

State fights crime with large grants

United Press International
AUSTIN — Gov. Mark White announced the award Tuesday of more than \$24 million in crime-fighting grants that were funded through the assessment of fines for criminal offenses in Texas.

The largest single grant, \$1,009,271, went to the Texas Department of Public Safety to fund a telecommunications control system.

Smaller awards were made to governmental units in cities and counties all over the state to help hire more law enforcement officers, operate projects to discourage juvenile

crime and organize neighborhood crime-fighting programs.

"To establish safer communities, we must encourage citizens and the police to work together to swiftly apprehend criminal offenders and to support programs designed to discourage young people from engaging in criminal activity," White said in a statement.

The Drug Abuse Research and Education Foundation and the Texans' War on Drugs were allocated \$412,286. The Department of Public Safety got \$388,937 for an electronic surveillance program in drug trafficking and another \$258,352 for a uniform crime reporting program.

Iranian jet hijacked; hostages safe in Iraq

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BAGHDAD, Iraq — A man and a woman fleeing persecution in Iran hijacked an Iranian jetliner Tuesday and forced it to land in Iraq where they freed all 204 hostages in good condition, the Iraqi government said.

The air drama, which involved two nations at war for nearly four years, was the second international hijacking in a week and the third in less than six weeks involving Iran.

In Tehran, the Iranian government said two Iraqi warplanes forced the Iran Air jetliner to land in Iraq and demanded the United Nations and other world organizations move to "secure the release of the hostages."

But in Baghdad, the Iraqi News Agency said the 193 passengers and 11 crew members were safe after the forced landing at an airfield south of the city and were free to return to Iran if they wished.

The news agency said a man and woman, who claimed to be armed with explosives, hijacked the French-built A-300 Airbus after takeoff from the southern Iranian city of Shiraz to "escape from Iran and persecution in that country."

"They said they were not members of any political party and carried out this operation as part of the struggle against the regime of Khomeini," the government news agency said, referring to Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

After the forced landing, the hijackers, crew, and passengers were

flown by civilian aircraft to the capital and taken to a hotel, where Iraqi officials said they were in good condition after being freed.

"They are waiting to decide what they want to do next — stay in Baghdad, return to their home country or to any other place they choose," the Iraqi news agency said.

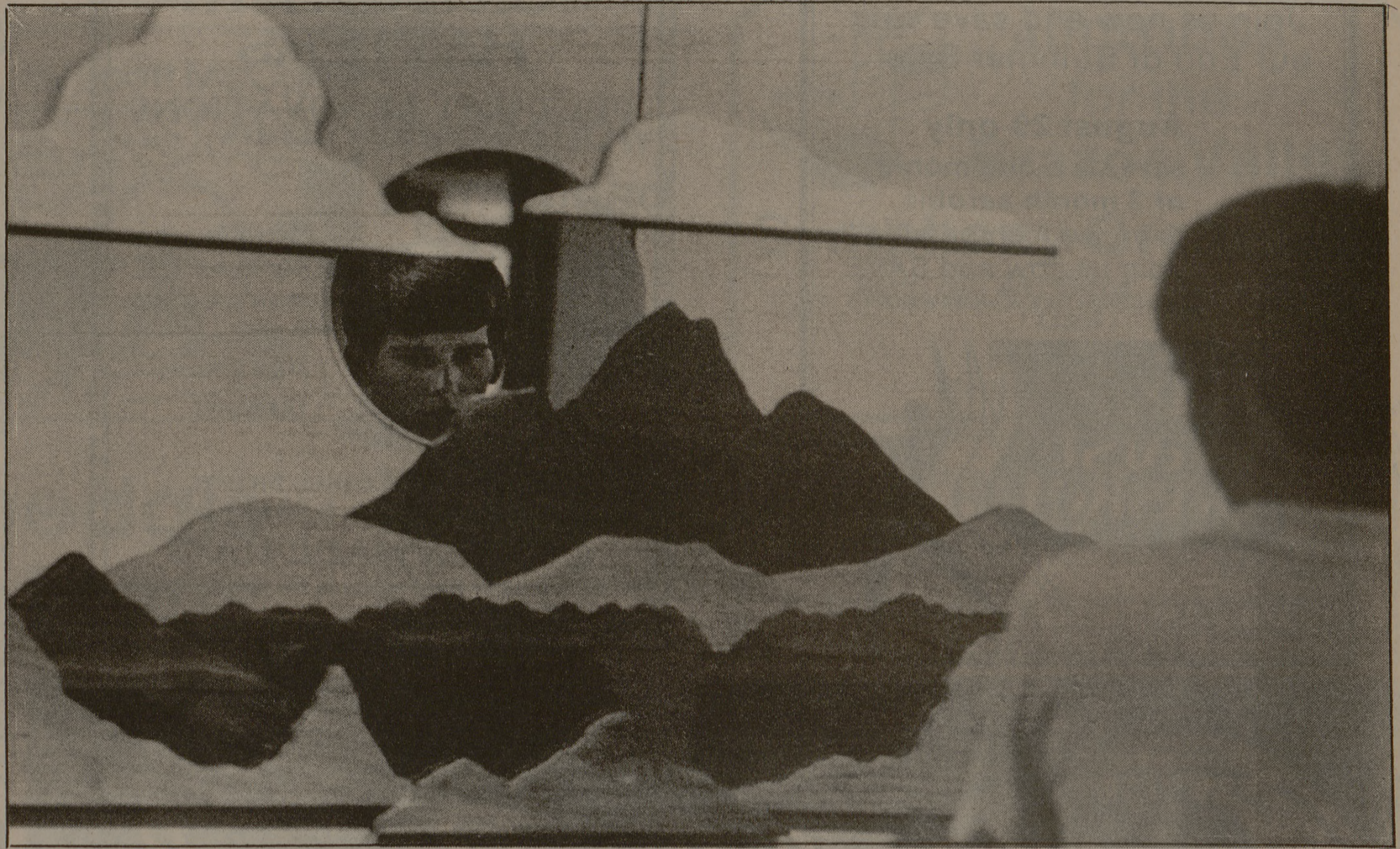
The Iranian Foreign Ministry called the hijacking "an open theft" by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's government and demanded the United Nations and other international groups "take action against hijacking by a regime."

