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COLLEGE OF SCIENCE**

**ENGLISH PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION
ALL JUNIORS and SENIORS**

In curricula of the College of Science who have not previously taken the English Proficiency Exam must take the EPE as scheduled below:

BIOLOGY Department Curricula

Friday, October 14 and Friday, October 28
3:00-5:00 p.m.

CHEMISTRY Department Curricula

Friday, October 14 and Friday, October 28
3:00-5:00 p.m.

MATHEMATICS Department Curricula

Friday, October 14 and Friday, October 28
3:00-5:00 p.m.

PHYSICS Department Curricula

Tuesday, October 18
7:00-9:00 p.m., 219 Healdtelle

In order to qualify as a candidate for a degree in the College of Science, each student must demonstrate an ability to express himself/herself in acceptable English. This requirement may be satisfied by (1) passing an examination in English composition (EPE) taken not later than the spring semester of the junior year, or (2) completing English 301 at Texas A&M University with a minimum grade of "C".

Any student who fails the written examination (EPE) must satisfy the English Proficiency requirement designated by his/her respective department.

Students in the Departments of Biology, Chemistry, and Mathematics desiring to complete the EPE this semester or who have a conflict with the designated testing date should see Mrs. Pladco, Room 152 A&A Building. Students in the Department of Physics should report to the designated location on the day of testing. Any problems with the proposed schedule or questions regarding the exam should be directed to Dr. Clark, 219C Healdtelle, 2817.

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Woman killed in blast; faulty boiler blamed

United Press International
LUBBOCK — A boiler explosion at the Lubbock City-County Health Department Wednesday killed a woman and injured eight others, one seriously, authorities said.

Police spokesman Bill Morgan said the blast rocked the one-story brick building at 2:20 p.m., causing a section of wall to collapse and lifting the ceiling off its supports.

The explosion also blew out all the windows in the building and hurled bricks hundreds of feet, damaging parked cars. Extensive water damage also was reported.

Norma Guerrero, 25, Lubbock, was pronounced dead at the scene. She was in a room used for family planning adjacent to the boiler room during the explosion.

The eight injured were sent to Lubbock General Hospital, officials reported. The injured included four health department employees and four patients.

A Lubbock General Hospital spokeswoman said all but two of the injured were released after treatment for minor injuries.

Health aid Elvira Martinez, 55, of Lubbock, was hospitalized

in serious conditions with fractures and second-degree burns to her face and left leg.

Julie Ellis, 22, of Lubbock was kept in the hospital overnight for observation, the spokeswoman added.

Health officials had planned to move the department from

the building once remodeling of a downtown building was completed. The health department building was constructed in 1956.

City spokesman Steve Lindell said the health department would be relocated temporarily

to a former city-county tax downtown.

"It's a very sad thing that happened," said City Councilman Bud Aderton upon seeing the scene. He said he regretted the explosion had occurred before the department could be moved.

A Lubbock resident for more than 30 years, Aderton said it was the first time he knew that the public had been injured in an explosion at a city building.

It was not clear how many people were in the building at the time of the blast, but the city has been coping with a hepatitis outbreak.

Academy back to basics

Police test more difficult

United Press International
HOUSTON — Forty percent of the cadets graduating from a recent Houston Police Department academy class flunked a new state competency test on law enforcement basics, officials say.

The written test is a mandatory part of the licensing process of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers' Standards and Education.

Graduating cadets must correctly answer at least 70 percent of the 150 multiple-choice questions on the two-hour exam to qualify for licensing as a state-certified peace officer. Applicants who flunk may remain officers, but must pass the test within a year.

Academy Capt. Tommy Shane said 25 of the 62 Houston police cadets given the test Sept.

19 scored below 70 percent. Those cadets, now probationary officers, must attend off-duty classes at the academy on their own time so they can retake the test after the next academy class graduates.

"If this test does nothing else, it will increase (law enforcement) standards in the state," Shane said.

Statewide, only 69 of 296 graduating cadets given the test

have failed.

The Houston cadets failed said the test concerned a variety of police skills a rural officer would need more than they would, Shane said.

Since the test, HPD academy instruction has been restructured to concentrate more on the "technical requirements" cadets should know for the test, Shane said.

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Midland bank
aided by FDIC

United Press International
MIDLAND — The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has put \$100 million into the First National Bank of Midland to give it temporary stability until its financial difficulties can be resolved, officials say.

The help came in the form of a note that bears interest at a rate equal to the treasury bill rate, plus 5 percent, FDIC spokesman Alan Whitney said in announcing the action Wednesday. He said federal reserve officials reported they were unable to support any more of the bank's needs for operating cash.

Last week FNB reported less than \$1 million dollars in equity and a loan of \$530 million from the federal reserve. A special shareholders meeting is slated for Friday morning to decide how to resolve the bank's problems.

Bank management and FDIC agreed the injection needed to keep public confidence in FNB, Whitney said. Gov. Mark White said Thursday that the state will provide what help it can for the 93-year-old bank. His comments came as a Midland support rally.

Whitney said the FDIC is authorized to make loans or contributions to an insured bank in danger of closing. Such actions are targeted to encourage bank's merger with a sound institution, Whitney added.

Although the note is payable on demand, it will remain outstanding until a satisfactory permanent resolution of FNB problems are arranged.

In a statement to shareholders last week, FNB officials announced they had hired a firm to find a merger for the bank, which has been up for sale since December 1982.

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