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2	August 26, 1935	Thunderheads Give Promise of More Rain	X	Arizona, Storms, Thunderheads, Clouds, New Rains, Light Showers, Wickenburg, Saul's Wash. Lee Barnett, Sentinel, Phoenix-Yuma Highway
1	August 24, 1938	Rains Hit Hard Over Arizona	X	Torrent, Wickenburg, Storms, Arizona, Hassayampa River, Muddy, Unusual Course, Uprooted Trees, Missing, Safety, Raging Waters, Downstream, Sudden Rush, George A. Ash, Bob Thorns, Shelter, Flood Waters Subsided, Swirling Flood, River Bottom, A.G. Keys, C.W. Keys, R.P. Jones
3	September 27, 1949	Hassayampa River Runs 2 Feet Deep After Heavy Rains	X	Hassayampa River, Wickenburg, 2 Feet Deep, Heavy Rains, Prescott, A.R. Barnett, United States Weather Bureau, Stanton, Congress Junction, Crown King, Bradshaw Mountains, Thundershowers, Walnut Grove, Maurine Sanborn, Antelope Creek, Slaughterhouse Creek, Reservoir, Hoarse Thief Basin, Good Rain, Mrs. Ray Adair, Ranger Adair, Forest Service, Mayer, Valley Residents, Tempe
4	August 3, 1951	Lower Areas Warned Against Flash Floods	X	Flood, Inundates, Valley Drenching Rain, Floodwaters, Receding Slowly, U.S. Weather Bureau, Louis R. Jurwitz, Phoenix Area, Blocking Roads, Washing Out Bridge Approaches, Giant Lakes, Coolidge, Florence, Casa Grande, Flash Floods, High Waters, Lowlands, Luke Air Force Base, Isolated, 18 Inches, Col. Henry J. Amen, Aerial Survey, Serious Floods, Glendale, Tolleson, Sunnyslope, Buckeye, Store Floors, Santa Cruz River, Tucson, Gila River, Hassayampa River, Avondale, Litchfield, Liberty, Watersheds, Salt and Verde Rivers, Considerable Benefit, Tempe Bridge, Roosevelt Irrigation District Canal, Broke, Large Head of Water, U.S. Highway 80, 12 Inches
5	August 11, 1951	Rains Fill Arizona Water Courses	X	Arizona Water Courses, Water, Heavy Summer Rain, Gillespie Dam, Gila River, Phoenix, Highway 80, Pipe Line, El Paso Natural Gas Co.
5	August 11, 1951	Hassayampa Flows Again	X	Hassayampa River, Gila, Sandbar, Phoenix, Runoff
7	August 28, 1951	Meets Demand - Tonto Torrent	X	Irrigation Water, Palo Verde, Hard Hit, Rains, Hassayampa River, Central Arizona, New, and Agua Fria Rivers, Salt River Valley Watershed, Tonto Creek, Aerial photograph, Roosevelt Dam, Runoff, Roosevelt Lake
6	August 29, 1951	More Rainfall Expected Today in Storm's Wake	X	Central Arizona, Water Shortage, Rampaging Rivers, Washes, Heavy Damage, Gentle Rainfall, Canal Flow, Drenching Rains, Mountain, Desert Range Lands, Grasses, Timber, Verde River, Horseshoe and Bartlett Dams, City of Phoenix, Swirling Flood Waters, Sweeping over Fields, Washing Out Dirt Roads, Canals, Blocking Main Highways, Rail Lines, Luke Air Force Base. Flooded, Southern Pacific Railroad Tracks, Washed Out, Centennial Wash, Flooded, Inundated, Goodyear, Swamp Community, New, Agua Fria Hassayampa Rivers, Scottsdale, Gila River, Coolidge, Gila Bend-Casa Grande, Muddy Waters, Salt River, 19th Avenue, Seventh and 16th Street Crossings, Bridges, South Central and Tempe, Queen Creek, Williams Air Force Base, White tank Mountains, Sandbag, Levee, North Fringes, Sewers Flooded, Sanitation Hazard, Glendale, Buckeye, Prescott, Flagstaff, Grand Canyon, Winslow, 1.75 Inches
6	August 29, 1951	Drought Ends Temporarily; Damage Small		Roosevelt Lake, Tonto Creek, Flow Heavily, Salt River, White Mountains, Verde River, Davenport Wash, Horseshoe and Bartlett Dams, Matazal Mountains, Fall Water Reserves, Water Users Project, San Carlos and Beardsley Reservoirs, Jake West, Gentle Steadiness, Run Off, Flash Flood, Cotton Bolls, Lettuce, Fall Crop, Farm Damage, Confined, Buckeye, Scottsdale, Underground Storage, Pumping
8	August 29, 1951	Good and Bad	X	W.W. Pickrell, Salt River Valley Water Users Association, Rainy Skies, Rains, Three Inches on Phoenix, Over Seven Inches, Aerial Photograph, Southern Pacific, Wrecked, Centennial Wash, Arlington, Injured, Phoenix, Wellton
9	August 30, 1951	Hassayampa House Party	X	Homes Flooded, Wickenburg, Hassayampa River, Swift Current, Uprooted, Trees, Swirling
11	September 9, 1951	Flood Waters Invade Phoenix Grand and Maricopa Canals Crumble When Wide Valley Fails to Relieve Pressure	X	Cave Creek, Flood Waters, Phoenix, Worst Flood, Famous Cave Creek Flood Twenty Years Ago, Waist Deep, State House Grounds, Grand Avenue, Yuma Road, J.C. Norton Ranch, Grand and Maricopa, Old Black Canyon Road, Five Points, Flooded Streets, Santa Fe, Capitol, Glendale, Phoenix, 2 Inches, Arizona, Power and Volume, Gushing, Beardsley, New River, Subsided, Embankment, Salt
11	September 9, 1951	Glendale Has Four Feet of Water in Down Town Streets		Break, Southside, Arizona Canal, Glendale, Flooded, Sheet of Water, Santa Fe Tracks, Washing Out, Outlet, Saved Cellars, Building Dykes, Bridge, Lateral No. 1?, Washed Out, Twenty Foot Break, Lateral No. 17, Heavy Rains, Ballast Beds, Buckeye Branch, Arizona Eastern, Road Bed

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12	September 18, 1951	Page Two-	X Frank R. Goodman, State Engineer, Little Colorado River, Overflowed, Banks, Inundated, Holbrook, J. M. Patterson, Home of Judge Crosby, Carried Away, Flood, Bridge., Apache Railroad Co. Washed Out, Cooley, Flagstaff, Winslow, Williams, Old trails Highway, La Rue Wash, Marooned, Island, Lake Mary, Heavy rains, Coconino, Washouts, Gallup, N.M., Santa Fe Trains, Routed, Phoenix, Prescott, Verde River, Jerome, Santa Fe Railroad Bridge at Tapco, Wickenburg, Rain Storm, Hail, Lightening, Bolt of Lightning, 10 Feet Wide, State Bridge, Hassayampa River, Flood Waters, Crops, Damaged, Rainfall, Heaviest Ever
10	August 5, 1955	Smart Buzzards Know Weather Not for Birds	X Flooded, Rain Swollen Wash, Burst, Banks, Wickenburg, Rain Damaged, Streets, Sewers, Highway 60-70, Buzzards, Worst Flood, 40 Years, 1.6 Inches, Whipple, Water Draining, Jim Byrd, Large Wash, Overflowed, Running Water, Lake
13	November 19, 1960	States Growth Poses Big Highway Problem (Article Undated - Maybe 1960?)	X Ninth Annual Arizona Conference on Roads and Streets, Civil Engineering Department, University of Arizona, Tucson, C.C. Overstreet, Carl langdon, Bob Murphy, Bill Willey, Dr. Gene M Norby, Caterpillar Tractor Company, L.F. Quinn, Milton Raey, John Bugg, Frank Kelly, Dr. Wayne Wymore, Electronic Computers, Greater Phoenix, K.K. King, J.K. Kipp, Kingman, Valentine, U.S. Highway 66, Sherdan E. Farin, Iron Curtain, Poland, Prof. Ralph A. Moyer, Howard A. Boswell, Governor Paul Fanin, G.L. Drake, Maricopa County, Phoenix, U.S. Bureau of Public Roads,
14	May 19, 1982	Is It Crucial - or Dangerous? - Diversion Channel Debate Grows	X Federal Flood Control Project, North Valley, Arizona Canal Diversion Channel, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Flood Control Dams, Phoenix, ACDC, Could Worsen Hazards, North Valley Flood Protection, 17.3 Mile Ditch, Arizona Canal, 40th Street and Camelback, Sunnyslope, Glendale, Skunk Creek, Northwest Peoria, Central Arizona Project Canal, 14 Miles, Dreamy Draw, Cave Buttes Dam, Tax Payers, Maricopa County Flood Control District, Cudia City Wash, Arizona Biltmore Hotel
15	October 4, 1983	County Approves East-side 'Senior Village'	X East Valley, Senior-citizen Village, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Mobil Homes, Path of Diversion Channel, Flood Control District of Maricopa County, 35th Avenue and Vogel, University Drive, Price Road, Ann Pierson, Phil Hamilton, Department of Health Services
16	January 17, 1984	County Panel to Use DWI Inmates for Crews - Maintenance Program on Flood Control District Reflects Trend in State	X Drunken Drivers, Maricopa County Flood Control District, Department of Corrections, John Turner, Department of Transportation, Public Safety, Administration and Health Services, 30 DWI Inmates, Arizona State Fair, County Parks Department, Glendale, Aspen Hall, Arizona State Hospital, 24th Street and Van Buren, Douglas, Tucson
17	January 17, 1984	DWI Offenders to Aid in Flood Control	X Drunk Drivers, Maricopa County Flood Control Structures, Approved, Board of Supervisors, DWI Inmates, Dan Sagramoso, Spook Hill, East of Mesa, Stan Smith, Florence, State Department of Corrections, Maricopa Medical Center, Roy O. Smith, Adolfo Echeveste
18	January 25, 1984	West Valley Residents Up in Arms Over Sites Proposed for Landfill	X El Mirage, Maricopa County, Plans, West Valley Landfill, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Phoenix, Dump, Farmland, DeWayne Justice, Oppose, Wayne Collins, Dames and Moore, Landfill Sites, Jomax and Happy Valley Roads, Sarival Avenue and Cotton Lane, Luke Air Force Base, City Manager Gil Olguin, El Mirage Industrial landfill, Agua Fria River, Repeated Flooding, Erosion, Lawsuit, Bob Carifo, Surprise, Cactus, Waddell, Dysart and Litchfield Roads, Ruin Town's Plans, Glendale, Agricultural Land
19	June 22, 1984	Maricopa Supervisor Wants to Nip Bureaucracy in Bud	X Cutbacks, Maricopa County, Supervisor Tom Freestone, Block Grant Money, Randy Baca, George Campbell, Federal Requirements, Communities of Santa Maria and Cashion, Scottsdale Foundation for the Handicapped, Sunny Skies Mobil Home Park, Mesa, Aquila, Avondale, Buckeye, Chandler, Gila Bend, Gilbert, Goodyear Water Storage, Peoria, Rainbow Valley Dinivant Park, Wittmann, El Mirage, thunderbird Road, Tolleson, Wickenburg
20	July 11, 1984	County Extends Lease of Model-plane Club	X Maricopa County Parks Commission, Valley Model-airplane Club, Adobe Mountain Recreation Area, Arizona Model Pilots Society, Inc. Adobe Mountain Dam
21	January 7, 1985	Supervisor Carpenter Expected to Provide 'Refreshing' Change	X Carol Carpenter, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Replace Hawley Atkinson, Supervisor George Campbell, Maricopa County, Sun City, Sun City West
22	January 7, 1985	Change-	X Carpenter, David Tierney, Betty Van Fredenberg, Arthur E. Jake Knapp, Sun City West, Ed Pastor, Campbell, Tom Freestone, Mesa, Fred Koory, Glendale, Tom Irvine
23	January 7, 1985	New Supervisor to Dedicate 99th Avenue Project	X 99th Avenue, Carol Carpenter, Maricopa County Supervisor, Hawley Atkinson, Avondale, Tolleson, Peoria, McDowell Road to Glendale Avenue, Ed Pastor, Peoria, Glendale, Sun City, A. Wayne Collins, Buckeye Road, Outer Loop, Phoenix

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25	January 8, 1985	Supervisors Elect Chief from Ranks - Freestone Wins Helm, Providing Rumors Wrong	X Maricopa County Supervisor Tom Freestone, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Sheriff Richard Godbehere, Keith Poletis
24	January 15, 1985	Sheriff's Team Scours Jail for Escape Routes	X Security, Maricopa County Jail, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Lax Security, Phoenix, Durango Jail, Maricopa County Medical Center, Mesa, Sun City, Gila Bend
26	January 15, 1985	Voter OK May Be Sought for Capital Improvement	X Maricopa County, Supervisor Tom Freestone, Ray Smith, Property Tax, County Manager Robert Mauney, Valley
27	January 17, 1985	Maricopa County Loses Publication Challenge - High Court Overturns Vote by Supervisors to Not Permit Minutes	X Arizona Supreme Court, Overturned, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Discontinue, Newspaper Publications, Meeting Minutes, Chief Justice William A. Holohan, Maricopa County, Publishing, Cherie Ellig, Board of Supervisors, Arizona Newspaper Association, Phoenix Newspapers, David Bodney, Judge Marilyn Riddle, Noel Levy
28	January 21, 1985	County Bids Adieu to 'At-cost' Jail Offer	X Maricopa County, No Bids, Design and Construction, Dormitory-style Jail, John F. Long, Art Dickson, Board of Supervisors, Associated General Contractors of America, Jim Miller, Gary Lisk, Arizona Building Chapter
29	January 21, 1985	Refinancing Charges Upset Supervisors	X Maricopa County Supervisors, Refinancing Costs, Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Southern California Edison, Administrative Costs, Supervisor Fred Koory Jr., Pollution Control Group, Palo Verde Project, County Manager Robert Mauney, Other Utilities Involved, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Maricopa County Board of Health, Ed Pastor
30	January 22, 1985	2 Supervisors Are Ready to Oust Firm Running County Computers	X Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, County's Computer System, Supervisor George Campbell, Carol Carpenter, Systems and Computer Technology Corp., Contract is Terrible, Arthur Andersen and Co., SCT, Supervisor Tom Freestone, County Manager Robert Mauney
31	January 24, 1985	County Oks Measure to Make Firm Running Computers More Responsive	X Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, County's Computer System, Systems and Computer Technology Corp., Arthur Andersen and Co., Long-range Plans, Supervisor George Campbell, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Bob Obuch
32	January 29, 1985	County Agrees to Push for Home Rule Bill	X Home Rule, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Arizona Association of Counties, Mickey Sheriff, Maricopa County, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Sales Tax Increase, Outer Loop, County Manager Robert Mauney, Supervisor George Campbell, Supervisor Carol Carpenter
33	January 31, 1985	County Looking at Hold-the-line Year	X Hold-the-line Budget, Maricopa County, Supervisor Tom Freestone, Finance Director Ray O. Smith, County Manager Robert Mauney, Adolfo Echeveste
34	February 4, 1985	Counties Start to Feel Pinch of Spending, Revenue Limits	X Maricopa County, Budget, Operating Funds, State Treasurer, Ray Rotas, Financial Woes, Ray O. Smith
35	February 4, 1985	Continued-	X County Manager Robert Mauney, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Asking Voter, Sell Bonds, George Campbell, Santa Cruz County, Exceeded, Apache County, Graham, Navajo, Yavapai, Pima County, Chris Heflin, Richard Casey, Arizona Association of Counties
36	February 5, 1985	County Rejects Bids for Study of Court Office - Presiding Judge Wants Washington, D.C., Firm, Others 'Unacceptable'	X Bids, Rejected, Maricopa County Superior Court Clerk's Office, Board of Supervisors, Carol Carpenter, Tom Freestone, Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield, National Center for State Courts, Washington D.C., Larry Martin, Office of Management and Analysis, Jim Carney, Peat Marwick, Mitchell and Co., Touché Ross and Co., Arthur Young and Co., Price Waterhouse and Co., Sun Belt Employers Association Inc., William Hamilton and Associates
37	February 5, 1985	3 Maricopa County Judgeships Filled	X Three valley Lawyers, Appointed, Gov. Bruce Babbitt, Judgeships, Maricopa County Superior Court, Rebecca Albreach, John Foremen, Frederick Martone
38	February 6, 1985	Public Hearing to be Held - Work on Buckeye Landfill to Halt	X Maricopa County Supervisors, Stop Work, Controversial Landfill, Town of Buckeye, Ground-water Studies, Public Hearings, Yuma and Airport Roads, Carpenter and Other Supervisors, Tom Galbraith, Lewis and Roca, Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins, Avondale Dump Site
39	February 7, 1985	Supervisors Blunder Again	X Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Carol Carpenter, Tom Freestone, Maricopa County Superior Court System, Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield, National Center for State Courts, Peat Marwick, Mitchell and Co., Touché Ross and Co., Arthur Young and Co., Price Waterhouse and Co.
40	February 8, 1985	Supervisors Say Cutback Near	X Maricopa County Supervisors, More Funds, Supervisor George Campbell, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Financial Relief, Ray Smith, Robert Mauney

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41	February 13, 1985	Fiscal Gain Questioned - County Plan to Shift Parks to Phoenix Runs Into Detour	x Maricopa County, Parks and Recreation Commission, Surrendering, Annexed Parks, Paradise Valley Park, Adobe Recreation Area, Cave Buttes Park and Reach 11, Board of Supervisors, Phoenix City Council, Parks and Recreation Director William Richwine, Maintenance Costs, Commissioner Thyrlle Stapley Jr., Commissioner Myra Page, Maricopa County Community College District
42	February 21, 1985	Third Supervisor Favors Removing Computer Handler	x Maricopa County Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Supports Firing, County's Computer System, Systems and Computer Technology Corp., George Campbell, Carol Carpenter, County Manager Robert Mauney, National Center for State Courts, Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield
43	February 21, 1985	Supervisors Postpone Decision on Request to Seven New Cars	x Maricopa County Jail, Seven New Cars, Postponed, Phil Severson, Supervisor George Campbell, Carol Carpenter, Harlan Harris, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Health Department Director Adolfo Echeveste, AHCCCS
44	February 26, 1985	Computer Contract Cancelled - Will End a Year Early; Company Acquiesces	x Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, End Controversial Contract, County's Computer Operations, Gary Provo, Systems and Computer Technology, Agree to Terminate, Supervisor George Campbell, County Manager Robert Mauney, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Supervisor Fred Koory, Expenses, Programming Errors, Paychecks to be Shredded, Audit, Write Own Contract, Failing, Develop, Long-range Plans, 260 Things Wrong, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Contract Extensions
45	March 13, 1985	Surrogate' Taxpayers Buying Up Property Liens	x Property Taxes, Tax Lien Purchase, Delinquent Taxes, Paul Corrington, Chief Deputy Maricopa County Treasurer, Most Active Investor B.F.T. Co., Dr. Louis Becker and Son Barry, Property Owner, Killed, Stephen, Jose Sanchez, Arizona State Prison, Mathis Becker
46	March 13, 1985	Blackout Hits County Building	x Blackout, Maricopa County Government Buildings, Board of Supervisors, Sheriff Godbehere, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Civil Defense Director Roy Bluhm, 52nd Street, North of McDowell
47	March 14, 1985	MAG to Consider Two More Freeways	x Two More Freeways, MAG Regional Council, Maricopa County Association of Governments, Hohokam Expressway, East Papago Freeway, Management Committee, Red Mountain Parkway, MAG Transportation Plan, Red Mountain, Southeast Loop, Southwest Loop, Price Road Expressway, Gila River Indian Community, Indian Land, Jack DeBolske, Regional Council
48	March 18, 1985	59th Avenue Freeway Alignment Endorsed	x Interstate 10, Maryvale, Southwest Loop, Phoenix City Council, I-10 at 59th Avenue, South Mountain Park, Ahwatukee, Maricopa County Association of Governments, MAG, East Valley, Pecos Road, Queen Creek Road, Arthur Allen, Laveen Planning Committee, 51st Avenue and Dobbins Road, 75th or 67th Avenue, Dale Smith, Bridge over Salt River, South Mountain Village Planning Committee, 75th Avenue Alignment, Phoenix Planning Commission
49	March 21, 1985	Non-profit Agencies May Lose Federal Revenue-sharing Funds	x 100 Non-profit Agencies, Maricopa County, Balance, Federal Budget, Yale Simons, OK Community, Supervisors, Tri-City Community Service, Mesa, Executive Vice President Milt Lee, Sheriff's Office, Detention Director Phillip L. Severson, Board Member George Campbell, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, New Madison Street Jail, Deputy County Attorney Dean Woolcott
50	March 28, 1985	Two Trustees Escape East Jail Annex	x Maricopa County Jail Inmate, Known Escape Risk, Phoenix, Deputy Roy Cook, Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Dick Godbehere
51	March 28, 1985	Maricopa County Panel Adds 80 Miles of Freeway to Plan for Transportation	x Litchfield Park, 80 Miles, Freeways, Expressways, Added, Maricopa County Association of Governments, MAG, Gila River Indian Community, Shift Alignments, Proposed Freeways, Regional Transportation Plan, East Papago Expressways, Price Road, Red Mountain Expressway, Eastern Valley, Queen Creek Road, Jason Yu, Roger Herzog, Pecos Road, Laveen Planning Council, 75th Avenue, 59th Avenue, Art Allen, Phoenix Transportation Area
52	April 2, 1985	County Will Pay Center \$63,609 for Study of Court Clerk's Office	x Maricopa County, National Center for State Courts, Superior Court Clerk's Office, Washington D.C., Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield, Superior Court Clerk Vivian Kringle, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Bill Mann, Assistant County Manager, Supervisors Fred Koory and Ed Pastor, Supervisor George Campbell
53	April 3, 1985	County Office Gains Extra Funds to Cope With Cremation Trend	x Increase, Cremations, Maricopa County Medical Examiner's Office, Board of Supervisors, State Law, Dr. Thomas Jarvis, Jim Ahren, President Arizona Funeral Directors Association, Sun Belt States, California, Florida, Arizona, Alan Kroboth, Cremation Association of North America
54	April 3, 1985	Zoning Procedures Change Urged	x Zoning Violators, Supervisor Tom Freestone, Planning and Zoning Commission, Illegal Landing Strips, Richard Turner, Slow, Cracking Down, No Written Procedures, Permits, Plans, Petitions

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55	April 4, 1985	Etch2, Brute? - Jail Plaque Lists Hill; Godbehere Balks, Gets Second Billing	X	Maricopa County Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Authorization, Funding, Madison Street Jail, Bronze Plaque, Sheriff Jerry Hill, Supervisors George Campbell, Tom Freestone, Fred Koory, Ed Pastor, Hawley Atkinson, County Manager Robert Mauney, Henningson, Durham and Richardson Inc., McCathy/Western Inc., Carol Carpenter
56	April 4, 1985	County to Rein in Computer 'Chaos' - Seeks Compatibility of Units, Centralized Control System	X	Maricopa County Supervisors, "Hodgepodge" Minicomputer Systems, Coordinate, Computer Network, Board of Supervisors, County Manager Robert Mauney, Computer Maintenance and Service, County Department of Computer Services, Supervisor Fred Koory Jr., Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Systems and Computer Technology Inc.
57	April 5, 1985	Sheriff's Office Charged with Sex Discrimination	X	Justice Department, Civil Lawsuit, U.S. District Court, Phoenix, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Discriminating Against Women, Hiring, Promotion, Employment, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, William Mann, Maricopa County Personnel Department, Civil Rights Act of 1964, Jane Ryan, U.S. Justice Department, Washington, D.C., Civil Rights Division, Arizona Department of Law, Lt. Jadel Roe, Supervisor George Campbell, Chief Deputy Robert Malone, County Attorney's Office
58	April 5, 1985	U.S. Sues Sheriff's Office, Alleges Sex Bias in Filling Jobs	X	U.S. Justice Department, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Discriminated Against Women, Employment Practices, U.S. District Court, Phoenix, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, County Board of Supervisors, Civil Rights Act of 1964, Sal DiCiccio, William Mann, Supervisors, Tom Freestone, Carol Carpenter, George Campbell, Ed Pastor, Fred Koory
58	April 5, 1985	Sheriff-	X	Freestone, Sheriff's Office, Campbell, Mann, County Merit System Commission, Justice Department, Washington, DiCiccio
59	April 9, 1985	Ortega Asks County Study of Death Files - Unaccountable Cases Handled by Coroner Raise 'Concerns'	X	Phoenix Police Chief Ruben Ortega, Maricopa County Attorney Tom Collins, Maricopa County Sheriff's Detective Kay Lines, Memorandum, Complaining, Dr. Heinz Karnitschnig, Dr. Thomas Jarvis, Eloy Ysasi, Board of Supervisors, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Supervisor George Campbell, Roy Morano, Maj. David Carter, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone
60	April 15, 1985	County's Parks Plan Leaves Cities, Heads for Hills	X	Maricopa County, Divesting, Small Parks, Pinal County, Santan Mountains, Large, Regional Parks, Phoenix Area, Howard Gillmore, Lake Pleasant, Estrella, McDowell Mountain, White Tank Mountain, Grass, Baseball Diamond, Tennis Courts, Gila River Indian Reservation, Bill Richwine, U.S. Bureau of Land Management
61	April 15, 1985	Parks	X	Richwine, Maricopa County, Pinal County, Federal Property, Federal Recreation and Public Purposes Act, Management Responsibility, BLM, Lake Pleasant, Yavapai County, Buckeye Hills, Arizona 85, Cave Creek, Cave Creek Road on New River Road, Community Parks, Unincorporated, Phoenix, Gillmore, Board of Supervisors, Cave Buttes, Adobe, Recreation Areas, Reach 11, Paradise Valley Park, 40th Street and Union Hills Drive, Bell Road, Maricopa County Superior Court, County Parks and Recreation Committee, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Central Arizona Project, Pima Road, Scottsdale, Scottsdale Road, Maricopa Community College District, Jack Lunsford
62	April 18, 1985	Jail Dedication Beats Approval	X	Tempe High School Band, Madison Street Jail, Maricopa County, Maricopa County Government Complex, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Fred Koory, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Maricopa County Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Fifth Largest, United States, Supervisor George Campbell, Henningson, Durham and Richardson Inc., McCarthy Western Constructors Inc.
63	April 25, 1985	MAG Votes to Replace 14 on Health Board - CAHSA	X	Maricopa County Association of Governments, Central Arizona Health Care Systems Agency, MAG Regional Council, Valley, CAHSA, Don Hamilton, Maricopa, Gila, Pinal Counties, Glendale Mayor George Renner, John Browning, Dan Coleman, Thunderbird Samaritan Hospital, Lois Harding, Mayor Terry Goddard, etc.
64	April 30, 1985	Complaints About Coroner to be Given to Supervisors; Serious Action Doubted	X	Maricopa County Attorney Tom Collins, Board of Supervisors, Valley Police Agencies, Supervisors George Campbell and Ed Pastor, Reluctant of Comment, See Collin's Report, Chandler Case, FBI Case, Dr. Heinz Karnitschnig, Dr. Thomas Jarvis, Maricopa County Sheriff's Detective Kay Lines, Outside Forensic Pathologist, Work Well, Other Agencies, Tom Freestone, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Complaints
65	May 1, 1985	Civic-minded Citizen Fined for Sign Theft - Sheriff Pockets \$32 Punishment	X	Disposing, Old Campaign Signs, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Vincent Joseph Henn, Punishment, Tampering, Political Signs, Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Jeffery Cates, Sen. Bill Davis, Rep. Nancy Wessel, Civic Duty, Maricopa County Probation Officer Zachary Dal Pra

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66	May 1, 1985	County 'Wish List' Hits \$392.8 Million	X	Maricopa County Bond Election, \$392.8 Million, Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Improvements, Board of Supervisors, Special Bond Election, Funding, Improvements, Health Facilities, Downtown County Complex, Recreation Improvements, Sheriff's Office, Maricopa County Medical Center, Juvenile Court, County Attorney's Office, Superior Court, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Facilities Master Plan, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, John Lassen, Salt River Project, County Manager Robert Mauney
67	June 12, 1985	Supervisors' Slush Fund Target of Investigation	X	Attorney General's Office, Slush Fund, Maricopa, Pima and Gila Counties, County Supervisors, Travel, Entertainment, Request, Maricopa County Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Audit, County Supervisors Association of Arizona, Supervisor Maricopa County Supervisor Ed Pastor, Arizona Association of Counties, AACo., Bob Corbin, County Auditor John Donovan, Dorothy Fusselman, County Manager Robert Mauney, Deputy County Attorney Gene Neil, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Undercover Funds
68	June 18, 1985	4.5% Pay Raise for All Workers Tops County Manager's Budget	X	4.5 Percent Pay Increase, Budget, Maricopa County Supervisors, 1985-86 Budget, County Manager Robert Mauney, Behind, Salary and Benefits, Cost-of-living Increase, Madison Street Jail, Maricopa Medical Center, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Health, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Superior Court, County Attorney
69	June 25, 1985	Deputy Attorney is Fired	X	Joe Abodeely, Deputy Maricopa County Attorney, \$1 Million Property-tax Settlement, Violating, Professional Standards, Obtaining Funds, Suspended, County Attorney Tom Collins, Sylvia Lopez, Los Angeles Lakers Owner Jerry Buss, Extortion, Lawsuit, Back Taxes, Valley Rental Properties, Jordan Green, Code of Responsibility, Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Merit Systems Commission
70	June 27, 1985	Examiner's Office Study Sheds Little Light on Problems - County Officials Offer Diverse Interpretations	X	Maricopa County Medical Examiners Office, Diverse Interpretations, County Attorney Tom Collins, Dr. Heinz Karnitschnig, County Manager Robert Mauney, Morticians, Satisfied, Dr. Thomas Jarvis, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Office of Management Analysis, Board Chairman Tom Freestone, Supervisors Fred Koory and Ed Pastor, Personality Conflict
71	June 28, 1985	County Supervisor Accused of Conflict	X	Maricopa County Chief Public Defender, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Prohibited, Voting, Husband, County Prosecutor, Ross Lee, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, County Attorney Tom Collins, Conflict of Interest, John Birkemeier, Board of Supervisors, Attorney Tom Thinner, Libel Suit, Mike Kimerer, Tom Henze, Larry Kazan, Craig Mehrens
72	July 4, 1985	Public Defender Feels 'Shamed,' Apologizes to County Supervisor	X	Maricopa County Chief Public Defender Ross Lee, Apologized, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Rig an Audit, Get Him Replaced, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone, Stop His Attack, Inappropriate, Bob Briney, Supervisor Ed Pastor
73	July 9, 1985	County Initially Oks \$644.7 Million Budget - Supervisors Claim It's Not Enough; Tax Rate Lowered	X	Tentative Budget, \$644.7 Million, Maricopa County Supervisors, It's Enough Money, Finance Director Ray Smith, Supervisor George Campbell, County Manager Robert Mauney, Maximum Property Tax Rate, Services, Declining, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Supervisor Ed Pastor, 1980 Referendum
74	July 17, 1985	\$716.9 Million Budget for City Wins Approval	X	\$716.9 Million Budget, Approved, Phoenix City Council, Mayor Terry Goddard, 1985-86, Reagan Administration's Proposed Tax Reform, Phoenix, Financial Future, Councilman Ed Korrick, Sky Harbor International Airport, Bonds, Kevin Keogh, Terminal 4, Western Approach Land Acquisition, Sky Harbor Center Development, Parking Garage, Patriots Square, Trammel Crow, Central Avenue, Washington Street, Citizens Task Force on Future Financing, Civic Plaza
75	July 20, 1985	Freestone Calls for Audit of Collins Expenses	X	Maricopa County Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone, Audit, Travel Expenses, County Attorney Tom Collins, Chief Deputy Norm Keyt, Responsible, Taxpayers, County Auditor John Donovan, Board of Supervisors, 1985-86 Budget, County Finance Department, etc.
76	August 5, 1985	Supervisors Approve \$644.7 Million Budget	X	Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, \$644.7 Million, Fiscal 1985-86, County Manager Robert Mauney, Supervisor George Campbell
77	August 10, 1985	County Ordered to Call for Incorporation Election for Fountain Hills	X	Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Election, Fountain Hills, Scottsdale's Attempts, Superior Court Judge Rebecca Albrecht, Call an Election, Incorporate, Deputy County Attorney Dean Wolcott, Fountain Hills Civic Association, Gary Strohm, Scottsdale Vice Mayor Billie Gentry, City Attorney Bill Farrell, Scottsdale City Council, Arizona Law, Eagle Ridge Development, Dr. John Simons, Arizona Heart Institute, Mayo Clinic Satellite Facility, 136th and Shea Boulevard, Mesa, Arizona Court of Appeals

