

EPA budget cut blasted

United Press International
WASHINGTON — A Texas congressman said Wednesday the Environmental Protection Agency's 1984 budget proposal cutting hazardous and toxic waste programs shows the administration is ignoring citizens' fears.

In testimony before a House committee, Rep. Bill Patman, D-Texas, said the EPA's 1984 budget request "demonstrates that the administration is simply

not listening to what people in this country are saying about hazardous waste."

He noted concerned residents of Bay City were organizing night patrols of the back roads of Matagorda County to prevent illegal "midnight" dumping by chemical waste haulers.

"These people aren't far-out environmental extremists," he said. "They are ordinary working people concerned that un-

safe hazardous waste disposal practices are shortening the lives of their children and increasing their risks of cancer."

He urged the House to in-

crease the EPA's budget requests for hazardous and toxic waste programs to at least current funding, adjusted for inflation.



Boiling over

staff photo by David Fisher

Tim Robinette, a sophomore in his foundry class. The temperature of the lead exceeds 3,000 degrees when poured into molds and is used to make parts for drill presses.

SPECIAL NOTICE 1st SUMMER SESSION OPTIONAL BOARD PLAN

Students, on campus, off campus, and graduate, may dine on a meal plan during the 1st Summer Session at TAMU. Students selecting the 7-day plan may dine three meals each day, except Sunday evening; those selecting the 5-day plan may dine three meals each day, Monday through Friday. Meals will be served in Commons. Fees are payable to the Controller of Accounts, Fiscal Office, Coke Building. Notice dates: Commons will be open for cash business on Registration day, May 30. Meal plans will begin on the first day of class, May 31.

Fees for each plan are as follows:
7 Day \$195.00 May 31 through July 1
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Meal plan validation will begin at 7:30 a.m., May 31, in the Commons Lobby. Fee slips will be required.

Social Security plan termed as fair to all

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WASHINGTON — President Reagan, who signed the \$165 billion Social Security rescue plan at an extravagant White House ceremony, pledges the compromise considers the needs of both young workers and aged retirees.

"It assures the elderly American will always keep the promise made in troubled times half a century ago," he said. "It assures those who are still working they too have a pact with the future. From this day forward we have our pledge they will get their fair share of benefits when they retire."

Reagan signed the legislation in an outdoor ceremony featuring the Marine band, hundreds

of guests, congressional leaders from both parties, Boy Scouts and pensioners.

The law ends two years of political battles set off by the administration's wide-ranging proposals to reduce future benefits. Backers say it will erase the system's debts for at least 75 years.

It increases payroll taxes for 116 million workers, delays this year's cost-of-living increase six months for 36 million recipients and gradually raises the retirement age to 67 next century, affecting anyone born in 1938 or later.

Patterned after a January report of the president's National Commission on Social Security Reform, the bill cleared Congress with unusual speed —

fuelled by warnings the old-age fund would not have the cash to pay July checks. The Senate sent it to Reagan at 2 a.m. March 25, a few hours after House approval.

"The changes in this legislation will allow Social Security to age as gracefully as all of us hope to do ourselves, without becoming an overwhelming burden on generations still to come," the president declared.

Reagan used a dozen pens to sign the bill. He passed them out to guests — political friends such as Senate Republican Leader Howard Baker and national commission chairman Alan Greenspan, and adversaries such as Democratic House Speaker Thomas O'Neill and Rep. Claude Pepper, D-Fla.

Homework hotline helps out U.S. students with studies

United Press International
CHICAGO — Students who need just a little bit of help with their homework can dial a teacher direct.

The Chicago Education Corps is manning a Homework Hotline for area students who need help with their studies, the Chicago Sun-Times reported Thursday.

"We want the children to know not only that they can get help, but also there are people who care about their education," Frances Holliday, director of the CEC, told the newspaper.

The Homework Hotline is similar to phone banks in Houston, Atlanta and Tulsa, Okla., but the Chicago line is the first staffed strictly by volunteers from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday — and not all the volunteers are teachers. Students dialed 427-H-E-L-P Monday night, when the hotline began operating, with a variety of questions about their work — especially math and languages. Josephine Anderson, a reading resource supervisor at Howard Elementary School and one

of 30 adult volunteers, said most of the students who called seemed happy with the help they got.

"I think they love this, all the attention they get. They just can't seem to believe it," Anderson said.

Bob Gault, an engineer, said a

high school student stumped him when he asked how to find the cube root of a number.

"Of course, the answer is just punch the cube root button on your calculator," Gault said before suggesting another answer. "I told him to try successive guesses."

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