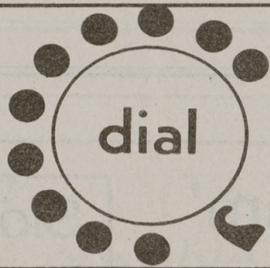


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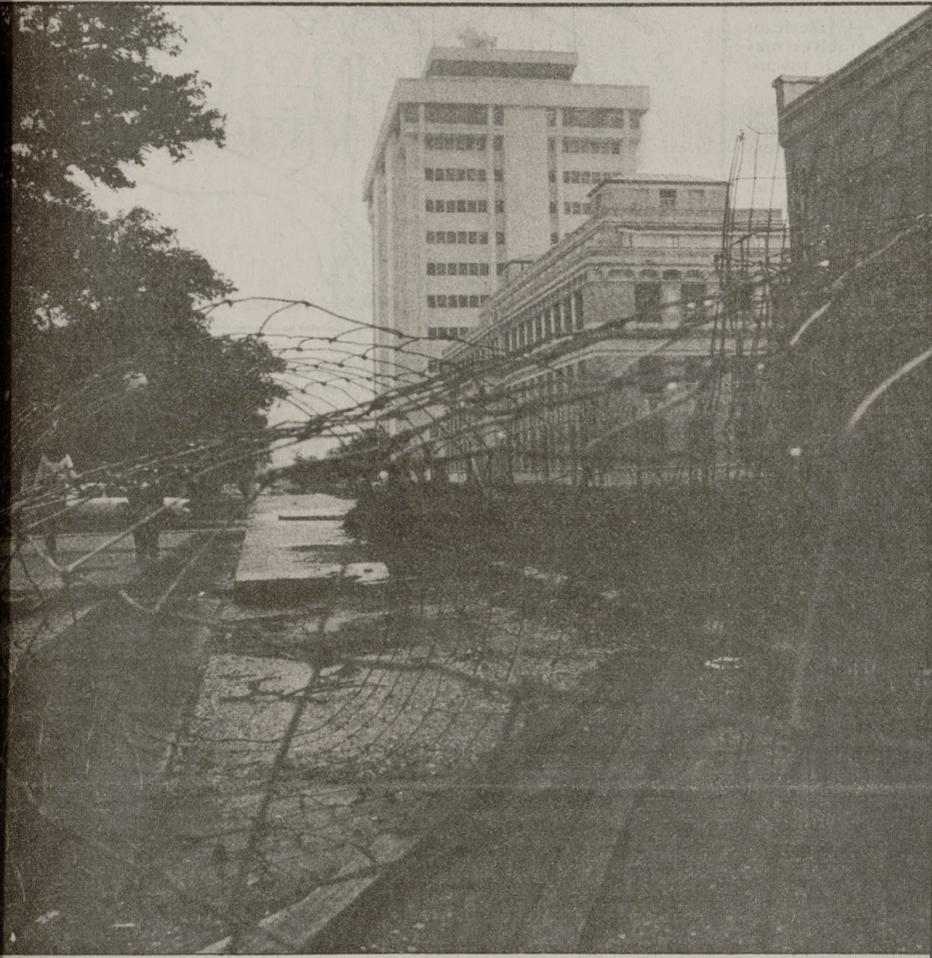
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Rainy Days and Mondays

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The makeshift fencing around the animal husbandry building construction added to the gloom of a wet and dreary Monday.

Polish leader says goals to offset U.S.

United Press International
WARSAW, Poland — Military leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski said Poland must mobilize economic, political and moral forces to combat Washington's attempt to spark a serious internal conflict in his country.

The general said Monday the United States was trying to undermine Poland as part of its political and economic confrontation with the Soviet Union, Warsaw Television reported.

At the same time, the military government published in all Polish newspapers Monday sweeping goals for economic recovery and political stability, ordering ministers to submit

detailed plans by April.

The plans of the council of ministers meeting extended across economic and political life, calling for reviews of wages, pensions, public transport, communications, the media, science and industry.

In what one diplomat called a cosmetic lifting of restrictions, the military authorities said diplomats could now travel throughout the country if they give 24 hours' notice, and removed guards from some Western embassies.

Warsaw Radio said registration for compulsory labor of all unemployed men between the ages of 18 and 45, ordered shortly after the Dec. 13 de-

claration of martial law, got underway throughout the country.

Jaruzelski spoke Monday as the chairman of a Warsaw conference of provincial governors, mayors of large towns and commissars of the Committee for the Defense of the Homeland.

"The Reagan administration," he said, "hopes that sanctions might create dissatisfaction in the country and bring about the serious internal conflict expected before Dec. 13," the date of the Polish military crackdown.

"Poland has to prevent this by all forces — economic, political and moral — to emerge from the crisis," Jaruzelski said.

Haig seeks to break up security conference

United Press International
MADRID, Spain — Secretary of State Alexander Haig won West German support for a speech today attacking Poland's martial law and planned to force the European security conference to break up until November, U.S. officials said.

Haig spent two hours late Monday with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher on the eve of the resumption of the 35-nation conference and U.S. officials said they agreed on effective coordination of strategies on Poland.

Diplomats said there was a Western and neutral consensus for adjourning the meeting in two or three weeks. The United States wanted the conference halted until November to show Moscow and Warsaw there can

be no business as usual as long as repression continues in Poland.