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78	August 15, 1985	3 Inches of paper Keeps Officials Out of Jail	X	Operation "ELF", Eliminate Legal-size Files, Legal-size Paper, Illegal, Arizona Governments, Gov. Bruce Babbitt, Attorney General Bob Corbin, Mayor Terry Goddard, Maricopa County Manager Robert Mauney, Board of Supervisors, Arizona Revised Statute 39-301, Class 2 Misdemeanor, 8- by 14-inch Paper, Use, Standard, 8- by 11-inch Paper, Martin Richelsoph, Department of Library, Archives and Public Records, Save Taxpayer Money, ARMA, American Records Management Association, Federal Courts, Outlawed Legal-size Paper in 1982, Department of Transportation, Archie Stevens, Arizona Association of Counties
79	August 22, 1985	Audit of Collins' Travel Tab Nears Completion	X	Audit, Maricopa County, Travel Expenses, Attorney Tom Collins, Board of Supervisors, Chairman Tom Freestone, Norm Keyt, Dick Bryce, County Auditor John Donovan, Finance Department, Air Force Facilities, Colorado, Oklahoma, Car Rentals, Conferences
80	August 22, 1985	Clerk's Office Beset by Woes, Study Concludes - Court Agency Taking High Losses on Child-Support Fees, Report Says	X	Maricopa County Superior Court, Record-keeping, Planning Problems, Reactive Crisis Management, Poor Job, Collecting Fees, National Center for State Courts, San Francisco, Court Clerk Vivian Kringle, County Board of Supervisors, 76 Recommendations, Security, Fire Protection, Budget, Child-support Payments, County Attorney, New Telephone System
81	August 22, 1985	Study of County Clerk's Office Calls for Better Management	X	Significant Improvements, Maricopa County Superior Court, Board of Supervisors, National Center for State Courts, Superior Court Clerk Vivian Kringle, Crisis Management, Many Problems, 76 Recommendations, Restructuring, Upgrading, Record-keeping System, More Employees, Ever-increasing Workload, Supervisors Fred Koory and Carol Carpenter, Child-and-spouse Support, Fees, Not Being Collected, County Attorney's Office
82	September 5, 1985	Illegal Waste Was Dumped at County Fill - Hazardous Liquids Were Mixed with Sewage; No Harm Known	X	Hazardous Liquids, Dumped, Maricopa County Landfill, Cave Creek, Sewage Haulers, Mixed, Septic-tank Waste, Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins, County Engineer Robert Esterbrooks, Board of Supervisors, Metals Lead, Chromium, Federal Levels, Arizona, California, Carefree Highway, Cave Creek Road, Household Sewage, Improper Dumping, Queen Creek, Hassayampa Landfill, Chandler Heights Road, Hawes Road, Buckeye, Baseline Road, Salome Highway, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Environmental Protection Agency, State Department of Health Services, Chuck Anders, DHS
83	September 5, 1985	Supervisor Seeking Tighter Rein on Revenue-share Funds	X	Federal Revenue-sharing Funds, Implemented, Maricopa County, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Political Hot Potato, Board Chairman Tom Freestone, Supervisor George Campbell
84	September 5, 1985	County Budgets Exempt from Fire Aid - Local Districts' Funds Not Covered by Tax Lid	X	Arizona Counties, State Court of Appeals, Apache County, Fire Districts, County's Annual Tax Limit, State-limited Budgets, Mel Morris, Arizona Tax Research Association, Yuma, No Fire District, Ray O. Smith, Maricopa County Finance Director, County Board of Supervisors, Sun City, Sun City West, Apache County Board of Supervisors, Illegal Tax Increase, Arizona Legislature, Mountain States Legal Foundation, Judge John Claborne, Judge Bruce Meyerson, Judges Sarah D. Grant and Levi Tuesday, Archie Stephens, Arizona Association of Counties, Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, LaPaz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Pima, Pinal, Santa Cruz, Yavapai
85	September 6, 1985	County to Save Money with Dynacomp	X	Data Entry Tasks, Maricopa County Recorder's Office, Dynacomp Inc., Recorder Keith Poletis, Phoenix-based Company, Real Property, Title Information, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Keypunched
86	September 10, 1985	Regional Landfill Proposed	X	Phoenix's 27th Avenue Landfill, Southwest Valley, Environmental, Economic Concerns, Waste Disposal, Maricopa County Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Inter-jurisdictional Squabbles, Placement of Landfills, Ron Jensen, City of Phoenix, Ernie Kleinschmidt, Town Manager of Goodyear, Maricopa County, Goodyear, Glendale, Buckeye, Avondale, Litchfield Park, Tolleson, Salt River, Garbage to Marketable Energy, Arizona Land Department
87	September 10, 1985	County, Cities Unite in Search for New Landfill	X	27th Avenue Landfill, Maricopa County, Valley Communities, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Building Facility, Burn Trash, Energy, Phoenix, Glendale, Avondale, Goodyear, Buckeye, Tolleson, Litchfield Park, Ron Jensen, Phoenix Public Works Director, landfills, Agricultural Land, Earth Fissures, Heavily Populated Areas, Goodyear Town Manager Ernie Kleinschmidt, Maricopa County-EI Mirage Landfill Siting Study Committee, EI Mirage Industrial Landfill, Dump, Filled, 50-years, Arizona Land Department
88	September 20, 1985	Board OK Proposed on All Trips - Time is Right, Claims Supervisors Chairman	X	Maricopa County Officials, Get Permission, Board of Supervisors, Seminars, Conventions, Tom Freestone, County Board Charman, Tighten Control, Trips, Travel, Maricopa County Attorney Tom Collins, Norn Keyt, United States, County Business, Request Letter
89	September 26, 1985	Collins' Chief Deputy to Quit Attorney Post	X	Chief Deputy Maricopa County Attorney Norm Keyt, Resigning, Computer Company, Controversial Contract, County Attorney Tom Collins, Sylvia Lopez, Systems and Computer Technology Corp., Deputy County Attorney George Mount, Organized Crime and Racketeering Unit, SCT, County Manager Robert Mauney, Board of Supervisors

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90	September 27, 1985	County Travel: What Not to Do	x Maricopa County Supervisor Tom Freestone, Approval, Board of Supervisors, Taxpayer-paid Trip, County Travel, County Manager Robert Mauney, County Attorney Tom Collins
91	October 9, 1985	Arizona-Style County Government 'Archaic, Confusing,' Supervisor Says	x County Government, Arizona Style, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Maricopa County Bar Association
92	October 21, 1985	Supervisors - Doling Out the Pork	x Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Carol Carpenter, George Campbell, George Washington Plunkitt, Tammy Hall, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Tom Freestone, Fred Koory, Hispanic Groups, Scottsdale and Fountain Hills Chambers of Commerce, Elderly, Sun City, Phoenix Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Phoenix and Valley of the Sun Convention and Visitors Bureau
93	November 1, 1985	Building Permits Near Peak	x Maricopa County, Building Permits, Bureau of Business and Economic Research, Arizona State University College of Business, Tom Rex, Commercial Construction Permits, Industrial Construction Permits
94	November 5, 1985	Board Plans Close Look at Landfill Ownership	x Star Trek, Northwestern Maricopa County, County Board of Supervisors, Public Landfill, David Udall, Northwest Valley Landfill, Ken Boyce, El Mirage Industrial Landfill, Grand Avenue, Wittmann, Trailer Park, Mobil Gardens, Deer Valley Road, 187th Avenue, Supervisor George Campbell, County Owned Landfill, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Ed Pastor
95	November 26, 1985	Residents Take Stand on Landfill - Support Location Near White Tank Mountains	x Northwestern Valley Residents, White Tank Mountains, Regional Landfill, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Deer Valley and Beardsley Roads, 187th Avenue to 211th Avenues, Maricopa County-El Mirage Landfill Siting Study Committee, Wittmann, Oppose, Ken and Alice Boyce, Bob Kerrick, Wittmann Area Neighborhood Council, Boyce Landfill Proposal, El Mirage Industrial Landfill, Agua Fria River, Grand Avenue, Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins, Arizona Land Department, Supervisors Fred Koory and Carol Carpenter, Planning and Zoning Commission
96	November 26, 1985	County Forms Task Force to Study Ways to End Waste-haulers Strike	x Striking, Liquid-waste Haulers, Liquid Waster Haulers Association, Tom Freestone, Chairman of County Board of Supervisors, County Landfills, Dean Johnson, Mesa, Group's Spokesman, Hazardous Loads, Septic Tans, Restaurants, Car Washes, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Health Services, Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins
97	December 3, 1985	Increase in County Precincts Proposed	x Election Precincts, Increase, Maricopa County, Board of Supervisors, County Recorder Keith Poletis, New Maps, Future Growth
98	December 12, 1985	County Oks \$3 Million for Merit Pay Increases	x Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Merit Pay Increases, Dismay Some Employees, Cost-of-living Increases, Chairman Tom Freestone, Performance Evaluations, Maricopa County Superior Courts, County Attorney Tom Collins, John Donovan
99	December 12, 1985	Supervisors Give Tentative OK for Merit-pay Hikes up to 10%	x Maricopa County Employees, Board of Supervisors, Assistant County Manager Ray Smith, Assistant County Manager Bill Mann, Raises, Employee Evaluations, Cost-of-living Increases, County Manager Robert Mauney, Hiring Freeze, Supervisor George Campbell
100	January 9, 1986	\$8,000 is Unaccountable for in Audit of Supervisors Lobby	x Maricopa County, Maricopa County Auditor John Donovan, County Supervisors Association of Arizona, Arizona Attorney General's Office, Pete Shumway, Navajo County Supervisor, Ed Pastor, Maricopa County Supervisor, Maricopa, Pima and Gila Counties
101	January 9, 1986	Hiring Freeze Looms Over County Budget	x Hiring Freeze, Maricopa County Manager Robert Mauney, Board of Supervisors, Financial Condition, Deficit, George Campbell, Board Chairman, Carole Carpenter, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Supervisor Fred Koory, County Attorney's and Public Defenders Offices, Merit Plan
102	January 9, 1986	Tie Vote Prevents Supervisors from Acting on Wage-freeze Proposal	x Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Hiring Freeze, Supervisors Tom Freestone and Fred Koory, Budget Problems, Supervisors Ed Pastor and Fred Campbell, Supervisor Carole Carpenter, Financially Stable, County Manager Robert Mauney, County Auditor John Donovan, County Attorney Tom Collins, Public Defender Ross Lee, Local Alcoholism Reception Center, Clerk of the Superior Court

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103	January 9, 1986	Cities Win OK to Go Ahead With Annexation	x Valley Cities, Arizona Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, James Duke Cameron, Annexation, Non-property Owners, Petitions, Landowners, Property Taxes, Arizona Cities, Arizona Legislature, Justice Stanley G. Feldman, Avondale, Litchfield Park, Frank Ross, City Attorney, Gilbert, Four Parcels, Judge Rebecca Albrecht, Maricopa County Superior Court, Warner Road, Cooper Road, Val Vista Drive, Mesa, Judge Armando de Leon, Richard G. Johnson, Charles Luster, Mesa City Manager, University Drive, Sossaman Road, Desert Sands Residential Area, Baseline Road, Fountain of the Sun, Retirement, Broadway Road, Superior Court Judge B. Michael Dann, Phoenix, Larry Felix, Bell and Cave Creek Roads, Chris Herstram, Chairman, House Counties and Municipalities Committee, Voters
104	January 22, 1986	Brace for Tough Year on Budget Shortfall, County Agencies Told	x Maricopa County, Next Fiscal Year, County Departments, Ray Smith, George Campbell, Chairman of Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Budget, Toughest, County Manager Robert Mauney, Hiring Freeze, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Supervisor Carole Carpenter, Employee Merit-pay Increase
105	January 23, 1986	Job Freeze is Ordered by County	x Hiring Freeze, Maricopa County Manager Robert Mauney, Board of Supervisors, Financial Condition, Deficit, George Campbell, Board Chairman, Carole Carpenter, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Supervisor Fred Koory, County Attorney's and Public Defenders Offices, Merit, Evaluate, Emergency Vacancies, Monthly Reports, County Attorney Tom Collins, Ross Lee, Sheriff's Office, Juvenile Court
106	February 3, 1986	County Begins Promotion of \$260 Million in Bonds	x Maricopa County Bond Election, Capital Improvements, Lean Financial Conditions, Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Tom Freestone, Maricopa County, Phoenix Country Club, Board Chairman George Campbell, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Chairman John Lassen, Salt River Project, Supervisor Fred Koory
107	February 3, 1986	Dump Site Selected by County	x Supervisors, Voted, County-owned Landfill, Deer Valley Road and 187th Avenue, Wittmann, McMicken Dam, Board of Supervisors, Maricopa County Planners, State Land Department, Ken Boyce, El Mirage Industrial Landfill, El Mirage and Maricopa County
108	February 5, 1986	County Oks Bond Vote Figure; Phoenix Seeks Piece of the Pie	x Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Bond Election, Phoenix, Phoenix City Council Member Mary Rose Wilcox and John Nelson, City-county Recreational Project, Supervisor Ed Pastor, Supervisor Carole Carpenter, Board Chairman George Campbell
109	February 5, 1986	Supervisors Mock the Law	x Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, County Department Heads, 2 Percent of Employees, Receive 10 Percent Raises, Bypassed, 5 Percent to 20 Percent, First Amendment Coalition, Supervisor Fred Koory
111	March 18, 1986	County Asks Supervisors to OK Private Ownership of Landfills - Plan Could End Squabbles with Valley Communities	x Maricopa County Landfill Policies, Valley's Landfill Wars, County Board of Supervisors, Approve, Privatization Policy, Manage County Landfills, Robert Esterbrooks, El Mirage Industrial Landfill, Northwest Regional Landfill, Arizona Department of Health Services, Agua Fria River Floodplain, Ground-water Pollution Problems, El Mirage, Ken and Alice Boyce, Peoria, Surprise, Youngtown, Sun City, Sun City West, Wittmann, 183rd Avenue and Deer Valley Road, Responsible, Operational, Reasonable Costs, Rehabilitation of Land
112	March 19, 1986	Surplus County Sales Tax Revenue Might Ease Budget Woes Slightly	x Maricopa County's Sales Tax, Fiscal Year, Ray Smith, County Manager Robert Mauney, Budget Projections
110	May 6, 1986	Measures Pave Way for North Valley Parkway	x Plans, Construct, Six-lane Parkway, North Valley, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Flood Control District, Phoenix, Peoria, Glendale, Surprise, Bell Road, Grand Avenue, Scottsdale Road, Supervisor Fred Koory, Hire Consultant, Technical Advisory Committee, Negotiate Intergovernmental Agreements, Completion
113	August 4, 1986	Phoenix Eyes the Future	x Phoenix City Council, Appraise Farmland, Western Arizona, Underground and Surface Water, Phoenix, Tucson, Mesa Scottsdale, Central Arizona Water Conservation District, Central Arizona Project Aqueduct, Colorado River Water
114	August 5, 1986	County Budget Lacks Raises, New Programs - Board	x \$838 Million Budget, Devoid of New Programs, Employee Raises, Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Carol Carpenter, Auditor's Review, County Manager Robert Mauney, Adolfo Echeveste, Department of Health Services Budget, Cost-of-living, Merit Raises, Employee Benefits, Board Chairman George Campbell, Department of Public Health and Maricopa Medical Center, Superior, Juvenile and Justice Courts, County Attorney, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System
115	Undated 01, 1986	Worker's Idea Goes Unrewarded	x Maricopa County Worker, Joan Townsend, Suggestion Program, Insufficient-funds Checks, Employee Suggestion Program, Cash Rewards, Director of Finance Jerry Baugh, Program Coordinator Bill Hughes, Treasurer's Office

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116	Undated 01, 1986	County to Meet with Striking Waste Haulers	x Chairman of Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, Liquid-waste Haulers, Resolve, Strike, Supervisor Tom Freestone, Fred Rathbun, Liquid Waster Hauler Association, Septic Tanks, Restaurant Grease, County's Landfill Department, State Department of Health Services, Hazardous Loads, Testing
117	Undated 01, 1986	Sheriff Reassigns Top Deputy, Challenges Official to Lie Test - Deputy	x Maricopa County Sheriff Dick Godbehere, Reassigned, Chief Deputy and Advisor Maj. Bob Malone, County Supervisor George Campbell, Polygraph Test, Arrest, Campbell's Son Gregory, Maj. David Carter, Madison Street Jail, Encore Productions, Sheriff's Youth Assistance Foundation

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 1920—29,053  
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# ARIZONA REPUBLICAN

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## Rains Hit Hard Over Arizona

### Torrent Strikes Wickenburg District

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STORMS cruised devastatingly through Arizona yesterday and Thursday night, concentrating in torrential rainfall in the mountain country above Wickenburg, to bring a wall of water crashing through that unsuspecting town and nearby areas.

Campers and cottagers in the wide, tree-dotted and ordinarily peaceful bed of the Hassayampa river were forced to flee for their lives as the growling, muddy torrent, charging through and overtopping the usual course of the stream, carried brush and uprooted trees before it like a battering ram.

Twenty-three persons — although for a time in the confusion of before-dawn blackness several were reported missing — scrambled to safety, mostly without their personal belongings which the raging waters scattered for miles downstream. Several ventured back later to dig out of the mud automobiles which in the sudden rush of water they had been forced to abandon.

The homeless and destitute were rounded up by George A. Ash, of the Arizona Highway Patrol, and Bob Wickenburg, justice of the peace, fed them and provided them with clothing.

#### Shelter Provided

Last night Wickenburg residents banded together to provide shelter for all who found themselves drifting after the flood waters subsided. Merchants donated food, and garages of the town furnished pairs for cars which were swept over the swirling flood.

Probably the narrowest escape was that of persons in the river-bottom cottage of A. G. Keys, at River Rest slightly more than five miles this side of Wickenburg.

#### Flood Crest Strikes

Keys, his wife, eight-year-old daughter Elaine, his uncle, C. W. Keys, proprietor of a nearby service station, and R. P. Jones, of Los Angeles, a friend who had stopped for the night, were asleep in the four-room frame cottage when the crest of the flood struck shortly after 1 a. m.

Jones, dashing to the front porch to discover what was wrong as the occupants awoke

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## Cotton Plan

## Congress Speeds Bills; Adjournment Is Near

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A tired congress saw bitter deadlocks broken tonight as the bulk of President Roosevelt's "must" legislation moved swiftly toward enactment before tomorrow's apparently certain adjournment.

### Snake Dance Rites Hush Large Crowd

MISHONGNOVI, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Two thousand white spectators banked the sides of the plaza and the house tops of Mishongnovi and stood in reverent silence today while Hopi snake priests danced with poisonous snakes between their teeth in an aboriginal prayer for rain.

The ritualistic dignity of one of the strangest of primitive religious rites robbed the ceremony of any repulsiveness and cloaked it with a weird and solemn reverence.

Voices in the waiting crowd were hushed as the line of dancers entered the plaza. They remained silent through the 15-minute interval of low-voiced song.

No more than a murmur swept the throng when the first snakes were taken from the shelter of green cottonwood boughs and the dancers put the snakes between their teeth and danced around the plaza. As the snakes were dropped they were picked up in handfuls by the snake gatherers.

Snake after snake was taken from the kiai, carried around the plaza and flung to the ground to be picked up by the gatherers. All of the snakes were thrown into a circle of sacred meal and gathered up in great handfuls to be carried in the four directions to be released to

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## Bank Control Bill Signed By Roosevelt

### Sweeping Changes Made In Federal Reserve System

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A powerful centralized control over the life-blood of business—banking credit—was made law today by President Roosevelt.

His signature put the "Banking Act of 1935" on the statute books after months of congressional wrangling over its sweeping changes in the Federal Reserve System. They vest unprecedented authority over the ebb and flow of credit in revamped Federal Reserve Board and open market committee.

President Roosevelt told newsmen he hoped the law would accomplish purposes outlined in its title. These

As conference committees suddenly revived gold clause and alcohol control bills by "give-and-take" compromises, other major measures were whipped in a steady stream toward the White House.

Lights burned late on Capitol Hill as both houses held night sessions. Roll calls were dropped in the rush to get through. Nerves were frayed, but there also was good humor.

Even before nightfall congressional action was completed on three measures and they were sent to the President:

The Guffey coal stabilization bill; the Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage moratorium; the rail pension tax measure to provide funds for a previously enacted pension system.

Utility bill conferees late tonight finally agreed on the final draft of that hotly-contested measure—an action forecast by house acceptance yesterday of a compromise for the mandatory holding company dissolution clause. It goes to both houses tomorrow.

Limited To Four Months  
 The gold clause compromise would provide that suits resulting from dollar devaluation could be brought only up to January 1, 1936, a four-month period instead of the six months sought by the house.

Alcohol control bill differences would be settled by house agreement to continuation of the ban against bulk sales of liquor, with the senate agreeing that the new FACA would be under the treasury department instead of an independent agency.

Both compromises now must be approved by both houses.

The house approved the "compromise" neutrality bill under a "gag" rule and without debate. The senate agreed to take up the altered measure tomorrow, indicating approval.

Demand 12-Cent Cotton Loan  
 The senate postponed until tomorrow its consideration of the house-approved third deficiency bill, on which southern senators will wage a fight for a 12-cent cotton loan amendment.

Much time was spent by the senate in debate before it approved an amended Copeland bill extending from October 31 to next March 31 the time in which the President may cancel or modify ocean mail contracts.

With the conference report on the \$250,000,000 administration tax bill ready for submission tomorrow as probably the last thing before adjournment, only four of the bills sought by the President seemed likely to die. Those would provide for oil regulation, midget money, ship subsidies, and require gov-

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## Robert Work

## Chicks Hatched By Cormorants

SEWARD, Alaska, Aug. 23.—(UP)—H. A. Anderson, resourceful Skilak lake farmer, had hens' eggs but no setting hens or incubator, but that didn't stop him from raising a fine flock of chicks.

Anderson carried his eggs to a rocky island offshore from his farm three weeks ago and invaded a rookery of cormorants, noisy, web-footed sea birds. He distributed his eggs in cormorant nests and went home to wait for results.

Anderson rowed back to the island today, chased indignantly screeching mother cormorants from their nests and gathered a basketful of fluffy, cheeping chicks.

## Solons Shelve House Flood Control Bill

### Tydings, Ashurst Speak Against Measure As 'Ridiculous'

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The senate tonight voted to sidetrack for this session the \$500,000,000 flood control bill passed yesterday by the house.

The bill was sent back to committee after it had been ridiculed and denounced as a "graft bill" by Senator Tydings, Democrat, Maryland, in a filibuster that lasted until almost midnight.

Crowded galleries cheered Tydings on with frequent laughter at his sometimes humorous and sometimes serious comments on the measure. "Roll Of Shame"

Tydings concluded with a warning that the votes for the bill would constitute a "roll call of shame" and would be so regarded by the country.

The vote by which the bill was sent back to committee was 29 to 20, just enough to make a quorum.

Chairman Copeland, Democrat, New York, of the commerce committee, changed his vote to pave the way for reconsideration tomorrow.

#### Begins Filibuster

Tydings told the senate he was "willing to do my part to see that this bill is never written on the statute books," and proceeded to talk for hours to the amusement of crowded galleries.

Before Tydings started, Senator Robinson, Democratic leader, warned his colleagues that prolonged debate on the measures facing senate action might delay adjournment beyond tomorrow night.

Tydings took up the items in the bill one by one, ridiculing them with such sarcasm that the presiding officer frequently had to warn the galleries he would clear the chamber if they did not maintain order.

#### Talk Until Daybreak

Shortly before 11 o'clock one of his colleagues suggested he take up a particular item in the bill and Tydings replied: "I hope to get there sometime between now and

## Arms Bills Is Passed By House

### Senate Neutrality Vote Is Set For Today

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A seven-point neutrality plan revolutionizing traditional American policies was pressed swiftly through the house today by administration leaders, operating under a "gag" rule.

It went back to the senate where an agreement—foretelling probable approval—was made to vote by 11 o'clock tomorrow morning on the amendments specifically requested by President Roosevelt. Outstanding was the February 29, 1936 limit clamped on the senate's mandatory arms embargo provision.

Senators Johnson, Republican, California, and Lewis, Democrat, Illinois, forced the overnight delay. Lewis contended the resolution would put the United States in a "straight-jacket" while Johnson said the resolution "cannot and will not prevent any wars in the future."

#### Invitation To Attack

The resolution was criticized as an "open invitation to the great and powerful to attack the weak"; it was fought because the embargo section is mandatory and it was assailed because it includes no ban on financial aid to warring countries.

But despite its sweeping character it passed without even a standing vote. As many put it, "it is the best we can get."

Besides the embargo, the resolution creates a new national munitions board to control licensing of arms exports and lets the President by proclamation take action to keep Americans off foreign ships, bars submarines from American ports and forbids American vessels to carry munitions.

#### Mandatory Provision Hit

It was brought up under the strictest kind of "gag" rule, which forbade the presentation of any amendments and clipped debate off after 40 minutes. Its real standing before the house was indicated by the closing speech by Representative McReynolds, Democrat, Tennessee, chairman of the foreign affairs committee which approved the measure.

He allotted himself six minutes to talk. He spent five of that telling how he objected to the mandatory aspect of the embargo section and opposed the bill only after Representative Maverick, Democrat, Texas, asked: "Are you for this bill or against it?"

McReynolds said he was for it, and Speaker Byrns called for a

# ayers Rites

Aug. 24—The... their gods... which is by... masks or... that are... those... depicted on... vary... readily recog... the Indians... in which... are per... repainted... led to a... this kind of... the Indians... in painting... of the... primarily to il... symbolic par... personation of... they show... painting, a... which... a picture or... god, either a... the greatest... of the... on the head... its size is... ortion to that... body. When... personated by... ordinarily are... or helmets... are called... carved from... r branch and... bols of the... led leachina... hinas is very... an the num... collection, for... the Hopi... s own gods... ve from dis... a mytho... me respects... Hopi clans... become ex... isappearance... passed into... ed clans, to... vn as "an... d. The dis... have been... s the mask... ant increase... chinas; not... ainted with... e no longer... re also con... "chicken. Th... "chicken. Th... have made... ast two de... e how this... about. A... ni or some... witnesses... ma which... n home, he... ritual. This... as been go... it we have... ajo, Pima... reigin deri... ve clans in... from time... have done... y instances... aken place... me of the... is known in... llections of... e by Victor... age. These... m the cot... ymbols are... has taken... ll shall be... d it repre... ting of 200... of the "an... ibal Indian... M., Aug...

# U. S. Protest Called 'Threat'

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pledge of non-interference here which it made as a basis for being recognized."  
McReynolds disclosed for the first time that the possibility of the present situation arising was prominent in a decision several months ago to abandon plans for building an elaborate embassy in Moscow. Members of the committee, he said, had private information on what was then a possibility. Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, who as chairman of the foreign relations committee urged recognition for years, declined to make any comment.  
**Names, Dates Given**  
The state department, it was learned, had received exhaustive reports on speeches made and reports delivered to the recent Communist congress in Moscow detailing names, dates and remarks, wherever activities in America were concerned.  
The meeting was attended by Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist party in the United States, Samuel Darcy (or Dardack) a district organizer on the Pacific coast, an American Communist named Carruthers, believed to be Benjamin Carethers, Pittsburgh organizer; Gilbert Greenberg, secretary of the Young Communist League in America; William Z. Foster, former head of the Communist party here; James W. Ford, colored organizer for Harlem.  
**Annihilate State**  
All made speeches or participated in the preparation of reports or plans involving activities in America. These were made the basis of the state department's protest. The note delivered by Bullitt attributed both knowledge and responsibility to the Soviet government despite its non-interference pledge.  
The objective of the Third International according to its constitution is to struggle by violence of other means "for the overthrow of the international bourgeoisie and the establishment of an international Soviet republic, as a transitional stage toward the complete annihilation of the state."  
One report to the recent congress, delivered by William Pleck, a German Communist, dealing with activities the world over said:  
**Increases in U. S.**  
"The Communist party of the United States, after overcoming the factional struggle, increased perceptibly in numbers and began, along with the sharpening of the economic basis, to expand its influence among the wide masses of the working class, farmers, and intelligentsia."  
"But in order still further to strengthen its influence in the working masses, the party must grow and strengthen its position in the rank of the labor union movement. It must still more energetically than heretofore carry on a struggle for the creation of a broad mass party of workers and peasants as a coalition of all organizations of toilers against the bourgeoisie."  
Sam Darcy of San Francisco reported on activities among Pacific coast seamen, and told of Communist agitation in connection with the seamen's strike of 1933. He spoke of the probability of another such strike during the coming summer.  
Still unsettled was the question of the old Russian debt, estimated at more than \$700,000,000, negotiations on which were made a prerequisite of recognition. Prolonged discussions failed to reach an agreement on how the obligation should be funded.

# Mormon Event Is Arranged

FLAGSTAFF, Aug. 25.—(AP)—Plans were completed today for holding a celebration October 11, 12 and 13 at Lee's Ferry to commemorate the Mormon expedition from Utah into Northern Arizona in 1870. The celebration will be sponsored by civic clubs of Southern Utah and Coconino county.  
Ben Cameron, Panguitch, Utah, was named chairman of the celebration committee. Other committee members are George London, Flagstaff, Ray Car, Salt Lake City, and Bob Eunson, Flagstaff.  
Ray Sparks, Prescott, is planning a motorcade from Nogales to Salt Lake City by way of Lee's Ferry to coincide with the time of the celebration.

