of her arrest until July 20 and was later transferred to Evin Prison which she referred to as an "obvious political prison." For a long time, she thought the Iranians might throw her in with the U.S. hostages.

She said her treatment in prison had been "OK."

"No one ever abused me or laid a hand on me. But I did not understand any Farsi — the local language — and that in a way was very frightening. I also felt very alone at times and I was afraid of being sentenced. There are so many people functioning in different ways in Iran."

Her "roommates," as Mrs. Dwyer referred to her fellow prisoners, were Iranian women held on political charges. She also shared a room with Jean Waddell, one of the British missionaries still being held in Tehran.

Complaint filed

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A complaint filed with the state physician's licensing board accuses a Reading, Pa., doctor of misuse of drugs and improper conduct involving prescriptions of pep pills to members of the world champion Philadelphia Phillies, the board chairman said Friday.


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Deaf plead for council to purchase TTY machine

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

The deaf people of Midland are in a dilemma, Charles Archer warned the Midland City Council on Tuesday during its regular session in City Hall.

"What if our house is on fire, or we have a heart attack," said Archer, a deaf person. "We have no way of calling the fire department or the hospital. If we have a fire, are we supposed to let our home burn to the ground?"

And if a deaf person has a heart attack, "I guess he has to die," because there is no way for him to call for help.

Archer appealed to the council to purchase a TTY machine — an instrument that allows hearing impaired persons to type out conversations over the telephone wire by printing it on paper at the other end.

Archer hit the council where it hurts the most — the pocketbook. But apparently his appeal also hit the heart because the council approved purchasing a machine for \$1,040 to be connected with the emergency 911 number.

Archer said there are about 30 to 35 TTY machines in Midland. He pointed out that Lubbock and El Paso have the units in fire and police departments.

His conversation was translated to other deaf persons in the audience by Helen Miller. Both he and Ms. Miller are with the Permian Basin Council for the Hearing Impaired.

Planning and zoning requests proved the biggest challenge for the council. It denied an appeal by Lena Cochran for a day care center at 3210 Hill St. and requests for zone changes on Marienfeld Street between Holmsley Avenue and Louisiana Avenue, and the southwest corner of Big Spring Street and Louisiana Avenue, and the 500 block of Holmsley.

After an hour-long discussion, the panel decided to change the zoning on the south side of County Road 110W from single family and retail to IP-3, industrial park. This allows warehouses with attached offices.

Bill Hickey discovered that a six-foot mistake can mean going back to the drawing board.

His plat for an apartment complex on the southwest corner of Ward Avenue and Loop 250 was drawn for 420 feet on the north-south measurement. But resurveying showed that it was only 414 feet. His apartment plan required 252,000 square feet, but he now has 250,000.

Because he is working under a Planned District, Hickey will have to redraw the plat and reduce the number of units to meet the density requirement.

The council approved the organization of the Hogan Park Smoky Wood Memorial Fund. John Friberg explained a board has been set up to gather donations which would be used for further "beautification and planning of Hogan Park Golf Course."

Dow T. Hamm was given the go-ahead for city water and sewer services for a warehouse and pipe yard outside the city limits. The approval came on the basis of an industrial contract.

The council accepted bids for a fuel dispensing machine for the Public Safety Building, awarded a contract for improvements to Marienfeld Street and another contract for installing a storm sewer along Marienfeld, and denied two requests for freight loading zones.

Councilman Tom Sloan criticized contractors working on Midkiff Road and the Northwest Drainage Channel at Garfield Street. Calling the extended length of time for completing the projects as "ridiculous," he suggested a penalty be included in future contracts. But the council didn't adopt his idea.

Director of Public Works Fred Baker explained the contractor on Midkiff Road had completed his base when the rains and snow came. The contractor had to take out his base

twice because it had been destroyed by the water.

Councilman Steve Davidson requested Baker to have guard rails installed along the drainage ditch at Garfield and to put up a warning for the children that have been playing in the ditch.

While munching on sandwiches during a supper break, Marcum announced that the regional vice president of the Times-Mirror Corporation will appear at the Feb. 24 council meeting.

That company owns Tall City Cable, and the local manager also will attend the session, said Marcum.

"Anyone who has a complaint about their cable TV should show up at this meeting," he said. "I want him (vice president) to see how many people have complaints."


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Soviet dissident says Reagan will harm human rights struggle

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A Soviet-Armenian dissident expelled from Moscow says the election of Ronald Reagan bodes ill for the human rights struggle in the Soviet Union, where "conditions are worst since Stalin."

Similarly, an official of Amnesty International, which seeks release and humane treatment of political prisoners, is concerned that President Reagan's administration will have a negative effect on human rights.

Yuri Agaev, 31, a research physicist expelled from the Soviet Union last summer, said Monday that to be of practical help to the dissident movement, the U.S. human rights focus "has to be permanent."

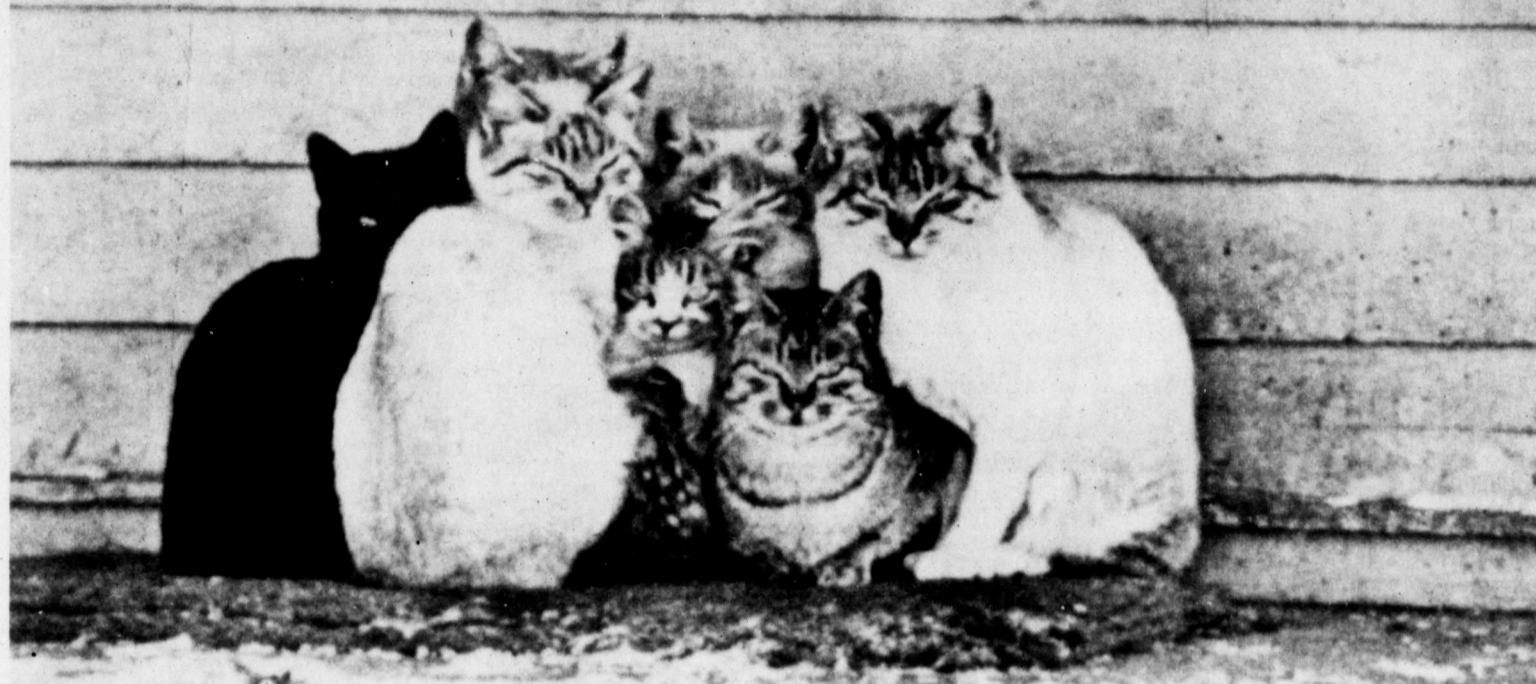
"The change (in a new administration and its human rights policies) so soon after (President Jimmy) Carter did so much for human rights, can be very dangerous for human rights in the Soviet Union," he said.

Agaev and Joshua Rubenstein, New England coordinator for the amnesty organization,

spoke Monday before its Concord "adoption group," one of three in

New Hampshire, 200 in the country and 2,400 around the world. Each

"adoption group," works toward the release of a particular prisoner.



Seven cats huddle together on a Tippecanoe County porch near Lafayette, Ind. to beat the cold and escape the recent wave of snow flurries throughout the state. (AP Laserphoto)

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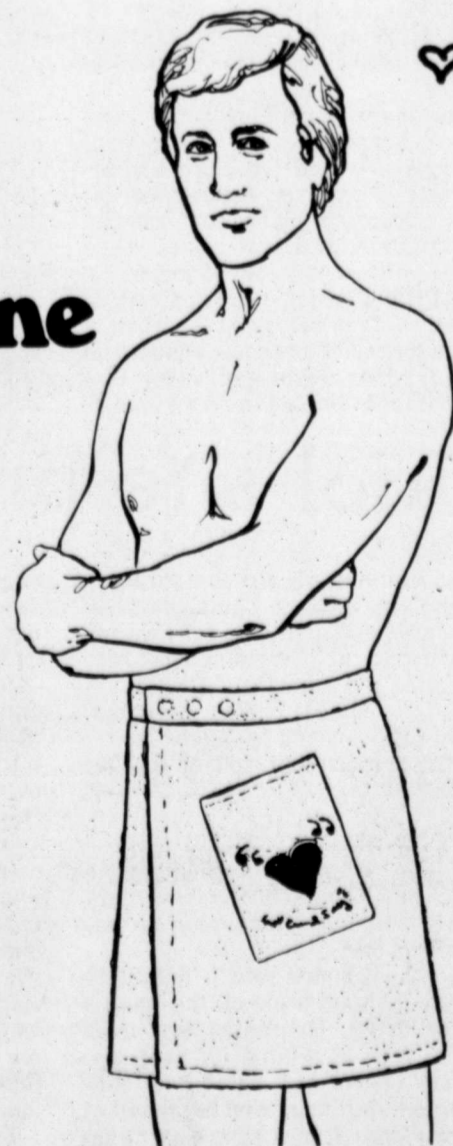
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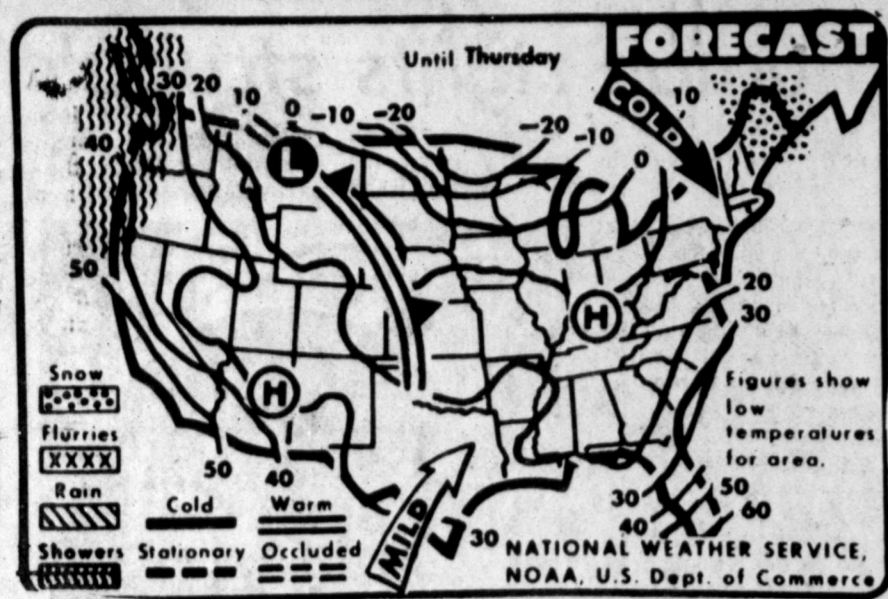
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WEATHER SUMMARY



Cold weather is expected from the northern Rockies to the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley. Mild weather is forecast elsewhere.

Midland statistics

Table with weather forecast and local temperatures for Midland, including high/low and precipitation.

Texas temperatures

Table listing temperatures for various Texas cities like Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, and El Paso.

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES

Table listing temperatures for cities in the southwest such as Denver, Albuquerque, and Phoenix.