"We are willing to go on for two or three weeks" before breaking up the meeting, a senior U.S. delegate said.

A neutral delegate said the Soviets probably would go along with a suspension but the Soviet news agency Tass said in Moscow the United States would be to blame if a debate over Poland derailed the Madrid talks.

The conference, following up the 1975 Helsinki Accords on security and cooperation in Europe, was jolted by a "fatal threat" when the military took power in Poland, Haig said.

Meanwhile, Eastern and Western officials settled down to what threatened to be an all-night meeting to fix the order of speakers for Tues-

day's 100th session of the 15-month-old conference.

Eighteen Western delegates were on the list, and the Polish chairman, Deputy Foreign Minister Jozef Wlaz, had a separate list of Warsaw Pact speakers, delegates said.

Haig won full support from Spain to make Poland the main subject for the remainder of the talks, U.S. officials said. The schedule was only fixed for this week and a tough battle over the rest of the meeting was foreseen by Western diplomats.

"No matter how many obstacles in the procedural work put up by the East, the outcome here will be that the West can in the end state its protests over events in Poland," a neutral delegate said.

Roughnecking Rig crew school growing

by Michele Rowland
Battalion Reporter

The success of a first-of-its-kind school for oilfield roughnecks, sponsored by the Texas Engineering Extension Service, has prompted officials to slightly alter school hours so that two student groups, instead of one, may receive the unique rig crew training.

One group begins the training program in Abilene at 6:30 a.m. and finishes at 2:30 p.m., while another group will use the facilities from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Each class has an enrollment capacity of 25; however, thousands more than this apply.

The Texas Engineering Extension Service, part of the Texas A&M University System, operates the school and receives over 5,000 applicants for each semester, TEEEX Director James R. Bradley said.

Applicants come from all over the nation and from many foreign coun-

tries, Bradley said.

In a 5,000-square-foot building, donated by the Abilene Industrial Foundation, students attend lectures on first aid, fire-fighting, rig safety, equipment care, drilling muds, pipe rack and drill line operations and working in high places. The Foundation also donated 64 acres of land to the school.

The Abilene chapter of International Drilling Contractors donated a 115-foot rig and drilling equipment.

A majority of the school's first graduating class — which was graduated in December — is now employed by drilling contractors in the Abilene-Midland area, said Bill Moore, membership director of the International Association of Drilling Contractors in Houston.

A common problem for graduates, finding jobs and better-than-average wages, is no problem for graduates of the TEEEX school since each graduate is guaranteed a job by the IADC.

Graduates working in the Abilene area all began at a minimum salary of \$10 per hour, contrasted to the average wage of around \$5.50 per hour, Bradley said.

Four of the graduates started at \$40,000 a year, he added.

Hands-on experience is one reason graduates draw higher pay. Graduates from the school spent 60 percent of their required 160 hours working on the school's rig. They're considered, then, to have the equivalent of nine months' experience, Bradley said.

The graduates are also infinitely more promotable, Moore said. "One may be an assistant driller in one year," he said.

To be accepted in the school, applicants must be 18 upon completion of the course and must be in good health and capable of lifting 100 pounds. Tuition for the six-week course is \$500.



photo by Eileen Manton

Experiment in progress

Jay Klements, a graduate student in English from Laurel, Maryland, catches some sleep in the Memorial Student Center main lounge.

'Health center policies bring few complaints'

by Rebeca Zimmermann
Battalion Staff

Since September it's been more expensive to be sick in Aggieland, but the health center pharmacist says she hasn't heard many complaints.

The A.P. Beutel Health Center began charging for prescriptions in September.

Sophia C. Chan, health center pharmacist, said she has not heard many complaints from students about having to pay for medication. She said students realize that free medication is not feasible for a health center.

The number of patients seen and

the number of prescriptions given decreased during January 1982. The center saw 676 fewer students and made 1,228 fewer prescriptions in January 1982 than in January 1981.

Dr. Claude B. Goswick Jr., health center director, said he doesn't believe the new charges deter students from getting health care and prescriptions.

He said the decrease in number of patients may be due to the revised policy on giving class excuses.

At the same time the center began charging for prescriptions, it also stopped giving class excuses to stu-

dents who came to the health center without a note from the student's instructor.

Now a student's instructor must send a written request to the health center to get a class excuse for the student.

The new policy on class excuses cuts down on the number of unnecessary visits by students, Goswick said. Some students were there primarily for class excuses, he said.

Before the center began charging for prescriptions, Goswick said, the center needed more money than it received through other sources. In-

stead of raising students' health center fees, the center charges the cost of the drugs.

Goswick said the prescriptions are priced according to what the health center pays for them. He said the center does not compete with local drug stores. Since the health center buys its drugs on a state contract, he said, the cost to the center is often less than what a drug store must pay.

The cost of the prescriptions strictly covers the cost of the drug and the packaging cost, Goswick said.

"We do not count in salaries of

pharmacists. We simply make expenses."

The center receives its main income from student health center fees and from student service fees provided by the student government.

The center contracts to do army physicals as well as physicals for companies that are hiring students and also makes first aid kits on request.

Goswick said the health center now can stock a greater variety of drugs than it could previously afford. He said physicians can get in a rut when they are limited to prescribing only the drugs available.

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forecast

Today's forecast: Partly cloudy and windy with a 20 percent chance of drizzle; high in the mid-40s, low near 30. Wednesday's forecast calls for cool temperatures again and partly cloudy skies.