# U. S. Protests Pledge Broken

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proceedings were given out by the official Soviet press.  
Following the close of the congress last Tuesday, Bullitt wired a complete and final report to Washington, and received in turn instructions to lodge the protest.  
The ambassador's note said he was making "emphatic protest against this flagrant violation of the pledge given by the government of the USSR November 16, 1933, respecting non-interference with internal affairs of the United States."  
He referred particularly to paragraph four of the letter of Maxim Litvinoff, commissar for foreign affairs, to President Roosevelt, coincident to American recognition of the Soviet union.  
**Interference Resented**  
That paragraph states it will be "the fixed policy of the Soviet government not to permit formation or residence on its territory of any organization or group—representative of the activity in it any organization or group—representatives or officials—organization or group—which aim the overthrow or force of a change in the social order of the part of the United States territories and possessions."  
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"Nor does it appear necessary," Bullitt continued, "to list the names of representatives or officials of the Communist organization in the United States who were active at the above mentioned congress and whose admission into the territory of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was of course known to the government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

# Prescott Seeks Legion Parley

PRESCOTT, Aug. 25.—Prescott's legionnaires are looking forward to entertaining the Arizona department American legion convention in 1937, William P. Aven, commander of Ernest A. Love post, told his comrades at a meeting last night in the post's 202 South Pleasant street club house.  
He and others, including Henry G. Metzger and Jim Brown, reported on the recent department convention in Winslow. Aven said Prescott received numerous compliments upon the showing it made.  
Metro Jepko, Sidney L. Wright, and John Moore were appointed during the meeting to look into the feasibility of reviving boxing and wrestling here under legion auspices.  
Gordon B. McFall also was appointed by Aven as graves' registration officer" of the post, whose duties are to obtain as accurate and as complete a registration as possible of the location of the graves of all ex-service men buried in the cemeteries here.

# Mediterranean Is Reinforced

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Thursday to form a tight circle of defense about the canal.  
The meetings prior to the vital league meeting will begin Tuesday at Oslo, Norway, where the Norwegian premier will meet with premiers of Finland, Denmark and Sweden to determine a united Scandinavian front at Geneva.  
Little Entente nations expect to confer later in the week.  
Arabian state rulers already are talking about the policy they will adopt if a nearby war breaks out.  
**Chancelleries Concerned**  
In apparent contradiction of Premier Mussolini's expressed belief that the Ethiopian question is sole-

# Thunderheads Give Promise Of More Rain

ARIZONA was about ready to call "quits" last night to storms which marooned motorists, delayed train traffic and endangered a number of lives, when new thunderheads began piling up ominously over the northern section of the state.  
From the western border of the mesa lands of the Hopi, clouds threatening new rains or light showers were reported. Continued unsettled weather was forecast for today and tomorrow.  
**Traffic Resumed**  
Meanwhile, the major north-south artery through Wickenburg was restored to use through construction of a detour at Saul's wash, just north of the town.  
Wickenburg, which was in the center of the storm area, at a late hour last night still was without electric power, although efforts were being made to complete repairs. As fast as one link in the lines was repaired, there was another break, Lee Barnett, marshal, told the Arizona Republic.  
**Halted At Sentinel**  
Scores of cars were halted early yesterday at Sentinel on the Phoenix-Yuma highway for 3½ hours when a desert wash ran bank-high, Associated Press dispatches said.  
By 10 o'clock last night, with the exception of one coast-bound train which had been forced to detour by way of Vaughn, N. M., rail traffic

was back to normal, officials at the union station here reported.  
They reported difficulty because of washouts, now repaired, not only on the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific lines within Arizona, but also in California. Heavy rains washed out the Southern Pacific tracks near Niland, Calif., and a landslide buried one track of the double line of rails in Cajon pass, according to United Press dispatches.  
Flagstaff reported a light shower to 6 p. m. Rain falling at Aguilá, 30 miles west of Wickenburg, temporarily swelled washes.  
A light rain was reported over the upper Salt River drainage area, but no rain fell at Roosevelt, Ben Reynolds, Water Users observer, reported.  
State highway department crews late last night still were making repairs to the roadway at Saul's wash north of Wickenburg. Tractors were being used to aid any heavy cars getting into difficulty on the detours.  
Women of Tokyo, Japan, have formed a large Women's Defense Society.

# SENTENCE SERMONS By THE REV. ROY L. SMITH It Is Not Enough—

—To tell the truth; one must know when to tell it.  
—To come from a good family; one must keep up the traditions.  
—To elect good men to office; they must be supported in office.  
—To know the rules of life; one must keep them at any cost.  
—To believe in a cause; one must be willing to sacrifice for it.  
—To have a sense of humor; one must have it under control.  
—To seek thrills; one must know which ones last.

# Duce Begins Mimic Battle

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guns echoed across the frontier in a booming warning to Germany that Mussolini will brook no German advance into Austria while he is engaged in his problem with Ethiopia.  
Other prime purposes of the maneuvers are a rehearsal for possible hostilities with Ethiopia and a try-out for Italy's new motorized "celerity divisions" which experts believe may abolish trench warfare.  
**"Blues" Take Lead**  
The attacking "Blue" army won a strategic victory early in the game. It set up an extensive smoke cloud, leading the "Red" army defending the Austrian frontier, to believe it would attack under cover of the screen.  
Instead, the "Blues" launched an attack on another sector and with tanks and fast traveling infantry pushed the "Red" first line back five miles.  
**SELASSIE, CHIEFS CONFER**  
ADDIS ABABA, Aug. 25.—(AP)—Emperor Haile Selassie concluded a 10-hour conference with tribal leaders arrived yesterday at the palace. He presented a colorful, allegorical aspect, as though white-clad, bare-headed dancers of the chief outside the palace. The emperor presided at the conference in his golden throne, strong contrast to the rustic chieftains, many of whom never before trod the palace floor.

# Santa Fe Seeks To Enjoin Ta

PRESCOTT, Aug. 25.—The Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company yesterday filed in district federal court a suit in which it asked that Yavapai county and its officials be enjoined from placing the amount of \$23,669.95 against the plaintiff's name as a delinquent taxpayer for the year 1933.  
The company claims it is "remediless at law and is entirely without remedy save and except by the assistance of a court of equity and its writ of injunction."  
Besides Yavapai county, David Biles, treasurer and ex-officio tax collector, and William Byers, T. E. Jones and C. C. Jackson, members of the board of supervisors and board of equalization, are named as defendants.

# Cochise County Fair Dates Set

DOUGLAS, Aug. 25.—The annual Cochise county fair will be held here October 10 through October 12, officials of the Cochise County Fair Association have announced, and the opening day will be "Cochise County Cattle Men's Day."  
Efforts are being made to obtain many fine snow cattle herds for the event.  
At its last meeting, the fair association selected John A. Curry, its vice-president, to fill the vacancy created by the death of John Hill, president for three years. W. E. Graves was named vice-president, and E. W. Graves selected as a director.

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# World Warned To 'Clear Way'

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to such a move as an attempt to preserve peace in East Africa.)  
**To State Case Clearly**  
"I shall send a delegation to the league council September 4 for the purpose of putting Italy's case clearly before the world," Mussolini said in the interview at the Palazzo Venezia.  
"Our cause will be supported by documents and photographs. I shall even send a case of books, including one by Lady Simon, denouncing the barbaric slave-owning habits of the Ethiopians. And when the council has considered this evidence I shall challenge the league to treat Italy as being on the same footing at Ethiopia if it can."  
**Must "Give In"**  
In reply to a direct question whether there is the slightest possibility of his changing his attitude, Mussolini replied in the negative, saying, "None at all—unless Ethiopia gives in," the newspaper said.  
The Daily Mail announced Mussolini made it clear that if any application of sanctions went so far as to blockade Italian ports, or to close the Suez Canal, then Italy "will resist with all her force on land and sea and in the air."

# Officials Plead For House Help

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ed the belief last night that if the cotton-wheat loan issue were brought to a vote in the house, it would receive approval. But farm officials were hopeful that the house chieftains would not permit a vote.  
**Exceptions Taken**  
Davis today took exception to two statements made by southern

# Miami Elks To Open Ballroom Saturday

MIAMI, Aug. 25.—The entertainment committee of Miami lodge No. 1410, Elks, has completed arrangements for the opening of the Plaza ballroom next Saturday evening. A series of dances will be staged over the Labor Day holiday with entertainment to be furnished by Phillip Lopez and his band. Money raised at the entertainments given in the Plaza is placed in the charity fund of the local lodge and used to relieve distress in this district. The Plaza ballroom was built by the lo-



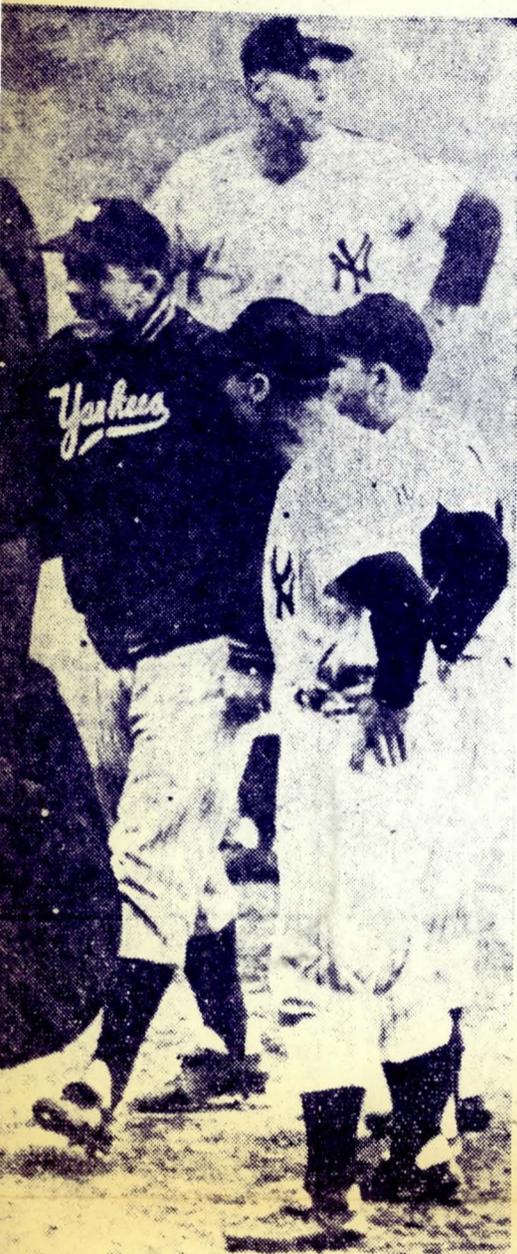
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lling Boston's Johnny Pesky safe at home in yes-  
Players are Cliff Mapes (in jacket), Coach Jim  
n (rear right).

## Stengel Fined \$500 for Pushing Ump

Sept. 27 (UP)—President Will Harridge of the American League today announced that he has fined New York Yankees manager Casey Stengel a total of \$500 for his demonstration against the umpire during and after yesterday's game with the Boston Red Sox.

Stengel was fined \$150 for pushing umpire Grieve and whirling him around after the umpire called Johnny Pesky of the Red Sox safe at home plate in a close play in the eighth inning of the game. Pesky scored Boston's winning run with his slide across the plate.

Catcher Ralph Houk, who vigorously protested Grieve's decision, was fined \$150 for his "uncalled-for

## Flag Battles At A Glance

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NATIONAL LEAGUE				
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# Arizonans Submit High Bid On Fox Parking Lot Lease

## Realty Firm Offers \$2,500-A-Month

By LEWIS THOMAS  
An Arizona realty firm today bid for the lease of the city-owned Fox Parking lot between Washington and Jefferson streets for the entire lease period, of \$250,000 last month.

The bid, which was referred to City Manager James T. Deppe for check and report, was offered at today's session of the Phoenix City Council. At the same session, the councilmen opened bids for an 18,000-foot auxiliary water transmission line and approved a request to the Civil Aeronautics Board for an additional \$400,000 expansion project at Sky Harbor Airport.

THROUGH ITS attorney, Riney B. Salmon, the Landrum and Mills Realty Company, an Arizona corporation, signified that it intended, if awarded the lease, to erect a 400-car garage on the Fox lot. Successful bidder also would have the privilege of creating additional commercial buildings on the site and rent all properties for 50 years. Title to all buildings would remain with the city, and the city would take over physical possession in 50 years.

Bidding started at \$2,200 a month and was marked by lively competition between the realty firm and a group of local and California investors headed by A. B. Parvin of Los Angeles. Parvin was represented by Fred A. Ironside and Louis B. Whitney, Phoenix attorneys.

ON AUG. 16 A Chicago investment syndicate, represented by Bernard B. Bucholtz, offered the only bid of \$2,083 for the lease. At insistence of Councilman Thomas J. Imler, the bidding was ordered held open and Bucholtz withdrew his bid. The councilmen later re-advertised for the new call for bids today.

If Landrum and Mills are awarded the lease, they will be required to start construction on the parking garage within one year and to complete construction within two years of the award. They have posted \$50,000 cash, guaranteeing performance of the lease requirements, with the city clerk.

Mayor Nicholas Udall said the bids offered today would be studied and that award of the lease would be made in not less than one and not more than three weeks.

THE ARIZONA Sand and Rock Company offered the lowest bid for installation of 18,000 feet of 60-inch pipeline to be installed southeast of Scottsdale and increase the city's flow of domestic water from the Verde River from 40,000,000 to 55,000,000 gallons a day. The firm's bid was \$566,215.39.

Other bidders were: Fisher Contracting Company, \$615,257.30; Steve P. Rados, \$613,454.60; J. H. Welsh and Son associated with the

## Women Jurors Assail Quarters At Courthouse, Seek Cleanup

Quarters for women jurors at the Maricopa County Courthouse were described as "disgraceful" today by one of the women who convicted John W. Wanger, 31, of first degree murder.

Mrs. Harriet G. Guthrie, 39 West Cypress Street, said she didn't believe the mattresses and pillows on which they were forced to sleep had been cleaned in "20 or 30 years."

Another juror, Mrs. Lucile H. La Prade, 330 East Coronado Road, wife of the Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court Arthur T. La Prade, said a delegation of women jurors plans to appear before the Board of Supervisors to protest conditions in the quarters.

She pointed out the jury members were confined four nights during the trial and that it was a hardship for the women to have to stay away from home under such circumstances.

"SOME OF THE women jurors did not know we might have to be locked up several days," she added.

Mrs. Guthrie, who did not have any previous jury experience, said, "I haven't been able to talk about anything—I've been afraid to talk at all."

During the trial the court admonished the jury repeatedly not to talk about the case among themselves or with anyone except the attorneys.

"WE DIDN'T TALK about it," Mrs. Guthrie, who has two children, 10 and 15 years old, continued. "I feel the jury service was an education and experience in the work-

ing of our courts that I was glad to have."

"The quarters in which we were required to stay for an indefinite time were a disgrace," she said. "They were dirty. I don't believe the mattresses and pillows have been cleaned or changed in 20 or 30 years."

"The venetian blinds were so dirty that to raise or lower them almost drove us out of the place.

We were fed very well, but the quarters need cleaning up."

MRS. KATHERINE E. Culley, 3121 West Madison Street, said her only complaint was that "quarters could have been cleaner, but I was pretty comfortable."

In discussing the verdict she said: "We figured life imprisonment would be more punishment for Wanger than death."

## Hassayampa River Runs 2 Feet Deep After Heavy Rains

By C. M. McMILLEN  
The Hassayampa River at Wickenburg, often only a trickle, ran 2 feet deep through most of the night from heavy rains to the north and northeast, below Prescott.

Big rains to the northeast were reported by A. R. Barnett, Wickenburg co-operative observer of the United States Weather Bureau, and Wickenburg had .27 inch of rain yesterday afternoon.

AT STANTON, east of Congress Junction, at Crown King, and along the West of the Bradshaw Mountains there were moderate to heavy rains from shortly before noon yesterday and extending into the afternoon. It was from this series of thundershowers and others reported in the vicinity of the Walnut Grove country that the rise came in the Hassayampa, hitting at Wickenburg about 6 p. m. The river held the water even in low locations and there was no damage.

A heavy rain fell at Stanton, 42 of an inch in about 20 minutes, late yesterday morning, according to Maurine Sanborn, co-operative observer of the Weather Bureau. Antelope Creek rose, but neither this nor Slaughter House Creek ran as heavily as from the rain a week ago Tuesday.

THE RESERVOIR at Horse Thief Basin recreation area near Crown King will gain some storage from the "good rain" which fell in that area about noon yesterday, according to Mrs. Ray Adair, wife of Ranger Adair of the Crown King station of the Forest Service. The rain at Crown King totaled .46 inch. Apparently less rain fell toward Mayer.

Thunderstorms that Valley residents heard rolling this morning were generally dry, but Tempe had a light shower and scattered thunder.

## Missing



Lazette Miller, 17, has been missing from her home, 714 East Montecito Avenue, since she left Friday evening to go to a high school football game.

## Wanger Waits Life Term As Wife's Slayer

By L. B. SUTCLIFFE  
John W. Wanger, 31-year-old private patrol operator, described as a man of many loves, was headed today for a life term in state prison on his conviction of first-degree murder in the slaying of his wife, Bessie Lee.

Wanger is scheduled to be sentenced to life imprisonment by Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Charles C. Bernstein at 9:30 a. m. Friday. The jury of seven women and five men fixed the penalty.

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# LOWER AREAS WARNED AGAINST FLASH FLOODS

## FLOOD INUNDATES SEVERAL VALLEY COMMUNITIES



...s on the north side of Glendale Ave. near Lateral 19 ... rains flooded area. Above picture shows homes of Al Fisher (left) with car in yard, and Marion Ewers sitting in miniature lake.



This picture shows floodwaters east of Cashion at the intersection of Lateral 24 and U.S. Highway 80.

## Valley Still Inundated In Numerous Places After Drenching Rain

Floodwaters that inundated many sections of the Valley after heavy rains early today, were receding slowly this afternoon but warnings were issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau that another downpour may hit the area tonight.

Louis R. Jurwitz, chief of the weather bureau office here, forecast "scattered showers and thunderstorms over the Valley starting tonight and continuing tomorrow." The rainfall may be from moderate to heavy.

Last night's rain was pretty general throughout the state but it hit the Phoenix area hardest, disrupting electrical service, blocking roads, washing out bridge approaches, cutting off temporarily rail traffic in and out of Phoenix and leaving many areas looking like giant lakes.

### HERE IS A SUMMARY of the situation:

Jurwitz issued a special warning to residents of Coolidge, Florence and Casa Grande area to be ready for flash floods and high waters in the lowlands between 2 a.m. and 5 a.m. tomorrow.

Luke Air Force Base was virtually isolated, with water up to 18 inches deep in some places.

Col. Henry J. Amen, commanding officer at Luke, made an aerial

## 2 Pedestrians Among 3 New Auto Deaths

Three persons, including two pedestrians were killed and a third pedestrian was injured in accidents reported today by the Arizona Highway Patrol.

Killed were David Lester Hall, 69, of 3844 S. Seventh St., and Vicelio Miguel, about 55, of Sella.

Sylvester E. Ross, 84, retired livestock man of Roswell, N. Mex., was killed early this morning when an automobile in which he was riding blew a tire and overturned four miles east of Holbrook on State Highway 260.

His wife, Mrs. Laura Ross, 80, was driving at the time of the accident. She suffered minor shock and bruises.

The three fatalities raised Arizona's highway death toll for 1951 to 200—30 more than for the same period last year.

HALL DIED of a skull fracture received last night at 4400 E. Van Buren, when he stepped from behind a bus and into the path of a sedan.

Patrolmen reported the sedan was driven by Eugene Stakebake, 37, of 602 W. Ninth St., Tempe. He was not held.

Miguel died in an Ajo hospital yesterday of injuries suffered late Wednesday when he was struck by a truck driven by Victor Manuel, of Ajo. Patrolmen said Miguel was walking along the roadway and stepped into the truck's path.

MARCOS Ramirez, 69, of Tolle-son, was admitted to Maricopa County Hospital for treatment of a broken leg, cuts and bruises received in an accident at Lateral 24 1/2 and Van Buren. Patrolmen said the car was driven by Lt. Virgil L. Foster, 34, of Luke Air Force Base.

### BULLETIN

A Roosevelt Irrigation District Canal two miles east of Buckeye broke shortly after 2 p.m. this afternoon. State Highway Department patrolmen reported "a large head of water was moving toward U. S. Highway 80" already under 12 inches of water.

survey of the district around the base and ordered preparations made to meet more serious floods.

All civilian and military personnel living off the base were advised to remain in their homes, and personnel at the base were told they could leave the base at their own risk.

Glendale, Tolleson, Sunnyslope and Buckeye reported store floors in some sections covered with water.

BUCKEYE WAS preparing to meet an onslaught of water from two directions. The Santa Cruz River, with waters from the Tucson area, was running fast with water into the Gila River which was expected to hit Buckeye from the south. The Hassayampa River

### More Photos, Pages 7 and 9

was rolling toward Buckeye from the north.

Avondale, Litchfield and Liberty also were warned to expect floodwaters in low areas.

The watersheds of the Salt and Verde rivers were getting considerable benefit from rains.

All crossings over the Salt River except the Tempe Bridge and the

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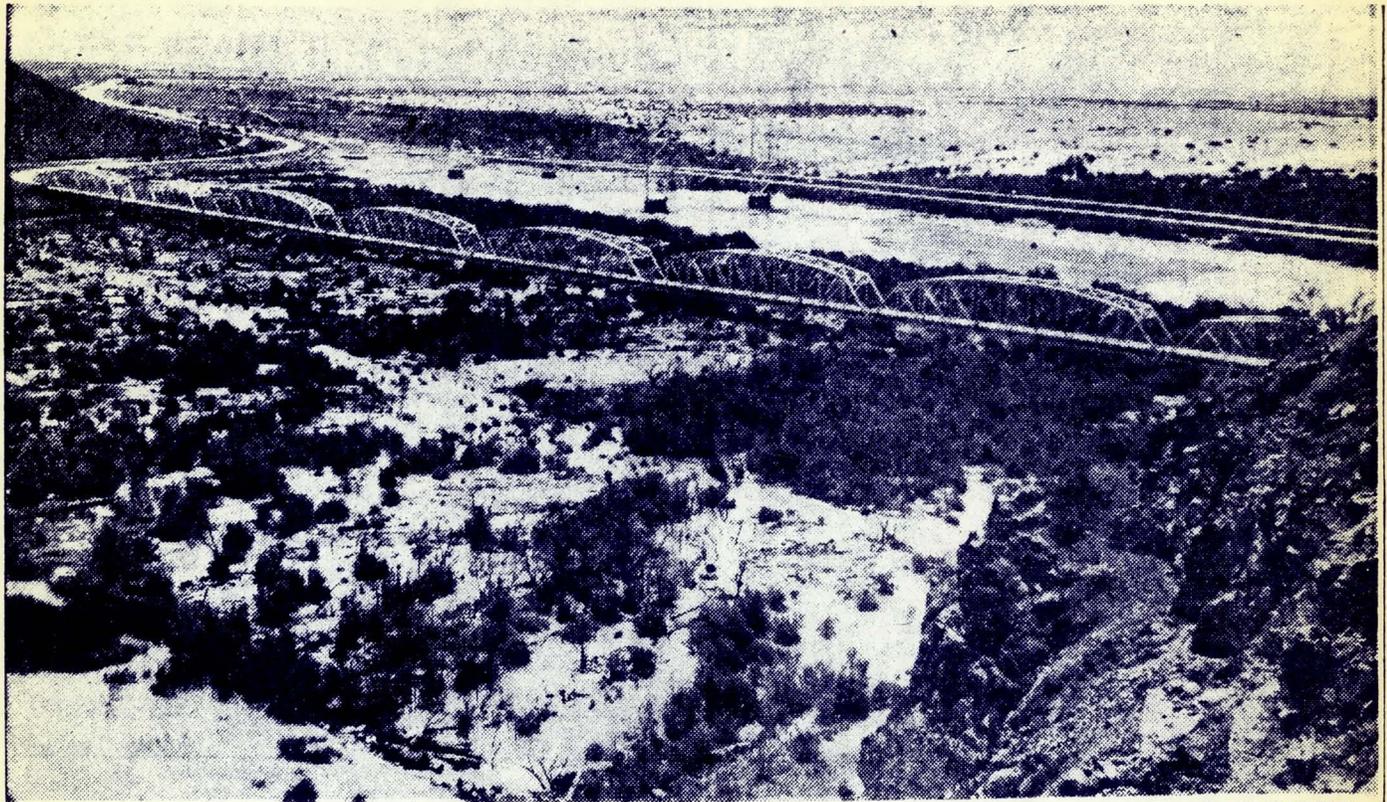
## Air War Far North Of Line, Foe Reminded

Phoenix got a bigger U.N. ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS Korea, Aug. 3 (AP). The

## Key Mountain Taken From Foe In Korea

EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Saturday, Aug. 4 (UP) United Nations fighting men stormed and captured "Million-Dollar Mountain" on the central Korean front Friday in face of Communist machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire. The hill got its name from the enormous fire power that was poured into it before today's assault.

## Prayer Dance To Highlight



Gazette Staff Photos

## RAINS FILL ARIZONA WATER COURSES

Normally dry Arizona water courses are flowing precious water as the result of heavy summer rains. This photo shows water overflowing Gillespie Dam (extreme lower left) and spreading

out across the wide bed of the Gila River southwest of Phoenix. In background is highway bridge across Highway 80 and beyond that pipe line of El Paso Natural Gas Co.



## HASSAYAMPA FLOWS AGAIN

This photo, taken looking north on the Hassayampa River not far from its junction with the Gila, shows volume of runoff. Ripple marks on sandbar show water had been higher than when photo was taken yesterday. More rains west of Phoenix were expected to bring additional runoff.

## L. M. William Funeral Rites Tomorrow

Special to The Gazette

LEHI, Aug. 11—Funeral services for Lowell Morris Williams, 48, who died unexpectedly Tuesday evening of a heart attack, will be at 10 a.m. tomorrow in the Lehi Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Bishop Phil Allen will officiate. Burial will be in Mesa Cemetery. Friends may call at Meldrum Mortuary this afternoon and tomorrow prior to services

**MR. WILLIAMS** was packing a trailer at the home of his son, Melvin, across the road from his own home, preparatory to beginning a vacation fishing trip in northern Arizona today when he was stricken.

The son is a Maricopa County deputy sheriff.

Mr. Williams had been active in the LDS church working especially with the Boy Scout troop of the Lehi Ward. Only last Sunday he had been appointed super-

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# More Rainfall Expected Today In Storm's Wake

(Continued From Page One) rain, Central Arizonans Tuesday cheered the temporary end of a critical water shortage and strove to cope with rampaging rivers and washes that wrought heavy damage.

Here's the rainfall picture. Benefits:

1. Prospects of at least 100,000 more acre-feet of precious water in the reservoirs.
2. Gentle rainfall on Central Arizona farm lands equal to a canal flow of 60,000 acre-feet.
3. Drenching rains on mountain and desert range lands which will be a great boon to restoring grasses and dried up timber.
4. Fast flows of the Verde River behind Horseshoe and Bartlett Dams hold prospects of easing the critical water shortage for the City of Phoenix.

- Damages:
1. Swirling flood waters sweeping over fields, washing out dirt roads and canals, blocking main highways and rail lines.
  2. Luke Air Force Base flooded for the third and worst time this month, with all civilian families evacuated.
  3. The Southern Pacific railroad tracks washed out in many places on the Phoenix-Yuma line, and a freight engine with five cars

topped into the flood of Centennial Wash.

4. Many houses and businesses in Phoenix and surrounding areas flooded, ranch homes inundated, and Goodyear fighting off waters that threaten to swamp the community.

**MOST OF** the damage in Central Arizona appeared to be along the courses of the New, Agua Fria, and Hassayampa Rivers west of Phoenix. All three burst across roads, farms, and communities. It was thousands of feet wide in some places and rolling swiftly.

There was flooding east of Scottsdale, and warnings were out that the Gila River north of Florence and Coolidge would cause trouble. In the Gila Bend-Casa Grande area the muddy waters arising Monday still kept roads closed and many areas flooded.

The Salt River was running more water than in years, with 19th Avenue and Seventh and 16th Street crossings closed, and only the bridges on South Central and Tempe passable.

**QUEEN CREEK** and washes in the Williams Air Force Base area flooded the main access road east of Higley and closed the base to all but emergency traffic.

Luke took its hardest blow from flood waters from the White Tank mountains. Airmen tried to sand-bag the levee around the north fringes of the field, but the wall crumbled.

Then a new crest arrived which poured water three feet deep through the building area of the base. Sewers flooded and caused a sanitation hazard that prompted the moving of all women and children in heavy vehicles through the flood to Glendale via Buckeye road. Tourist courts were rented for the flood refugees.

Generally the storm moved northward Tuesday with Prescott, Flagstaff, the Grand Canyon, and Winslow reporting up to 1.75 inches of rain at 5:30 p.m.

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# Drouth Ends Temporarily; Damage Small

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to say they will do this, but I feel certain the action will be taken. You can't just estimate blessings like this in dollars, but it was a 'million-dollar' rain and then some, as far as the project was concerned."

Roosevelt Lake was gaining at a rate of 5,000 acre-feet of water an hour Tuesday afternoon. It was 40,000 acre-feet ahead at noon.

Tonto Creek, at its north end, which was trickling along at 12 acre-feet per 24 hours before the storm, jumped to 46,000 acre-feet. While that was a peak, the stream is expected to flow heavily for days.

**THE SALT** River, principal tributary of the reservoir, was flowing only slightly slower than Tonto. It reaches farther back into the White Mountains and its big volume may not appear until Wednesday.

The Verde River did not gain as rapidly, but showed a rise from 3,000 to 20,000 acre feet per 24 hours. Davenport Wash, between Horseshoe and Bartlett Dams on the Verde, was pouring in a deluge Tuesday afternoon from Matatzal Mountains.

Fall water reserves of more than 100,000 acre-feet are in prospect for the Water Users project. San Carlos and Beardsley reservoirs have benefited less.

One of the greatest benefits of the rain was directly to the land it drenched.

It was equivalent, according to Jake West, veteran hydrographer for the Water Users, to 60,000 acre-feet on the project—all the canals of the system could have carried to the fields in 10 days at full capacity.

**RAIN FELL** with a gentle steadiness that permitted it to seep into the soil, rather than run off in a flash flood.

Since few cotton bolls had opened, there was little damage and natural irrigation will do wonders for the plants.

Lettuce men, who need water at planting time, find their ground well soaked and temperatures lower so they will not need the usual irrigation to hold down heat while the seed is germinating.

All fall crops benefited. Farm damage from flood waters was confined to some areas around Buckeye and a few fields in the Scottsdale district.

Last March, when it became evident water supplies would not be replenished from winter runoff, Water Users governors curtailed a previous two acre-feet allotment to 1½ acre-feet.

In normal years the average allotment has been three acre-feet. If the one-half acre-foot is restored by the governors next week, many a farmer will be enabled to make a good fall crop.

In addition to the water now racing into the reservoirs, the drenching the land received will relieve the association of any demands for irrigation water for the coming week and halt withdrawals of underground storage by pump-

# Mine Workers Uni To Washington WS

(Continued From Page One) fact that strikers received their semimonthly pay last Saturday: wages totaling more than \$900,000. The area was calm, in sharp contrast to Zinc Co strike 10 months. When area closes men re union pumps and supply ing low

# Screen Star Dies At 32

(Continued From Page One) and used liquor as an outlet for his emotions.

Walker played top roles in nearly a score of films, but his frequent escapades branded him as the bad boy of Hollywood until he sought a cure at the clinic.

Born in Salt Lake City, Utah, Walker started his dramatic career while a student at San Diego, Calif.

His aunt agreed to send him to the American Academy of Dramatic Arts at New York, but after one year there he took a summer cruise on a South American freighter.

