

Neighborly carpenter builds free home for widow

McKINNEY, Tex. — As chilling winter rains swept East McKinney last January, retired carpenter W. M. Jeter decided he'd seen enough. Outside, his 73-year-old widowed neighbor Julia McDade was tottering on an old ladder in an attempt to plug gaping holes in the tattered roof of her tarpaper shanty.

"I said to myself, 'Lord, I'm gonna do somethin,'" said Jeter.

What he did was completely build a sturdy, new two bedroom frame house for his neighbor — without charging her a penny.

Jeter, a carpenter for 35 years, is nearly 71.

Mrs. McDade will soon move next door into the new house, leaving behind her sagging shack, with its dirt floor, battered walls and wood-burning stove.

For the first time in her life, she'll have indoor plumbing.

"This woman needed a home and I decided to do it myself," said the lean, friendly carpenter, who lives across the street.

Jeter agreed to dismantle an old church parsonage nearby in order to obtain lumber, sheetrock, nails, doors and windows for the new house.

Mrs. McDade spent hours pulling nails from the lumber, while Jeter, a sixth-grade dropout, lobbied with city officials to obtain permits for his project.

He once appeared before the McKinney City Council — carrying rough blueprints penciled on the back of an old board.

Some of the materials and money were donated by area citizens and groups and one of Jeter's longtime friends, an electrician, did the wiring.

But Jeter did the remainder of the work, laboring nearly five hours a day since last April. He laid a foundation, built the frame, installed the plumbing, hung sheetrock and constructed the roof.

"Mr. Jeter is some neighbor," said the diminutive Mrs. McDade as flies buzzed through the screenless windows of her shack. "He took it upon himself to build me a house."

Money from the North Texas area has begun to trickle in as people have heard of Jeter's project. He is planning an open house celebration in late September when he finishes the new house.

West Texas artist featured in A&M book

Eighty paintings by West Texas artist Mondel Rogers are featured in a new book published by the Texas A&M University Press.

Old Ranches of the Texas Plains, which includes 57 Rogers paintings reproduced in full color, is the first publication in the Joe and Betty Moore Texas Art Series.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of Austin and Midland, made possible a list of art books interpreting the various regions of Texas with a \$75,000 gift to Texas A&M's new scholarly press

last year. Moore is a 1938 graduate of Texas A&M and was president of its alumni association in 1974.

Rogers, using dry-brush watercolor and egg tempera techniques, has painted such old West Texas ranch buildings as the Palo Duro Camp, the LX dugout, the Matador Ranch headquarters, the barn at the 6666 Ranch and the mansions of Milhollon, Gray, Rayner and Moor. Most of the structures are painted as they appear today, or as they appeared until just recently.

"Mondel Rogers' visual document of the golden age of ranching (1870-1917)... is a study in historic documentation," said Mitchell A. Wilder, director of the Amon Carter Museum of Western Art in Fort Worth, who wrote the foreword in the new book.

Rogers, a native of Sweetwater, is a 1971 graduate of Texas Tech University.

Viking 1 — dormant Second touchdown in better space

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more variety than anticipated," according to Soffen.

"New features of enormous dimension, and always different, were found daily — wide gorges, scarps, faults, flat valleys, mottled erosion, ancient shorelines, deep basins, blocky terrain, knobby terrain, tablelands, sunburst craters, pedestaled craters..." he said.

"They were etched and carved by geologic processes more active than had been thought. The finding of so many signs that water had once flowed on Mars was particularly intriguing," he said. "The current reckoning is that internal heat melted underground ice that erupted onto the land and drained back into the crust." Soffen enumerated Viking 1's observations at a forum for visiting scientists this week.

Evidence of volcanic, fluvial water-caused, aeolian wind-caused and depositional processes on Mars. There are craters resembling those on the Moon, but

they seem to have occurred at one-tenth the frequency and wind has eroded them relatively slowly.

Scientists would like to learn more about the interior of Mars and find out whether any volcanic activity is still going on.

"The great Vallis Marineris, a series of canyons that far outstrips our Grand Canyon in size, was formed by much more recent process than the craters were. These processes may still be continuing.

The vast plains of the northern region are laced with almost geometric patterns of cracks, resembling some areas of the Arctic region on Earth.

There is a great variety of rocks near the Viking 1 lander, all with a fine red coating. The sky contains suspended dust particles that make it look pink.

Nitrogen and argon have been discovered in the atmosphere. Using the measurements of these gases, scientists have concluded that Mars' atmosphere was

once significantly different and probably somewhat thicker than it is now.

There is more water vapor in the atmosphere farther north one looks, and there is a lot of water frozen in the north and south polar caps.

The climate is rather stagnant and competitive in the summertime.

No organic matter compounds based on carbon, essential for life as it is found on Earth has been found in two samples of Mars dirt.