Texas area forecasts

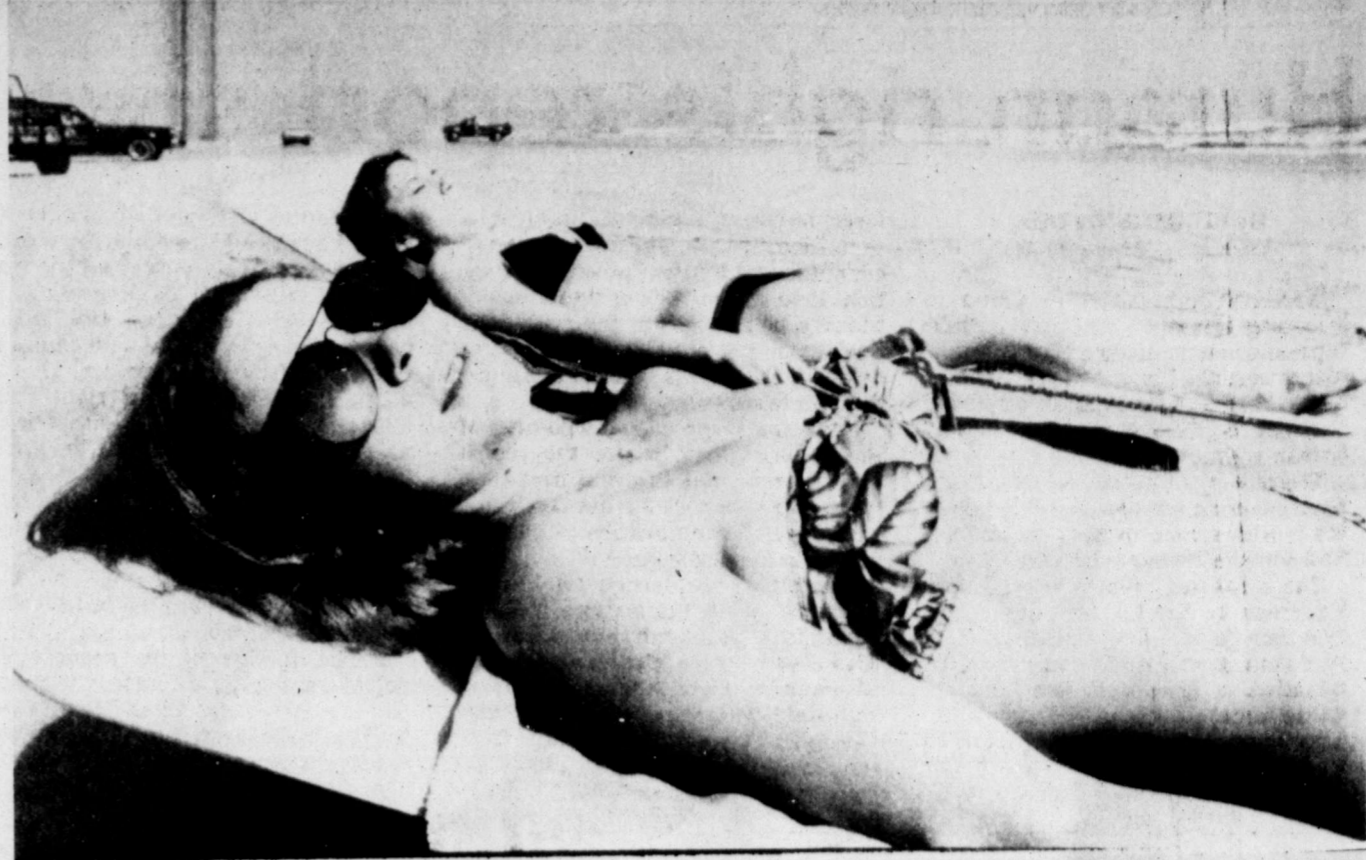
West Texas: Clear and cold today. Fair and not so cold tonight. Partly cloudy and warmer Thursday.

Extended forecasts

Friday Through Sunday: West Texas: Mostly cloudy with higher gusts today, diminishing and becoming northeast 10 to 15 tonight.

Record cold reported for Basin area

(Continued from Page 1A) gas" from suppliers. TESCO, then, switches to oil to run its generators. Bowlin said the cold weather had caused some problem in making the change as the switching mechanism was freezing up.



Other weather related incidents included frozen water pipes and broken windows at Chaparral Center. Joe Cutshall of the Central Fire Department reported the department had received six calls about frozen pipes during the night and early this morning.

Cutshall said persons who were concerned about their pipes freezing should "just leave the water running to keep a flow." As long as there is movement in the water line, the water should not freeze under normal cold temperatures, he said.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Clear and cold through tonight. Clear to partly cloudy and warmer Thursday. Highs upper teens tonight and fair Thursday.

More snow due

By The Associated Press More snow is in the forecast for much of the Midwest today following a bitter winter blast that claimed at least 13 lives.

The storm, the fiercest of the winter, was to reach from the upper Great Lakes through to Ohio Valley.

Showers and thundershowers were predicted across the southern Atlantic Coast states. Rain also was expected through the eastern Ohio Valley and across the rest of the Atlantic coast states, and showers were expected to dampen the Pacific Coast.

On Tuesday, more than a foot of snow fell over parts of the Midwest as tornadoes skipped across parts of the South. One person was killed by a Texas twister and dozens were injured when a tornado struck a school in Bay Minette, Ala.

Early today, snow fell from the upper Great Lakes to the mid-Mississippi Valley. Freezing rain hit Kentucky and rains reached across much of the East, with flooding in several areas of the Southeast.

Light snow was scattered over eastern Texas, and rain spread across northern California and Oregon.



Julie Clark, 19, and Julie Reuthinger, 18, enjoy the 80-degree weather on Padre Island Tuesday as near blizzard conditions, below, with wind gusts up to 45 miles an hour forced the closing of I-70 over Vail Pass in Colorado today. (AP Laserphotos)

Storm claims 13 lives

By TAMARA JONES Associated Press Writer

Winter's fiercest storm claimed at least 13 lives as icy winds hurled blinding snow across the nation's midsection virtually paralyzing cities as authorities urged people to stay indoors and wait out its wrath.

As the battered region from the Rockies to the eastern Great Lakes dug out from under up to a foot of snow, officials in four Southern states today surveyed the damage left by tornadoes that killed at least one and left dozens injured.

Early today, high winds swept up a trailer house outside Aien, S.C., and tossed it back to the ground, where it burst into flames, officials said. Two boys, brothers aged 8 and 9, were killed, said Coroner John Stohl.

A snowmobiler was found frozen to death in Idaho, and blowing snow, icy roads and zero visibility were blamed in traffic fatalities Tuesday in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Michigan.

Searchers became lost in near-blizzard conditions themselves before reaching the body of Arthur Frey, 47, about a half mile from the disabled snowmobile he had been riding in Island Park, Idaho.

Meanwhile, four people died in a 28-vehicle chain reaction crash on snow-shrouded Interstate 80 at Altoona, Iowa.

The storm turned much of Illinois into a windy deep-freeze after slinging up to a foot of wet snow across northern and central counties.

Authorities there reported two traffic deaths that may have been snow-related. A 64-year-old woman died when her auto veered into oncoming traffic in Arlington Heights and a 23-year-old pedestrian was killed by a hit-and-run driver, police said.

The Chicago metropolitan area was socked by a foot of snow, prompting several major hotels to offer reduced "snow rates" to commuters who didn't feel up to braving the snow to get home.

Across the country, several smaller airports — as well as hundreds of schools and businesses — closed. Four of seven runways at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport were shut because of strong winds, officials said.

State legislatures in Iowa and Michigan adjourned early because of the storm. Iowa's governor declared a state of emergency and ordered out the National Guard to help stranded motorists.

In Kansas, winds clocked at 55 mph careened across parts of the state as temperatures dropped to 20 below overnight, the weather service said.

The blowing and drifting snow created such treacherous conditions Tuesday that Doniphan County authorities in northeast Kansas ordered their snow-removal trucks off the road.

"The wind is blowing so hard, and the visibility is so poor, the truck drivers themselves could be endangered," said sheriff's dispatcher Lisa Bauman.

Tree limbs felled by the high winds caused scattered power outages to about 4,400 customers throughout Missouri, utility spokesmen said.

Even as the storm blew out of some areas to leave freezing rain behind, melting drifts and ice gave authorities new headaches. State police at Detroit reported that some freeway underpasses and low spots were flooded with up to a foot of water.

Meanwhile, at least 62 people were injured — four seriously — when a sudden tornado flattened a school and destroyed or damaged some two dozen other buildings in Bay Minette, Ala., about 40 miles northwest of Mobile.

Among the injured were 44 students at the Bay Minette Middle School, which was demolished by the twister Tuesday morning. Most sustained cuts from flying glass, hospital officials said, but two youngsters were in guarded condition Tuesday night.

"We didn't have five seconds warning," said Coach Harry Shiver. The tornado blew off both ends of the gym and ripped the roof off the rest of the school complex. The winds also knocked down a service station, a used car dealership and an auto parts store on U.S. 31.

Tornadoes also were reported in Florida, Georgia and Texas, where a teen-age girl died and three others were seriously injured when the gales blasted out the sides of their mobile home, authorities said.

Flash flood warnings and tornado watches were posted in Northwest Florida and gale warnings were issued along the state's Gulf Coast as a quick-moving cold front pushed across the panhandle and down the peninsula.

Stallions to perform The Royal Lipizzan Stallions will perform at Chaparral Center at 8 p.m. today.

Tickets are priced at \$7 and \$6 for adults, with a special \$2 discount for juniors 16 and under and seniors 65 and over. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Larry Campbell, the center manager, said the act had been here several years ago and that it was quite entertaining and a good family show.

Council prepares funding request

(Continued from Page 1A)

would want a loan." Along that same line of thinking, James Ramsoure suggested the money subsidize interest rates on loans from banks for people in that target area.

Michael Williams suggested the loan program be administered by private lending institutions with the city money subsidizing the interest rates.

But Councilman Tom Sloan argued that the city would have to pay the origination fee for these people. "Why not let the Housing Authority administer the loans and don't mess with those money changers," he said. "More money could go for loans."

Councilman Gordon Marcum II suggested the housing money be doubled with the \$500,000 going for the combination plan.

Other Midlanders living in the target area requested unpaved streets be paved before upgrading is done on Lamesa Road.

AND RAMSOURS remarked the city needed to conduct more police surveillance on some of those parks, rather than put in play equipment and sprinklers. There's gambling going on in the parks, he explained, and parents don't want their children to play there.

"They're doing it on the picnic tables. I don't know what kind of games are being played, but I know money is changing hands," he added.

The city staff will make revisions in the plan and it will be presented to the council Feb. 24 for approval. From there, it goes before the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, and then on to Washington.

The priority item on the council's shopping list for the \$625,000 in Revenue Sharing Funds was a new municipal court building. That should cost \$564,000, said City Manager James Brown.

Other requests from city staffers include \$145,000 to turn Wadley-Bar-

ron Park into a lake, \$90,000 for traffic signal improvements and whatever few cents are left over for sprinkler systems in parks.

IN LIGHT OF several other projects, Marcum suggested the council use part of the funds to get the court building started, and then finish it as other funds come in over the next few years.

Councilman Steve Davidson suggested doing more projects by taking money out of surplus and adding it to Revenue Sharing. But Marcum objected, saying the surplus fund already "is bleeding."

Requests from the audience included traffic signals at two intersections on Lamesa Road, barbecue grills and benches placed in parks, and bus stop signs for MidTran.

A final budget hearing on these funds will be held at 5 p.m. Feb. 24 in the Council Chambers.

Thefts, vandalism plague city police

Theft, burglary, and vandalism complaints kept police busy during the past 24 hours.

Department of Public Safety Trooper Ralph Ward, 707 McDonald St., told city police the light and siren bar was stolen from his patrol car Monday night while the vehicle was parked at his residence. Its value was placed at \$250.

Five windows worth a total of \$70 were reported broken at Burnett Elementary School, while a camera, two lenses, an automatic winder, a flash attachment, and a man's watch were said to be missing from the Aquila Aero Co. at Midland Regional Airport. No value was listed on the items.

Mrs. John Davis of 1610 North N St. said a park bench was taken from her front yard, and Kaye Kutch, 5101

North A St., reported a \$250 screen was stolen from a camper vehicle at her residence.

City firemen responded to several calls Tuesday and early this morning, including a fire scare resulting from steam rising off the roof of the Feath-

Police, Fire Roundup

erlite Corp., Midkiff Street and Industrial Road, just before 6 a.m. today.

A malfunctioning alarm also caused a fire scare about 7 a.m. today at the Marathon Oil Co., 125 W. Mo. St.

A downed power line and a transformer that shorted out were blamed for a grass fire in the 3600 block of

West La. Street about 2:30 a.m. today, while a grass fire in a vacant lot at 500 N. Fort Worth St. and a trash fire at 301 E. Dakota St. were quickly extinguished Tuesday afternoon and early evening.

A motorcyclist was taken to Midland Memorial Hospital Tuesday morning following an accident at the intersection of Florida Avenue and Mineola Street.

The motorcyclist, 26-year-old Patrick E. Linquist of 3305 Fannin, was listed in satisfactory condition this morning, suffering from a fractured ankle.