But the film capital turned a cold shoulder on his efforts, and he returned to New York to find a similar reception from Broadway producers.

The turning point in his career came when he appeared in a radio show, and his voice attracted the attention of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer talent scouts.

He took a screen test in New York and was rushed back to Hollywood for a feature role in the film "Bataan."

A small part in the movie "Madame Curie" followed, but Walker's big break came when he was selected to play the composite of American soldiers in "See Here, Private Hargrove."

The six-foot tall, wavy-haired actor also played in "The Sailor Takes a Wife," "Her Highness And the Bellboy," "Since You Went Away," "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo," "The Clock," "Till the Clouds Roll By," "The Sea of Grass," and "Strangers On a Train."

He recently completed a film for Paramount studio.

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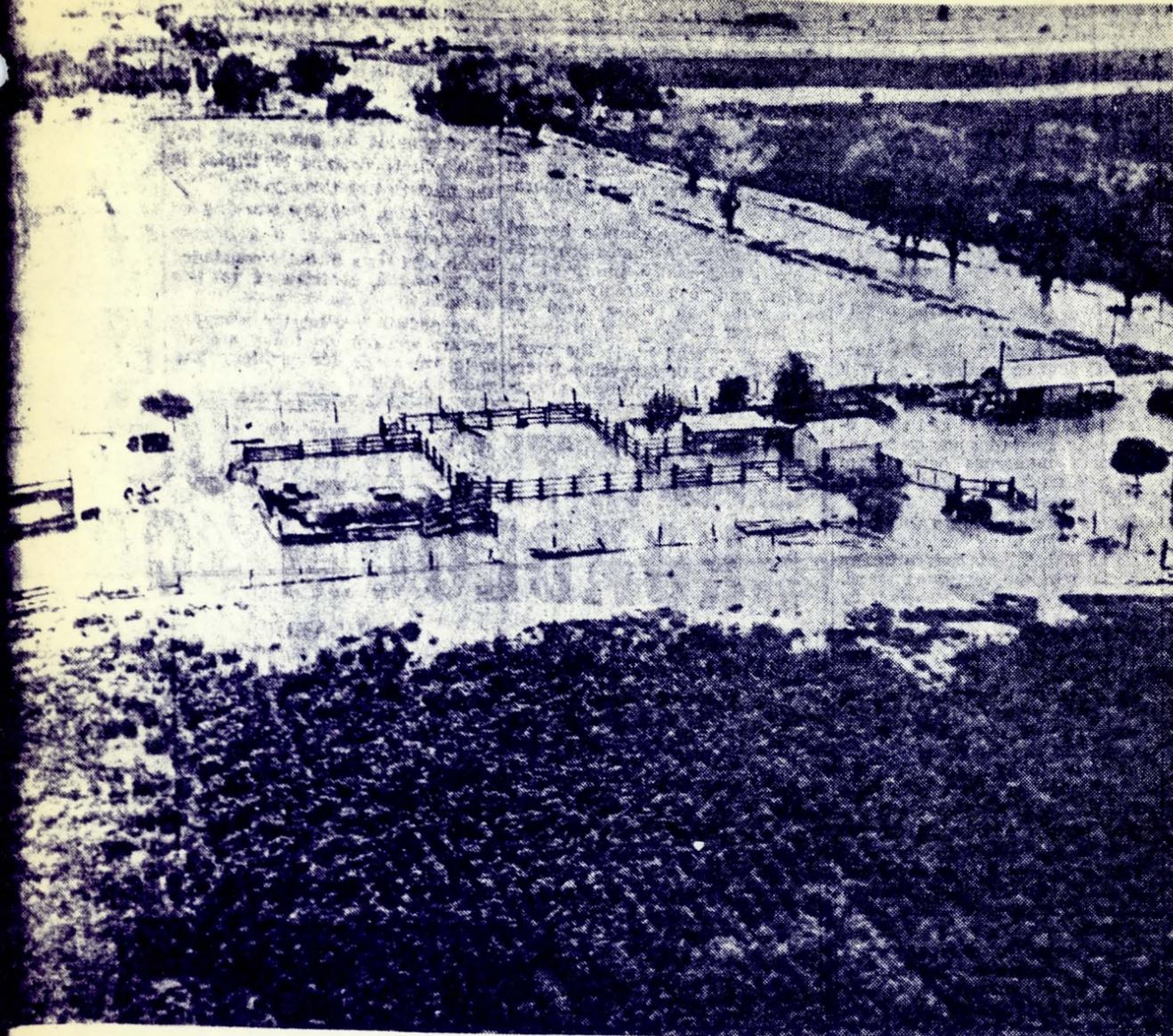
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- 2 **DOUGH** . . . The average income for every man in the U. S. last year was \$1,436. Was this more or less than the average income for every man in the U. S. in 1929?
- 3 **GALES** . . . What is the capital of Jamaica?
- 4 **FISH** . . . Who won the annual English Channel crossing?
- 5 **QUOTES** . . . To what did Harold E. Stassen refer when he said "The balloons can now reach any country in the world by varying the launching spot and the amount of gas?"

**Answers**  
1 A national system of flood-disaster insurance was established during World War II. It was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1940. 2 Kingston. 3 An Equatorial Province. 4 The English Channel crossing was won by Captain John Bullard in 1929. 5 The balloons can now reach any country in the world by varying the launching spot and the amount of gas.

Here's how you may begin to **GROW A DIAMOND**



**Meets Demand** Irrigation water will not be needed soon merged ranch near Palo Verde, 15 miles west in an area hard hit by rains of the past Corrales, buildings, and some cattle are seen a field of cotton in foreground and a background which is ready for a new crop.

Water is from the Hassayampa River which overflowed its banks onto the fertile land Tuesday. Most of the damage in Central Arizona appeared to be along courses of the Hassayampa, New, and Agua Fria rivers. All three burst across roads, farms, and communities, causing thousands of dollars damage.— (Republic Staff Photo by Al Leach)

**Tonto Torrent** Typical of the swollen streams which poured torrents of water into Salt River Valley Watershed reservoirs Tuesday was Tonto Creek, shown in this aerial photograph snaking its way northwest from the Roosevelt Dam area. At its north end, Tonto was trickling a mere 12 acre-feet per 24 hours before the storm. After the rains began

falling, it jumped to 46,000 acre-feet and, while that was a peak Tuesday, the stream is expected to continue running high for days. The runoff began to show immediately at Roosevelt Lake, where only a few days ago cattle had grazed on the bottom near the dam.— (Republic Staff Photo by Ralph Camping)

**Weather Is Set**

Have been treated to time temperatures July day in Phoenix history. of 73 degrees, beyond, was the in this year since temperature was 68 only five degrees and low is extremely according to Carl penix weather bu-

**Truman Maintains Stand On Co-Ops**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 (UP)—President Truman said Tuesday that he hopes congress will be guided by a 1948 Democratic Party platform plank opposing any tax laws which discourage farm and consumer co-operatives. Mr. Truman expressed his views in a letter to James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union. The letter was released as the senate finance committee discussed narrowing tax exemptions for co-operatives and mutual companies.

**Fortune Reading Gives Girl Shock**

Streetcorner sight... The gal who won't get weighed again while wet. She sloshed through puddles, clambered aboard the scale and ventured her penny. The weight was okay, apparently. She smiled, then reached for the fate reading that's part of the bargain. And was she shocked...! Somewhere in the machine's innards a short circuit snapped. So did the gal's fingers. She covered about four feet in one fast leap, then warily aimed

**Plane Debut Stalled Again**

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28 (UP) Howard Hughes' giant 200-ton flying boat will not be launched for at least three more months, spokesmen for the millionaire aviator-industrialist announced Tuesday. The postponement came four days before a Reconstruction Finance Corporation deadline of Sept. 1 for launching of the aircraft into which the government has invested \$18 million and Hughes \$19 million since work started on it in 1944.

had been approved by the RFC. "The launching has been postponed because of problems concerning the airplane's power plant which have arisen at the last minute," the Hughes statement said.

**Interstate Oil, Gas Compact Is Extended**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 (AP)—President Truman Tuesday signed a measure providing for extension of the interstate compact to conserve oil and gas. The compact has been in force 16 years.

**Pilot Union Signs With American**

CHICAGO, Aug. 28 (AP)—The AFL Air Line Pilots Association Tuesday announced it has signed an agreement with American Airlines covering about 30 pilots and co-pilots engaged in the Korean air lift. The pilots involved are regular

American Airlines employes flying armed forces personnel and equipment to and from the Korean front in American Airlines planes.

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**SEADCO DUNLAP GARDEN HOSE**

# State's Growth Poses Big Highway Problem

(From Hi-Way Profiles, County Highway Publication)

By FRED GLENDENING  
Maricopa County Engineer

The Ninth Annual Arizona Conference on Roads and Streets, sponsored by the Civil Engineering Dept. of the University of Arizona, in cooperation with the various highway departments, public works agencies etc. was held in Tucson, Thursday and Friday, November 19th and 20th.

Accompanied by Asst. County Engineer C. C. Overstreet, Chief Accountant Carl Langdon, and Office Engineer Bob Murphy, we attended the conference in order to help ourselves keep abreast of new developments in the highway engineering field. The writer was the presiding officer on the afternoon session devoted to Economics, Finance and Administration. We do not as yet have copies of the papers which were delivered at the session but would like to pass on to our employees a few of the highlights of the various speakers.

State Engineer Bill Willey spoke on the humanistic aspects of engineering and delivered a report on the State Highway Department's activities and prospects for 1960. One of the points which im-

pressed me from Mr. Willey's talk



Glending

was the importance of the highway departments dealing with the public in a friendly and sincere manner in order to properly achieve necessary goals. It was also pointed out that even though there is a great deal more to be done, the current highway program for 1960 (Continued on Page 8)

## State's Growth Poses Problem

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struction in the state is far greater than at any time in the past.

DR. GENE M. NORDBY, Head of the Dept. of Civil Engineering, discussed the current curriculum in civil engineering at the university. Later Dr. Nordby conducted visiting engineers through the various laboratories of the Civil Engineering Dept. including Sanitary Engineering, Soils Engineering, Electronic computer center, and the atomic reactor center. It was also very interesting to learn that the university has a very fine atomic reactor which will no doubt be very helpful in preparing engineers for the future. It was pointed out that the engineers now being trained will face problems 20 years hence that will be far different from the problems they have now. An all-out attempt must be made for a well rounded education which the graduate can use as the foundation for the future.

A very interesting film entitled "Road Ahead" produced by the Caterpillar Tractor Company, very forcefully illustrated the urgent need and great advantages of controlled access freeways and expressways. The film included actual interviews in various cities in the country where the through-traffic had been taken off of downtown business streets and taken around controlled access bypasses. It has been indicated by previous studies that these cities were very happy to have the through-traffic off of their main streets in order that main streets could be used for business purposes.

AT ONE OF THE luncheon meetings various members of the State Highway Commission spoke briefly. Chairman L. F. Quinn, Commissioner Milton Raey, and Commissioner John Bugg were the principal speakers. Commissioner Raey left a thought which seemed to be very appropriate. In effect he said, that he hoped that all of the people in Arizona would consider that the members of the Highway Commission and the employees of the Highway Dept. were our commissioners and our highway department employees, are human and therefore make some mistakes but they are all doing their very best to do what is right for Arizona.

Frank Kelly, member of the Institute of Appraisers gave an excellent talk on the appraisal of highways. The principal thought which he emphasized was that a professional appraiser must appraise a piece of property at the same value regardless of who his client is. In other words he must find the same value if he is appraising for the Highway Dept. that he would arrive at if he is appraising for the owner of the property. Of course that is the approach we have always used. Mr. Kelly also emphasized the fact that in a rapidly growing area, such as in most of Arizona, the appraiser must consider the value of property at the time of the sale, and must therefore check closely on recent sales in the area.

DR. WAYNE Wymore, Director, Numerical Analysis Laboratory, University of Arizona, spoke on the study being made to estimate traffic which will be carried on highways under varying circumstances, by the use of electronic computers. Some work of this nature has been done in the past. The electronic computers are used by Wilbur Smith & Associates to help determine the amount of traffic on present and future roads in the Greater Phoenix area by 1980. This type of work can result in tremendous savings of money by forecasting actual highway needs. Obviously roads could be constructed and then 10 or 20 years hence the traffic could be counted. Study at the University of Arizona and elsewhere is an attempt to estimate more closely what the traffic actually will be under a certain set of circumstances. This study will be very well worthwhile if it

makes it possible to build the proper roads at the proper time in order to be ready for the traffic when it actually develops.

K. K. King, Public Works Director of the City of Phoenix gave an excellent paper covering the many phases of Public Works construction to be undertaken in the City of Phoenix. He indicated that about \$6,000,000 of bond money would be available for the most urgent road and street projects. As we all know, this \$6,000,000 will barely start the overall program required.

J. K. KIPP, Consulting Economist of Phoenix, gave an interesting paper illustrating the method used for determining the effect upon the economy of such towns as Kingman and Valentine if the Interstate Highway is routed in such a way as to miss these towns which are now greatly dependent upon traffic on U.S. Hwy. 66. Making this type of study, economists consider the cost of the various routes, cost of motor vehicle operation on each of the routes, the amount of revenue lost or gained by the various towns, the effect of this loss or gain on the overall economy of the various communities. This appears to be a very important type of study since such studies as illustrated by Mr. Kipp, were far more objective than the position taken by individual business enterprises or communities which are interested in their particular viewpoints.

Sheridan E. Farin, Regional Engineer, U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, San Francisco, spoke on highways behind the Iron Curtain and showed a large number of interesting pictures concerning, and related development. His discussion and pictures concerned Poland primarily. From the pictures it was very evident that Poland was heavily damaged during the war but that considerable reconstruction has been accomplished. While they are constructing some fine new roads, and in some instances are using modern equipment, it also noted that in many cases the equipment and the type of construction is at least 40 years behind what we consider to be modern in the United States. For instance, he showed several pictures of stone block pavement being laid; likewise it appeared that a considerable amount of the blacktop pavement was being mixed in rather primitive mixers, and was being placed by hand-labor method.

AN INTERESTING paper was given by Prof. Ralph A. Moyer of the Institute of Transportation and Traffic Engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. This paper covered the changing highway transportation costs. To the writer, the most important data shown was that pointing out the great advantage of maintaining reasonable speeds without using excessive fuel etc for stop and go driving.

Mr. Howard A. Boswell of the Bureau of Public Roads, Ottawa, Illinois, discussed the testing being done at the A.A.S.H.O. road test track at Ottawa. This very interesting track was constructed at a cost of several million dollars. It will determine just what is needed in the way of roads and bridges to carry highway traffic of various weights. Pavement sections of concrete as well as black top construction were purposely designed so that some would fail, some would prove to be about right, and some would prove to be excessive in strength. It is expected that within a year or so definite results can be determined in order that more information will be available upon which to actually determine the depth of pavement and the type of pavement required for various highway conditions.

GOVERNOR Paul Fannin spoke at one of the luncheon sessions. He emphasized the need for taking steps necessary to increase safety on our highways, since Arizona has a very poor record in so far as traffic-safety is concerned.

Mr. G. L. Drake of Wilbur Smith & Associates of New Haven,

Connecticut, spoke on the method used in developing a street and highway plan for Phoenix and Maricopa County, by using the data obtained from the traffic survey started in 1956 and using projections of population growth and land usage as recently determined by the Zoning Commissions of Maricopa County and the City of Phoenix. This engineering firm is nationally known for its work in highway planning and is working under a contract awarded by the State Highway Dept. using funds provided by the County of Maricopa, the City of Phoenix, the Arizona Highway Dept. and the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads. It has been expected by those who have given much thought to the subject, that our area is to grow to the 1,400,000 people stage for the year 1980, and vast highway programs must be undertaken to permit that growth; and also to handle the traffic which will come with the growth.

IT APPEARS to me that the summarizing theme of the entire conference is, that traffic on our highways is going to greatly increase in the future, and that in order to provide the roads necessary to handle this traffic and handle it safely, the public is going to have to give a great deal of emphasis to highway design for efficient flow of traffic and safety, to include wider roads, controlled access roads, island separations at intersections, traffic control devices where intersections must be at a grade, improvements in motor vehicles in so far as safety features are concerned, driver education and law enforcement.

Looking back to see what might be ahead, Mr. Wilkins of the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads read an article from early documents of the State Highway Dept. and written about 1912, wherein the State Engineer wrote to the various County Boards of Supervisors asking that the supervisors put up sufficient money in order that the State Highway Dept. might purchase one automobile which the State Engineer could use in taking in the various boards of supervisors around over their roads, in order to help determine highway needs of the State.

THINKING BACK on the growth of the State of Arizona, from the time when the State Highway Dept. did not even own a single automobile, to the present time when we have thousands of vehicles on our roads in Arizona, and looking forward to the tripling of our population and the tripling of our motor vehicle population, it is

easy to see that highway engineers and highway department personnel, at all levels of government, have a tremendous job ahead to provide and maintain the highways in order that the vast number of vehicles can travel safely to future growth of this State, and at the same time continue to decrease the accident rate.

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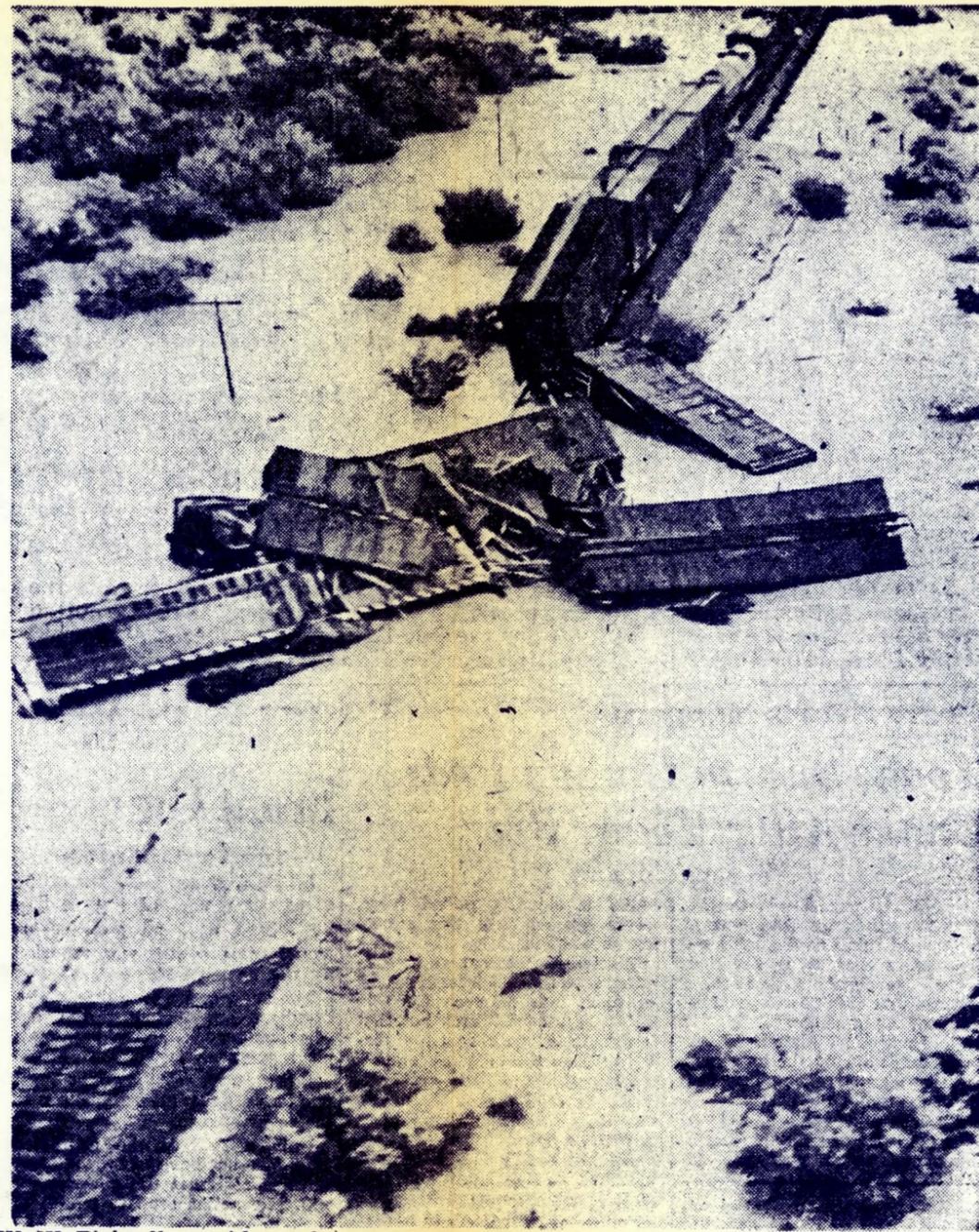
**Good And Bad** A broad grin covered the face of W. W. Pickrell, president of the Salt River Valley Water Users Association, as he scanned the rainy skies Tuesday which brought an end to the Valley's critical water shortage. Rains which dumped about three inches of water on Phoenix and over seven inches in some places on the watershed are expected to continue Wednesday. Some of the bad part of the storm is shown at right in an aerial photograph of a Southern Pacific diesel switch engine and five cars of a work train which was wrecked Tuesday at Centennial Wash west of Arlington. Five members of the crew were slightly injured. The crew was being rushed west from Phoenix to repair several washed out trestles which cut railroad traffic between Phoenix and Wellton.—(Republic Staff Photo)

### Comes The Revolution

## Six AF Machine Guns Found In Ranch Cave

Special to The Republic

AJO, Aug. 28—Six .50 caliber airplane-type machine guns were



### Obituaries

## Funeral Services Planned For Doctor Killed In Crash

Funeral services for Dr. Glenn C. Andersen will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday in Whitney and Murphy Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Greenwood Memorial Park.

Dr. Andersen died Sunday when a car rolled down South Mountain. The 44-year-old doctor was acting superintendent and clinical director at the state hospital and had been in Phoenix since July 1.

He was a member of the Elks Lodge at Kalamazoo, Mich., and a World War II veteran. Luke-Greenway Post 1, American Legion, will conduct graveside serv-

mond of Scottsdale and a Mrs. Doris Cox of Roosevelt; a son, Glenn Peterson of Scottsdale; her father, Henry Fox, of Riverside, Calif.; two brothers, Ben Fox of Scottsdale and Merle Fox of Riverside; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Farrow of Claypool; and five grandchildren.

The Rev. J. Franklin Dodson, pastor of First Baptist Church in Prescott will conduct services. Burial will be in East Resthaven Park Cemetery. Mrs. Peterson was a member of First Baptist Church in Scottsdale.

## AFL Splits From ULPC, But Wants CIO Merger

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 (AP)—The AFL Tuesday broke up the 9-months-old United Labor Policy Committee and revealed that its major aim is merger—not just co-operation—with the CIO.

The ULPC was formed by AFL, CIO, and other unions to speak with a united voice in presenting the unions' case during the defense mobilization drive. It represented most of the nation's unions, except the United Mine Workers and four rail brotherhoods.

The AFL leaders withdrew from the 14-man committee in a formal statement handed to the CIO members. The AFL men said the committee had accomplished its purposes — one of which was to obtain representation of unions in government posts dealing with mobilization policy.

The break was sudden and unexplained when it was first made known after the early August session of the AFL executive council in Montreal. The council's 15 members boss the affairs of the AFL between conventions.

Basic reasons for the AFL move were not made officially known at the time the break first opened. It was indicated then that AFL leaders were grumbling over the degree of co-operation by the CIO in international affairs and in filling mobilization jobs, and over "raiding" of AFL unions.

But the big reason behind the move came out Tuesday: The AFL wants "organic unity"—meaning merger—and the CIO has argued that before merger the two big federations must demonstrate that they can get along together.

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## Higher Cotton By Stockpiling Is Considered

Republic's Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 —

Charles F. Brannan, agriculture secretary, has frowned on a proposed cotton stockpiling program as a means of increasing prices, but promises to give "careful consideration" to all phases of the plan.

Brannan told the senate armed services subcommittee he hoped the present commodity loan program will accomplish the goal of the cotton states—a higher price for the staple.

"We want to be sure before we start stockpiling that it won't be detrimental to the farmers," Brannan said. "We are seeking other devices."

**SENATORS** Stennis (D., Miss.) and Russell (D., Ga.) pressed for stockpiling as a means of protecting the nation against a cotton shortage in event of war, as well as to bolster prices.

Senator Maybank (D., S. Car.) said he considers 40 cents a pound a fair price for the farmer.

Brannan and C. D. Walker, head of the agriculture department cotton branch, pointed out that farmers retain their interest in the cotton if they place it under loan.

With stockpiled cotton, the grower has no chance to benefit from an increase in price, they pointed out.

**BRANNAN** assured the subcommittee he would keep it informed on discussions within his department on the question of whether to recommend stockpiling to President Truman.

The agriculture department is encouraging producers to make full use of the loans, Brannan said.



**Hassayampa House Party** Several homes are flooded below Wickenburg where the usually-dry Hassayampa River is running 1,000 feet wide and 8 to 10 feet deep. This family brought furniture ashore in a rowboat. The trip was made hazardous by the swift current and uprooted cottonwood trees swirling in the flood.—(Bill Bass Photo)

## Allied Wounded Saved From Becoming Cripples

SEOUL, Aug. 29 (AP)—An army surgical team has saved hundreds of soldiers from becoming permanently crippled by performing delicate brain and spine operations within a few hours of the injury.

tion of the Korean war. He is in charge of the army's neurosurgical program in Korea and Japan.

It took an average of six days to get soldiers who had suffered brain or spinal cord injuries from

## Safford Bank Aide Promoted

**Special to The Republic**  
SAFFORD, Aug. 29—John R. Hendersen, assistant manager of the Valley National Bank Safford, has been promoted to assistant cashier of the Tucson branch office where he will be in charge of personnel and operations.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendersen, residents of Safford for more than two years, have been active in civic work in the valley. Hendersen is vice-commander of the Safford Post of the American Legion, a member of the board of the Graham County fair commission, 1951 fund drive chairman of the Mount Graham Chapter of the American Red Cross, and a member of the Safford Kiwanis Club.

Mrs. Hendersen served as first president of the Safford Pioneers Club, organized in 1950, a volunteer worker in the Red Cross, and treasurer of the Legion Auxilia.

The Hendersens will leave Tucson about the middle of September.

## Duncan Calls Monday Meeting For Teachers

DUNCAN, Aug. 29 (Special)—meeting for Duncan High School teachers will be conducted at 8 a.m. Monday in preparation for opening of registration Tuesday. Full sessions will begin Sept. 5.

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Flooded when a rain-swollen wash burst its banks was this Wickenburg residence. The Gazette's Wickenburg weather correspondent said he "almost had to swim" to get the picture.

Blurred streaks are drops of rain magnified as they fell directly in front of the camera lens. Rain damaged streets and sewers, and stranded cars along flooded sections of Highway 60-70

## Smart Buzzards Know Weather Not For Birds

By FRED B. BROST  
Gazette Weather Correspondent

WICKENBURG, Aug. 5—  
The buzzards were right after all.

A couple of weeks ago, they left here by the dozens headed south, and we thought we were really in for a rain.

IT ALMOST missed us that time, but after what happened Wednesday night and yesterday morning, it looks like the buzzards had the right idea.

Some oldtimers claim it was the worst flood in 40 years. We received a total of 1.6 inches of rain overnight.

Many streets, having been regraded after the last rain, are now in worse shape than before. At Highways 60-70

and Whipple, water draining off the highway cut a trench 6 feet deep along the side of Whipple Street.

THE JIM BYRD residence in the Fisher addition was flooded when a large wash overflowed its banks, and I almost had to swim to get a picture of it. Many other houses in Fisher, Reed, Collins, and Barnett additions were damaged by running water.

Sewer mains were broken and washed away in several places.

A lake covered part of the highway, and several cars were stalled when they tried to cross it. If they'd had wings like the buzzards, they might have made it.

## Speculation On New State Tax Rate Ends This Weekend

Weeks of speculation on the amount of the new state tax rate came to a climax today as the Arizona Tax Commission went into a final round of meetings before announcing the figure.

The state rate is to be adopted by the commission Monday although its amount may be known before the weekend.

BEFORE MAKING its final calculations on what property taxpayers will have to pay to help finance the new state budget, the commission continued hearing protests on assessed property valuations.

Representatives of two railroads — Santa Fe and Southern Pacific — appeared before the commission this morning, and three gas and electric utilities asked to be heard later in the day.

The commission has been sitting this week as a state board of

STATE AUDITOR Jewel Jordan said \$8,299,867.29 was left over—somewhat less than those hoping for a low rate had expected but still the second largest cash surplus in the state's history. The surplus for the 1947-48 fiscal year was \$9 million.

Predictions varied as to how high the new rate will be, although it was generally conceded that it would be well above last year's figure of 80 cents.

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# FLOOD WATERS INVADE PHOENIX

## GRAND AND MARICOPA CANALS CRUMBLE WHEN WIDE VALLEY FAILS TO RELIEVE PRESSURE

Cave Creek's flood waters took a sudden turn late last night and within a few hours had invaded Phoenix. Fire and police department went into the southwest section of the city at midnight and began notifying the people of those who were considered in danger and doing what they could to check the advance of the worst flood in many years.

Since the famous Cave Creek flood twenty years ago, when the water was waist deep in the state house grounds, has there been such a flood in the valley.

At two o'clock, no material damage had been reported, though the water was advancing down Grand avenue and the Yuma road. At midnight, it had passed the fair grounds and was flowing swiftly south and west along the streets, filling the laterals and backing up against the ditch, which parallels the Yuma road.

As there is a rapid drop in Cave Creek, the water will reach Five Points by daylight.

At seven thirty, the water had risen to 12 to 15 inches deep in the J. C. Norton ranch, north of the fair grounds. The unexpected rise of the Grand and Maricopa canals let the water down between the Old Black Canyon road and the fair grounds, and it rapidly spread over the fair grounds, which were gulfed at a little after 11:30. The water became a sea of oily yellow. From there, it spread eastward through the residential district toward Five Points.

### Glendale Has Four Feet of Water in Down Town Streets

(Special to The Republican)  
 GLENDALE, Sept. 9.—Following a break in the south side of the Arizona canal, the whole town of Glendale was flooded last night to a depth of four feet. The first water made itself apparent at 7:45, and by ten minutes after nine, there was not a dry spot left in the town. The sheet of water extends a mile west of the town, and a half mile east.

Owners of stores in the down town district, had been looking for the flood to come, and through the heroic efforts of their forces, had managed to move their stocks from the cellars, to the first floors. It was soon seen, though, after the water started to come in, that unless the goods were placed higher, great damage would result, and counters and boxes were pressed into use. Little damage was done to the stocks.

Truck is Out  
 Some relief was gained when a cut was made under the Santa Fe tracks. The cutting of the culvert, will probably result in the washing out of the tracks at this point, but it was necessary to give the water some outlet, or it would have become dangerously high.

A large theater crowd, emerged from the play house only to find that the streets had been converted into rivers. Everyone took it good naturedly, rolled up clothes and started to wade out. Automobiles were put out of commission, and every down town street has its share of marooned machines.

Several store owners saved their cellars by building dykes around the buildings.  
 The bridge across Lateral No. 13 was washed out, and there is a twenty-foot break in Lateral No. 17. The Arizona canal has a big break on the southern side.