The life-seeking biology experiments are inconclusive at this point, but they yielded clues to the chemistry of the surface.

The last point will keep scientists in their laboratories for years perhaps, trying to understand the peculiar chemistry. Whether that chemistry is connected with life — Viking 1 has not been able to tell.

Viking 2, landing in a region believed to be more hospitable to life, may yet find out the answer on its own.

Zurich talks focus on Namibia

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's renewed involvement in Africa's racial conflicts is clouded by bickering with South African Prime Minister John Vorster and statements by U.S. officials downplaying Kissinger's chance for success.

The secretary leaves today for weekend talks with Vorster in Zurich, with an intermediate stop in London for talks with British leaders.

The focus of the talks reportedly will be the pace of the move toward independence for Namibia, the former territory of South-West Africa still occupied by the South African regime.

In addition to expressing dissatisfaction with the Namibia situation, Kissinger also will push Vorster to ease South Africa's own restrictions on blacks. A third subject will be Rhodesia where the black majority is pressing the white supremacist government.

The Zurich meetings will be the second round of discussions between Kissinger and Vorster in the last four months after years of virtually no high-level contact between the two countries.

If the secretary is able to claim any degree of progress after the Vorster talks, he will travel to Africa for meetings with black leaders and possibly another session with Vorster in South Africa itself.

The odds for Kissinger's success are hard to gauge. He has said in the past he would not meet with Vorster unless he thought progress was distinctly possible.

Nevertheless, he and Vorster engaged Thursday in some long-range gamesmanship, apparently designed to prove that nothing is settled at this point.

Originally, the State Department said Kissinger and Vorster would hold a major formal meeting Sunday. But Vorster then said he didn't work on Sundays and he called off the Sunday session, saying he would see Kissinger Saturday and

Monday.

In addition, Vorster issued a statement saying his government's domestic policy "determined by South Africa itself and not prescribed to her by any person or country from outside."

Vorster's anger and the schedule changes were attributed by State Department officials to his determination to prove that Kissinger is not writing the script.

Shortly after announcing he would meet with Vorster, Kissinger gave a speech before a largely black audience in Philadelphia midweek, sharply criticizing Vorster's internal white supremacist policies.

In his turn, Kissinger leaked a rumor Thursday that he would Zurich South Africa to visit relatives in Germany. This was designed to show that Vorster was not tating Kissinger's schedule.

After this pushing and shoving, the schedule was amended to call for talks Saturday and Monday with informal discussions on Sunday.

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New rules allow low-rate flights

WASHINGTON — New government rules will allow Americans to take low cost charter flights to any part of the world without having to join a group or buy ground accommodations such as hotels.

Tickets on charter flights traditionally have cost about half the price of a coach seat on a scheduled flight.

The new charters, similar to those already popular in Europe, require a traveler to buy a round trip ticket in advance. But the "affinity group" requirement is being eliminated and travelers won't have to stay for minimum periods, except in nine European countries where visitors will be required to stay at least seven days.

The new rules issued Thursday by the Civil Aeronautics Board cover both domestic and overseas flights and will go into effect on Oct. 7.

The new rules face possible legal challenges from scheduled airlines that generally have opposed more liberal charter rules. On the other hand, a charter organization has al-

ready said it will seek a court order to strike down remaining charter restrictions.

Because the new charters, known as Advance Booking Charters, do not require passengers to belong to any organized group, the CAB ruling might lessen the lure that some travelers found in "affinity groups."

The CAB had required everyone on the plane to share an interest other than traveling. This encouraged the growth of social and occupational organizations that also traveled. In fact, some of these groups had no purpose other than to qualify as "affinity groups" under CAB rules.

Under the new rules, there is no minimum fare and charter operators will be allowed to set the fare on their own.

To qualify for the charters, passengers will be required to buy their tickets at least 30 days in advance for domestic flights and at least 45 days in advance for European flights. Tickets will be purchased from independent charter brokers who will organize the

flights.

The flights must be round-trip with predetermined fixed departure and return dates.

All charters must contain at least 40 people. The charter operator has the right to impose a penalty on purchasers who cancel at the last minute when the operator no longer

permitted to sell unsold or undy seats.

And the operator can cancel a flight if it does not meet conditions specified in the contract.

The CAB said it adopted different rules for European preparations because those countries have ready have similar charters and the board did not want to create too much disparity between the charters and those operated in Europe.

Countries where the European rules will apply are Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

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The American Automobile Association reported Wednesday that a survey of 254 service stations indicated average prices of regular gasoline will be 57.4 cents a gallon,

59.4 for unleaded and 61.1 for premium.

The report showed 78 percent of the service station operators predicted they would be open for business on Sunday and 88 percent they will be open on Monday.

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