Police said his 1979 Kawasaki and a 1978 Mazda driven by Patricia Stanley Wigzell, also 26, of 1066 S. Mineola, collided at the intersection about 7 a.m. Tuesday. The Wigzell woman refused medical treatment.

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DEATHS

Dixon Shelton

PARIS — Dixon B. Shelton of Paris, Texas, father of Mrs. Ralph (Jane) Viney of Midland, died Feb. 1 at a Paris hospital.

Services were Feb. 3 in the Fry & Gibbs Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Ray Starnes of First United Methodist Church officiating, assisted by the Rev. William Fry of Sherman. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Fry & Gibbs Funeral Home.

Shelton was born Nov. 9, 1902, in Howland. He attended public schools at Howland and graduated from Paris High School in 1920. He attended Paris Junior College and Texas A&M University, receiving his bachelor's degree in 1924. He also attended the University of Arkansas and later received his master's degree from East Texas State University. He was married to Myra DeWitt Dec. 15, 1925. She preceded him in death on June 10, 1971.

He was a county agent in Brazoria County and taught at Howland and in Paris, retiring from Paris High School in 1969. He was active in 4-H Club work and with all agencies associated with agriculture. He was a Rotarian and a member of the Paris and Lamar County Chamber of Commerce.

Other survivors include a daughter, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ken Banks

KINGSLAND — Services for Kenyon "Ken" Banks, 59, of Kingsland, stepfather of Dwayne Slemmons of Midland, were to be at 3 p.m. today at the Kingsland Church of Christ at Kingsland. Burial will follow at Lake-land Hills Memorial Park under the direction of Waldroop Funeral Home in Kingsland.

Banks died Monday in a Llano hospital.

He was born May 17, 1921, at Mount Vernon, Texas. He was married to Gertrude Toler at Brownsfield in 1976. He was a veteran of World War II.

Other survivors include his wife, four sons, two daughters, a brother, a sister and 12 grandchildren.

Ida Wood

Ida Wood, 77, of rural Midland died Sunday in a Midland nursing home following a lengthy illness.

Graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. G.A. McGee of Belview Baptist Church officiating. Services are under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wood was born Jan. 6, 1904, in Vinita, Okla. She grew up in Mulberry, Kan., and moved to Healdton,

Okla., in 1920. She was married to the late Dewey Wood Jan. 1, 1921. They lived in Big Spring and Terrell before moving to Midland in 1962. She had been in failing health for the past two years. She was a member of Belview Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Vada Mouglin of Midland and Ginger Holmes of Terrell; two brothers, John Hammon of Pampa and Raymond Hammon of Healdton, Okla.; three sisters, Elsie Cunningham of Big Spring and Pauline Hammon and Vernice Space, both of Healdton, Okla.; three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

J.A. Steele Sr.

Services for J. Albert Steele Sr., 79, of 720 Boyd, were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First Presbyterian Church chapel with Dr. Robert Boynton Smith and Dr. Ray Riddle officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Steele died Sunday at his home following a sudden illness.

Pallbearers were to be Harris Eastham, Jack Swafford, W.A. Yeager Jr., Boley Embrey, A.E. Smith, O.W. "Bill" Parker, Jack Klingler of Huntsville and Vernon Pettis of Dallas.

Honorary pallbearers were to be Ted Maloy of Dallas, Thomas Hudson McKee of Dallas, Robert Coddington, Bud Larson and Judge Bang Benjamin, all of Paxton, Ill., Keith Berry of Vernon, Roy Davis of San Angelo, Bud Sailor of Malta Bend, Mo., Robert G. Anderson of New York, N.Y., and the landmen associated with Steele & Associates.

Van B. Turner

Van B. Turner, 60, of Abilene died at his residence in Abilene Monday after a lengthy illness.

Services were to be at 10 a.m. today at the Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Memories in Abilene with the Rev. Sammie Ellis, pastor of Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Graveside services were to be at 2:30 p.m. today at Fairview Cemetery in Midland under the direction of Elliot-Hamil Funeral Home of Abilene.

Turner was born June 6, 1920, in Charleston. He was married to Frances Joyce Heard Sept. 20, 1949, in Midland and moved to Abilene from Monahans in 1955. He graduated from Roby High School in 1939. He was a worker for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. for 38 years prior to his

retirement due to ill health. He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers, Masonic Lodge and the Waco Scottish Rite Consistory.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Turner of Abilene; his mother, Ruby Turner of Abilene; and five sisters, Mrs. Loyd Grissom of Anson, Mrs. Tom Watts of Graham, Mrs. W.L. Cook of Andrews, Mrs. Jean Eller of Hurst and Mrs. Keith Simkins of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Mary Browning

Mary Jane Browning, 88, of 3311 Mariana Ave., died early Tuesday morning in a Midland nursing home following a lengthy illness.

Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Dr. Daniel Vestal, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating to be assisted by the Rev. Roy Carley of the First Baptist Church. Burial will be in Baird Cemetery in Baird under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Born March 4, 1892, in Gatesville, she grew up in Ranger, having moved there in her early life. She attended

Texas A&M

educator

dead at 91

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday for George B. Wilcox, former head of the Texas A&M University Education and Psychology Department. Wilcox died Monday in Dallas at the age of 91.

Wilcox, an organizer of the Texas State Teachers Retirement System, as a 1911 graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College and was a high-school administrator in Groesbeck, Wharton, Plantersville and Cleveland before World War I.

After the war Wilcox took a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M and a master's at Columbia University in 1926.

He was an organizer and the first principal for the A&M Consolidated public school system of College Station in 1920.

Another child added to Atlanta missing list

ATLANTA (AP) — An 11-year-old black boy who disappeared in downtown Atlanta after a boxing match Friday night has been added to the list of victims in a series of slayings and disappearances.

The special police task force handling the cases has been asked to investigate the disappearance of Patrick Baltazar, Public Safety Commissioner Le P. Brown said late Tuesday.

Baltazar is the 18th black child between the ages of 7 and 15 who has disappeared in the Atlanta area since July 1979. Fifteen of those children have been found dead.

The police department's missing person unit had conducted "an exhaustive and thorough investigation" into Baltazar's disappearance without locating the child, Brown said.

Meanwhile, Mayor Maynard Jackson said actor Burt Reynolds had contributed \$10,000 to the investigation, and a bill was introduced in the Georgia Legislature that would make the murder of a child an aggravating

circumstance justifying the death penalty.

The bill would add one more aggravating circumstance to the 10 a jury now must consider in deciding whether to impose a death penalty under Georgia's capital punishment law.

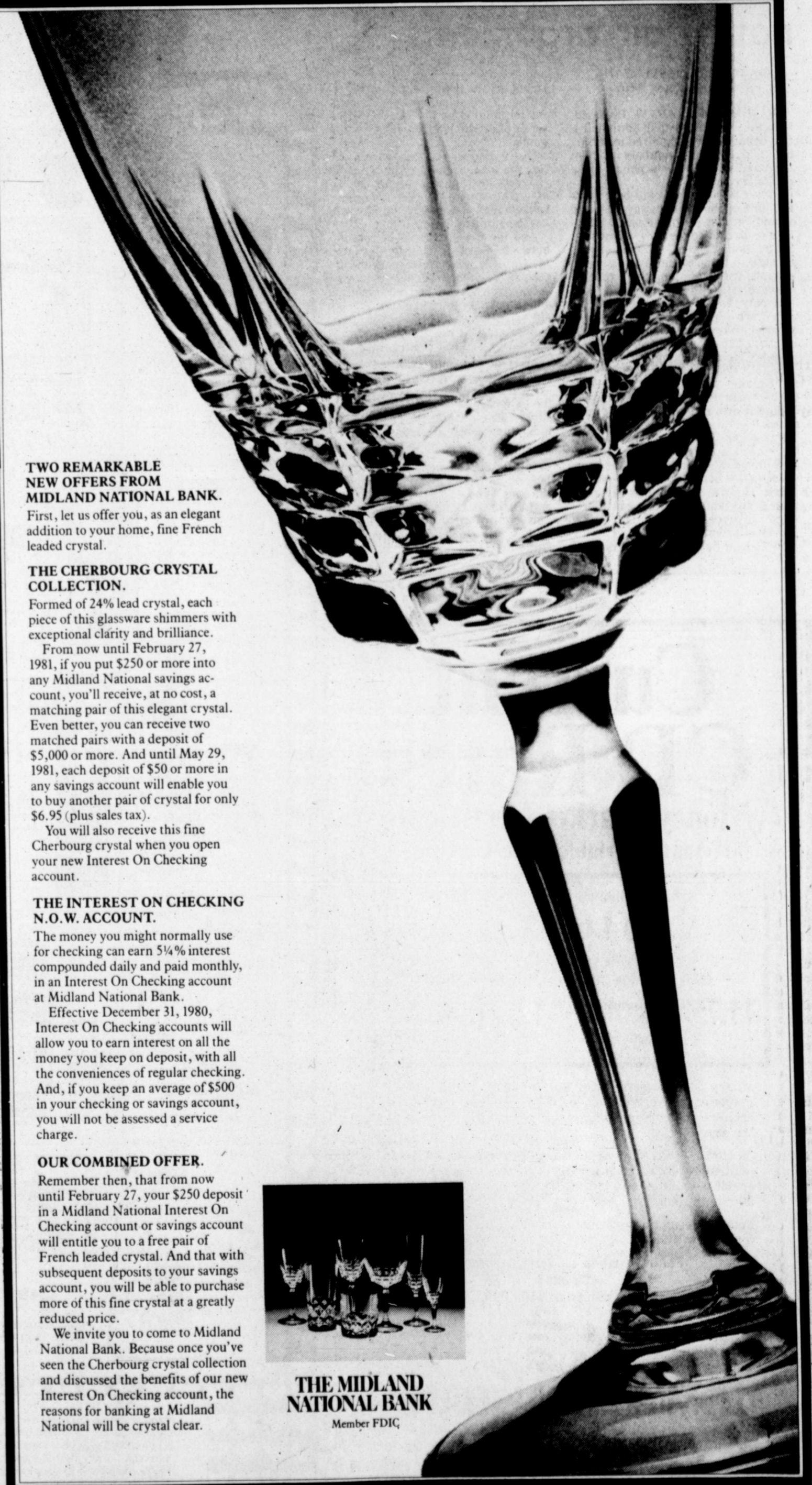
And a letter from a 10-year-old boy to "Mr. Murderer" was published Tuesday in The Atlanta Journal.

"Being a kid isn't so bad but I want the chance to grow up," the youngster wrote. "I hope you read this and stop killing little children please, and turn yourself in."

His mother, who asked anonymity, said her son was afraid to go out at night and "seemed to really feel in his little heart that if this mean man heard it (the plea) from a child, it might really make a difference."

Als Tuesday, Brown gave the city council's public safety committee a written report on the investigation's progress since the task force was formed in July 1980.

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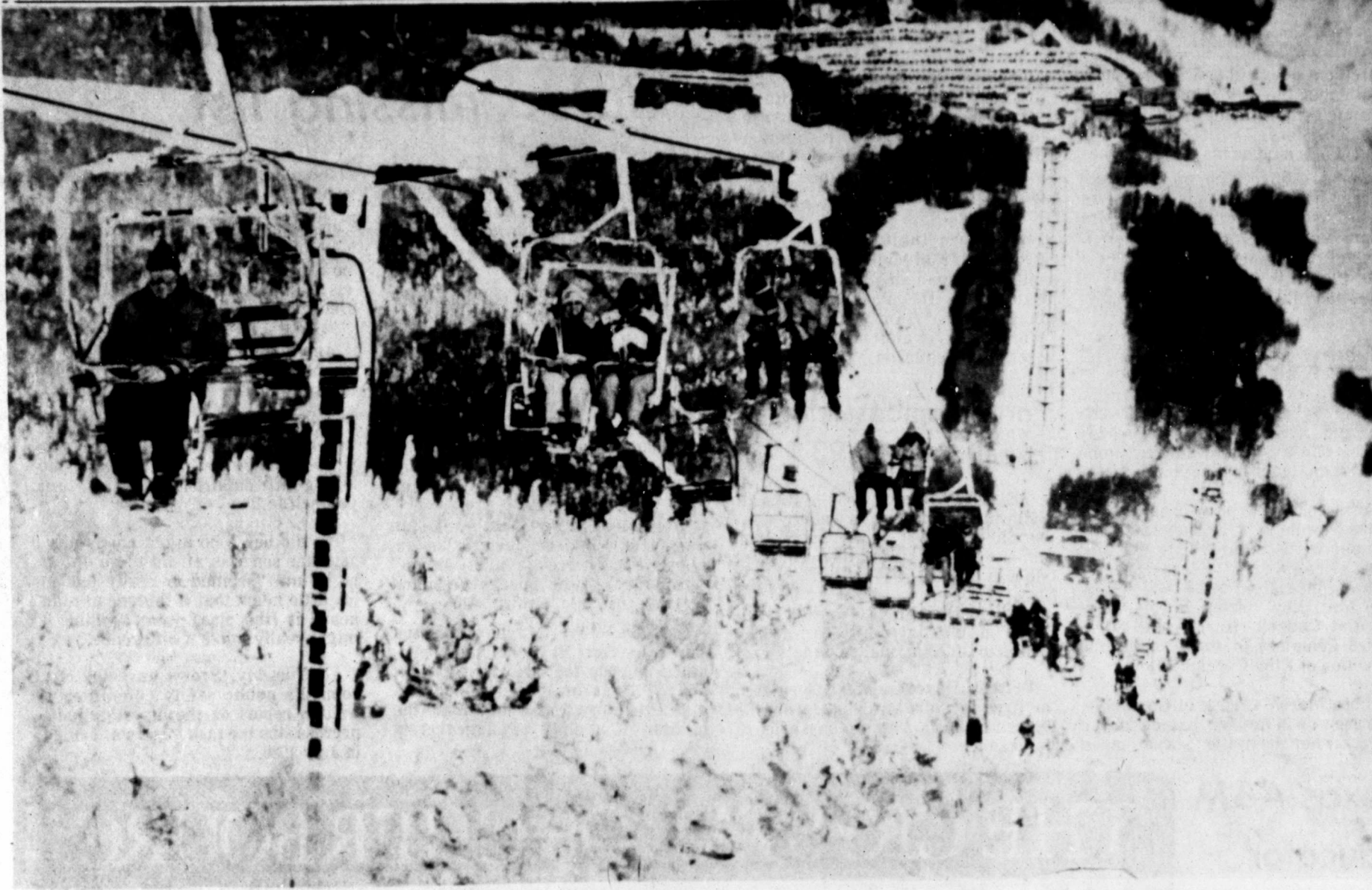
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Winter's back and ski resort operators in Maine are back in full swing this week as up to a foot of fresh snow from weekend storms blankets previously barren trails and slopes. Skiers ride up the Sugarloaf mountainside near Carrabasset Valley, Maine, with snow-laden trees providing a scenic background. (AP Laserphoto)