Washouts Here and There  
 The heavy rains throughout the state yesterday and the day before softened the ballast beds on many tracks, causing quite a few minor washouts, and delaying trains all through Arizona.

The worst washout reported so far occurred yesterday morning on the Buckeye branch of the Arizona Eastern. The high water softened the road bed and gradually undermined a considerable portion of the track, requiring several hours' work to repair it, and delaying the train about three hours. However, now the track is again in good condition, and inspection failed to reveal damage to any other point.

Another large washout was reported yesterday afternoon between Winkelman and Phoenix. The continued soaking from the rain made the ground around the tracks so soft that the ties had no support and a

## Austrians Blow Up Forts Republic Will Vigorously Protect

### BRYAN ON HIS WAY TO ARIZONA

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Sept. 9.—William J. Bryan reviewed the record of democratic performance under President Wilson before a large crowd here this afternoon. President Wilson had the advantage of having been tried, he said, adding that he was pleased with the emphasis Charles E. Hughes had placed upon replacing a tried republican office holder. He also criticized the attitude of Hughes on the income tax while governor of New York. Mr. Bryan said he was taking his vacation. He will begin the campaign actively September 25. He departed in an automobile for Belen, N. M., to take a train for Tucson, Ariz.

## MAINE CLOSES CAMPAIGN WITH MANY SPEECHES

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire)

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 9.—The state campaign closed tonight after a total of 292 set speeches had been crowded into the final 24 hours. One hundred meetings were addressed by men whose national prominence assured a packed house. Supplementing this unprecedented volume of oratory were brass bands, red fire, organized cheering and a revival of old time torch light parading.

Charles E. Hughes at Rockland, United States Senator William E. Borah of Idaho, at Augusta; former United States Senator Theodore Burton of Ohio, at Madison, and Medill McCormick, progressive of Chicago, at Booth Bay Harbor, appeared on the concluding republican program.

Prominent men sharing in the democratic windup included William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce, at Gardiner; Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, at Eastport; Judge John W. Westcott, attorney general of New Jersey, who placed President Wilson in nomination, at Rockland and Bainbridge Colby, former national chairman of the progressive party in this city.

Tonight, both sides claimed the election—the democrats by a plurality of 2,000 and the republicans by 15,000. Not before in recent years, has so determined an effort been made to make a showing at the polls, which is expected to indicate the political pulse of the nation. Local speakers emphasized state issues and the personalities of candidates, but the big guns from other states either have been trained on Washington or employed in the defense of the administration of the only democrat to receive the electoral vote of the Pine Tree state since Franklin Pierce was elected president in 1852.

An eleventh hour development was the shifting of the republican's attack from the administration's foreign policy in particular to the tariffs, over which many battles have been waged in this state. At the opening of the campaign speakers of the republicans notably Theodore Roosevelt

## MUST NOT USE INFORMATION FROM U. S. MAIL

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Any proof that Great Britain is using trade information secured from intercepted neutral mail in her struggle for commercial supremacy probably will be followed by vigorous steps by the American government to secure abandonment of the policy.

A statement was made during a tariff debate in parliament recently by David Lloyd George, the British war secretary, that such information properly could be put to "any public and national use."

Discussion of the subject brought out the suggestion that although the Phelan amendment denying the use of American mail, cable, telegraph and express privileges to citizens of foreign countries interfering with American mails, was stricken out of the retaliatory legislation recently passed by congress, the measure contains authorizations which might be construed as broad enough to allow the president to retaliate against unfair use of the censorship.

Many officials believe that if it can be shown that England has taken an unfair advantage over American firms because of legislation passed as a result of information gained illegally from the censorship, the president could forbid importation to this country of the products of whatever industries are affected. As the disputed illegal use of the censorship looked to the raising of a tariff wall against neutral commerce and this wall would be laid by industries rather than by individual companies, American retaliation, it is argued, could be pushed as far as desired. Retaliation will not be seriously contemplated it is believed, until a thorough investigation of Lloyd George's purpose has been made and then only if there are proofs that the trade information actually is being put to the uses he suggested.

No surprise was felt here today at the statement of Lord Robert Cecil, British minister of trade, that "it is not likely that Great Britain will change her blacklist policy at the request of the United States." Officials did not expect enactment of the retaliatory legislation to be met by any announcement of concession by Great Britain but rather by a modification here and a slight change there till the whole trade administration has been softened to remove the most threatening of America's objections.

### ANOTHER TRY AT TREATY

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire)

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 9.—(Via London.)—The government will make another attempt to have the treaty for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States agreed to and intends to submit a bill to the rigsdag Tuesday based upon the proposal made this week by the conservative party. The conservatives suggested that with the formation of a coalition cabinet, a parliamentary committee be appointed to examine into the negotiations for the sale of the islands and to make a

## ASKS TO

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire)

ATLANTIC CITY  
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Is it crucial — or dangerous?

# Diversion channel debate grows

After 17 years of placid planning, a federal flood-control project of great cost and considerable import to the North Valley is beginning to face late and perhaps untimely debate.

The focus of growing trouble is the Arizona Canal Diversion Channel, planned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as an enormous drainage ditch for a series of flood-control dams north of Phoenix.

But while the dam system is three-quarters complete, channel critics say the ACDC is wasteful and, in the long run, could worsen hazards it is designed to correct.

However, corps engineers, along with state, county and Phoenix officials, continue to insist the channel is vital to the dam system and consequently crucial to North Valley flood protection.

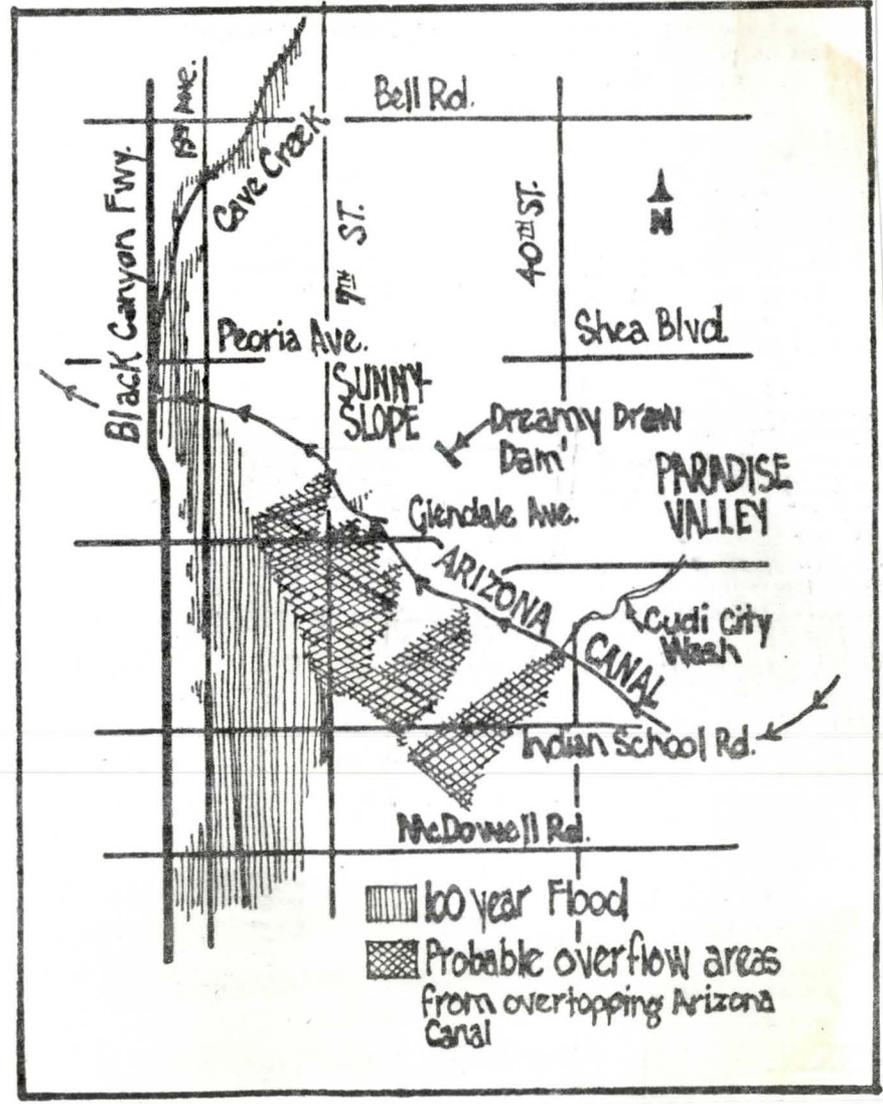
To put the debate in perspective, these points can be considered:

- Present channel designs call for a 17.3-mile ditch along the north side of the Arizona Canal from 40th Street and Camelback Road through Sunnyslope and Glendale to Skunk Creek in northwest Peoria.

- Nearly three stories deep, wider than the Central Arizona Project Canal and empty most of the time, the channel would involve a concrete-lined ditch for 14 miles through Phoenix, converting to a 300- to 465-foot-wide earthen gouge through Glendale and Peoria.

- Channel costs through completion in 1992 are currently estimated by the corps at \$231 million plus — escalated over 1975 corps' estimates of \$225 million for the *total* dam-channel system.

Tony Bustos  
Large, but infrequent desert floods continue to threaten large areas of Phoenix, despite partial completion of a \$612 federal flood control project, including Dreamy Draw and Cave Buttes dams. Construction of the controversial diversion channel along the Arizona Canal would protect areas shaded in gray, according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, designer of the project. Cave Buttes lies north of the area shown.



• Total system costs are now estimated by the corps at \$612 million. But a U.S. House subcommittee claims costs could come closer to \$1 billion, with a loss of 7 cents for every dollar spent, because of inflation and declining benefit-to-cost ratios.

• This means \$43 million could be wasted before the system is in place, at which time only partial flood protection will be guaranteed, the subcommittee reported.

• Local taxpayers are liable for an estimated \$268 million in shared costs, paid by the Maricopa County Flood Control District. Because of increasing cash commitments, however, the district will seek to boost its tax rate 23.5 percent for the upcoming fiscal year.

• Costs aside, the ACDC will protect against 100-year floods (having a 1 percent chance of occurrence each year). Special protection would go to areas prone to flooding from Cave Creek, Dreamy Draw and Cudia City Wash, the corps asserts.

• These assertions, however, are disputed by a private hydrology study paid for by the Arizona Biltmore Hotel. Specifically, the study claims channel designs do not provide for adequate capacities and consequently could result in inundation of areas now safe from floods. Legal questions are therefore raised.

• Nevertheless, land acquisition — which has already consumed \$46 million in district funds — continues with strong support of affected municipalities as well as Arizona's congressional delegation.

• Rights of way now extend southeast past 43rd Avenue, with the most expensive purchases through the Biltmore still eight years away. Ultimately, 376 homes and businesses will have been condemned.

• To alleviate visual impact, some landscaping and several one-half acre miniparks would be built through a cost-sharing agreement, involving the corps, the Maricopa County Flood Control District (co-sponsor for the project) and affected municipalities.

• Access would be restricted by a 6-foot chain-link fence, which might be "disguised" with vinyl slats. However, corps officials defer answers when asked what would keep a child from climbing the fence and falling 28 feet to channel bottom. The flood control district presumably would be liable.

• Five equestrian underpasses also would be built where the channel bisects major thoroughfares through Phoenix. But funding for this and other recreational improvements remains uncertain.

• Otherwise, re-consideration of channel alternatives apparently is obviated by the corps admission that information on other options was "discarded" in 1981.

• Ironically, a copy of an 1975 corps' study, indicates one alternative was calculated to have a better benefit-cost ratio than the present project. That alternative would have cost about 70 percent less by sacrificing the channel and two of four dams, otherwise meant to provide flood protection for the far Northwest Valley.

# County approves east-side 'senior village'

By Deborah Shanahan  
Republic Staff

Six mobile homes will be leased to start an east Valley senior-citizen village, the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors decided Monday, but the action won't immediately shorten a long list of needy people waiting to enter nursing homes.

About 150 people are on the waiting list because of budget problems caused, in part, by the county's \$20 million loss of a contract under the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System.

The mobile homes, in the path of a proposed diversion channel, will be bought by the county Flood Control District from private owners and will be leased for \$1 a year each for the east-side version of the 2-year-old Senior Village at 35th Avenue and Vogel, the supervisors decided unanimously.

The homes, which eventually will house 20 senior citizens, will be

moved to 3 acres already owned by the county near University Drive and Price Road after engineering studies and site work are finished, said Ann Pierson, Senior Village director.

Pierson said the new village will not be ready for residents before the first of the year.

The west-side village uses eight houses for 35 people who don't need skilled nursing care, with a staff person and offices in a ninth house. Its \$160,000 annual operation is financed by fees charged to residents according to their abilities to pay.

Meanwhile, the list of elderly who qualify for long-term care but can't find beds with the county grows longer. It includes people who are having trouble caring for themselves at home and those in private nursing homes whose resources have run out.

The problems of placing them in nursing homes comes from increased demand, a shortage of appropriate beds for the people on the list and a lack of money to finance additional placements, said Phil Hamilton, the county's new director of long-term care.

The budget for long-term care is 14 percent less than last year, and there's no chance of borrowing from contingency funds as in the past

because the county Department of Health Services is facing a \$20 million shortfall, Hamilton said.

Last week, the county lost a lawsuit challenging the award of contracts under the state's health-care system. The county won four of five contracts, losing one for 15,000 indigent patients who now are being cared for by private agencies.

The resulting loss of revenue is estimated at \$20 million.

# County panel to use DWI inmates for crews

## Maintenance program in Flood Control District reflects trend in state

The latest of several government programs to put convicted drunken drivers to work was approved Monday by the Maricopa County Flood Control District.

The county supervisors, who also serve as the board of directors of

the Flood Control District, approved a contract with the state Department of Corrections to use inmates jailed for driving while intoxicated on maintenance crews beginning Feb. 1.

Corrections spokesman John Turner said Monday that the inmates have been used on work crews of several state agencies: the Departments of Transportation, Public Safety, Administration and Health Services.

A crew of 30 DWI inmates picked up trash during the Arizona State Fair, he said.

Plans to send the inmates to the county Parks Department and to Glendale also are in the works.

"We're constantly seeking these contracts," Turner said. "It was the Legislature's intent for them (the inmates) to do public service. We're ready and willing to supply crews on a day's notice."

The state's law on drunken driving, which took effect July 24, 1982, calls for mandatory prison sentences for second DWI convictions.

Turner said 150 DWI inmates are being held in the Corrections Department's Aspen Hall on the grounds of Arizona State Hospital at 24th Street and Van Buren.

Other prisons for drunken-driving offenders are planned in Douglas and Tucson.

# DWI offenders to aid in flood control

**By Edythe Ysasi**  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Convicted drunken drivers will be put to work repairing Maricopa County flood-control structures, according to a plan approved today by the board of supervisors.

An agreement between the county and state for the use of DWI inmates was approved by the board during its formal meeting.

Outside that meeting, Flood Control Director Dan Sagramoso said the project should begin sometime next month with 10 inmates at the Spook Hill flood-control project east of Mesa.

The county has agreed to pay the state 50 cents an hour for the use of the inmates, the director said, adding it would cost the county between \$10 and \$12 an hour to hire government laborers for the same work.

Although he had no cost-savings estimates today, Sagramoso said he believes the inmates will be good workers "because they would rather get out and work than sit in a cell and do nothing."

He added county employees — not prison guards — will supervise the inmates on the job.

Stan Smith, deputy chief engi-

neer for the Flood Control Department, said his office will monitor inmates' productivity and report to the state any prisoners who fail to perform required tasks or cause trouble on the job.

Those inmates no longer will be able to work outside prison walls "and will probably be sent to Florence to finish their sentence," Smith said.

In other board action, supervisors approved a different contract between the State Department of Corrections and the county — this one involves medical care at the

Maricopa Medical Center for inmates in state custody.

Before that contract was approved, however, supervisors questioned the state's record for paying its bills for state inmates.

Finance Director Ray O. Smith said the state has failed to pay approximately \$1.9 million in accumulated charges for incarceration of state inmates in county jail facilities.

However, Health Director Adolfo Echeveste said the Department of Corrections' record for paying its county medical bills is good.

# West Valley residents up in arms over sites proposed for landfill

By MARTIN VAN DER WERF  
Northwest Valley Bureau

**EL MIRAGE** — Hundreds of angry residents lambasted Maricopa County's plans for a new west Valley landfill at hearings Wednesday and Thursday, causing officials to predict that it may take many months to find a suitable site.

Newly elected county Supervisor Carole Carpenter said Wednesday night that she would favor looking at sites other than those already identified by county planners and a Phoenix consulting firm.

"I ... am not going to make a decision until I have heard from all parts of my district and looked at every potential site," Carpenter, a Phoenix Democrat, said after a raucous public hearing at Dysart High School.

During the meeting, residents yelled disparaging comments at county officials who were attempting to explain the landfill study, and a parade of residents criticized the possible sites.

"We feel it's absolutely ludicrous to put a dump on productive farmland," DeWayne Justice said to a standing ovation by the 350 people at Wednesday's meeting.

On Thursday, about 175 people attended a more sedate hearing, also at the high school.

Justice told the Wednesday crowd, "We cannot accept any site-selection process that takes place in secrecy. We oppose firmly and jointly any efforts by you to force this issue on us, an unwilling public."

Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins said Dames & Moore, a Phoenix consulting firm, has been selecting potential landfill sites since September.

The list of seven locations was narrowed to three because of geological problems and development plans for some of them.

Most residents argued against a square-mile site bounded by Jomax and Happy Valley roads, Sarival Avenue and Cotton Lane, and a 2-square-mile site a mile northwest of Luke Air Force Base.

City Manager Gil Olguin said last week that El Mirage prefers the Luke site.

On Thursday, neighbors of that site asked why they should have to deal with Luke's noise, the Perryville prison and a landfill.

The landfill will replace the El

Mirage Industrial Landfill along the Agua Fria River. The current site is targeted for closure by the county health department because of repeated flooding and erosion.

"All I want to know is who I can file a lawsuit against if they build this landfill here," said Bob Carifo, who said he owns 100 acres of land one mile from the Jomax Road site.

"I've got some purchase contracts that hinge on the building of this landfill. We're talking about a million bucks that might not be worth a thing if this dump is built."

Surprise officials complained about the third choice, a square-mile parcel bounded by Cactus, Waddell, Dysart and Litchfield roads. They said a landfill there would ruin the town's plans for an industrial park on the site.

Glendale officials have said they want to be involved in planning for the landfill because the Luke site is within an area that has been strip-annexed by the city.

The City Council voted this week not to support that site, on "prime agricultural land."

# Maricopa supervisor wants to nip bureaucracy in bud

By Edythe Ysasi  
The Phoenix Gazette

Cutbacks in administrative funds for Maricopa County's community development block grants were Supervisor Tom Freestone's attempt to nip a bureaucracy in the bud.

But block grant director Randy Baca said Thursday the cuts could force her to lay off three staff members while failing to ease the federal red tape her department faces.

Baca said she will make a proposal next month to restore her administrative allocations by tapping reserve accounts and budget surplus funds.

Freestone, a Mesa Republican, repeatedly has objected to the way the block grant recommendations were made by a 22-member committee composed mostly of west Valley representatives.

Wednesday, he and the four other supervisors allocated \$3.7 million in block grants, deviating from the committee's recommendations on where that money should be spent.

In the process, the board cut \$75,000 from Baca's \$415,834 administrative budget.

"The block grant money had not been going where it should. I don't want to build a bureaucracy," Freestone said.

George Campbell, the only other supervisor available Thursday, said he was unaware the administrative cutbacks were part of the allocations he voted for Wednesday. He said he would favor restoring Baca's administrative funds.

Baca, who said her department has had an 11-person staff for the past four years despite increases in the workload, said performing tasks to satisfy federal requirements often takes up to half of the employees' time.

Those requirements include writing detailed reports at various intervals during the year, environmental-impact studies and land appraisals. The office also must monitor contractors and other agencies involved in block grant-funded projects for everything from the wages paid to the racial ratios of their staffs.

"Applying the same complex standards to all projects is less than a wonderful situation," Baca said, adding that a small building remodeling job requires as much paper work as a multimillion-dollar construction project.

During the policy meeting Wednesday, the supervisors approved funding of 25 projects for fiscal 1984-85, adding some projects the committee had rejected and withdrawing money from some the committee had recommended.

Two projects in the western part of the county, public works and housing rehabilitation in the unincorporated communities of Santa Maria and Cashion, will receive less than the committee had recommended.

Two east Valley projects, the Scottsdale Foundation for the Handicapped and the Sunny Skies mobile home park east of Mesa, will receive funds despite being refused by the committee.

Both resurrected projects were already under way because they had received federal funds from another source last year, Baca said.

Another major change came with the supervisors' decision to not spend \$110,000 to set up a county-wide counseling program on fair housing.

Approved projects and allocations include: Aguila public services, \$25,000; Avondale housing conservation, \$100,000; Buckeye

sewer improvements, \$175,000; Cashion water system, \$100,000; Chandler neighborhood revitalization, \$300,000; Child Crisis Center in Mesa, \$71,000.

Also: Garden Park Inc. training facility, \$25,000; Gila Bend street improvements, \$200,000; Gilbert downtown revitalization, \$200,000; Goodyear water storage, \$230,000;

Guadalupe residential redevelopment, \$200,000; Maricopa County HRD Food Bank, \$250,000; Peoria street improvements, \$190,000; Rainbow Valley Duvivant Park, \$30,000; Santa Maria housing rehabilitation, \$110,000.

And: Scottsdale Foundation for the Handicapped, \$100,000; Sunny Skies street paving, \$100,000; Sur-

prise water/sewer facility, \$190,000; Wittmann community hall, \$77,000; Avondale fire station, \$100,000; El Mirage Thunderbird Road paving, \$80,000; El Mirage waste-water treatment plant, \$105,000; Tolleson street reconstruction, \$159,560; Tolleson water study, \$35,000; and Wickenburg street improvements, \$180,000.

## County extends lease of model-plane club

The Maricopa County Parks Commission agreed Tuesday to grant a long-term lease to a Valley model-airplane club that wants to develop "one of the top model airports in the country" in the Adobe Mountain Recreation Area.

The lease will be negotiated with

Arizona Model Pilots Society Inc. by county parks staff.

The group, which was granted a one-year lease on the property at 43rd Avenue and Adobe Mountain Dam by the commission last year, wants a longer lease because it plans to make extensive improve-

ments, including work on parking space and the runway.

It has spent \$4,000 on materials to build a 100-foot ramada, snack bar and barbecue, according to its proposal submitted to the parks commission.

# Supervisor Carpenter expected to provide 'refreshing' change

By VENITA HAWTHORNE JAMES  
and PAT SALLEN

Arizona Republic Staff

When Carole Carpenter takes office today, the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors will move from the right toward the center of the political spectrum.

Carpenter, 35, a moderate Democrat, will replace Hawley Atkinson, the conservative Republican she beat in the Valley's biggest upset of the Nov. 6 general election.

Supervisor George Campbell, a Scottsdale Republican, said last week that he thinks Carpenter will make a difference on the board.

"She's a bright woman, an attorney, she's a Democrat representing a Republican area, and she would be of more liberal bent than conservative," Campbell said. "I think it's great. She can't be anything else other than refreshing."

Carpenter is the second Democrat on the five-member board. District 4, which she will

represent, covers northwestern Maricopa County, including the unincorporated retirement communities of Sun City and Sun City West, whose residents are politically active and overwhelmingly Republican.

However, her party affiliation may not be as important as her politics. The five supervisors have tended to base their votes more on their political philosophies and districts than on their party affiliation.

"It amazes me there's all this talk about political ramifications," Carpenter said in a recent interview. She said she does not understand the brouhaha over her election or the speculation over her impact on the board.

Her lack of support from Democratic Party officials was well-known during the election campaign. Some prominent Democrats reportedly shied away from endorsing her because they feared Atkinson's wrath if he withstood her challenge.

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Carole Carpenter, after doing her homework, is ready to take office as a supervisor.

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And since the election, Carpenter said, no one from the party has called her to try to line up her vote.

"I can say for a fact that Democrats have given me no instructions," she said. "I haven't had any calls from party officials."

After discussions with her advisers — including her brother and campaign manager, Dana Carpenter and a longtime friend, Phoenix attorney David Tierney — Carpenter concluded that supervisors often operate on a non-partisan basis.

"There's the team approach and the good ol' boy politics approach," she said. "The team approach puts partisan politics aside. You've got to recognize those things that are good for the county and your district."

Betty Van Fredenberg, a prominent Sun City Republican and longtime supporter of Atkinson, readily states that she doesn't think Carpenter is up to the job.

"I have to give her credit," Van Fredenberg said. "She worked hard. But that's what she's good at — running campaigns. Now let's see how good she is at running the county and her area."

But Arthur E. "Jake" Knapp,

president of the Sun City West Republican Club, said he "has no fear about her doing her job successfully."

"I feel she's going to be a fair individual," Knapp said.

Ed Pastor of Phoenix, for years the sole Democratic supervisor, said he doesn't plan to approach Carpenter with any "us vs. them" talk.

"She is a Democrat by political party but represents a Republican district," Pastor said. "I would think the interests of the district will come first and be above partisan politics."

However, Carpenter will see an example of partisan politics on her first day in office.

For several years, the chairmanship of the board has rotated annually among the Republican members. The three other Republican supervisors — Campbell, Tom Freestone of Mesa and Fred Koory of Glendale — have said that's the way it will stay. Freestone is expected to be elected chairman today, succeeding Koory.

Carpenter impressed many county workers, and even some fellow supervisors, by moving into an empty office across the building from the other supervisors' offices soon after the Nov. 6 election and starting to learn the job immediately.

She attended meetings of the

supervisors and various county boards and asked staff people dozens of questions.

"She's basically worked full time for free," said Tom Irvine, a friend who served as the campaign's legal adviser. "She's reading and researching everything she can lay her hands on. Like a good trial lawyer, she has the capacity to educate herself."

As someone who has observed the board in action, Carpenter has an advantage over her fellow supervisors. Though they've talked with her, none of them knows where she stands on certain issues or even which ones have piqued her interest.

Pastor, arguably the most liberal of the supervisors, guesses that she will be more moderate than her predecessor. He and Campbell, a moderate Republican, often have voted together on social-service issues, such as financial support for county health facilities.

Even Tierney, an adviser and friend, said he does not know exactly what side Carpenter will choose on certain issues.

"It was not my intent to pin her down to a certain position," said Tierney, who often has criticized the county jail system. "I knew she was much more in line with my way of thinking than Hawley Atkinson."

## New supervisor to dedicate

*Gazette Southwest Bureau*

The Tuesday dedication of an expanded 99th Avenue will be one of the first ceremonial acts of Carole Carpenter as a newly installed Maricopa County supervisor.

Carpenter, who in November unseated the heavily favored Hawley Atkinson for the supervisor seat, will be joined by officials from Avondale, Tolleson and Peoria.

The avenue was opened to traffic in the fall after a

\$2.5 million construction job that widened 99th to four lanes from McDowell Road to Glendale Avenue.

Carpenter, a Democrat, was installed today on the five-member county board, narrowing the Republican margin of control to 3 to 2.

Supervisor Ed Pastor is the other Democrat.

The road expansion cuts travel time between Interstate 10 and the northwest Valley communities of Peoria, Glendale and Sun City.

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**By Glen Creno**  
*Gazette Southeast Bureau*

It has probably happened to you, whether you care to admit it or not. You were parked at a traffic light, or stuck in heavy freeway traffic when you glanced over and saw someone interesting looking back.

There are no rules of etiquette to govern this sort of situation. It may be appropriate to smile or wave or roll down your car window for a quick hello. But what seems like snappy banter to you might rate a call to the vice squad from the interesting stranger.

# Sheriff's team scours jail for escape routes

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By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

Security at Maricopa County jail facilities will be inspected closely and beefed up during the next month in the wake of a weekend escape from the downtown jail, Sheriff Dick Godbehere said.

Godbehere announced Monday the formation of a four-member Sheriff's Office inspection team that will scour the county's six facilities to identify possible escape routes and seal them off. In addition, the team will review all escapes from county facilities during the past two years to determine areas of lax security.

Godbehere's concern stems from the escape early Sunday of Randy Isaac Garner, 32, a Phoenix resident

arrested Saturday by Phoenix Police on a fugitive warrant issued out of Colorado.

Garner — sought by Colorado authorities for burglary — was incarcerated in a holding cell at the county's downtown jail with about 30 other inmates when the escape took place. He remains at large.

Godbehere said Monday that Garner apparently removed a steel grate from a vent in the ceiling of the cell, then crawled through the vent to a boiler room. Authorities believe Garner then exited the boiler room into a hall that led to an exit from the jail, and bolted to freedom.

The incident was particularly embarrassing to jail officials in light

of a previous escape attempt through the same vent last month.

On Dec. 8, an inmate removed the vent grate and entered the crawl space above the ceiling only to be caught by detention guards.

After that episode, a metal bar was placed behind the grate to prevent its removal, but Godbehere said Garner apparently bent the bar by hanging on it, enabling him to squeeze through and escape.

By Monday, a new grate had been placed on the vent and welded to prevent its removal. Godbehere said all vents in the holding cells at the jail will be sealed similarly within the next week or two.

In addition, the sheriff said concertina wire will be placed

strategically throughout the jail's vent system to block movement through it by inmates. Alarm systems also might be installed to indicate if the vent system has been penetrated.

After concentrating on the "priority" holding cells, the four-man inspection team will "do a thorough job" of reviewing both physical security and procedural activities at all jail facilities in the county to find other weaknesses, Phil Severson, director of the sheriff's detention bureau, said.

The team will issue a report detailing potential security weaknesses and recommending corrective action, Severson said.

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"I don't think we'll be looking at a lot of money," the sheriff said, adding "There will be no system-wide changes."

After the initial inspection, all jail facilities will be reinspected every six months, Severson said.

Authorities do not believe the new jail tower under construction in downtown Phoenix will require as much monitoring, however.

"We think that's almost fool-proof," Severson said.

In addition to the downtown facility, the Sheriff's Office oversees the Durango jail facility and the Maricopa County Medical Center jail annex in Phoenix; and jails in Mesa, Sun City and Gilbert.

# Supervisors elect chief from ranks

## Freestone wins helm, proving rumors wrong

Maricopa County Supervisor Tom Freestone was elected chairman of the board Monday in a unanimous vote that gave no hint of rumored efforts to block his ascension to the position.

Freestone, who also served as chairman in 1981, said he had heard "rumblings" that he would not be chairman this year but discounted them as something that happens every year.

The chairmanship of the five-member board has been rotated each year among the Republicans who hold the majority. This year was Freestone's turn. He is a Mesa Republican.

However, some supervisors reportedly were worried that Freestone's outspoken style would disturb the board's functioning. The chairman is the spokesman for the board and gets the most public attention. The chairman also meets more often with county staff and signs mountains of paper work.

Freestone said last week that he heard rumors that he might be shunted aside but did not know



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Judge Robert S. Broomfield administers the oath of office to Dick Godbehere, the new county sheriff.

whether the move was substantial or who was behind it. The other supervisors refused to discuss the maneuverings.

"What will happen," Freestone said, "is that someone wants to continue on another year, but we agreed that it's not in the best interests of county government."

"I can't imagine someone want-

ing to be chairman more than one year at a time. . . . Some see it as an advantage politically, but I don't see it as an advantage point.

