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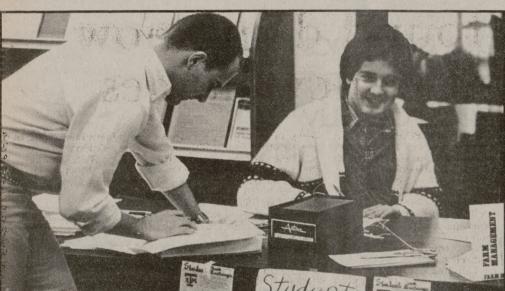
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John Hatch, a freshman from Spring in general studies, fills out a card to put in the used book file while Eugene Sepulvdea, a senior studying finance, from Houston

Peso plunges to record low

United Press International EL PASO — The value of Mexico's troubled peso plunged against the American dollar in border city banks in the wake of Mexico's announcement that its ban on dollars will be lifted and two exchange rates established.

El Paso National Bank opened its exchange window Monday with record rates of buying 145 pesos for \$1 and selling 130 pesos for \$1.

By mid-morning, the bank dropped its buying rate to 140

pesos for \$1. State National Bank was buying 142 pesos for \$1 and selling 132 pesos for \$1 Jesus Rios, of EPNB's inter-

national department, said the 145 to 1 exchange is pretty

"It's supply and demand," Rios said. "When you consider

all the problems of Mexico, 145 isn't all that unrealistic. The country's problems of unem-ployment, inflation, withdrawal of federal subsidies and their lack of dollars. All these things determine the rate of ex-

The rate was determined partly by how retailers in El Paso and California were trading the peso over the weekend.

He said several El Paso merchants were exchanging be-tween 140 and 150 pesos for \$1, while some areas of California were trading as high as 160 pesos for \$1.

Under the currency reform, an exchange rate for private citizens is determined by supply and demand and another, for business, is set at 70 pesos to the

Jury probes pot trap claim

San Jacinto County appeared before a federal grand jury investigating the alleged violations of motorists' rights. The motorlists had been arrested on possimarijuana possession

Sheriff J.C. Parker, 47, emerged smiling Monday after repeading an hour with the secret panel. He referred all questions to his lawyer, who would not comment about the case.

Federal and state authorities have been investigating the sheriff's office since April when a lawsuit was filed in behalf of several motorists who said they were stopped by deputy sheriffs, arrested and jailed. After bond Money was paid, the motorists Isaid they never heard from officials again, and no bond money was ever refunded.

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HOUSTON — The sheriff of the grand jury have been issued for Mike Jeffrey of Coldspring. a justice of the peace in San-Jacinto County, and Jack Fly, a local wrecker driver.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Scott Woodward said the probe could last several months.
"We're working very hard on

it," he said. The lawsuit filed by the

American Civil Liberties Union charges that the sheriff's office was running a "marijuana trap" along U.S. Highway 59 north of Houston. Deputies would stop motorists to check for mari

During the last year, the five San Jacinto County deputies and 21 non-salaried reserve deputies made 1,124 drug arrests more than any county in the state except Harris County, which employs 700 deputies.

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