Reagan advises aids not to air arguments

By JAMES GERSTENZANG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan, concerned that administration debates are being aired in public, has told Cabinet members in firm language to keep their policy arguments private.

"The Cabinet should not be a sieve and things that people say in there should remain in that room," White House press secretary James S. Brady said Monday. "People should be able to discuss and express their opinions without having them repeated on the street."

Deputy White House press secretary Larry Speakes said Reagan expressed his opinions about news leaks in "firm but not angry" tones at last week's Cabinet meeting.

Exactly what he said hasn't leaked, but Speakes said the president "did express some feelings that we should definitely do our debating among ourselves."

News leaks of White House secrets have been a perennial problem for past presidents, and Reagan has been no exception in his first three weeks in office. The Washington Post reported that Brady and other Reagan aides tried unsuccessfully to trace the source of leaks.

In recent days, a compilation of

budget-cutting proposals prepared by David A. Stockman, director of the Office of Management and Budget, was circulated by the administration on Capitol Hill and quickly became public.

There also was a news report that Reagan had decided at last week's Cabinet meeting to continue the Soviet grain embargo, although official spokesmen maintained no decision had been made.

And there were stories of conflicts between Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. and Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger over deploying the neutron weapon and between Haig and Stockman over cutting foreign aid.

The budget proposals on which Reagan is working have been the subject of the most leaks, although Brady said that wasn't surprising.

"When you consult that widely with the Congress, it is inevitable," Brady said. "The people on the Hill are indulging in selective leaking."

Speakes said Reagan recognized that differences among Cabinet members occasionally would "break out in the open" and was not asking them to refrain from expressing their views publicly on various issues. But, he added, "the president would hear from them first."

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Fast balls and hard knocks fly at banquet

Over 700 fans turn out for night with the stars

By TED BATTLES
Sports Editor

Bobby Winkles' baseball coaching career at Arizona State began on his way to the major leagues. The current Chicago White Sox coach had advanced to triple-A at Indianapolis when Walker Cooper informed him that only one thing was keeping him out of the majors.

"What's that?" Bobby pressed eagerly, "I'll start working on it right away."

"Ability," replied Cooper...

Nolan Ryan, the Houston Express looked over at Don Sutton, and admitted he was sorry that the ex-Dodger had signed with the Houston Astros. "Don Sutton is the only guy to give up a homer to me and I was looking forward to batting against him again..."

SUTTON, who compiled more victories and more strikeouts with the Dodgers than either Sandy Koufax or Don Drysdale, said he was already sick of hearing how many strikeouts, no-hitters and shutouts Ryan had pitched during his career, noting it was no great feat. "I'd just like to see him do it with my stuff..."

That's a brief glimpse of the kind of treatment accorded some 700 \$35-a-plate fans who braved a blue norther for the third annual Midland Sports Banquet Tuesday night at Green Tree Country Club.

The annual blue ribbon event attracted sports celebrities from near and far, a couple didn't make it, but those unadvertised celebrities, like Earl Campbell, Junior Miller and Cliff Harris, who did, more than made up for it.

The list included Houston Astros' owner John McMullen, lefthanded pitcher Richard Wortham, the White Sox pitcher whose Christmas present came when he learned he had been traded from a tallender to pennant contending Montreal; David Parks, the one time Abilene High all-stater, Texas Tech All-America and San Francisco 49er wide receiver; Midland's Tom Brahaney, an Oklahoma All-America and starting St. Louis Cardinals' center; and Vivian Smith, one of the early owners of the Houston Astros.

WINKLES kept the evening moving with his spicily humor as moderator for a speakers' panel that included Sutton, Ryan, Atlanta Falcons GM Eddie LeBaron, former OU star Jack Mildren, Bill Rigney, Sr., of the California Angels; and Chicago Cubs GM Bob Kennedy, who wasn't kidding when he noted he was enjoying the pleasant weather in Midland.

"When I left Chicago this morning, there was eight inches of snow on the ground and I understand another 12 has fallen since."

If Sutton can pitch as well as he can quip, and he can, he should be more than his description of himself as the "icing on the cake" of the talent-deep Houston pitching staff.

Sutton resents charges that he cuts, like in doctor, the baseball. "Tommy John cuts the baseball. I just bruise it a little bit and only days that I pitch."

Looking over at Mildren, he referred to the ex-OU quarterback as "the humility coach for Muhammad Ali."

HE ALSO noted he would be looking forward to playing for a quiet manager like Bill Virdon. "It will be a change playing for a manager who doesn't come to the mound every inning when the game is on TV," he said in reference to the Dodgers Tom Lasorda, adding that he always made sure he was facing that "little red light".

Sutton related that one particularly rough day, Lasorda came out and asked for the ball. Don refused to give it to him. It went on for a while, Lasorda asking, then begging for the ball and Sutton adamantly refusing. Finally, Lasorda in exasperation, pleaded, "Just let me rub it up a little."

Sutton indicated he has learned his Texas geography already, noting he was happy to be pitching in Houston. "For what John McMullen is paying me, I'd play in my underwear in Wink."

ON THE subject of Brinks job the California Angels pulled off in Boston when they landed shortstop Rick Burleson, third baseman Butch Hobson and outfielder Fred Lynn, Rigney observed, "I don't know what kind of pitching we'll have, but with our offense we may never take the field."

LeBaron is enjoying the fruits of success with bigger and better things ahead at Atlanta, but he recalls those early expansion years with the Cowboys. "In 1960 in the Cotton Bowl one of the rewards of playing with the Cowboys was that we got to know all the fans personally. They sat behind the bench and offered Coach Tom Landry advice."

LeBaron, now in the front office where he deals with escalating player contracts, recalls his first year with the Washington Redskins back in 1950 when owner George Preston Marshall complained, when the subject of more money came up, "Do you realize that I pay 33 players a total of \$175,000..."

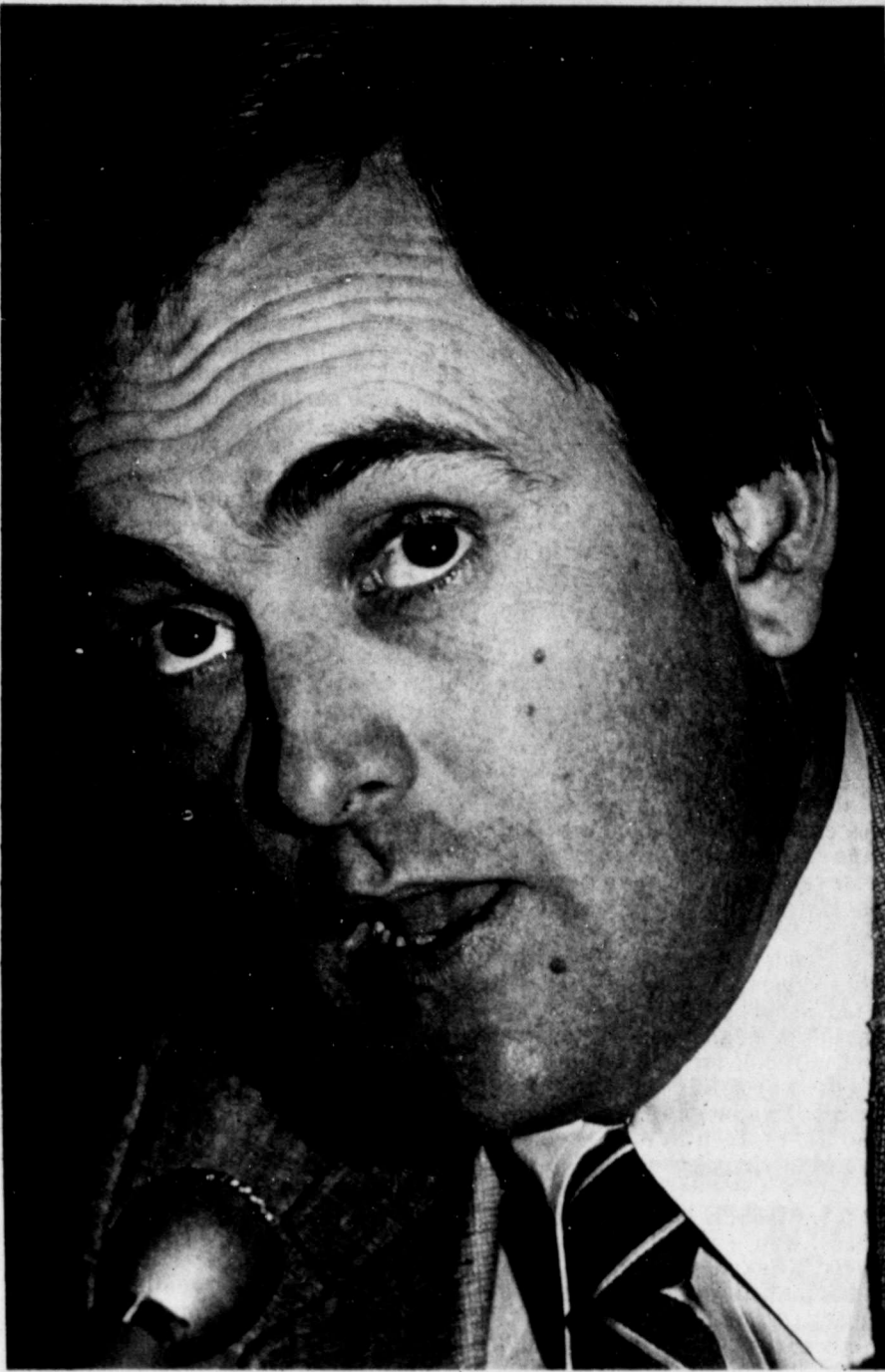
The 5-7 LeBaron admits he's a glaring example of what can happen to a player who spends 12 years in the NFL. "When I got out of college, I was 6-3".

CAMPBELL, who blamed Joe Henderson's persistence for his appearance at the banquet, was suitably impressed by Midland's energy posture. "I didn't realize all this went on out here. At this point, I'd say I'm unemployed, but I'm in a good place to be unemployed."