"To continue on (as chairman) would create conflict on the board and would not be good for the county."

Among those voting for Free-

stone was Supervisor Carole Carpenter, who was sworn into office before an audience of campaign supporters packed into the supervisors' auditorium in downtown Phoenix.

Two other newcomers, Sheriff Richard Godbehere and Recorder Keith Poletis, also took the oath of office Monday.

## Voter OK may be sought for capital improvement

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Maricopa County probably will ask voters to approve a \$150 million capital improvement bond issue in November, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone says.

The funds will expand county facilities to meet building needs through the year 2000, he said Monday. That will include a west Valley government complex, additional health care facilities and completion of an east Valley regional center, according to Freestone.

County Finance Director Ray Smith said the bond issue could add \$50 a year to the property tax bill on an \$80,000 home. But he noted the tax increase would be less if the bonds were sold in smaller amounts as the buildings were constructed.

Freestone said he expects supervisors to appoint a 25-member citizens' committee next month to study the county's construction needs and come up with recommendations for use of the bond money.

He said those recommendations will be completed by September.

County Manager Robert Mauney said the county also is expected to seek relief in 1986 from state spending limitations. Those limitations, set by voters in 1980, eventually will prevent the county from spending money it has collected through its existing tax structure, he added.

The manager said as the Valley grows and property values increase, income derived from new assessments and value increases will not keep up with the spending limitations set by the referendum.

# Maricopa County loses publication challenge

## High court overturns vote by supervisors to not print minutes

The Arizona Supreme Court on Wednesday overturned a January 1984 vote by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors to discontinue newspaper publication of its meeting minutes.

"Historically, this state has always favored open government and an informed citizenry," Chief Justice William A. Holohan wrote in the court's unanimous opinion.

However, the court's ruling will have no immediate impact on the

county because of a state law that took effect Aug. 3 requiring newspaper publication by counties of meeting minutes.

Since then, Maricopa County has been publishing the meeting minutes, said Cherie Ellig, clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The board's 3-2 vote Jan. 23, 1984, to discontinue publication of the minutes was challenged in a lawsuit filed by the Arizona Newspaper Association, a non-profit trade group.

Also challenging the vote were Phoenix Newspapers Inc., publisher of *The Arizona Republic* / *The Phoenix Gazette* and *The Arizona*

*Business Gazette*, and News Sun Inc., publisher of the *Sun City Daily-News Sun*.

David Bodney, attorney for the plaintiffs, had asked the Supreme Court to overturn a Feb. 6 ruling by Judge Marilyn Riddel of Superior Court upholding the supervisors' vote to break a 73-year tradition of publishing the minutes.

Bodney argued that under a 1909 state law, counties must pay to have their minutes published in a newspaper of general circulation.

Noel Levy, a deputy county attorney, argued that the county should be allowed to publish the minutes by other means,

After the Supreme Court agreed Feb. 28 to review the legality of Riddel's ruling, the Legislature adopted a law requiring publication "in the official newspaper of the county."

The Board of Supervisors last May awarded a one-year legal-advertising contract to *The Arizona Business Gazette*. The contract includes publication of the supervisors' meeting minutes.

Supervisors opposed the publication of minutes because it costs taxpayers about \$50,000 annually and was the most costly item in the county's legal-advertising budget, Levy said.

# County bids adieu to 'at-cost' jail offer

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By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Maricopa County looked into a gift horse's mouth and found it empty.

Not a single bid was submitted for design and construction of a 200-bed, dormitory-style jail for county work furlough inmates — a project developer John F. Long agreed to tackle "at cost" last year.

Bidding closed Jan. 10, facilities management Director Art Dickson said last week. The county manager and Board of Supervisors will have to decide if they want to change the proposal or scrap it.

Last year, Long agreed to design and build the facility. The Board of Supervisors voted against the proposal after hearing objections from members of the Associated General Contractors of America.

At that time, members said they had no clear idea what Long's cost would be.

Jim Miller, controller for Long, said the developer did not bid on the project because the proposal "did not lend itself to the bidding process . . . We can't determine the cost until all of our bids are in."

Miller said Long no longer was interested in the work furlough project.

"We have plenty of other charity

works in the mill right now," he said. "We're building a 1,600-square-foot building for the Maryvale Boys' Club."

Miller said he was surprised that other developers did not submit bids.

"There were plenty of members of the Associated General Contractors who wanted a full bidding process; we felt a number of developers would bid on it and that it would be built," Miller said.

Gary Lisk, executive director of the Arizona Building Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America, said because the proposal called for both design and construction, "it would be impossible to bid on."

"The way you go about it is you hire an architect, tell him what you want, then go to bid on the construction so that everyone knows what they're bidding on," Lisk said.

The Board of Supervisors failed to understand the construction bidding process when it proposed the design-construction package, he said.

Dickson acknowledged that design-construction bids are rare, adding that the county now may seek new bids under the traditional method mentioned by Lisk.

While Miller said he believes the Board of Supervisors should have accepted Long's offer, he said construction costs have not increased rapidly during recent months and the county still may be able to build the facility for a reasonable price.

"There are no hard feelings," Miller said. "If there is a need in the future, we may offer to do something like this again."

# Refinancing charges upset supervisors

By Edythe Ysasi  
The Phoenix Gazette

Maricopa County Supervisors today asked for the county's share of hundreds of thousands of dollars in bond refinancing costs charged by utilities in the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station.

The board approved refinancing of \$40 million in tax-exempt bonds for Southern California Edison Co., but not before the supervisors learned the utility pays about \$100,000 in "administrative costs" for each such refinancing.

"Administrative expenses run

into a lot of money. The only entity involved that isn't getting reimbursed for administrative expenses is Maricopa County," Supervisor Fred Koory Jr. said.

Supervisors have approved more than \$500 million in bonds and refinancing since they agreed more than a year ago to form the Pollution Control Corp. as a vehicle to obtain tax-exempt bonds for the Palo Verde project.

County bond counsel Fred Rosenfeld said during the meeting he didn't believe there were any administrative expenses incurred by

the county. However, County Manager Robert Mauney said there are expenses in preparing documents and in bringing them before supervisors at public meetings.

No figures were cited, but board members informally agreed to seek administrative cost reimbursement from utilities that ask for future refinancings.

Officials from the California utility said during the meeting they could not address the issue of paying administrative costs to Maricopa County because other utilities

were involved and had to be consulted.

Outside the meeting Larry Yu, finance manager for Southern California Edison, said the bonds were structured to mature at the end of each year "to take advantage of lower interest rate structures."

That makes annual refinancing necessary, he added.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter said during the meeting, "I have serious policy concerns about this type of financing, because it offers no

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immediate benefit to Arizona consumers."

Carpenter, who did not comment on the administrative costs, said she would vote to approve the refinancing only because it appeared to be the last in a series of bond issues that were approved before she took office.

In other board action, supervisors appointed Carpenter to serve on the Maricopa County Board of Health. She replaces Supervisor Ed Pastor, who resigned from the health post earlier this month.

# 2 supervisors are ready to oust firm running county computers

By PAT SALLEN  
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Two members of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors say they are ready to get rid of the Pennsylvania company that is under contract to run the county's computer system.

Supervisor George Campbell has been joined by the board's new member, Carole Carpenter, in his opposition to the company, Systems and Computer Technology Corp., and its five-year contract, which was approved in 1982.

"I favor a smooth transition to get out of that contract as soon as possible," Carpenter, a northwest Phoenix Democrat, said Monday.

Campbell said his longtime opposition was reinforced by an audit released two weeks ago that said the company has met the literal requirements of its contract but will not be able to meet the intent before the contract ends in 1987.

"The audit substantiates what I've been saying, that the contract is terrible," said Campbell, a Scottsdale Republican. "I probably

am more strong than ever that we should renegotiate or, better, cancel the contract."

The audit, prepared by the national accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Co., said that the contract lacks an accountability system setting out tasks for SCT and a system to determine whether the company has completed the tasks.

Also missing is long-range planning to determine the county's need for computer hardware, software and personnel in the next three to five years. Carpenter added that all key computer staffers are the company's employees, who have received the brunt of training.

"Without regard to their motives, they are making it very difficult for the county to take the computer operations back," Carpenter said.

Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone said he has not decided exactly how he feels about the firm and the computer-services contract.

"I voted for SCT (when the firm was hired in 1982)," he said. "I was convinced it was a good tool for cost

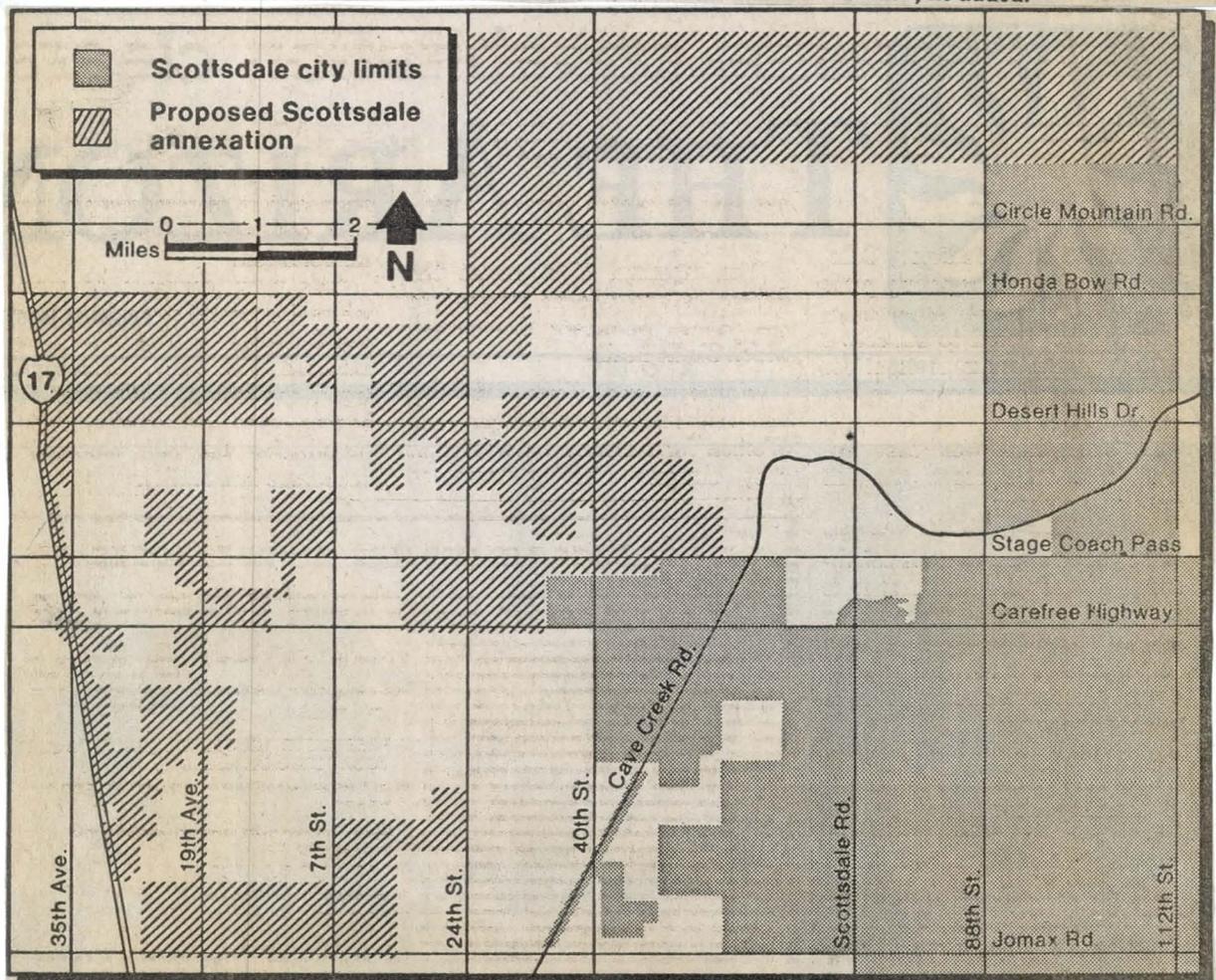
containment. Now, I'm not so sure."

Freestone, a Mesa Republican, said he will ask Campbell to draw up a plan for a phase-out of the company and the projected costs when the board discusses the performance audit at its policy meeting Wednesday. He also has asked County Manager Robert Mauney for an analysis of how the contract might be improved.

Supervisor Ed Pastor, who has remained a supporter of the firm since it was hired, acknowledged that other board members are ready to scrap the contract.

But he said that cannot be done immediately because it would take the county more than a year to install its own staff and, while the county was scrambling to do that, the county's computer system would deteriorate.

No decision has ever been made that the county automatically would take over the computer system after the contract runs out in 1987, he added.



# County OKs measures to make firm running computers more responsive

By PAT SALLEN  
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The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday approved measures intended to prod the company that manages the county's computer system to do more, but the board backed away from proposals to get rid of the company.

The supervisors told county staffers to work with Systems and Computer Technology of Malvern, Pa., to implement recommendations made in an audit of the firm and its five-year contract with the county.

The audit, issued two weeks ago by Arthur Andersen and Co., criticized SCT for failing to meet the intent of the 1982 contract and for lacking long-range plans and standards to determine the quality of its work.

Recommendations called for setting such standards; developing plans to determine the county's needs for hardware, software and computer personnel for the next three to five years; and for drawing up a plan that would enable the county to take back management of its computer system.

Supervisor George Campbell, a longtime critic of the company and the contract under which it operates, resisted having all the recommendations implemented, saying that many of the problems revealed in the audit would be resolved if the board decided to cancel the firm's contract.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter unsuccessfully sought a specific deadline by which the company would replace a number of its own employees working in the computer department with county employees.

Both Campbell and Carpenter criticized the firm for having its own employees occupy all key positions within the department.

The Andersen auditors said that unless county officials worked out a

phase-out plan immediately, the county would not be able to take back management of the computer system by the end of the contract in June 1987.

The firm's regional general manager, Bob Obuch, told the supervisors that he was pleased that the Andersen auditors found his company to be in literal compliance

with the county contract.

He said his company easily could implement the recommendations.

"I noticed in your presentation you were careful to say you've been in compliance with the (contract's) literal interpretation," Campbell said. "You could breathe oxygen and sit at a desk down there and you'd be in literal compliance."

# County agrees to push for home rule bill

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Years of disagreement on the subject of home rule faded as Maricopa County Supervisors unanimously agreed to promote their desire for self-determination at this year's legislative session.

Earlier this year, the Arizona Association of Counties refused to endorse the effort, which would give counties the ability to set up their own government charters and to create taxing systems with voter approval.

Mickey Sheriff, legislative liaison for the county, told supervisors during a special meeting Monday that legislators "have asked us (Mari-

copa County) to come forward on the home rule issue so they can discuss it."

Supervisor Ed Pastor said he would favor a proposal that would promote legislation making home rule optional for any Arizona county. The other four members agreed.

During a lengthy discussion on other legislative issues, supervisors also agreed to push for a half-cent sales tax increase in Maricopa County to finance transportation needs, including the Outer Loop.

They also agreed to seek relief from mandated expenditure limitations but failed to reach agreement on a lifting of the property tax ceiling.

County Manager Robert Mauney and Supervi-

sors George Campbell and Carole Carpenter said the county will need more money if it is to finance the growing long-term care needs of the elderly, needs of the criminal justice system and of the mentally ill.

Under current laws, by 1986 the county won't be able to spend the money it takes in unless spending limits are lifted. Lifting the limits, however, could mean a property tax increase, Supervisor Tom Freestone said.

Freestone said such a lift would be unpopular among legislators and county residents. He said supervisors should make budget cuts rather than ask for an increase in revenue limitation.

# County looking at hold-the-line year

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

A hold-the-line budget that includes provisions for employee raises but excludes new programs or expanded services is in store for Maricopa County during 1985-86, Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone said today.

The exact amount of next year's budget cannot be set until the departments submit individual requests and until state sales tax and county property tax estimates are submitted some time in April, Finance Director Ray O. Smith, said.

The current budget, which covers county operations through June 30, is \$608 million, Smith said. The general fund budget, which covers operating expenditures and excludes

capital improvements, debt service and grant funds, is \$239 million.

Freestone, Smith and County Manager Robert Mauney instructed representatives from all county departments to begin preparing the new budget requests this week, and made it clear there will be no room for extras.

Mauney said reserves that were \$40 million a few years ago now are down to \$1.8 million. That leaves almost no funds for emergencies and is a sign the county is in need of legislative help "to bring it (the reserve) back to a healthy level," he said.

"This will be just another difficult year," Freestone told the group. He said in order to provide for salary raises, the county will hold budgeted personnel funds in a special reserve

account. If that money is not needed for emergencies, the workers will get raises, he added.

Adolfo Echeveste, Assistant County Manager in charge of health services, said during the meeting he is concerned about the burgeoning needs of a growing population, combined with building and equipment deterioration that has become worse because of a capital improvement freeze.

"We will have more emergencies . . . there will come a point in time when something's got to give," Echeveste told Smith.

The finance director said the county may seek alternative funding for capital improvement projects, and many projects will be rated according to their urgency.

# Counties start to feel pinch of spending, revenue limits

By PAT SALLEN  
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In two years, Maricopa County probably will have more money coming in than the state constitution will allow it to spend.

Faced with a spending limitation, county officials say there is no way they can maintain existing services while facing new expenses, notably in such rapidly expanding areas of the county budget as long-term care and detention.

A growing elderly population means more indigent elderly, whose nursing-home care must be paid for by the county. County spending on long-term care has ballooned, rising to \$44 million in the current fiscal year from \$32 million in 1983-84.

And the new 960-cell Madison Street Jail, a solution to the county's jail-overcrowding problems, will begin operation later this year. Operating funds are budgeted for the rest of this fiscal year, but county officials wonder

where they can find \$14 million to \$16 million in operating funds for next year.

State Treasurer Ray Rottas, who as a state senator was the chief architect of the spending limitation for counties, said the problems are a result of county officials' continuing to spend as if they did not have to face the limitation eventually.

He conceded that health-care spending has increased but said rising costs should have been taken care of by increases in the county's spending limitation due to population growth. Instead, county officials have raised their spending faster than population and inflation growth, he said.

Maricopa County's financial woes are not unique among Arizona's 15 counties.

Observers say that, one by one, the counties are beginning to feel the pinch of the limitations on increases in spending and property taxes, which were approved by

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voters in 1980 as a way to control property taxes and slow the growth of government.

The counties are not crying wolf, observers add.

Rottas, however, contends that the counties simply did not plan for the future.

"They've been crying about this for five years," he said. "At this point, they've either got to get the Legislature to provide additional sources of revenue or take a hard look at what they've done.

"What they have to do is prioritize. The limits were put there to say that this is where they should stay."

Maricopa County officials formally started work on the 1985-86 budget last week by telling depart-

ment heads that next year's will be another "hold-the-line" budget.

But they tell a different story when talking about the year after that, which is when, they say, the spending-limitation problem will hit Maricopa County.

One problem is that population growth and inflation, two factors figured into setting the spending limitation, won't increase that limit as fast as the county needs to increase its budget, said Ray O.

Smith, assistant county manager for finance.

The population isn't growing fast enough to offset the county's needed services, and the inflation rate is low.

So even if the county's revenues increase, it may not be able to spend as much as it needs to, Smith said.

"We've done OK in the past because inflation was growing and causing the expenditure limitation

to grow enough," he said. "But for the last 12 months and the next 12 months, we've got inflation at 4 to 4½ percent and population (growth) at 3 percent. Suddenly, you start collecting more revenues than the limitation will allow you to spend.

"At that point, you start lowering the tax rate, which was the intent of the whole thing, of course. But that must be balanced with the demand for services."

Complicating the financial issue further is the interest by many county officials, including County Manager Robert Mauney and Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone, in asking voters this fall for authorization to sell up to \$150 million in bonds.

Some of the bonds would be sold to construct buildings and finance renovations and equipment purchases that have been delayed for several years. Most such projects have been postponed because they are paid for out of the county's federal revenue-sharing funds, which instead have been used to ease the county's cash-flow problems.

But a new bond issue has been questioned by other supervisors, such as George Campbell. If the county won't be able to pay existing expenses, he asked, why do officials want new buildings to staff?

When voters approved \$36 million in bonds to build the new jail, the county had substantial money reserves, and officials did not worry about having the cash on hand to pay for personnel and other operating expenses.

But a contingency fund that hovered at \$40 million a few years ago now rests at about \$1.8 million — another sign, county officials say, of the problems wrought by the spending and revenue limitations.

One solution bandied about by county supervisors in the past is the creation of a special taxing district

to raise operating funds for the jail.

But such a district needs legislative action. A bill seeking a district was defeated last year, and another has been introduced this year.

Another possible solution county supervisors are beginning to discuss is asking voters in May 1986 to allow them to exceed what they can spend legally.

But that would only be for one year. Only override elections held in years in which county officials are elected are permanent.

Two other counties have asked voters for permission to spend more than allowed.

Santa Cruz County exceeded what it legally could spend in the 1982-83 fiscal year by more than \$300,000. When county officials last fall asked voters to allow it to permanently expand its budget beyond state limitations, they were refused.

Apache County found itself in the same situation, needing to spend more than it could legally. Voters there were more amenable to their county's plight and last fall approved a permanent budget override.

As for revenue problems, all but three counties — Graham, Navajo and Yavapai — are levying their maximum property tax, the primary source of income for counties.

Pima County, with a county hospital that is \$20 million in the red, is considering asking voters in May to allow them to hike the property tax to ease their cash-flow problems.

Chris Heflin, Pima County budget and research director, said just one massive infusion of cash will solve her county's cash-flow problems.

The financial problems now being experienced by the counties were inevitable, said Richard Casey, executive director of the Arizona Association of Counties.

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# County rejects bids for study of court office

Presiding judge wants Washington, D.C., firm; others 'unacceptable'

By PAT SALLEN  
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Bids by six companies on a contract for a study of the Maricopa County Superior Court clerk's office were rejected Monday by the Board of Supervisors because the presiding judge wants another firm to do the study.

The bids were thrown out by county officials on grounds they were "technically unacceptable" because the companies lack sufficient expertise in judicial issues.

The supervisors voted 3-1, with Carole Carpenter dissenting and Tom Freestone abstaining, to reject the bids and cancel a request for proposals that was issued Jan. 2.

Carpenter said the situation "looks very odd to me."

"It seems highly inappropriate to maneuver out of a competitive-bidding procedure on the suggestion of a particular person, regardless of their position," she said.

Superior Court Presiding Judge, Robert Broomfield said he thinks

the National Center for State Courts should be given the contract because it is the "most qualified."

Broomfield said he contacted the non-profit center, which is based near Washington, D.C., about doing the study when he discovered that the county had asked for proposals.

When asked about the propriety of rejecting the existing bids, Broomfield said, "It's a question of becoming aware of an organization that spends all of its time doing this sort of thing."

Larry Martin, director of the county Office of Management Analysis, said the bidders "lacked an in-depth knowledge of the Superior Court." Martin would not the project costs in the bids submitted by the companies, saying they are not part of the public record.

Jim Carney, an official of one of the six bidders, Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co., said he was surprised at the action, calling it "very unusual."

In addition to Peat Marwick Mitchell, bids were submitted by the national accounting firms Touche Ross & Co., Arthur Young & Co. and Price Waterhouse & Co.

The two other bidders were Sun Belt Employers Association Inc. and William Hamilton & Associates.

The National Center for State Courts late last year completed a study for the county on changing its system of selecting jurors.

The center's proposal will be discussed by the supervisors Wednesday. The study would examine the staffing, management and operations of the court clerk's office.

Carney said he considers his firm "highly experienced" in conducting

studies of judicial agencies.

Carney, the firm's Western regional coordinator for the government-resource-management practice, said the firm's management auditors have extensive experience as former employees of the California auditor general's office.

He said he has added to his staff a former court administrator who also worked with a non-profit organization set up to aid state courts.

"We thought between (his) specialized knowledge and our existing staff we would be well fixed," he said.

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**3 Maricopa County judgeships filled**

Three Valley lawyers were appointed Monday by Gov. Bruce Babbitt to judgeships in Maricopa County Superior Court.

Rebecca Albrecht, 36, John Foreman, 37, and Frederick Martone, 41, were named to fill judgeships created Oct. 19 by the county supervisors, bringing to 50 the number of court divisions.

Albrecht, a former Maricopa

County deputy public defender, has served since 1982 as a Juvenile Court commissioner. A Mesa resident, she received a law degree from the University of Arizona.

Foreman, a former deputy public defender, works for the firm of Cunningham, Tiffany and Hoffmann. He has a law degree from the University of Iowa.

Martone is a partner in the Phoenix firm of Jennings, Strouss and Salmon. He has law degrees from Notre Dame and Harvard universities.

The three were selected by Babbitt from a list of recommendations by a nominating committee. Superior Court judges are paid \$62,500 a year.

## Public hearings to be held

# Work on Buckeye landfill to halt

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Maricopa County supervisors agreed today to stop work on a controversial landfill in the town of Buckeye pending completion of ground-water studies and public hearings.

Residents of the area crowded the supervisors' conference room today to oppose the landfill site at Yuma and Airport roads.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter said citizens were under the impression the landfill was not going to be constructed "until they saw us working on it."

Carpenter and other supervisors noted 1984 legislation that requires public hearings for area residents before such a landfill can be built. Supervisors

acknowledged no such hearings were held before work was begun at the Buckeye site.

Tom Galbraith, attorney from the firm of Lewis and Roca who said he represents some of the area landowners, told supervisors the landfill may be illegal because the site has been annexed by the town of Buckeye, which prohibits depositing materials in an open dump.

Galbraith said he also intends to challenge the county's lease on the land, which is owned by the state.

Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins said the site was approved in 1979 and should be developed now to accommodate waste that must be moved within six months from the Avondale dump site.

## Supervisors blunder again *Phoenix Gazette*

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors appears to be going from bad to worse in seat-of-the-pants management of the county's business.

In the most recent episode, the supervisors voted 3-1, with Carole Carpenter dissenting and Tom Freestone abstaining, to throw out bids of six companies for a study of the Maricopa Superior Court system.

The explanation for the action was that all six companies lacked expertise in judicial matters. Reportedly, the supervisors were acting on the advice of Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield. He recommended the National Center for State Courts, not one of the bidders, as the "most qualified" for the job.

The rejected companies are hardly bush league — among them are Peat Marwick Mitchell, Touche Ross & Co., Arthur Young & Co., and Price Waterhouse & Co.

Something is wrong here. County officials went to a lot of trouble and put a

number of companies to a lot of trouble, all for nothing. That indicates sloppy staff work and, worse, poor management by the supervisors. If the courts are in need of study, that will be delayed until county government goes through another cycle to award a contract.

It is probably inaccurate to say that the most recent incident makes the board appear inept. The board bypassed inept long ago when it allowed a computer service company to write its own multi-million dollar county contract.

By turning down Valley developer John F. Long's offer to construct a jail dormitory at cost, the board may have turned the corner on incompetence. When the board put the project out for bids, none was received because, incredibly, the county did not provide a design that would enable construction companies to calculate costs.

The taxpayers of Maricopa County deserve better.

## Supervisors say cutbacks near

Maricopa County supervisors have told other elected county officials to join them in a legislative push for more funds next week or face some serious cutbacks in future budgets.

"If you don't help us, we're not going to help you. If you want to interpret that as a threat, go ahead," Supervisor George Campbell told the officials at a special public meeting.

Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone told the group the county will need financial relief from the Legislature during this session if it is to avoid service cuts and difficulties operating its criminal justice system.

Among Freestone's suggestions for relief were a lifting of the property tax limitation, forming a special

district to fund jail operations, and a "fair share" of sales tax revenues for counties.

Campbell said supervisors have been lobbying individually for the past two years and have not been successful. "If we don't quit horsing around and get some help this (legislative session) we're in serious trouble.

"Mr. (Ray) Smith (finance director) and Mr. (Robert) Mauney (county manager) have been saying, 'The airplane is a little hot and we may have to land sooner than we expected.' The real story is the airplane is on fire and we're going to crash," Campbell said.

At recent board meetings, a number of department heads have told supervisors they are seriously understaffed and unable to adequately do their jobs.

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# County plan to shift parks to Phoenix runs into detour

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

A Maricopa County plan to give four parks to Phoenix bogged down after county Parks and Recreation Commission members questioned a policy of automatically surrendering parks that have been annexed.

The parks under consideration for transfer — all in north Phoenix — are Paradise Valley Park, Adobe Recreation Area, Cave Buttes Park and Reach 11. The transfers would require the approval of the Board of Supervisors and the Phoenix City Council.

Parks and Recreation Director William Richwine recommended that the commission approve the park transfers "to start the political and bureaucratic ball rolling." He told commissioners during their monthly meeting Tuesday that the transfers could save the county \$250,000 a year in maintenance costs.

The move also would free funds for use in more-remote parks, which Richwine said need more staff and tighter security.

But two commissioners said they want to examine the money-making potential of the parks and possible

financial losses if they were given to the city. The board did not vote on the transfer, but referred the issue to its policy committee.

"I think if a park is revenue-producing, we should keep it," Commissioner Thyrlle Stapley Jr. said.

Commissioner Myra Page said the county also needs to consider its investment in parks improvements before it gives them away.

"As things get tighter, it is more appropriate for us to deal with financial impacts," she said.

The county is working with the Maricopa County Community College District to divide Paradise Park so a new college can be built on 90 acres there.

Richwine said that if the county gave the park to the city, the acreage set aside for the college would not be included in the transfer.

Richwine also told the commission that none of the county's 22 parks is self-supporting, and revenues pay for less than one-third of the cost of their upkeep.

Since 1959, the county has given 22 parks to cities and towns; 16 of those were transferred to Phoenix.

# Third supervisor favors removing computer handler

By PAT SALLEN  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone said Wednesday that he supports firing a Pennsylvania company that operates the county's computer system. Freestone's vote would provide the third vote needed to oust the firm.

Freestone said he always has believed that county staff should run its computer operation but "reluctantly supported" hiring the computer company, Systems and Computer Technology Corp. of Malvern, Pa.

He joins two other supervisors, George Campbell and Carole Carpenter, who already have indicated they want to get rid of the firm. They have asked whether the county is spending more money on a contract for the company to run the computer system than it would for county staff to do it.

The board, which discussed the issue at a policy session Wednesday, has scheduled a special meeting on the firm's contract for Monday at 1 p.m. in the county Administrative Building, 111 S. Third Ave.

Carpenter, a Phoenix Democrat whose district covers the northwestern portion of the county, pushed Wednesday for a vote on the matter, saying that the board needed to make a decision.

Last month, board members directed county staff members to implement the recommendations in an audit of the firm. That audit said the company failed to meet the intent of its 1982 contract and lacked long-range plans and standards to determine the quality of its work.

At the same time, however, Freestone directed Campbell to head a committee to draw up a

plan for a phase-out of the company, which is in the third year of a five-year contract.

Carpenter said Wednesday that doing both at the same time is inconsistent. Campbell agreed, saying that his staff committee "has ground to a screeching halt" for lack of a clear-cut policy on the computer operation's future.

Campbell said staff members have told him that the county would be able to take over computer operations immediately should the supervisors decide to oust the firm.

In other action at Wednesday's meeting, the supervisors decided against seeking new bids from firms interested in conducting a study of the county Superior Court clerk's office.