Iran first reported the hijacking occurred on a flight from Dubai in the United Arab Emirates, but Dubai airport authorities and Iraqi officials said the plane was flying between Shiraz and Tehran.

The hijackers sought permission to land in Kuwait, a desert sheikdom south of Iraq, but Kuwaiti authorities refused and it flew on toward Iraq.

According to unofficial Iraqi reports monitored in Israel, Iraqi security men forced the crew to leave the jet after it landed in Iraq. Iranian authorities reportedly had ordered the crew to remain in the plane with the female hijacker after the passengers were released.

Last week, seven Sikh extremists seized an Indian Air Lines Boeing 737 with 93 people aboard and forced it to land Saturday in Dubai, where they freed their hostages.



Art reflection

Photo by DEAN SAITO

Rex Jennings, a senior business management major from San Antonio, admires one of the crafted items on display in the

MSC Gallery Tuesday afternoon.

GM offers 'slight' pay increase, no talk of job security for union

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DETROIT — General Motors Corp. offered union members a small raise in contract proposals Tuesday, but Ford Motor Co. did not, saying workers should be satisfied with current profit sharing plans that may yield nearly \$2,000 in 1984.

United Auto Workers leaders reacted angrily to the three-year GM and Ford proposals, which did not deal specifically with the union's chief goal of job security for union members.

"I laid awake all night — it was like the night before Christmas," said UAW Vice President Donald

Ephlin. "When I got here this morning, I found Santa didn't stop here — Scrooge did."

Concession contracts covering 350,000 workers at GM and 114,000 at Ford expire Sept. 14.

Wages were frozen at GM and Ford under the 1982 pacts. Neither company proposed reinstatement of the union's annual 3 percent wage increase, which workers received for decades and is a key union goal.

But under the GM plan, workers would receive lump sum payments of \$600 in the first year and \$300 in the second year. No language was offered on the third year.

Union leaders meet Wednesday to

consider the plans and select the strike target in current talks. GM's willingness to grant the union at least a small increase in pay may give the No. 1 automaker the inside track.

GM said its plan could provide more than \$8,000 for each GM worker over three years. But it would retain the right to send work to outside firms — a practice called "outsourcing" that is heatedly opposed by the UAW.

"This proposal is designed to further enhance the well-being of our employees and the corporation's ability to succeed in the marketplace," said GM Vice President Al-

fred Warren.

Increases in inflation would trigger increased cost-of-living adjustment payments, but GM proposed no change in the current rate. GM also said it would increase pension benefits to \$1,000 a month from the current monthly payments of about \$930.

The Ford bargaining plan called for no raises, an unspecified job security program plus guaranteed income for senior workers whose plants are closed, and offered incentives to workers who help cut medical costs.

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INSTRUCTORS

The course will be taught primarily by the professional staff of the Student Activities Office. The instructors will utilize various guest speakers in addition to a team teaching approach in order to provide the most effective presentation of course material.