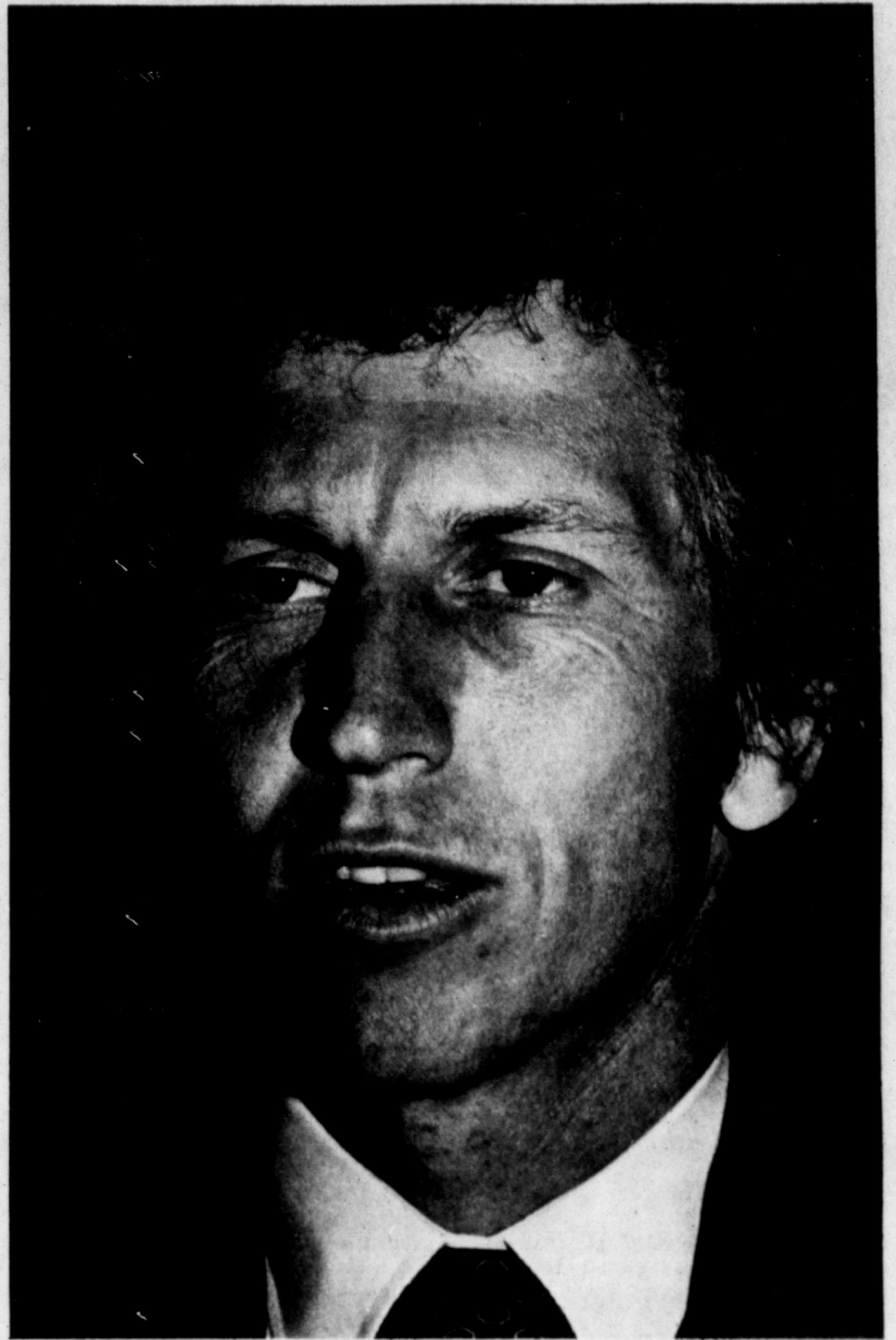
About Bum Phillips' departure as Houston Oilers coach, "The only bad thing was that he didn't take me with him."

And after being raised in Tyler, playing at Texas in Austin and with the Oilers in Houston, someone asked Earl if Midland was ripe for an NFL franchise. "They'll have to import some palm trees from California. I was telling someone this afternoon that if they get to shooting in Midland, if you're not near a house, they're going to kill you."

It was a show that J.R. Richard, forgiveably unable to make it, and Carlos Palomino, grounded by weather in Bakersfield, Calif., would have enjoyed.



Houston Astro flamer Nolan Ryan
...will miss batting against Don Sutton



Newest Houston millionaire Don Sutton
...would play in Wink for the right money

Cold air doesn't slow steamy Bulldogs

By BOB DILLON
Sports Writer

Basketball fans watched a mighty cool game Tuesday night in Chaparral Center.

It seems as though high winds blew out several windows around noon, so with them boarded up, usually cozy Chap Center was cool indeed, but Herbert Johnson and Preston Robertson were hot as the 9th-ranked Midland High Bulldogs gunned down the Big Spring Steers, 75-51, in a District 5-5A basketball game.

It might have been because basketball coaches from Baylor and Washington State were in the stands, top coats and all, but Johnson, the talented 6-foot-9 senior, pumped in 24 points as Midland was chalking up its 26th

victory of the season against three losses and more important, stays in first place with the San Angelo Bobcats with a 2-0 reading in the second half of the 5-5A race. Central took a narrow 53-51 victory over Midland Lee Tuesday night.

THE VICTORY for Coach Jack Stephenson's Purple Pack was their 12th in a row since a loss to Altus, Okla., back in December in the Holiday Classic Tournament in Hobbs, N.M.

Johnson started slowly, but wound up with 13 points at halftime. He hit four field goals in the third period with one being a slam-dunk and added three more points in the final period before going to the bench for a rest.

Robertson netted 12 points, scoring two buckets in each of the last three

periods. Mike Velasco missed the double figures by two points with eight as 11 of the 16 Bulldogs who played got into the scoring column.

WHILE JOHNSON and Robertson were showing their talents, Bobby Earl Williams, Big Spring's all-around junior athlete, popped in 18 points for the Steers. Fletcher Johnson added nine more as the visitors stand 1-1 in the second half of the race and 11-16 on the year.

Midland jumped off to a 22-14 first period lead with Johnson scoring seven points for the Pack, but a 20-point outburst in the second period when Johnson hit three field goals gave Stephenson's outfit a halftime bulge of 42-28 and the rout was on.

The Pack kept it up in the third period, outscoring the Steers 16-10 to take a 58-38 lead into the final period of play. With subs playing most of the final period, the game was already decided. MHS outscored Big Spring, 17-13 in the final eight minutes.

MIDLAND CONNECTED for 32 field goals while hitting 11 of 16 free

throws. Big Spring, meanwhile, had 23 field goals but only five of eight charity tosses with only 25 fouls being called the entire game on both teams.

The chilly fans seemed thankful and were glad to hurry to their cars after the easy victory.

Midland swept the two-game set with the Steers, winning the junior varsity game, 57-43, with Scott Sears and James Johnson paying the way with 17 and 10 points respectively for the Bulldogs. High for Big Spring was Spears with 12 markers.

Midland travels to Abilene Friday night for a date with the Abilene High Eagles, a team which Midland High whipped, 71-51, in the first round of 5-5A action.

MIDLAND (75) — Herb Johnson 11-2-1-24; Horace Brown 3-3-3; Mike Velasco 2-4-8; Don Sharnowski 1-2-1; Michael Feldt 2-0-0; Justin Morrett 1-0-0-2; Steve Miller 2-0-2-4; Preston Robertson 6-0-0-12; Raymond Parker 3-3-3; Scott Louderback 1-0-2; Jim Gunnels 2-0-4; Ted Barryley 4-0-0; Kevin Griffin 0-0-1-0; Barr Bolger 0-0-0; Brian Dunn 0-0-0-0. Totals: 22-11-75.

BIG SPRING (51) — Bobby Earl Williams 8-2-4-18; Dicki Wrightall 4-0-2-8; Jerald Wrightall 2-0-3-4; James Doss 4-0-2-8; Fletcher Johnson 4-1-2-9; Bobby Brasel 0-0-0-0; Robert Rubio 0-2-1-2. Totals: 25-14-51.

Score by periods: Midland High 22 16 17-75; Big Spring 14 16 13-51

Charmed Bobcats survive Lee Rebs

SAN ANGELO — The San Angelo Bobcats are leading a charmed life. They pulled out a narrow 53-51 District 5-5A basketball victory Tuesday night over Coach Paul Stueckler's Midland Lee Rebels to stay in a tie with Midland High in the second half of the race with a 2-0 mark.

Last Tuesday, the Bobcats closed out the first half of the race with a four-point overtime win over Big Spring and then beat Abilene Cooper, 60-59, last Friday to open the second half of the race and then the two-point win over the Rebels Tuesday in the Concho City.

Gregg Diebitsch pulled down an offensive rebound with less than 30 seconds left and went back up to put the ball back in. Lee raced down court where Randy Pepper misfired on a 22-footer from the right side of the baseline. Cody Cox got the rebound for San Angelo and went the length of the court to score, but the buzzer had already sounded and Lee was the heart-breaking loser.

Lee stands 1-1 in the second half of the race and entertains the 1-1 Abilene Cooper Cougars in the Chaparral Center on the Midland College campus Friday night in its next outing.

Darius Berry led the way for the 11-17 Rebs with 18 big points for one if

his better performances of the season. Kenneth Brown was next with nine points for the Tall City team.

Cox led the Bobcats with 16 points while teammates Hercules Miller and Jeff Latham followed with 10 each.

The Bobcats are now 19-7 on the season.

San Angelo also won the junior varsity contest, 49-40.

MIDLAND LEE (51) — Pepper 3-0-6; Berry 6-2-12; Dunson 4-0-8; Brown 4-1-9; Smith 2-0-4; Blackwell 1-0-2; McLendon 6-0-12. Totals: 24-3-51.

SAN ANGELO (53) — Miller 5-0-10; Hayes 3-3-9; Diebitsch 1-0-8; Cox 8-0-16; Latham 3-4-10. Totals: 22-7-53.

Score by periods: Midland Lee 12 12 16 11-51; San Angelo 16 15 14 8-53

District 5-5A Boys
Second Half

Teams	Dist.	Season		
	W	L	W	L
x-Midland High	2	0	26	3
San Angelo	2	0	19	7
Odessa Permian	1	1	15	10
Abilene Cooper	1	1	13	13
Midland Lee	1	1	12	17
Big Spring	1	1	11	16
Abilene High	0	2	15	12
Odessa High	0	2	4	24

x-First Half champion with 7-0 record.

Tuesday's Results: Midland High 75, Big Spring 51; San Angelo 53, Midland Lee 51; Abilene Cooper 52, Odessa High 43; Odessa Permian 62, Abilene High 60.

Friday's Games: Abilene Cooper vs. Midland Lee, 8 p.m. at Chaparral Center; Midland High at Abilene High; Odessa Permian at Big Spring; San Angelo at Odessa High.

Permian, Cooper take wins

Odessa Permian and Abilene Cooper pulled off District 5-5A basketball victories Tuesday night.

The Panthers took a narrow 62-60 victory over the Abilene High Eagles in Odessa while Cooper's Cougars downed the Odessa High Bronchos, 52-43 in Abilene.

Gale Smith and David Donaway led the Panthers to their 15th win of the season and 5-5A mark to 1-1 in the second half of the race. Smith scored 13 points and Donaway 10 more for the Panthers. Lee McClendon also was the double figures with 12 more. High for the Eagles were John Chalk,

Robert Haynes and Ty Sasin with 15, 14 and 12 points, respectively.

PERMIAN (62) — Inzer 1-0-2; Brown 1-1-3; Donaway 5-0-10; McDonald 3-0-6; Nichols 1-2-4; Smith 6-1-12; McLendon 6-0-12; Woolley 2-1-5; Anderson 0-2-2; Armstrong 1-1-3; Williams 1-0-2. Totals: 22-8-62.