Last week, the board rejected bids submitted by six companies to do the study on the grounds they were "technically unacceptable" because the companies lack sufficient expertise on judicial issues.

Two days later, board members voted 4-1 to authorize County Manager Robert Mauney to begin negotiating with the National Center for State Courts to perform the study. The non-profit center is not among six firms that bid on the contract.

The center had been suggested by Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield as the most-qualified to do the job.

Freestone, who voted in favor of negotiating with the center, told the other supervisors Wednesday that he felt "edgy" about the process used.

Other county officials could avoid the bidding process, instead coming to the board and saying that they would use a firm unique in its expertise to do a job, he said.

## Supervisors postpone decision on request for seven new cars

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

When the director of the Maricopa County jail asked for seven new cars so detention commanders could respond to "call-backs" during off-hours, one county supervisor told him it would be cheaper to use taxicabs.

During their policy session Wednesday, board members postponed granting Phil Severson's request for seven Chevrolet Cavaliers.

In addition to Supervisor George Campbell's taxicab remark, Supervisor Carole Carpenter asked for an accounting of how many times the detention commanders needed county cars to return to work from their homes after hours.

Severson told Carpenter he would need more information before he could answer her question.

Money for the vehicle purchases was to have come from a state "jail enhancement grant." The county would have to pay for maintenance and upkeep, which would amount to approximately \$10,000 a year, Harlan Harris, equipment services director for the county, said.

Severson told the board the commanders already have cars, but Sheriff Dick Godbehere intends to convert the existing vehicles into sheriff's patrol cars and give the commanders new ones.

Board Chairman Tom Freestone told Severson it would be more economical for the county to pay mileage than to buy and maintain the cars.

In other policy discussion Wednesday, supervisors learned that new Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System eligibility requirements are costing the county \$1.2 million a month in lost benefits.

Health Department Director Adolfo Echeveste told the board he would have to add 51 eligibility workers to his current staff of 118 to keep up with the state requirements that took effect in December.

Carpenter said the new requirements transfer additional costs from the state to the county and appear to be part of a "political boondoggle of legislators ... a way of manipulating things so that AHCCCS looks more financially stable than it is."

# Computer contract canceled

Will end a year early; company acquiesces

By PAT SALLEN  
Arizona Republic Staff

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously Monday to end a controversial five-year contract with a Pennsylvania firm for the management of the county's computer operations, a move that some officials say will save money.

Gary Provo, an official of Systems & Computer Technology, of Malvern, Pa., told the supervisors that his company will agree to terminate the contract by June 1986, a year before the contract is to expire.

When asked after the meeting whether the company was upset about being fired a year early, Provo said, "No."

"The way the contract originally was written was to phase back at a time appropriate," said Provo, the firm's general manager in charge of business development. "We knew it may not run until the end."

Supervisor George Campbell said the county could save about a \$1 million a year, maybe more, by taking back the computer operation. County Manager Robert Mauney said he could not estimate how much the takeover might save.

The company is in the third year of a five-year, \$18.6 million contract that began in May 1982. The company was awarded the contract without competitive bidding after completing a study in October 1981 that found the county computer office was inefficient and losing millions of dollars.

A motion by Supervisor Ed Pastor to allow the contract to run out failed on a 2-3 vote. Supervisor Carole Carpenter, saying she would prefer to fire the company immediately, proposed the action the board ultimately approved, which she called a compromise.

Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone last week joined Carpenter and Campbell in supporting the ouster of the company. However, Pastor and Supervisor Fred Koory also supported Carpenter's motion.

Pastor, a supporter of the company, said he voted in favor of firing because Mauney supported the move.

The company has been criticized for billing the county for some expenses. And programming errors have caused county paychecks to be shredded at least three times in the past year.

A 1983 audit criticized the firm

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and county officials for allowing the company to write its own contract. The second half of that audit, released in January, criticized the company for not meeting the intent of the contract and for failing to develop long-range plans.

Provo told the supervisors Monday that the company's 1981 study found 260 things wrong with the county's computer operations and that 190 of them have been corrected so far.

The company took on the added burden of work on the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System without asking for contract extensions or increases, allowed payments to ride when the county had cash-flow problems and reduced expenditures by \$1.5 million during county budgetary problems over the past couple of years, Provo said.

Mauney said the June 1986 phase-out deadline will give enough time to take over positions currently held by company employees.

# 'Surrogate' taxpayers buying up property liens

By Edythe Ysasi  
The Phoenix Gazette

"Surrogate" taxpayers are plunking down cash in record amounts to pay property taxes on land they don't own.

They go through formal tax lien purchase, an arrangement that allows them to earn interest of up to 16 percent from the delinquent taxpayers when and if the land is redeemed.

If the property owner fails to pay the delinquent taxes, plus interest, the lienholder can take legal action to acquire a deed to the property after three years, Paul Corrington, chief deputy Maricopa County treasurer, said.

The purchase of tax liens has increased dramatically this year, and Corrington attributes the activity to the 16 percent interest rate authorized by the Legislature in 1983.

Corrington said the county took in \$811,619 in cash during its annual tax lien sale last month, which paid back

taxes on 14,231 parcels.

This compares with \$606,686 collected last year.

Thousands of liens not purchased during the three days of sales last month still may be bought, Corrington said. But he said some of the parcels are not worth the taxes owed on them and advised investors to research the location of the parcels before buying any lien.

The most active investor during this year's tax lien sale was B.F.T. Co., which paid \$346,138 for liens on 495 parcels. Records in the county recorder's office show partners in that company are Dr. Louis Becker and his son, Barry.

In 1976, one of Louis Becker's other sons, Stephen, was shot and killed by a disgruntled property owner who was losing his home to the Beckers because of a tax lien. Jose Sanches, 53, is serving a life sentence in the Arizona State Prison for the murder of Stephen Becker.

When contacted this week, Louis Becker refused to acknowledge B.F.T.'s purchase of hundreds of thousands of dollars in tax liens. He referred inquiries to another son, Phoenix attorney Mathis Becker.

Mathis Becker said his family traditionally has invested in the liens but not with the expectation of acquiring property.

"It is rare that we ever get the property," he said.

He said the sale of tax liens "is a necessary way to help government financing. It would be difficult for governments to operate without them."

Corrington agreed, noting that the county has no way of collecting delinquent taxes unless lienholders are involved.

Mathis Becker said his family stopped purchasing the liens after his brother's murder but soon resumed. When asked if he feared that a similar incident could occur, he said, "No."

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**Blackout hits county buildings**

A blackout of more than an hour in Maricopa County government buildings today interrupted meetings and trials and left citizens stranded in elevators.

The outage occurred about 10:30 a.m. during a Board of Supervisors meeting at which Sheriff Dick Godbehere was citing how he can handle civil defense emergencies better than the current department.

"Here's your emergency," Supervisor Chairman Tom Freestone told Godbehere in the windowless meeting room.

A voice and a small flashlight popped up in the back of the room.

"Civil Defense has a flashlight," the unidentified speaker said.

Civil Defense Director Roy Bluhm was scheduled to challenge Godbehere's request to take over county civil defense functions.

Bluhm now operates his own department from an underground facility at 52nd Street, just north of McDowell Road.

Before the lights went out, Chief Deputy Robert Malone told supervisors the Sheriff's Office is better equipped to deal with emergencies, "because we deal with emergencies everyday."

The lights went back on at 11:22 a.m.

# MAG to consider two more freeways

By Anthony Sommer  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Two more freeways have been added to the list of major urban highways the MAG Regional Council will consider at its March 27 meeting.

Wednesday, the Management Committee of the Maricopa Association of Governments endorsed an extension of the existing Hohokam Expressway to link it to the proposed East Papago Freeway.

Also recommended by the Management Committee — professional staff from the county and cities — was an extension of the proposed East Papago to link it to the proposed Red Mountain Parkway.

Both proposals will be added to an already extensive shopping list the regional council — made up of elected officials from the county and Valley cities — will consider as part of the MAG Transportation Plan.

The council deferred action at its February meeting on proposals to add the Red Mountain, Southeast Loop, Southwest Loop and Price Road Expressway to the MAG plan.

The delay was granted to give the Gila River Indian Community a chance to present a counterproposal for the southern leg of the southeast and southwest loops that would take the freeways through the reservation. The current plan places the corridor north of Indian land.

A vote on the plan is expected at the March 27 meeting because it will be the last time the council can act while the Legislature, which is considering several versions of a major transportation funding package, is in session.

"The Legislature is requesting us to get as many of these pieces located as soon as we can so people will know what they're talking about," Jack DeBolske, MAG executive director, told the management committee.

Several city managers from the west Valley objected to the inclusion of new features in the MAG plan because a study on west Valley needs is not complete.

But DeBolske assured them the inclusion of a new urban highway in the MAG plan does not mean it is given any priority over existing or other proposed projects.

"Until we find out what the Legislature is going to do, it doesn't make any sense to prioritize," DeBolske said.

"My suggestion is we get the money in the pot and then we can have a fight," he added.

Cost estimates on the new features are based on a projection of at least 30 years to build the proposed system.

The two features added Wednesday to the Regional Council agenda by the Management Committee include:

- Extending the Hohokam Expressway from the point where it is

planned to end at Washington Street to a point one mile north so it can link up with the proposed East Papago Freeway.

- Extending the proposed East Papago Freeway from the point where it is planned to end at 44th street further east to link up with the proposed Red Mountain Parkway, which would extend to Mesa.

# 59th Avenue freeway alignment endorsed

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By Russ Hemphill  
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A proposed \$228 million freeway that would meet Interstate 10 in Maryvale is expected to be added soon to a key regional transportation plan.

The proposed Southwest Loop, as endorsed by the Phoenix City Council, would meet I-10 at 59th Avenue.

The freeway would run south from I-10, looping around South Mountain Park to rejoin I-10 near Ahwatukee.

City and civic officials say the Southwest Loop would boost west-side development and serve planned neighborhoods south of South Mountain Park.

The Maricopa Association of Governments probably will add the loop to its regional transportation plan next week.

Inclusion in the transportation plan is a first step toward getting money to build the freeway.

MAG was set in February to act on the Southwest Loop and three East Valley projects. But officials delayed consideration for a month

to study a plan from Gila River Indian Reservation officials.

The Indians' plan would push back the southern leg of the Southwest Loop from Pecos Road to Queen Creek Road.

The realignment would push the freeway about two miles farther south, placing the southern leg entirely on the Indian reservation.

Indian officials are expected to present a more detailed plan to MAG this month.

Laveen community planners also would like to see a change in the proposed loop route.

But the Phoenix City Council endorsement of the 59th Avenue alignment makes a change unlikely.

Laveen planners believe the 59th Avenue alignment cuts too near to the heart of their community, says Arthur Allen, chairman of the Laveen Planning Committee.

Laveen is centered around the intersection of 51st Avenue and Dobbins Road. "The first thing we thought on the committee (was) that we didn't want any freeway at all," Allen said.

But, he said, the committee decided, "You can't stick your head in the mud forever." The group now supports a 75th or 67th Avenue route.

Allen and fellow planner Dale Smith say the Laveen group favors a more westerly route because it would have less impact on their community.

Smith also noted that 59th Avenue is only a mile west of 51st Avenue, the only nearby road with a bridge over the Salt River.

It would make more sense, Smith argued, to push the loop alignment west, giving bridged access to more of Phoenix south of the Salt River.

The South Mountain Village Planning Committee also endorses a 75th Avenue alignment and has included the recommendation in its nearly adopted development plan.

The village committee advises the City Council and Phoenix Planning Commission on zoning and planning on city-controlled land south of the Salt River.

# Non-profit agencies may lose federal revenue-sharing funds

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

More than 100 non-profit agencies accustomed to receiving funds from Maricopa County may find that the well has run dry.

The agencies received \$2.8 million during 1984-85 from federal revenue-sharing funds. County supervisors said Wednesday that those funds are likely to be eliminated as part of an effort to balance the federal budget.

During their weekly policy session, supervisors agreed to mail a letter to the agencies telling them to "develop alternative forms of funding for operations to hopefully avoid financial havoc next year."

Yale Simons, founder of the OK Community, called the board's action "unfair ... and it doesn't make sense."

Simons' agency received \$100,000 this year; he said the community helps keep ex-offenders out of jail. "We are part of the criminal justice system, and we help these people get out, get jobs and pay taxes. Supervisors need to look at their priorities to see how cost-effective their actions will be," he said during a telephone interview after the policy meeting.

The Tri-City Community Service Center in Mesa also received \$100,000 from the county's revenue-sharing funds this year, but Executive Vice President Milt Lee said he expected the cutback and already is seeking increased community support.

"We have anticipated the end of revenue-sharing funds for a long time. Any agency that doesn't prepare for this has their head in the sand," Lee said.

The service center is a clearing-house for 116 human services, including a health clinic and food bank, he added.

In other policy action Wednesday, supervisors balked at a second request from the Sheriff's Office for automobiles.

At a meeting earlier this month, supervisors told Detention Director Phillip L. Severson that they did not approve of the use of take-home county cars for jail administrators.

When Severson asked for five new vehicles for jail staffers, board member George Campbell asked him whether administrators are using take-home cars.

Severson said they are but added that general use of take-home cars in the department has been cut by Sheriff Dick Godbehere.

"I resent it ... you're back-door-ing us," Campbell said, stressing that he and other board members believe that it would be more economical for taxpayers to pay mileage when jail administrators are called back to work for emer-

gencies than to pay for full-time use of automobiles.

In other jail policy discussion, board members learned of a legal snag in a plan by Godbehere to use the new Madison Street Jail for a charity fund-raiser March 29.

Deputy County Attorney Dean Woolcott said the county has not

"accepted" the jail as a completed structure, so it cannot be liable for any property damage that may occur during the event.

"We have a minor insurance problem ... which we should be able to work out in the next day or two," Woolcott said. He said he was negotiating with the contractor to settle the snag.

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## Two trusties escape east jail annex

A Maricopa County Jail inmate who was a known escape risk and another due to be released in 11 days escaped from the jail annex in east Phoenix, deputies said.

Clayton William Eads, 19, and Rudolph Espinoza, 25, both trusties working in the kitchen, were noticed missing at an 8:50 p.m. Wednesday head count at the jail annex, 3001 E. Watkins Road, Deputy Roy Cook said. They were last seen in the kitchen at 8:20 p.m., and the Sheriff's Office was notified at 9:30 p.m., he said.

Cook said although the two men were trusties,

they were not allowed freedom inside the jail. It is not known how they escaped, he said.

"The kitchen is a confined area within the jail," he said.

Eads, serving time for two counts of trafficking in stolen property and one count of burglary, was labeled an escape risk because he had tried to run from officers in the past, Cook said.

When asked why a known escape risk was allowed to be a trusty, Cook replied, "That's what the sheriff (Dick Godbehere) wants to know."

## Maricopa County panel adds 80 miles of freeway to plan for transportation

By PAT SALLEN  
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LITCHFIELD PARK — Eighty miles of freeways and expressways costing nearly \$1.2 billion were added to the Maricopa Association of Government's regional transportation plan Wednesday.

In unanimously adopting proposals prepared by its staff, the MAG board rejected requests from residents of Laveen and the Gila River Indian Community to shift the alignments of three proposed freeways.

Added to the regional transportation plan were southeastern and southwestern loops, extensions of the Hohokam and East Papago expressways, and the Price Road and Red Mountain expressways in the eastern Valley.

The addition of the freeways to the regional transportation plan does not indicate any priority of funding. The regional council later will determine in what order the new thoroughfares will be built.

Adoption of the freeways and routes also does not ensure funding. There is no money available to build any of the new roads, only to build those in the previous MAG plan.

The regional council had delayed action on most of the freeways from its meeting last month at the request

of Gila River officials, who proposed putting the southeastern and southwestern loops along Queen Creek Road to encourage development on the reservation.

Jason Yu, a transportation consultant who prepared the reservation's study, said such an alignment would save \$40 million to \$100 million in land costs.

Besides, he said, "traffic will seek a freeway wherever it is located."

Roger Herzog, MAG transportation planner, said the Pecos Road alignment was chosen because it would carry twice as much traffic as a Queen Creek alignment.

On the west side of the Valley, the Laveen Planning Council and elected officials who represent the unincorporated community sought to have the northern leg of the southwestern loop located on 75th Avenue, rather than 59th Avenue.

Art Allen, Planning Council president, told the regional-council members that the 59th Avenue alignment would cut through his community. The alignment he preferred on 75th Avenue would abut the boundary of the Gila River Indian Community.

Most of the freeways and expressways added are in the southeastern part of the Phoenix metropolitan area.

## County will pay center \$63,609 for study of court clerk's office

By PAT SALLEN  
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Maricopa County will pay the non-profit National Center for State Courts \$63,609 for a study of the operations of the Superior Court clerk's office.

The figure is just slightly more than the average of the six bids county officials received for the contract from private companies. The bids ranged from \$49,750 to \$72,000, and the Washington, D.C.-based courts center was not among the original bidders.

Board members rejected the six bids in February and then authorized county officials to negotiate a contract with the courts center, which Superior Court Presiding Judge Robert Broomfield said is best qualified to do the study. The study was ordered after Superior

Court Clerk Vivian Kringle asked the board to increase her staff.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter, who has objected to the way the matter was handled, continued her opposition Monday and voted against hiring the courts center.

Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone, who has abstained on the matter before, tried to abstain again Monday but ended up voting in favor of hiring the center.

Bill Mann, assistant county manager for personnel and the board's parliamentarian, said that the item could not be approved on a vote of two in favor, one against and one abstaining.

Supervisors Fred Koory and Ed Pastor voted in favor. Supervisor George Campbell was out of town and absent from the meeting.

Freestone said he wanted to put the matter off until Wednesday,

when Campbell, who tentatively approved of hiring the court center at a previous meeting, would be present to provide the necessary third favorable vote.

However, Koory objected, noting that Freestone minutes before had approved spending \$100,000 to hire two attorneys — not through a bidding process — to represent the county in litigation involving a bankrupt, former health-care provider involved with the state's health-care system for the poor.

Assuming that Campbell would vote in favor, Freestone said, he would change his abstention to a "yes" vote.

"Thank you Mr. Chairman," Koory and Pastor chimed.

Freestone responded, "I hope you guys remember y'all owe me one."

## County office gains extra funds to cope with cremation trend

By Susan Murphy  
Gazette Southwest Bureau

Struggling to cope with a nearly tenfold increase in cremations during the last nine years, the Maricopa County Medical Examiner's Office has received a little extra help.

The Board of Supervisors on Monday unanimously approved one new laboratory assistant's position and transfer of \$4,212 from the general fund to deal with a matter that experts say is reflective of a national trend: More people are opting for ashes-to-ashes disposal of their earthly remains instead of conventional interment.

State law requires that the medical examiner, whose office investigates causes of death and issues cremation authorizations, review death certificates before cremation.

According to figures submitted to the board, 568 cremations were recorded in 1975. That number has steadily increased over the years, with last year's cremations totaling 4,701. The upward trend is expected to continue.

"I think it's just the population increase here," said Dr. Thomas Jarvis, deputy chief medical examiner.

Otherthink money may have something to do with the trend.

"The population is growing and the demand for cremation has grown, too, and some of it is cost-related," Jim Ahern, president of the Arizona Funeral Directors Association, said. "We are seeing a number of people die here from out of state, winter visitors, and they're

having the ashes rather than the body shipped back."

He said he believes that may account for the rapidly increasing demand reported in other Sun Belt states, including California and Florida, as well as in Arizona.

According to Alan Kroboth of the Cremation Association of North America, cremation can offer savings of as much as one-third over conventional burial.

"It gives families an alternative," he said.

## Zoning procedures change urged

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Some zoning violators are using cumbersome county procedures to "buy time" and continue to annoy neighbors, Supervisor Tom Freestone says.

A proposed change in procedures that would make such delays impossible faces the Planning and Zoning Commission Thursday.

Freestone said he and other supervisors support the change because violators are creating problems in heavily populated areas. He has received numerous complaints from constituents about illegal landing strips for ultralight aircraft in his district, the supervisor said.

Richard Turner, principal planner for the county, said that under the current system, county zoning officials are slow in cracking down on many violators

because there are no written procedures that put time limits on conformance.

For example, he said, a kennel operator could house numerous dogs in a residential neighborhood indefinitely while exhausting administrative remedies and continuing to annoy neighbors.

Once violators are cited, they often apply for zoning changes and have six months to submit proper paperwork, Turner said.

If the correct documents, including permits, plans and petitions, are not submitted within six months, county zoning officials often give the violator additional time to come up with the necessary documents, Turner added, noting that since there are no time constraints, requests for delays cannot be considered unreasonable under current rules.

# Etch 2, Brute?

April 4, 1985

## Jail plaque lists Hill; Godbehere balks, gets second billing

By PAT SALLEN  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County Sheriff Dick Godbehere didn't have anything to do with the authorization or funding of the new Madison Street Jail, but he wants his name on it.

"No matter what you're doing, it should be done correctly," Godbehere said Wednesday.

And that means that if the \$38 million jail is dedicated during his term, he should be listed as sheriff.

County officials, however, ordered a \$760 bronze plaque last summer, long before Godbehere was elected to succeed Sheriff Jerry Hill.

Listed on the 24- by 18-inch plaque are Hill and the others who were in office when the 960-cell, maximum-security jail was authorized and put under construction in 1980: Supervisors George Campbell, Tom Freestone, Fred Koory, Ed Pastor and Hawley Atkinson.

Also enshrined are the names of County Manager Robert Mauney; the architect, Henningson, Durham & Richardson Inc.; and the construction contractor, McCarthy/Western Inc.

County officials said Godbehere initially wanted to replace the names of Hill and Atkinson with his name and that of Carole Carpenter, a Democrat who defeated the Republican supervisor in the fall.

When asked if that's true, Godbehere said, "What I did was ask how they were going to do (the plaque)."

Because the plaque has been made, Godbehere's compromise is to have county officials order a smaller plaque that would bear the date of dedication and Godbehere's name. The smaller plaque, which will be installed below the larger one, is expected to cost about \$100.

Construction of the jail was supposed to be completed in December, which was the last month of Hill's second term in office. Hill lost his bid for re-election in the Democratic primary, and Godbehere, a Republican, won in the general election. Labor and weather problems forced construction to spill over by a couple of months into Godbehere's term, which began in January.

Traditionally, when a public building is dedicated, a plaque is installed that lists the elected officials and top administrator in office at the time the building was authorized and built. Maricopa County reportedly does not have a formal policy governing whose names should be listed.

The other new county official involved with the jail, Carpenter, said she was consulted Tuesday night about whether she wanted her name on Godbehere's plaque.

"Frankly, I had no part in voting for the Madison Street Jail, and I don't care whether or not my name is on the plaque," she said.



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# County to rein in computer 'chaos'

## Seeks compatibility of units, centralized control of system

By PAT SALLEN  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County supervisors, faced with a "hodgepodge" of minicomputer systems already in place, intend to exercise tighter control over future purchases in an attempt to better coordinate their computer network.

Under a policy adopted Wednesday by the Board of Supervisors, county departments and offices will be allowed to have their own minicomputer systems, but their requests will be more critically reviewed by the supervisors.

The supervisors also want the minicomputers to be compatible and, if possible, tied into the county's main computer.

Officials conceded that may require additional hardware. However, County Manager Robert Mauney said it would save on personnel because each department now must hire computer experts to deal with its individual system. In the future, all computer maintenance and service will be handled by the county Department of Computer Services.

The board voted 3-0 for the policy, with Supervisor Fred Koory abstaining. Chairman Tom Freestone left the meeting to give a speech.

Koory endorsed having a centralized system, in which each department would be hooked up to the main computer and not have its own stand-alone system.

But Supervisor Carole Carpenter, describing the county as having a hodgepodge of computer systems, said that such an approach would not work.

Maricopa County previously had no policy regarding computer

systems. A computer-users committee of county staffers was supposed to evaluate requests for new systems, but Mauney said some officials bypassed the committee and received authorization directly from the supervisors.

Almost every major county department, office and elected official

has its own computer system.

County officials are planning to take back operation of the computer department from Systems and Computer Technology Inc. by June 1986. The Malvern, Pa., firm was hired in 1982 to manage computer operations but was fired in February.

# Sheriff's Office charged with sex discrimination

By Victor Dricks  
The Phoenix Gazette

The Justice Department has filed a civil lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Phoenix charging the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office with discriminating against women in its hiring, promotion and employment practices.

The suit, filed Thursday, charges Sheriff Dick Godbehere, all five members of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, and William Mann, director of the Maricopa County Personnel Department, with violations of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Justice Department officials said they attempted to eliminate the county practices "through negotiation and settlement" but concluded that "unless restrained by order of

this court," the defendants will continue to engage in them.

Sheriff's Office officials said Thursday they were advised not to comment on the suit.

The federal lawsuit alleges that the defendants "pursued and continue to pursue policies and practices" of sexual discrimination in the hiring, assignment, training, transferring, promotion and disciplining of female employees.

Jane Ryan of the U.S. Justice Department in Washington, D.C., refused to elaborate on the charges or discuss the origins of the department's investigation.

But Sheriff's Office officials acknowledged they have known since September that they

were being investigated by the Justice Department.

In December, the Civil Rights Division of the Arizona Department of Law filed a lawsuit against the Sheriff's Office, charging it with sexual discrimination in its treatment of women detention officers.

Lt. Jadel Roe, who was the Sheriff's Office liaison with the Justice Department, said late last year in an interview with *The Phoenix Gazette* that the state lawsuit involves complaints that surfaced three years ago. Most of the allegations in that suit, she said, are separate from the practices that prompted the federal probe, "although there are some common issues."

"I wouldn't be at all surprised if the state

investigation had something to do with the fact the Department of Justice came here," she told a reporter then.

The Justice Department suit alleges that women in all areas of the department — detention and sworn ranks — have been discriminated against, noting that in 1984 only 14 of 366 sworn officers in the department were female.

The suit says the Sheriff's Office has used "subjective training, transfer and assignment policies that deny higher paying and more desirable positions" to women.

It also alleges the Sheriff's Office and other county agencies and officials have failed or refused to adopt "objective, valid, and

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non-discriminatory training, transfer and assignment policies."

The suit asks the federal court to enjoin the defendants from engaging in discriminatory employment practices and requests they be compelled to provide back pay and offers of employment "to qualified female applicants who have been harmed" by the policies.

In addition, Justice Department officials want the county to offer retroactive seniority, offers of employment, transfer, training and other benefits to women so as to attract them to the department in proportion to their availability in the labor pool.

According to Justice Department officials, county

officials have been given notice of the results of their investigation.

Supervisor George Campbell, the only board member in his county office late Thursday, said the board did not know such a federal action was pending against the Sheriff's Office.

"We should take whatever action is required to correct the situation, but I have some reservations about women being put in certain positions in detention, where they could be subject to abuse by inmates," Campbell added.

Chief Deputy Robert Malone said he had discussed the discrimination action with the County Attorney's Office, "And we were advised, since it is in litigation, not to discuss the matter."

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# U.S. sues Sheriff's Office, alleges sex bias in filling jobs

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

A U.S. Department of Justice suit filed Thursday charges that the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office has discriminated against women in hiring, promotion and other employment practices.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court, Phoenix, is the second in three months charging the Sheriff's Office with discriminating against women.

Thursday's federal suit names Sheriff Dick Godbehere, who took office Jan. 1; the county Board of Supervisors; and the county's Personnel Department director as defendants.

It charges them with violating the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by pursuing policies and practices that discriminate against women and "tend to deprive them of employment opportunities."

Among other things, the suit asks

for back pay for unidentified victims and the institution of a "vigorous" recruitment program to attract women. It does not indicate when the investigation leading to the suit began or how long the alleged discrimination has existed.

In late December, the state attorney general filed a discrimination suit against the Sheriff's Office, charging that females were not allowed to work in jails housing males. Women now work in those

areas, but the suit, which asks for unspecified damages, still is pending.

Godbehere and his chief deputy, Robert Malone, declined comment on the federal suit on the advice of a deputy county attorney.

Sal DiCiccio, a press aide for Godbehere, said, however, that the sheriff "doesn't believe in discriminatory practices." All positions are open to women, he said.

William Mann, county personnel

director, and three of the five supervisors who could be contacted also declined to comment specifically on the suit.

However, Mann and Supervisors Tom Freestone, Carole Carpenter and George Campbell said no discrimination complaints had been brought to them.

Supervisors Ed Pastor and Fred Koory could not be reached.

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"We have always had a policy of treating everybody equally and fairly," said Freestone, who is board chairman. "I'm unaware that something like this has taken place in the Sheriff's Office, and just because someone files a lawsuit doesn't mean it has happened or is happening."

"But at the same time, that's not to say it isn't, either. Until I know all the facts and the sheriff's side of it, it's hard to judge."

Freestone and Campbell said, however, that if discrimination exists, it will be corrected.

"I'm totally unaware there was any discrimination, but if the complaint is accurate, I'm sure our new sheriff will look into it and correct the situation," Campbell said. "But you can't correct a situation like that overnight, so I'm sure we'll approach it with deliberate haste."

During his six years as personnel director, Mann said, he can recall only one or two times in which female sheriff's employees mentioned discrimination in appeals to the county Merit System Commission.

A Justice Department statement issued Thursday in Washington said that in 1984, the Sheriff's Office had 366 deputies, 14 of whom were women.

DiCiccio, the sheriff's spokes-

man, said the number of deputies is about the same now. One hundred and fifty-eight females and 430 males work as jail detention officers, he said.

The Justice Department statement says there has been a "refusal to hire, assign, train, transfer and promote women on the same basis as men," and the use of "training and assignment policies that deny higher-paying and more-desirable jobs to women."

The statement also says there has been a refusal "to ensure that supervisors treat employees in a sexually non-discriminatory manner in employment decisions."

The suit says department lawyers advised the defendants of their findings but were "unable to eliminate the alleged discriminatory practices through negotiation."

The suit asks for a federal court order halting discriminatory employment practices based on sex.

Specific relief for victims who are not identified, including back pay, retroactive seniority, offers of employment, transfer, training and other benefits, also is requested.

The suit also asks the court "to order the county to conduct a vigorous recruitment program designed to inform potential women applicants of job opportunities with the Sheriff's Office and to attract them to apply in numbers reflecting their availability in the labor market."

# Ortega asks county study of death files

## Unaccountable cases handled by coroner raise 'concerns'

By RANDY COLLIER  
Arizona Republic Staff

Phoenix Police Chief Ruben Ortega gave the county attorney's office on Monday the records of an unspecified number of cases involving unaccountable deaths, saying he has "very serious concerns" about their handling by the medical examiner's office.

Ortega would not say what prompted him to contact Maricopa County Attorney Tom Collins, but in a story Sunday in *The Arizona Republic*, Collins said he was gathering complaints about the county medical examiner's office from various law-enforcement agencies.

Collins' comments came after Maricopa County sheriff's Detective Kay Lines wrote a 22-page memorandum to his superiors complaining about the medical examiner's office.

The memo, which was obtained by *The Republic*, listed numerous cases that Lines feels have been handled either incorrectly or improperly by Dr. Heinz Karnitschnig, the medical examiner; Dr. Thomas Jarvis, Karnitschnig's assistant; and Eloy Ysasi, the investigator for the medical examiner's office.

When the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office learned that *The Republic* had the memorandum, it released the memo to the Board of Supervisors.

Ortega said he felt Lines' memo should have been given to the county attorney's office instead of the supervisors.