REGISTRATION

Due to demand, this course will be offered twice in the fall. Students interested in taking the course should register/ add "Seminar in Management" 481 C, Section 506 (meeting on Thursday) or Section 506 (meeting on Tuesday) to their fall 1984 schedule. Each class will meet at 2:00 p.m. in Room 205, Agriculture Bldg. The course is worth one credit hour. Questions? Call 845-1111.

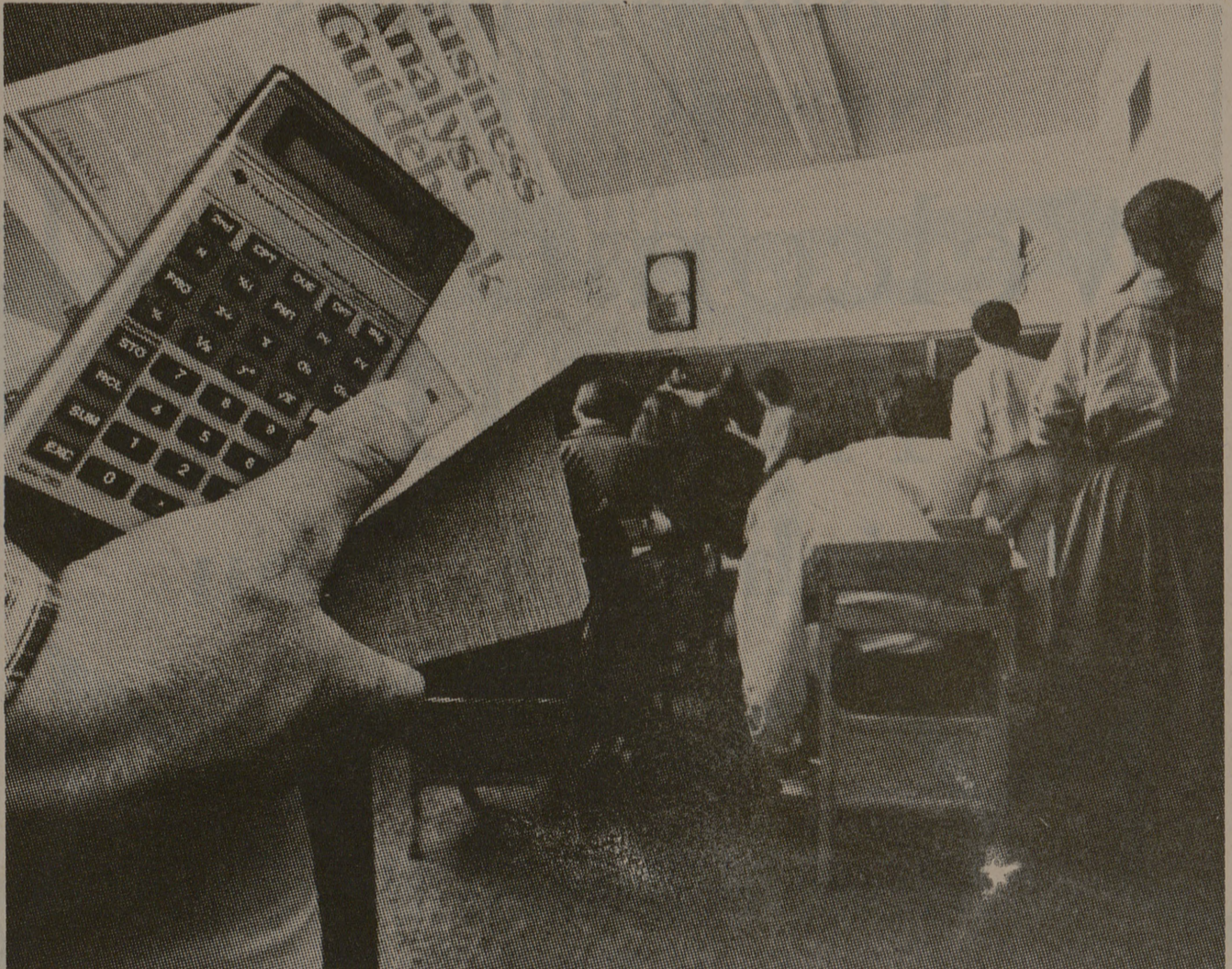
PARTICIPANTS

While the seminar is intended primarily for leaders, potential officers, or officers of student organizations, it is open to any Texas A & M student. Interested in learning more about working with student groups?

COURSE CONTENT

The content and organization of the seminar will emphasize practical application rather than theoretical concepts. Instruction will cover such topics as:

- Principles of leadership
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