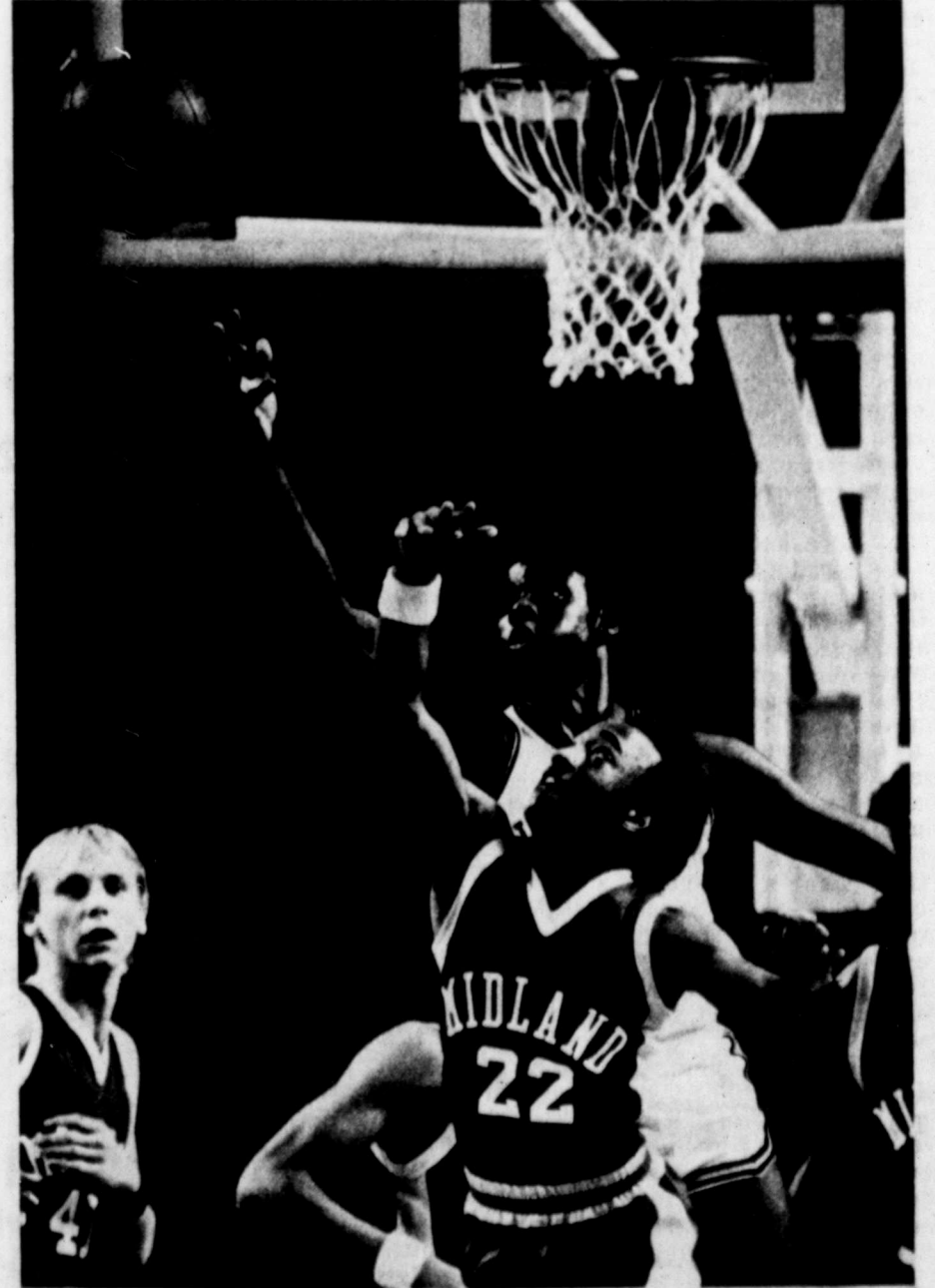
ABILENE (60) — Haynes 7-0-14; Judie 3-1-7; Wright 2-1-5; Chalk 2-5-15; Sasin 6-0-12; Hargeshimer 0-2-2; Porfili 1-1-3. Totals: 25-10-60.

Score by periods: Permian 21 18 17 8-62; Abilene 12 15 23 19-60

COOPER (52) — Falkner 1-2-4; McLeod 7-3-17; Dycus 8-2-19; Duskov 4-0-8; Hayes 2-0-4. Totals: 22-8-62.

ODESSA (43) — Olivas 1-2-4; Natividad 0-1-1; Wright 8-0-16; Rodriguez 1-0-2; Kesler 2-0-4; Gilliland 4-4-12; Renoldvies 1-0-2. Totals: 17-9-42.

Score by periods: Odessa 9 10 16 8-62; Cooper 11 12 13 16-52



Midland High mighty mite Booker Mackey (22) has high hopes at coming up with this loose ball Tuesday night during the MHS-Big Spring basketball matchup. Steve Miller, left, looks to see how things turn out, but the unidentified Big Spring player appears to have the reach. (Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert)



White Sox coach Bobby Winkles
...lacking in only one area as a player



Steve Miller (40) of the Midland High Bulldogs tries to make life miserable for Big Spring's Fletcher Johnson Tuesday night at Chaparral Center in a District 5-5A basketball matchup. The Bulldogs made life miserable for all the Steers in a 75-51 victory. (Staff Photo by Paul Gilbert)

Razorbacks gun down Bears

By The Associated Press

The Arkansas Razorbacks are alive and well an right back in the middle of the Southwest Conference basketball race again.

The Razorbacks played strong defense Tuesday to coast to an easy 67-50 victory over the Baylor Bears to set the stage for Saturday's "High Noon" type shootout with the Houston Cougars.

Appropriately the game will be played at high noon Saturday for a regional television audience with the Razorbacks hoping to use the home floor advantage to move closer to the first place Cougars.

IN OTHER SWC roundball action Tuesday night, Texas edged Texas Christian, 88-84; Texas Tech beat Rice, 61-55, and Texas A&M beat Southern Methodist, 61-56.

Arkansas coach Eddie Sutton said the Razorbacks played their best defense ever for 20 minutes in the victory over Baylor. The Razorbacks used a strong man-to-man defense to limit Baylor to eight points in a 16-minute span.

"Our press did a great job. I'm sure they threw the ball away seven or eight times against it," Sutton said.

Darrell Walker came off the bench to score 16 points for Arkansas and Scott Hastings had 22 for the Razorbacks. Terry Teagle had 14 points and

was the only Baylor player scoring in double figures.

BAYLOR COACH Jim Haller said Hastings was the difference in the game.

"We usually do well against Arkansas when we shut Hastings off, but tonight he had 14 points by halftime," Haller said.

The Texas Longhorns jumped off to a comfortable 53-28 halftime lead, but had to hang on at the end for an 88-84 victory over TCU.

Texas coach Abe Lemons said he didn't know what happened in the second half when TCU outscored the Longhorns in the opening minutes and pulled to within 2 points with just under a minute remaining in the game.

"I guess you've got to play them close to keep the crowds coming back. We had a whole lot of bad and little bit of good tonight and that sort of sums up the whole year," Lemons said.

Ken Montgomery had 28 points and LaSalle Thompson had 19 for Texas. Deckery Johnson had 20 and Darrell Browder had 17 for the Horned Frogs.

Vernon Smith hit 21 points to lead the Texas A&M to their fourth consecutive SWC victory as the Aggies beat SMU, 61-56.

Dave Plehler had 19 points for the Mustangs.

"It wasn't pretty, but I'll take...I'll take anything these days," said Aggies coach Shelby Metcalf, noting that the four straight victories came after seven consecutive conference losses for the defending champion Aggies.

SMU coach Dave Bliss also noted that the Aggies are improving.

"A&M seems to be playing very well at this point and they are going to make it difficult for some teams the rest of the way," Bliss said.

Clarence Swannegan scored 17 points to lead Texas Tech to a 61-55 come-from-behind victory over Rice.

RICKY PIERCE had 24 points for the Owls, who grabbed a 34-27 halftime lead. Swannegan scored 15 of his 17 points in the second half to pace a comeback for the Red Raiders.

"We needed this one awfully bad," said Tech coach Gerald Myers. "Our players came in at the half with their heads down, but I'll give them credit, they came back strong with their heads up."

Rice coach Mike Schuler praised Swannegan's performance although he was quite upset about the loss.

"It was a very disappointing, very disturbing loss to us," he said.

In addition to Saturday's regionally televised game matching the Cougars and Razorbacks, Baylor is at Texas Tech, Texas A&M visits Rice and TCU is at SMU for night games.

Irish sweep Boston, 89-63

By The Associated Press

Digger Phelps wasn't thrilled with his 200th coaching victory at Notre Dame. He might have clicked his heels a few times, though, had it come one game earlier.

Rebounding with a vengeance from a tough one-point loss to UCLA on Sunday that dropped them to 12th in The Associated Press ratings, the Irish crushed Boston University 89-63 Tuesday night.

"We had the mental intensity we needed," Phelps said. "We shot 74 percent in the first half (20 of 27) against a team that was pressing and using a zone. We were just in a good groove and that got things going."

But as far as his 200th triumph against 82 losses since coming to Notre Dame, Phelps had to confess that he felt "nothing really. That's for

someone else to worry about. All I'd like to do is win the national title, then celebrate."

The only other ranked team to see action on a slim schedule was No. 18 South Alabama, which rolled to an 82-49 Sun Belt Conference victory over Georgia State. South Alabama (20-3) reached the 20-victory plateau for the third year in a row while dealing Georgia State its 18th consecutive setback.

Rory White led the winners with 21 points, and Ed Rains added 20. Georgia State Coach Roger Couch was ejected with just 7:13 gone in the game when he was socked with his third technical foul. He picked up the first one for arguing over an official's call and got the last two for continuing to gripe about the first one.

Phelps' 200th triumph was never in doubt. Notre Dame scored the game's first 10 points, including four apiece

by John Paxson and Tim Andree. Orlando Woolridge led the Irish with 18 points and Tracy Jackson added 17.

BU Coach Rick Pitino said his Terriers were "totally intimidated" by playing in South Bend. "We were in awe, not just of the Notre Dame basketball team, but of Notre Dame, period," he added. "We're a good New England team. We play Boston College and Connecticut and some of the other top teams in the East, but we weren't mentally prepared at all."

"We were certainly not a good representative of Eastern basketball. We are tired. We've been on the road to New Mexico. Boston University has upgraded its schedule to improve the team, but that doesn't necessarily work. This is a level we want to play at. Hopefully, we'll arrive there in a shorter period of time than the tonight's show."

Dave Collins goes to well once too often

By The Associated Press

Maybe Cincinnati Reds outfielder Dave Collins went to the well once too often.

After winning an arbitrator's judgement last year, Collins lost Tuesday's decision and will have to settle for a \$100,000 salary increase. He had sought a raise of nearly \$200,000.

Scheduled to begin his arbitration hearing today was New York Yankees catcher Rick Ceroni.

Collins, who was paid \$167,500 last season, must accept a \$267,500 salary for a one-year contract with the National League team. He had sought \$60,000.

Collins batted .303 and stole 79 bases last season.

"I wish we didn't have to do it but it's part of life," said Reds President Dick Wagner. "Dave exercised his option to go and we did what we had to do. The same system that agreed with him last year accepted the club's offer this year."

Collins refused a four-year contract offered by the Reds and becomes eligible to be a free agent after the 1981 season.

"I found out how badly the Reds wanted to beat me," Collins said. "They said some things I will remember. It was very noticeable that they wanted badly to win. Nothing surprises me that they do."

Two other players have won their arbitration decisions.

Ron Jackson of the Minnesota Twins was awarded a \$200,000 salary for the 1981 season by arbitrator Bob Stutz, according to Jackson's agent, Abdul Jalil, while an arbitrator also ruled in favor of first baseman Jason Thompson of the California Angels.

Jackson, a first baseman who batted .265 last season with five home runs and 42 runs batted in, received \$115,000 last year. The Twins had tried to cut his salary by the maximum 20 percent to \$92,000.

Thompson, obtained by the Angels in an early season trade with Detroit, was used mainly as a designated hitter by California. He played in 102 games for the Angels, hitting 17 homers and driving in 70 runs. He reportedly received \$340,000 — twice his 1980 salary.

The Angels won an

earlier arbitration case involving catcher Dave Skaggs. Prior to the hearing, the Angels put Skaggs on waivers.

The Toronto Blue Jays Tuesday said they have signed five players, including outfielder Barry Bonnell, one of four Blue Jays who had filed for arbitration. First baseman John Mayberry reached agreement one day after the filing deadline and outfielder Al Woods agreed to a one-year deal Monday.

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SWC in final recruiting push

By The Associated Press

Coaches and recruiters from nine Southwest Conference schools fanned out across Texas today to sign the

cream of the schoolboy football crop, but several bluechippers — including Richardson Pearce's defensive lineman, Ray Childress — ended the suspense Tuesday.

John Barns said he will wait until next week and sign a national letter of intent with Stanford.

Kush trial gets heated

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Fomer Arizona State assistant football coach Bob Owens has testified that ex-Sun Devil head Coach Frank Kush told him that he and other coaches must get their stories straight about an alleged punching incident or face getting fired.

Owens said Tuesday that Kush told his assistants on two occasions that he did not strike punter Kevin Rutledge in a 1978 game and that they "should all stick together" even at the risk of lying and perjuring themselves "or we would all be fired."

Childress, a 6-foot-6, 235-pounder who was injured most of his senior season, announced he will enroll at Texas A&M University.

The national signing day is next Wednesday and most SWC coaches said they will not release their signing lists until then. Some said they don't want to give outside schools such as Colorado and Oklahoma any help.

Rutledge, who now attends the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, is suing Kush and others — claiming Kush punched him in the mouth after a punt in Arizona State's 41-7 loss to Washington Oct. 28, 1978, in Seattle.

His final decision eliminated Nebraska and Texas.

The top bluechip running back in the state, Patrick Franklin of Bay City, has narrowed his choice down to Houston and Texas A&M.

Rutledge also contends Kush and former Arizona State assistant coach Bill Maskill harassed him into quitting the team in 1979 and forfeiting his scholarship.

Earlier, the All-State pitch-and-catch duo of Port Arthur Jefferson's quarterback Todd Dodge and wide receiver Bent Duhon had opted for the Texas Longhorns, and Highland Park quarterback Rob Moerschell said he will go to Texas and play football and baseball.

Bluchip defensive tackle Bill Heathcock of North Garland and offensive lineman John Stuart of Clear Lake have committed to Texas while 250-pound offensive tackle Brian Camp of Lewisville said he will play for defending SWC champion Baylor.

Testifying before a Maricopa Superior Court jury last week, Kush said he "can't recall ever touching Rutledge."

Teammates defensive back Robert Smothers and running back Don Holloway said they would follow Dodge and Duhon to Texas.

Another highly sought lineman, Todd Schoppe of LaPorte, has committed to Houston, along with bluechip linebacker Gerald Turner of Pittsburg.

Proceedings have been adjourned until next Tuesday while attorneys from both sides challenge some of Judge Thomas C Kleinschmidt's rulings in the case to the Arizona Supreme Court.

Childress, the leading vote-getter on the Dallas Times Herald's annual bluechip team, said, "I like the atmosphere and the facilities at A&M. After I visited Nebraska last weekend, I knew A&M was where I wanted to go."

Rice had a commitment from Trinity quarterback Matt Skinner.

LAST WEEK, Kleinschmidt ruled that film footage from a Phoenix television station showing Kush grabbing a player's face mask during a 1979 training camp incident was not admissible as evidence.

Kevin Hancock, a Parade Magazine All-America linebacker from Texas City, said he will sign with the Baylor Bears.

Among some of the top receivers, Waxahachie's Glenn Pruitt committed to Baylor while Buzz Tatom of Richardson said yes to Texas Tech.

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Hancock, a 6-3, 215-pounder who averaged 12 tackles per game last season, joined Killeen linebacker John Brightin committing to the Bears and Coach Grant Teaff.

One of the state's more versatile players, Austin LBJ's Horace Ates, said he is headed for Baylor. Ates was player of the year in his district and collected playing time as running back, quarterback, wide receiver and defensive back.

Another highly regard linebacker and a Parade Magazine All-American, Alan Jamison of Houston Westchester, also said he would sign with the Bears.

Baylor also has apparently landed running back Jerome Johnson, a 6-2 195-pound all-stater from Class 2A co-champion Pilot Point.

Midland High's Michael Feldt committed to Texas while teammate Wade Johnson was to sign with SMU at noon. Midland Lee lineman Keith Brown signed with Oklahoma State Wednesday morning and Barry Corley of Lee has signed with Angelo State.

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Taxpayers will end up paying for budget reductions

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

2c. WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's lengthening budget list doesn't mean all the programs he wants Congress to cut are going to go away. He has long argued they should go away from Washington — while acknowledging somebody is going to have to pay the bills.

And somebody means taxpayers. That assumption was built into Reagan's original program for curbing federal spending, the \$90 billion plan he advanced nearly five years ago. The idea then was to turn responsibility — and revenues — for essential government programs over to levels of government closer to the voters and so, presumably, more attentive to their will.

Reagan said then, as now, that the federal government had failed to do

the job efficiently and effectively. "Indeed, it has created more problems in welfare, education, housing, food stamps, Medicaid, community and regional development and revenue sharing, to name a few," Reagan said in Chicago on Sept. 25, 1975.

Defending that plan in the campaign that followed, Reagan said he wasn't suggesting such programs simply be scrapped to save money. "What I proposed was a systematic transfer of both responsibilities and resources for these programs to state and local government," he said.

Now many of the same programs are on the budget-cutting agenda Reagan will recommend to Congress next Wednesday. Presumably, the philosophy is intact along with the target list.

Read that way, the president's catalogue of budget cuts would represent the first step in what candidate

Reagan said would be a gradual and phased transfer of authority over programs, and revenue sources to pay for them, to states, cities and towns.

He envisions some outright cuts, but in most cases, the administration is seeking reduction in federal spending programs that surely will have to be picked up elsewhere.

"Budget cuts can sound as if we are going to reduce government spending to a lower level than was spent the year before," Reagan said in his economic report to the nation. "This is not the case. The budgets will increase as our population increases and each year we'll see spending to match that growth."

He was talking about the federal budget, but the rule is as true for state and local governments as for Washington.

So far, the president has not discussed the shift of revenue sources he

suggested in that early campaign plan. He is recommending 10 percent federal income tax cuts in each of the next three years, but not with the idea of having it taxed away at other levels of government.

But city hall or the statehouse is going to need money if Congress agrees to cut back federally financed programs.

A prime example: the reductions in federal education aid recommended by David A. Stockman, Reagan's budget director. He proposes an overhaul of federal school aid programs, to consolidate an assortment of 57 programs into a system of broad grants, to be spent the way state and local officials think it is needed.

All told, the program involves about \$5.7 billion in currently budgeted federal spending. Stockman's proposal would consolidate them — and cut them about 20 percent.

Stockman's option paper forecasts opposition from education and civil rights groups, each dedicated to separate programs drafted to meet their goals.

Former presidents Ford and Nixon both tried to get education aid wrapped into systems of consolidated grants, to cut federal control, red tape and regulations, and broaden the authority of local officials over the use of the funds. Congress balked, although neither proposed the kind of cuts the Reagan team is seeking.

Reagan's budget cutters warn that congressional reaction to their proposal "will further be dampened by the reduction in aggregate funding" for education aid that already has been eroded by inflation.

That's an understatement. It might be possible to prune education spending to offset part of the impact if the proposed cuts make it through Con-

gress. But the pressure is in the other direction, for higher school budgets. And if there is to be less available from Washington, there would have to be more money available from property taxes or other state and local levies to make up the difference.

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Meet the many auto Espinozas

By NANCY YOSHIHARA
The Los Angeles Times

Meet the Espinozas — Gilbert Sr. and Jr., Filomena, Arnold, Alfonso, Miguel, Roberto, Ernest, Merci, Phillip, Jimmy, Gloria, Alex and Nancy. Chrysler Corp. hopes that the American dream that worked for the family works for the ailing auto maker.

Chrysler signed up the Espinozas for a television advertising campaign that debuts nationally Thursday. Actually, it was the Espinozas' idea to do the commercial.

After all, they recently turned in their imports and purchased 13 Dodge Aries K cars (Mom and Pop share one) for a total of about \$110,000.

The Espinozas — the children now range in age from 46 to 23 — have been doing things together as a family ever since they worked side by side in Colorado fields with their migrant farm-worker father, who is now 70 and retired. His children are involved in activities ranging from real estate to college studies.

When they decided to buy new cars, "We said, 'why not make it a family project?'" said Alex, acting as spokesman, in an interview before a news conference Monday. "If Chrysler was in a bad situation but was meeting the challenge of the future, and we as a family buy 13 of their cars, why not project that idea to society?"

The Espinoza family mentioned the idea to a friend, former Democratic California Congressman James F. Lloyd, who, in turn, passed the thought on to Rep. James J. Blanchard, D-Mich. Blanchard contacted Chrysler Chairman Lee A. Iacocca.

"As a result of that, we were asked to talk to the Espinozas and see what they had in mind," says Lou Maloof, senior vice president at Kenyon and Eckhardt, Chrysler's New York-based advertising agency. "The thing that struck me was their sincerity."

Maloof says he found that the family had "strong feelings for America and the importance of finding American answers to American problems."

In using the Espinozas in two 30-second spots, one in English and the other in Spanish, Maloof says

Chrysler is reaching for mid-America with its campaign theme of "America is not going to be pushed around any more."

"The celebrities represented one level of speaking to America. We felt the Espinozas represented a very real, strong undercurrent of support for Chrysler. The Espinozas tap that emotion for us."

All 14 of the Espinozas are featured in the commercials, and each was paid union scale wages of \$275 for each of the two days of filming. The English version has speaking roles for eight of the Espinozas with Gloria making the opening statement. "We Espinozas aren't going to be pushed around any more because we drive front-wheel-drive Dodge Aries-K."

Iacocca closes the spot saying, "With people like the Espinozas pulling for us, America's not going to be pushed around any more."

Liquor is most often considered as a gift during Christmas, when distributors deck out their bottles with festive holiday wrappings. Somerset Importers Ltd. is out to fashion a year-around gift-giving image for its Johnnie Walker Red Scotch whisky by offering "greeting card" packages.

Beginning in March, Somerset will add all-occasion and birthday cards to packages of the whisky at no extra charge. John E. Hellmann, president and chief executive of New York-based Somerset, said the one-stop shopping concept received favorable review in test markets.

William E. Phillips, 51, chairman of Ogilvy and Mather U.S., has been elected to the additional post of chief executive of the parent company, Ogilvy and Mather International New York. He succeeds Jock Elliott, who continues as chairman of Ogilvy and Mather International. "It has always been my intention to step down when I turned 60, which I did last week, Elliott said in a statement.

Ogilvy and Mather International is the fourth-largest advertising agency with 105 offices in 33 countries and billings of more than \$1 billion in 1980.

Unexpected cancellations set back China-Japan deal

By WILLIAM CHAPMAN
The Washington Post

TOKYO — Japan's ambitions for a booming industrial trade with China have been sharply set back by the unexpected cancellation of large plant contracts that were to have been the base for China's modernization.

Since mid-January, Chinese officials have notified some of Japan's biggest companies that contracts worth an estimated \$1.5 billion have been canceled. They include a huge steel plant near Shanghai and several petrochemical plants.

In addition, it appears China is falling behind in her commitments under a large 1978 two-way trade agreement that was to be the centerpiece of her economic relations with Japan for the rest of this century. China already has slipped back on its oil promises.

The contract cancellations have stunned Japanese firms that are worried about compensation for production already under way.

The souring business relationship also has upset the Japanese government, which fears that the disenchantment could spread and lead to a deterioration of the good relations patiently built up with China since the two countries officially became friends again in 1972.

To register its concern, the foreign ministry Tuesday sent its top foreign economic trouble-shooter, Saburo Okita, to Peking, accompanied by a team of other officials who hope to find out what is happening there.

News reports here have said that Okita will warn the Chinese government that the cancellation notices could have a severe effect on the two countries' future relations.

Late in 1980, China began issuing notices that some major projects would be postponed and delayed, but there were no hints of outright cancellations. The moves were presumed to reflect a new Chinese strategy of slowing down its rush toward heavy industries and turning to light industries and more consumer goods to satisfy domestic demand.

Then in January, the cancellation notices began flowing out of the China National Technical Import Corp., which had made contracts with several Japanese firms. The notices contained little to explain the cancellations.

"It was so sudden and we were so surprised," said Kazuhiko Hamano, an executive with Mitsubishi heavy industries when his company got the notice canceling a \$425 million hot strip steel mill it was building as part of the huge Baoshan steel works near Shanghai. "We were really puzzled and we don't know what China really means."

There was further puzzlement when China ordered home about 100 apprentices who had been sent to study Mitsubishi's methods in Japan.

A Mitsubishi spokesman said Tuesday the company has no official position yet on what compensation it will seek and wants to get more details from Chinese officials.

The compensation issue could become difficult. If the Chinese government refuses compensation, the Japanese firms could collect export insurance payments from the Japanese government to cover some losses. That in turn could cause the government, under current law, to list China as a country not covered for future export insurance. That would severely restrict all Japanese trade with China.

An official of the Japanese ministry of international trade and industry said Tuesday that in the absence of compensation some Japanese firms conceivably could go bankrupt, a result that would cause considerable "antagonism" between the two countries.

The official, Kazuichi Tamura, said a lack of foreign exchange in China did not appear to be the problem, since Japan had provided yen credits and export-import bank loans for the

projects. There are reports that China has agreed to compensate Japanese companies for any goods that have been shipped or which are still on the production line in Japan but wants to discuss the issue of compensation for everything else contracted for.

There had been reports from China that the big steel plant had become widely unpopular because its construction consumed so much of the country's financial resources. The Chinese appear to have decided to reduce its scale sharply.

Nippon Steel, which was to build two smelting furnaces, says China has served notice it does not want the second furnace built and that discussions must be held on some facets of the first furnace.

Cancellation of three large petrochemical projects being built by Japanese companies may have been due

to a shortage of oil in China — to be used for ethylene in the plants. There is not enough oil to supply the 300,000 tons of ethylene required, according to a Japanese official.

China's oil shortage also underlies problems with the China-Japan trade agreement signed with great fanfare in February 1978 as the fundamental underpinning for their long-term economic relationship.

That agreement was largely a barter arrangement with China sending vast supplies of oil and coal to Japan in exchange for the advanced technology China needed to get off the ground economically.

The agreement called for China to ship 24.5 million tons of crude oil to Japan during 1981 and 1982. Last fall, China disclosed that the total will be about 16.6 million tons. That in turn means China can buy less of Japan's plant exports.

Work by investigators helps in four convictions

By PETE BOWLES
Newsday

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — Government investigators, acting on instructions of FBI Director William Webster, conducted background checks on four congressmen later convicted of accepting influence money and found "derogatory information" on all four, a federal prosecutor said Tuesday.

"On every congressman there was an allegation of a criminal nature," chief prosecutor Thomas Puccio said at a due-process hearing for the four and three other defendants convicted in three separate Abscam trials in Brooklyn.

Without providing any details, Puccio attempted to introduce four FBI memorandums that he said would show that the FBI had "derogatory information" available on the four before they appeared at payoff meetings with undercover FBI operatives.

Judge George C. Pratt of U.S. District Court, who is conducting the hearing, refused to allow the introduction of the memos, saying the material "would seem to have a highly prejudicial impact" on the four defendants: Rep. Raymond Lederer, D-Pa., and former Reps. John Murphy, D-N.Y., Frank Thompson, D-Pa., and

Michael Myers, D-Pa. "You are opening a can of worms I don't want to have to dig through if I don't have to," Pratt told Puccio.

In three instances, the information — which Puccio said came from confidential informants — did not result in criminal charges. The fourth case involved a "no contest" plea by Myers to charges of disorderly conduct resulting from a fracas in which Myers was accused of attacking a hotel security guard and a female cashier.

Michael Wilson, supervising agent of the FBI's Criminal Investigations Division, testified that the background checks had been included in guidelines issued by Webster in the spring of 1979, before the payoff meetings. Wilson said that the FBI director also ordered undercover agents to make certain that congressmen accepting bribe money were told "personally and directly" that the money was being paid in return for their promises to introduce private immigration bills for two fictitious Arab sheiks.

According to Wilson, Webster reviewed videotapes of the payoff meetings, and "he didn't find the payoffs violated his instructions."

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Brezhnev speech could sound familiar

By JIM KLURFELD
Newsday

WASHINGTON — When he opens the 26th Party Congress this month, Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev could deliver almost the same speech that President Reagan delivered to the American people last week: the country is in an economic mess, facing economic calamity, and the old business-as-usual treatment won't work.

Experts on the Soviet economy say that it has stagnated in the last two years and that in almost every significant sector — from agriculture to heavy industry to consumer goods to investment and productivity — the picture is bleak and getting worse. Indeed, for the first time, experts are speculating whether the economic problems will eventually lead to civil unrest.

These economic problems are also a major factor in determining whether the Soviet Union will send its troops into Poland, according to the experts. But there is disagreement on how the economic factor works.

Many Soviet experts argue that Kremlin leaders will be very reluctant to assume Poland's immense economic burdens and cut itself off from Western trade, likely consequences of military intervention, at a time when the Soviet economy is under such great stress. The Soviets would be forced to feed 35 million Poles, sustain their economy and service their \$22 billion debt to the West.

"It must be clear to them that the direct and indirect costs of invasion would be truly awesome, incomparably greater than those paid for the invasion of Hungary in 1956 and the invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968," said Seweryn Bialer, director of Columbia University's Research Institute on International Change. "The Soviet economy could ill afford the strain, given the extent of Soviet domestic difficulties."

But other experts say that because there are similarities between the economic problems in Poland and the Soviet Union, the Soviets must demonstrate that the Polish-style worker rebellion will not be tolerated lest it

spread across their border.

Most of the experts say that the ultimate Soviet decision will be based on events in Poland, specifically on whether the Polish Communist Party can stay in control of events there.

There is no dispute that the Soviet economy is in trouble. There is going to be a crunch in the coming years. When the 26th Party Congress convenes Feb. 23, talk will not be about great new production goals and the wonders of socialism, but how to adapt to a no-growth economy, according to Soviet economy experts.

"Brezhnev faces very serious economic problems, really worse than Reagan," said Marshall Goldman, an associate director of Harvard's Russian Research Institute. "If you look at the recent statistics you will get some idea of the magnitude of the problem. For instance, in the last two years both coal and steel production have declined. That is really something for the nation that has boasted of being the world's largest producer of steel."

Both Goldman and Bialer agree too that the only way the Soviets can begin to meet the problems is through a basic reform of their economic system. That could mean much greater decentralization in economic organization and less party control. But most of the experts says that it is highly unlikely that the Soviet leaders, especially the present generation of leaders, are willing to take the political risks involved in reform. Certainly the example of reform in Poland is frightening to them.

What is unusual about the current debate among Western experts is discussion about the possibility of unrest in the Soviet Union. Through the years experts have said that spontaneous demonstrations of unhappiness were highly unlikely in Russia. The Russian traditions of authoritarian rule and stolid endurance were too strong, they said. While living standards in the Soviet Union are considerably below even those in Eastern Europe, there have been significant improvements since the end of World War II. Comparatively, the Soviets have done well under the Marxist-Leninist economy.

The problem now is that those improvements have stopped. A combi-

nation of disastrous harvests, poor agriculture production, energy shortages, extremely low worker productivity and heavy military investment have kept growth in the last five years to a 2.7 percent rate, far below the 5 percent target of the present Five-Year Plan. And the outlook in the next five years is worse, not better.

One of the most discouraging statistics for the Soviets, according to the experts, is the fact that worker productivity increased by only 1 percent in the last five years, way below the goal of 4.6 percent. That is partly due to a chronic manpower shortage in the Soviet Union. It is also the result of a lack of worker initiative. One aspect of this is what the experts say is a significant problem of alcoholism among Soviet workers. A recent report estimated that as many as a third of Soviet factory workers have a serious alcohol problem.

In the last two years there has been a significant decline in food production and availability of consumer goods. The poor grain harvests, as well as the cutoff of American grain (which, the experts said, has resulted in about a 4 percent cutback in meat production) have resulted in less meat and potatoes being available to Soviet shoppers.

"The irony is that the problem the Soviets face is partly a result of their success," said Herbert Levine, a Soviet economic expert at the University of Pennsylvania. "The Soviet citizens have come to expect a rising standard of living and all of a sudden it is not improving. They have worked all their lives to reach this level and now they see it slipping."

Not all the experts believe that there is a possibility for civil unrest. Daniel Bond, also from the University of Pennsylvania, points out that there is still a relatively equal distribution of income in the Soviet Union and, as a consequence, a feeling by most people that they are all in the same situation. "The Soviets are also better able to manage the people's expectations," said Bond. "The message that will be coming from this party conference is that the people should be prepared for slower growth, that the times will be harder."

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Legionnaires' disease epidemic halted

By PAUL JACOBS
The Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — A smoldering epidemic of legionnaires' disease at the Wadsworth Veterans Administration Medical Center here has been stopped by adding extra chlorine to the hospital's water supply.

As a result of the apparent success of the water treatment, hospital officials moved 18 high-risk patients back to the center's main building Tuesday.

Legionnaires' disease, a rare variety of pneumonia, has been a problem at the hospital almost since it opened in the spring of 1977. In the nearly four years since then, the hospital has reported 201 cases.

Last September, as a safety precaution, the high-risk patients were removed from the facility while officials of the VA and the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta attempted to deal with the epidemic.

Added chlorination began in July, and in the following seven months there have been only three new cases

of legionnaires' disease, according to Dr. H. Earl Gordon, chief of staff at the VA hospital.

No new cases have been discovered in the last three months, Gordon said.

Of the 201 cases reported since the spring of 1977, 46 patients died. But legionnaires' disease was a contributing factor in only half of these cases, according to Gordon. All of those who died also had other serious illnesses, Gordon said.

Last year the legionnaires' disease bacteria were found in a number of shower heads at the VA hospital, but epidemiologists could find none of the bacteria in the hospital's water tank.

The medical sleuths ultimately connected a sudden increase in the number of cases last March with changes in pressure in the hospital's water system that had resulted in a flow of dirty water for a short time.

All of the evidence pointed to the water piping system of the hospital as the source of the outbreak, according to Dr. Jeffrey Band of the Center for Disease Control. But it is not known

how the bacteria entered the water system initially. The hospital uses Los Angeles city water.

The patients who were moved out of the hospital while the chlorine treatment was being tested were all at high risk of infection and mortality from the disease. They all had diseases or were taking drugs that made them particularly susceptible to infection.

The number of cases each month began dropping sharply once the chlorine treatment began.

Legionnaires' disease was first identified after an outbreak occurred in July, 1976 at an American Legion convention in Philadelphia.

That outbreak among legionnaires, which gave the disease its name, killed 29 people and hospitalized 151 others.

The disease has flared up a number of times since, including two outbreaks at the Wadsworth VA facility.

Epidemiologists from the Center for Disease Control have tracked down the cause of the disease, a newly identified microbe that has been

given the name "legionella pneumophila." The researchers also discovered that the disease can be treated with a common antibiotic, erythromycin.

There has been speculation that the organism may have been responsible for other outbreaks of mysterious disease even before the 1976 American Legion convention.

According to Dr. Band, there may be as many as 50,000 cases of legionnaires' disease a year, with a mortality rate as high as 15 percent. Early identification of the disease followed by vigorous treatment can reduce the death rate to as low as 4 percent Band said.

VA officials now believe that the facility here is as safe as any hospital.

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But the smoldering epidemic at Wadsworth VA Medical Center that resulted in an average of 5 to 6 new cases a month and occasional flare-ups of as many as 20 cases in a month is probably past.

Appeals rejected

WASHINGTON (AP)

— The U.S. Supreme Court has rejected appeals of two dissenting Episcopal congregations in New Jersey seeking to take buildings with them in leaving the denomination.

The high court ruled that hierarchical-type church bodies retain the property of local congregations that decide to quit their denominations.

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Inc. and will be headed by E. Russell Eggers; once president of Bendix International. Until recently, Eggers was chief executive of Loctite Corp., a specialty chemical company. Joining DNA Science as a vice president is Zolt Harsanyi, formerly project director of genetics at the congressional Office of Technology Assessment.

Hutton said DNA Science will focus on research projects with other such groups. The company said its first agreement is with Yeda Research and Development Corp., an Israeli company which with DNA Science is committing \$2 million to commercialize 19 health, energy and agricultural products.

Among those products, Hutton said, are three kinds of interferon — a protein that some say has cancer-curing properties — as well as antibodies, a new anti-viral vaccine, new photochemical solar energy collectors and genetically engineered agricultural products.

The new company will be known as DNA Science

that way of thinking has been E.F. Hutton. Last year, an analyst there was assigned to follow the budding industry full-time, and the brokerage house began publishing a newsletter called "Biotechnology."

Yet analysts generally were caught off guard Tuesday by E.F. Hutton's announcement.

"This is a tremendous rarity," said Norman G. Fosback, editor of an investment guide published by the Institute for Econometric Research in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. "I think a lot of people were wondering why they're doing it...especially because they're getting in so late."

But an executive at one major genetic engineering company said that pioneers in the field will be watching DNA Science's moves with keen interest because "they know how to put their hands on money."

"We know (Hutton) is keyed up about the future of biotechnology and has been studying this for a long time," the executive added. "This could be a very significant development."

Last September, Hutton bought a 10 percent equity interest in Gulfstream Aerospace Corp., an aircraft maker. Earlier it staked positions in insurance, forestry concerns and a vineyard. The company also has expressed an interest in marketing limited partnerships in energy and natural resources projects.

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By MIKE HENDRICKS
Associated Press Writer

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Bruce Simmons has been menaced with a shotgun in Colton, threatened with death in Binghamton and held against his will in the men's room of a Watertown tavern.

And he did it all for people like Carole King, Neil Diamond and Smokey Robinson and the Miracles.

Simmons is field representative for ASCAP, the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, the organization devoted to protecting the royalties and copyrights of songwriters and musicians.

As ASCAP's man in central New York, Simmons is responsible for making sure that any merchant or bartender playing music publicly, even if it's background music in an elevator or a radio turned up for a tavern's patrons to drink their beer

by, pays the royalties for the copyright music.

Not all proprietors understand they must pay for the right to use a composer's work publicly, Simmons said. He tells stories of his uncomfortable moments with angry bartenders who didn't believe they should have to pay ASCAP money to play music for their customers.

"I have had very few punches in the nose, but it happens occasionally," said Simmons. An assault case is pending against one village official who struck him when Simmons informed him of ASCAP's rights to royalties for an outdoor concert.

"We guard this right so jealously, to use music privately, but they sometimes don't realize the composer, author or publisher has exclusive rights to public use of that work," Simmons said.

ASCAP operates under the federal copyright laws and, using a sophisti-

cated computer operation, returns the licensing fees from users to the composers, musicians and publishers who own the copyright to a piece of music.

ASCAP's right to collect the licensing fees for the musicians it represents has been upheld by court cases dating to the early 1900s, Simmons said. ASCAP's rival is BMI, which represents its own stable of musicians. Many establishments end up paying fees to both organizations.

The fee a bar with live music owner ASCAP is computed with a formula that takes into consideration factors such as seating capacity, the type of music and any cover charges the bar assesses.

"We are not talking about big dollars for them," said Simmons, who cited the example of a country music tavern in Massena near the Canadian border that pays \$320 a year.

Establishments refusing to pay the

fee could be fined a minimum of \$250 per song, he said.

Simmons says a big part of his job is educating people about ASCAP. He estimates that 25 percent of the people he deals with balk at paying the fee.

"When it comes to that time when a guy is totally refusing and using our property, then it is necessary to take legal action, just like any other case where somebody is using your property."

One restaurant owner who refused to pay the ASCAP fee said he objected on moral grounds. When sued, he settled out of court — but he remains convinced the law is not fair.

The restaurant owner, who did not want to be identified, said there is a feeling among businessmen that paying license fees for the right to play music amounts to "legalized extortion."

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