"I have given him (Collins) my concerns as well as information on these incidents, and I feel that is the proper place for the local police department and the county to turn to to help us resolve some of these concerns," he said.

Ortega said Collins told him that some of the cases he presented already were being investigated.

Meanwhile, the supervisors, after learning that Sheriff Dick Godbehere had gone to Florida for a meeting, postponed until next week a public meeting to discuss the allegations. The meeting was to have been held Monday morning.

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The supervisors did meet with Karnitschnig and Collins for about an hour Monday in a closed-door session.

However, Collins told the supervisors that he had not completed two reports for them. One is an internal report listing complaints from deputy county attorneys, and the other is a report from various law-enforcement agencies.

"I think they were a little bit premature in calling the meeting," Collins said. "I know I wasn't prepared to talk. My people still are writing their reports, and they probably won't be done until the end of this week."

Supervisor George Campbell said he did not think the session had been called too soon.

"Some serious charges have been made against the medical examin-

er's office, and we didn't want to just sit idly by," Campbell said.

Karnitschnig showed up at the supervisors' office on the sixth floor of the county Administration Building with Jarvis, Roy Morano, his toxicologist, and Ysasi.

Jarvis, Morano and Ysasi were not called to the meeting. Campbell said later that the supervisors had been told by the county attorney's office that the only people they can call in a closed-door session are appointed or elected officials.

Also waiting was Maj. David Carter, Lines' chief supervisor. Carter said Lines had been told to wait in his office in case he was called to answer questions.

Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone said after the meeting that he hoped little of the supervisors' investigation would be done in private.

"There will be an open meeting on this subject within two weeks, I hope," Freestone said.

# County's parks plan leaves cities, heads for hills

By PAT SALLEN APR 15 1985  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County, which has a habit of divesting itself of small urban parks, wants to acquire thousands of acres of scenic mountains in neighboring Pinal County to round out its parks system.

By acquiring the Santan Mountains, the county would complete a ring of large, regional parks totaling nearly 100,000 acres around the Phoenix area.

The parks system, one of the largest in the nation, fills a void that officials say exists between

huge, rambling national parks and smaller, manicured urban parks.

"Our emphasis is entirely different," said Howard Gillmore, assistant county parks and recreation director for field services. "Our mission is to provide a quality outdoor experience to the urban dweller. We are in the business of maintaining a natural environment."

Four regional parks — Lake Pleasant, Estrella, McDowell Mountain and White Tank Mountain — make up about 80 percent of the county's parks system. The

smallest, Lake Pleasant, covers 14,400 acres.

They generally consist of thousands of undeveloped acres. Only Estrella, which is designated for "more intense uses," has a large expanse of grass for baseball diamonds and tennis courts.

County officials are seeking about 12,000 acres, mostly federal land, in the Santan range to fill a gap in the parks system for the southeastern part of the county. The park, which would encompass the portion of the mountains outside the Gila River Indian Reserva-

tion, would serve mostly the rapidly growing southeastern suburbs.

Bill Richwine, county parks and recreation director, said that state officials were asked in 1982 whether they wanted the area for the state parks system but that they said it was not a high priority.

There was a fear that the area would be lost to development, primarily through land trades with private developers orchestrated by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, which has jurisdiction over

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the property, Richwine said.

The catch is that Maricopa County cannot acquire the 9,000 acres of federal property because the area is not within the county. The remainder of the property is state or private land, and officials have not decided how to obtain it.

A deal has been worked out for Pinal County to acquire the federal property at no cost under the federal Recreation and Public Purposes Act and turn over management responsibility to Maricopa County. Both counties' boards of supervisors have given initial approval to the deal.

If the BLM approves, development of the park still will take three to four years, Richwine said.

Holding property in other counties is not unusual for Maricopa County. The northern 8,500 acres of Lake Pleasant, owned by Maricopa County, are in Yavapai County.

Other than the regional parks, the rest of the county's parkland consists mostly of smaller recreation areas, such as Buckeye Hills, on Arizona 85, and Cave Creek, west of Cave Creek Road on New River Road.

Only a few small, county-owned community parks are left, most of them in unincorporated, outlying residential areas, such as Cashion.

About two dozen small parks totaling more than 1,500 acres have been transferred to municipalities over the past 25 years.

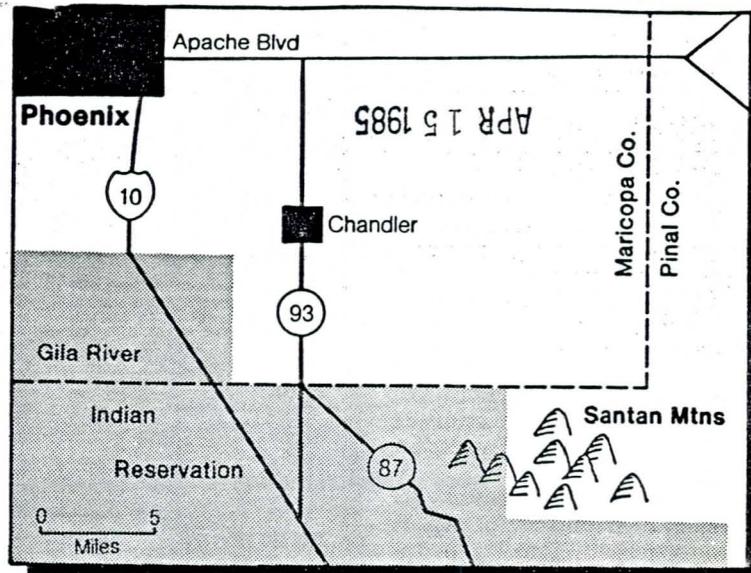
Sixteen of those parks have been handed over to Phoenix, and plans are in the works to transfer four more, reducing the county's parks system by 4,000 acres.

"It's not been a policy, but a habit," Gillmore said of the transfers.

Recently, parks officials asked the Board of Supervisors for approval to transfer to Phoenix the management of the Cave Buttes and Adobe recreation areas, behind the dams of the same names, and most of the so-called Reach 11.

They also proposed giving Phoenix title to most of Paradise Valley Park, 340 acres in an island of unincorporated area at 40th Street and Union Hills Drive.

The supervisors agreed to turn over management of Reach 11 but balked at transferring management of the recreation areas and owner-



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Maricopa County officials want to acquire 12,000 acres in the Santan Mountains that lie outside the Gila River Indian Reservation.

ship of 250 acres of Paradise Valley Park after questions were raised about the proposal.

Phoenix tried last fall to annex about 9½ square miles north of Bell Road and east of Cave Creek Road, part of the county island that includes Paradise Valley Park. The annexation attempt was scuttled last month by a Maricopa County Superior Court judge, who ruled that the state's annexation law is unconstitutional.

Cost also figured into the county Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation to transfer Paradise Valley Park. By giving the park to Phoenix, the county Parks and Recreation Department would save about \$240,000 a year.

Reach 11 is a stretch of about 1,500 acres owned by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation along the Central Arizona Project canal from Cave Creek Road east past Pima Road in Scottsdale. Maricopa County accepted responsibility for developing the property into a recreation area.

However, after Scottsdale annexed property in the area, the county requested and received 500 acres of Reach 11 between Scottsdale Road and its eastern edge, where Scottsdale plans to build two golf courses. Phoenix asked for the rest of Reach 11.

The board put the proposed transfers aside for further discussion, and the Paradise Valley Park issue could be tied up for months.

Although county officials are considering giving most of that park to Phoenix, they are negotiating the sale of 90 acres of the same park to the Maricopa County Community College District for a college site.

County officials are recommending a selling price of \$35,000 an acre, saying the money should go into a fund to buy more parkland. The county bought the parkland from the state land trust for \$3,600 an acre more than a decade ago.

The Community College District received voter approval last fall to use bond revenues to buy the land.

Even so, Jack Lunsford, a district official, told the supervisors last month that the Community College District feels it is "somewhat inequitable" to give Phoenix property and sell the same type of land to the college district.

The county has about \$6,500 tied up in each acre, including the original price, the expense of selling bonds to pay for the property and about \$2,000 that would have to be reimbursed to the state if the property were sold, Lunsford said.

"From a business standpoint, we have the same stockholders," he told the supervisors. "We're not sure you need to reap a windfall at the expense of taxpayers."

The difference, Gillmore said, is that Phoenix will keep its 250 acres as a park, but the college district plans to develop its 90 acres.

"Our Number 1 allegiance is to the park cause," Gillmore said.

# Jail dedication beats approval

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

The Tempe High School Band played up a storm and public officials sang its praises, but the new Madison Street Jail is not quite in Maricopa County's hands.

The \$37 million jail facility at 225 W. Madison, behind the Maricopa County government complex is a few weeks away from being formally accepted by the county Board of Supervisors. Board member Fred Koory said several minor problems still must be corrected by the contractor.

Nevertheless, public dedication

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of the 960-cell facility went through today with a host of public officials on hand to cheer what supervisor chairman Tom Freestone described as "the largest public works project ever undertaken in Maricopa County history."

Maricopa County Sheriff Dick Godbehere told the crowd assembled along Madison Street that the jail — when fully operational — will provide "sorely needed bed-space" and will make the county jail system the fifth largest in the United States.

Supervisor George Campbell said he would much rather have been able to spend the \$37 million "taking care of the poor, the elderly and the young," but added that the jail will "do its job of keeping you safe."

Among the jail's features are a fully computerized security system and an underground tunnel linking it to county jail facilities and the county courts.

The facility, designed by Henningson, Durham & Richardson Inc. and built by McCarthy Western Constructors Inc., will be formally accepted by the supervisors once deficiencies are corrected, Koory said.

# MAG votes to replace 14 on health board

By Brad Patten  
The Phoenix Gazette

In what one observer called a "travesty," the Maricopa Association of Governments has replaced nearly half of the members of the Central Arizona Health Systems Agency governing board.

During a meeting Wednesday evening, the MAG Regional Council, a panel comprised mainly of Valley mayors, voted unanimously and without comment to replace 14 members of the 30-member CAHSA board whose two-year terms had expired.

Fourteen new members were appointed and will take their positions at the next CAHSA board meeting.

Don Hamilton, a CAHSA member unaffected by the housecleaning, said, "Without

exception, no one (seeking re-nomination to the board) has ever been dumped in the 10 years I've been with CAHSA."

"This whole thing is politics," he said.

Another CAHSA insider, who asked not to be identified, said, "It seems pretty evident it is a takeover" by the hospital industry.

CAHSA receives state and federal funds to provide health care planning in Maricopa, Gila and Pinal counties. Before the state's certificate-of-need law expired March 15, the governing board was responsible for evaluating major hospital construction projects and equipment purchases.

Lawmakers are considering reinstating the CON law.

Glendale Mayor George Ren-

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ner, chairman of the three-member MAG nominating committee, said he recommended replacing all 14 members because the CAHSA board had become locked in a battle over hiring a new executive director.

"The nominating committee was faced with the possibility of drawing this regional council into a very difficult discussion and debate," Renner said when announcing the recommendation.

Instead, the committee chose 14 candidates not on the CAHSA board because "there was an opportunity" to place new members "who were not locked into positions."

In an emotional plea before the MAG council vote, hospital consultant John Browning, one of the

CAHSA board members forced out, said, "You are destroying a board that has a lot of experience" in health planning.

He also criticized the nominating committee for recommending that Dan Coleman, president of Thunderbird Samaritan Hospital in Glendale whose CAHSA term also had expired, be reappointed to a one-year term.

Renner defended Coleman's nomination, saying it "was an existing vacancy" and "there was no one else available" who fit the requirements of the position.

"I think it is a travesty of justice," said Lois Harding, vice president of the CAHSA board who was forced out in the sweep.

Hamilton said the new board members "will cost the public millions" because they are inexperienced in health planning.

"Now you have people who have no real concept of what health planning is," he said. "They are going to have to go through months of experience to know what is going on."

Saying the ousted CAHSA board members made "apparently valid statements," Mayor Terry Goddard, vice chairman of the MAG council, asked that Juanita Soto, a CAHSA board member seeking renomination, be added to the list of three candidates vying for a 15th CAHSA seat.

The MAG council postponed

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selection of that member until its next meeting, saying it needed more time to evaluate four other applicants' resumes.

In addition to Coleman's one-year appointment, other health care providers appointed to two-year terms on the CAHSA board are Josephine Spataro, a registered

nurse; Emmie Lester, a nursing home administrator; Michael Gorman, a health insurance worker; Donald Morris of Gompers Rehabilitation Center; Saul Blair of St. Luke's Medical Center; Tina Olson, dean of nursing at Grand Canyon College; and Dr. William Payne.

Those appointed to two-year

seats as consumers are Vera Stumpf, a retired teacher; George Seldin, a retired engineer; Elaine Nesvig of the Goodyear City Council; Gwen Bedford of the Council on Aging; Troy Reder of Southwest Forest Industries; and Elizabeth McNamee of the Health Care Coalition.

# Complaints about coroner to be given to supervisors; serious action doubted

By RANDY COLLIER  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County Attorney Tom Collins predicted Monday that despite more than 200 pages of complaints against the medical examiner's office, the Board of Supervisors will not take serious action.

Collins said he has decided to give the supervisors the report on the complaints from Valley police agencies and let them decide whether changes need to be made.

"This whole thing is their responsibility, not the county attorney's office," Collins said. "I'm going to give them my recommendation and the rest is up to them."

Collins said he could not comment on what he plans to say to the supervisors until he meets with them Wednesday, but he said he feels strongly that problems do exist.

"I was convinced there were problems before I ever contacted the police agencies to see if they had problems," he said. "All this new information makes me more convinced than ever."

Two supervisors, George Campbell and Ed Pastor, said they were reluctant to comment until they see Collins' report.

"Right now, we have no idea what Tom has got," Pastor said. "If he was going to predict that we would do nothing, he should have waited until he showed us something."

Campbell said he didn't want to comment until he saw the report.

"It would be premature for me to say anything now," Campbell said. Collins said the evidence his

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deputies has gathered contains numerous cases where the medical examiner's office either has made wrong conclusions or has refused to work with law-enforcement agencies.

Collins mentioned a Chandler case where a man was found dead in a field and a gun was found several feet away. He said the medical examiner's office ruled the death a suicide even after a person confessed to killing the man.

He also mentioned an FBI case where a federal subpoena had to be issued to Dr. Heinz Karnitschnig, the county medical examiner, for him to appear before a grand jury, after his office refused to turn over information to an FBI agent.

Collins said it's not his office's job to clear up the matter. He wants the supervisors to take care of that.

"I don't want to be put in the position of sitting at a table and reading each complaint and letting Karnitschnig reply to each one," Collins said.

"First of all, I don't think competency is the issue. The issue is Karnitschnig's and (Dr. Thomas) Jarvis' ability to work with law-enforcement agencies.

"Also, the issue is their arrogance and their attitude when a police agency questions any of their decisions. If an officer questions a decision, then suddenly he is stupid or dumb or a creep.

"The other night, I heard Karnitschnig on television explaining why

he thought (Maricopa County Sheriff's Detective) Kay Lines was a creep. This kind of talk has become commonplace."

Collins said that legally, the supervisors have several options. They can look at his report and listen to his advice and act, or they can go out and interview everyone that the county attorney's office has interviewed, he said.

He said they also can retain a person to examine all of the complaints and make a recommendation.

Finally, Collins said, the supervisors can do what Karnitschnig wants to do — bring in an outside forensic pathologist to study the complaints.

"I repeat, I don't like Karnitschnig's idea because the problem isn't competency, it's his ability to work with other agencies," Collins said. "I think the evidence is there that his office does not work well with other agencies.

"I just don't know if this group of supervisors wants to have to make a decision on whether Karnitschnig and Jarvis should be allowed to continue."

Tom Freestone, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, said Monday that he understood Collins was going to take a neutral stand and simply present the supervisors with the complaints.

"If that is the case, the Wednesday meeting will be open to the public," Freestone said.

However, Collins said he was not going to be neutral. He said some of the complaints come from his office.

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# Civic-minded citizen fined for sign theft

## Sheriff pockets \$32 punishment

By Tom Spratt  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

A man who thought he did his civic duty by disposing of old campaign signs has learned he should think twice before tearing down posters of Sheriff Dick Godbehere.

Vincent Joseph Henn, 33616 N. 12th St., was ordered Tuesday to pay Godbehere \$32 as punishment for the misdemeanor crime of tampering with political signs.

Henn, 48, was sentenced by Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Cates as the result of a plea agreement reached April 5.

Henn was arrested Sept. 14 on suspicion of removing signs in northwest Phoenix belonging to state Sen. Bill Davis and state Rep. Nancy Wessel, both Phoe-

nix Republicans. Henn later was accused of tearing down signs that belonged to Godbehere and other candidates.

Most of the signs belonged to people who had gained enough votes in last year's primary election to qualify for general election in November.

In a written statement to the court, Henn said he had no idea he was committing a crime because he thought the candidates had no further use for the material.

"As part of my civic duty, I was picking up all signs after the election, wood, paper, dirty graffiti, etc., for disposal. Any good materials will be kept for future use. I didn't realize this was a primary election and some of the signs were still valid for general elections," he wrote.

Henn eventually returned the signs to the candidates. That was enough to satisfy all but Godbeh-



**Dick Godbehere**

ere, who said Henn was a thief who should be prosecuted to the fullest, Maricopa County probation officer Zachary Dal Pra wrote in his presentence report.

Godbehere requested \$32 to cover the cost of installing the signs, Dal Pra reported.

The sheriff could not be reached for comment today.

Reached at home after sentencing, Henn said the outcome of the case was fair.

## County 'wish list' hits \$392.8 million

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Meeting for the first time, an advisory committee studying a proposed Maricopa County bond election was presented a whopping \$392.8 million county "wish list."

The Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Improvements, created by the Board of Supervisors in February, is supposed to provide recommendations on what capital improvement projects should be included in the \$100 million to \$150 million special bond election proposed by the county for Oct. 1.

As described previously by county officials, the bonds would provide funding for such improvements as a new west-side regional government center, additional health facilities and additions to the downtown county complex.

One of the documents handed over to new committee members Tuesday was a synopsis of bond

issue requests made by county departments since the bond proposal surfaced early this year.

Topping off the list were requests totaling \$155.9 million for general facilities management, followed by \$98 million in requests for parks and recreation improvements.

Also included were requests totaling \$41.6 million for the county computer system; \$29 million for the Sheriff's Office; \$16.7 million for Maricopa Medical Center; \$15 million for the Juvenile Court Center; \$12 million for County Attorney's Office facilities; \$10 million for the Superior Court; and \$8 million for the health department.

Supervisors told committee members Tuesday that their task is to help the county determine what its long-range planning goals are and how quickly it should move toward those goals.

"This is going to determine  
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where county government goes during the next 20 years," Supervisor Carole Carpenter said. "You can, on this committee, determine what direction we go in."

The 25-member committee — which still lacks several members — will meet on a regular basis during the summer and make formal recommendations to the board in early August.

The committee is expected not only to provide input on the proposed bond election, but to review the 2-year-old county Facility Master Plan and the capital improvement program. Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone on Tuesday appointed John Lassen, Salt River Project president, to chair the committee.

County Manager Robert Mauney said the panel will review the

county's "brick and mortar" needs in four major areas: health services, general and financial services, criminal justice services and public works.

The proposed bond election was unveiled by Freestone and Mauney in January. The idea initially met with some resistance from other board members because they had not formally discussed the matter before it was publicized.

## Supervisors' slush fund target of investigation

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

The state Attorney General's Office is investigating a slush fund containing thousands of dollars and apparently used by Maricopa, Pima and Gila county supervisors for travel and entertainment.

The investigation follows a request last month by Maricopa County Supervisor Carole Carpenter that Maricopa County's portion of the fund be recouped. She also asked that an audit be conducted of financial records of the County Supervisors Association of Arizona.

Carpenter said she was told the fund — which contains as much as \$66,000 — was used "for county business, entertainment expenses, that kind of thing . . . and travel and liquor."

Maricopa County Supervisor Ed Pastor, president of the supervisors association, acknowledged the existence of the fund, but said officers of the Arizona Association of Counties and other supervisors have known about it for years.

He also said a legal opinion was issued by a deputy Maricopa County attorney in 1984 indicating that "as long as we have someone authorizing expenditures (to the fund), that he saw no problem with the activity of the funds."

The controversy was attributed by Pastor to an internal dispute between the supervisors association and the AACo. The supervisors group recently voted to establish its own lobbying staff apart from that of the county association.

"I welcome Bob Corbin's look into this," Pastor said.

County Auditor John Donovan said the association's books were turned over to him in late May by Dorothy Fusselman, who resigned June 3 as bookkeeper for the AACo. The supervisors group is an affiliate of the AACo.

A check for \$20,739.78, representing Maricopa's portion of the fund, was turned over to the county last week.

Attorney General Bob Corbin said today his office discovered Tuesday that the books were in Donovan's hands and will be available for inspection.

He said investigators have been assigned to begin checking them this week. The investigation was launched after a Monday meeting between Corbin and AACo. officials.

"I've asked them (the investigators) to do as fast a job as they can, but I also told them to be thorough and not take any shortcuts," Corbin said.

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Carpenter said she and several other Maricopa supervisors had not known about the fund until May 20, when County Manager Robert Mauney brought it to her attention.

"The county manager said that he was very concerned about it," she said.

Carpenter requested a legal opinion on the fund from Deputy County Attorney Gene Neil, and the results were presented in an executive board session last month. Neil suggested the board take back its share of the fund since it did not have the authority to delegate money to an independent account.

"The agreement was that the

money would be returned and the fund would be audited," Carpenter said.

However, Donovan said no auditing has yet taken place because he has spent the past four weeks auditing the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office's undercover funds in connection with a controversial drug bust that took place in March.

Donovan said he had intended to verify that the amount refunded from the supervisors' fund was correct, and to determine how the money got into the fund. He said he is uncertain now if his audit will be conducted since Corbin's office has stepped in.

# 4.5% pay raise for all workers tops county manager's budget

A 4.5 percent pay increase for county employees and a substantial rise in public safety funding highlight the proposed \$639.4 million budget submitted to Maricopa County supervisors for consideration.

The 1985-86 budget proposed by County Manager Robert Mauney is \$30 million more than this year's budget. In a summary handed to supervisors Friday, Mauney labeled his proposal austere and recommended that supervisors begin long-range planning for any possible economic downturn that could further restrict county spending.

"This budget is predicated solely on the (current) vitality of the economy," Mauney said in an interview Monday. *Phoen. Gazette 6/18/85*

Supervisors will begin reviewing the proposed budget this week, with tentative adoption slated for July 8. Final adoption is scheduled Aug. 5.

The only significant funding increases relate to county wages, public safety and health care.

Among them is a 4.5 percent cost-of-living increase for county employees — worth an estimated \$7 million — Mauney feels is "absolutely imperative" and should be implemented this summer.

"Maricopa County is already behind the other two large governmental employers in the Valley in regards to salary and fringe benefits," Mauney wrote in his

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summary. "A cost-of-living increase is necessary to keep the county competitive in the retention and recruiting of the type of employees needed to provide the efficient and effective services to which our citizens are entitled."

The \$29.7 million increase in the public safety portion of the budget would go primarily toward operation of the new 960-bed Madison Street Jail by the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office. The total public safety budget would climb to \$155 million.

Health, welfare and sanitation funding would increase by \$24.7 million, the majority of that increase going toward expansion of the county's long-term care program for the elderly.

County reserves and fund balances would decrease by a whopping \$39 million, much of that the result of a \$30 million shortfall in anticipated revenues from

contracts for indigent health care that did not materialize.

Significant budget items include:

- \$91.6 million for the Maricopa Medical Center.
- \$69.7 million for flood control.
- \$69.3 million for county highways and roads.
- \$59 million for the Sheriff's Office.
- \$49.1 million for long-term care programs.
- \$32.9 million for county programs involving the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System.
- \$30.9 million for public health programs.
- \$15.6 million for Superior Courts.
- \$15 million for the County Attorney's Office.
- \$12.6 million for juvenile courts.

—Pat Flannery

# Deputy attorney is fired

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

Joe Abodeely, the deputy Maricopa County attorney who negotiated a \$1 million property-tax settlement for the county recently, has been fired for allegedly violating professional standards in obtaining the funds.

"This is going to blow up in their faces if there is any justice at all," an angered Abodeely said today. "They've got a tiger by the tail."

Abodeely — whose termination became effective today — was notified by his lawyer of the impending action late Friday, when he returned from Army Reserve duty in Nevada. A 14-year veteran of the office, he had been suspended May 31 by County Attorney Tom Collins pending an investigation of his actions.

Sylvia Lopez, Collins' public relations aide, confirmed the firing today but said her office would not to discuss the reasons behind it. Collins was attending a seminar and unavailable for comment.

Abodeely has maintained since his suspension that political motivations played a crucial part in Collins' decision.

"This is the biggest bunch of garbage I've ever seen," Abodeely said of a letter he received detailing the reasons for his termination.

According to the letter, which was signed by Collins, Abodeely was fired because he:

- Allegedly engaged in unprofessional conduct in obtaining the property-tax settlement from Los Angeles Lakers owner Jerry Buss. Abodeely said Collins previously accused him of extortion in getting the settlement for the county.

But in the termination letter, the term extortion was not used because, "They're accusing me of a crime, and they know there could be a lawsuit down the road," Abodeely said.

Buss and a partner had owed Maricopa County more than \$500,000 in back taxes on several hundred Valley rental properties. Abodeely said he told Jordan Green, Buss' attorney, that if the case was not settled out of court, he would pursue the criminal investigation that could result in triple the amount of the settlement. Green settled, then complained to Collins.

Abodeely said the settlement method is common and ethical. And, he charged, Collins condoned the effort before Green

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complained to him.

"He knew all that," Abodeely said. "What does he want to do now, give the money back to Jerry Buss?"

"What's even more scary is, he's twisted what should be a good case for Maricopa County taxpayers into a bad thing."

- Allegedly made profane remarks and sexist and racist comments to co-workers in his office. "Some of these go back three or four years and were remarks I made in private or what I thought was private, if you know what I mean," Abodeely said.

- Allegedly violated office policy "and/or the Code of Responsibility" by stating publicly that he felt a controversial county sheriff's drug sting earlier

this year was prosecutable. The remarks came after Collins announced he would not seek charges against two men arrested in the sting.

"It doesn't violate any office policy," Abodeely said, claiming that Collins admitted in a letter to Sheriff Dick Godbehere that the case was prosecutable.

Abodeely said he will appeal the dismissal to the county Merit Systems Commission and will request a hearing that is open to the public.

"I know I am brash, and I can be abrasive... but I am a hard-charging attorney and I have a damn good record," Abodeely said. "I make legal decisions, not political decisions."

# Examiner's Office study sheds little light on problems

## County officials offer diverse interpretations

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

A study designed to shed new light on the Maricopa County Medical Examiner's Office and lay controversy to rest may have done neither.

County officials offered diverse interpretations of the report released Wednesday.

One supervisor believes the report supports County Attorney Tom Collins' assertions that the medical examiner's staff is inept and uncooperative. Another thinks it shows Medical Examiner Dr. Heinz Karnitschnig and his staff are competent and that the furor simply was a clash of personalities.

Two other supervisors want further studies.

And County Manager Robert Mauney will say little about the study other than, "It speaks for itself."

If so, it speaks a different language to each supervisor.

The report — written after a survey of 74 law officers and 27 funeral homes — concluded that some dissatisfaction with the office exists among police, but that morticians are very satisfied with the office.

It also states that complaints raised by Collins "do not appear to be generally reflective of the overall opinions of officers and other law enforcement personnel county-wide."

In May, Collins asked supervisors to replace Karnitschnig and his top assistant, Dr. Thomas Jarvis, charging they were inept and impossible to work with.

Mauney said Wednesday he would meet with Karnitschnig to review the report when Karnitschnig returns from a four-week vacation in Europe. Karnitschnig left Wednesday.

Mauney said he would work with Karnitschnig to improve weaknesses noted in the report. Mauney has left little doubt that Karnitschnig will remain in charge of his office.

But supervisor Carole Carpenter said Wednesday, "I would be concerned if he (Mauney) based any decision in regard to that department on any single survey."

Carpenter is dissatisfied with the report because she believes it is little more than an "opinion survey." She said a check with the Office of Management Analysis indicated 58.1 percent of the police respondents had had contact with the office less than six times during the past six months.

"How much weight should we give this survey?" she asked.

"I'm interested in knowing what their (medical examiner's staff) needs are, how efficient they are and are they providing what they should provide," she said. "This doesn't address that."

Board Chairman Tom Freestone thinks it does. Freestone said Mauney should use the report to "move decisively" in cleaning up the office, including firing personnel if necessary.

Freestone said Karnitschnig and his staff earned largely average or below-average marks from police in the survey. When combined with Collins' complaints, he said: "It puts that department way below average. It needs not only a change in attitude, but a change in direction."

Supervisors Fred Koory and Ed

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Pastor were more supportive of Karnitschnig, but Pastor thinks some problems remain unresolved.

Pastor believes the key is to formulate policies to be followed and tests to be conducted by the medical examiner for police under various circumstances.

Koory, meanwhile, believes the controversy is little more than a personality conflict.

"There's never been any question in my mind of the competency of that office," Koory said. "I have not seen anything that merits replacement at all."

## County supervisor accused of conflict

By WILLIAM LA JEUNESSE  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County's chief public defender Thursday asked that county Supervisor Carole Carpenter be prohibited from voting on issues affecting his office because her husband is a county prosecutor.

"It is an alarming, electrifying conflict of interest," public defender Ross Lee said. "What she does to hurt us, helps him. We are in an adversarial relationship with the county prosecutor's office."

Lee has asked Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone to request a legal opinion from County Attorney Tom Collins to resolve the issue, but Freestone has told Lee he doesn't think Carpenter has a conflict of interest.

"The public defender and the county attorney do have different roles and are adversaries, but I think that's only in the courtroom," Freestone said. "I don't think an opinion is necessary."

Carpenter agreed with Freestone and reacted angrily to Lee's charge that she has a conflict of interest because her husband, John Birkemeier, is a deputy county attorney.

"I think Mr. Lee has a problem and is acting in a paranoid manner," said Carpenter, a former county prosecutor who was elected to the Board of Supervisors in November. "He is just upset because he thinks that anything I vote affecting him is going to be bad for him."

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Carpenter admitted that she is not a supporter of Lee but vowed that she would not take action as a supervisor to cripple the public defender's office.

"Lee's premise is false," she said. "Any supervisor who is familiar with the criminal justice system knows that unless you have a good public defender, you have a poor trial record, and the case is overturned on appeal."

Lee claims that Carpenter is leading a crusade against him because of campaign promises to replace him and because Lee did not hire her when she applied for a job with the public defender's office five years ago.

In a related development, attorney Tom Thinner threatened Lee with a libel suit Thursday after Lee said that some of the private defense attorneys who signed a letter critical of his management of the office are "former no-hires, old enemies and members of the cocaine crowd."

Lee's comment was reported Wednesday in an article in *The Arizona Republic* that also said that the 65 attorneys signing the letter included such top defense attorneys as Thinner, Mike Kimerer, Tom Henze, Larry Kazan and Craig Mehrens.

Lee, who has refused to name "members of the cocaine crowd," said Thursday he was not referring specifically to Thinner and the other attorneys named in *The Republic* article.

On Tuesday, Lee also accused Carpenter of rigging an audit critical of his office. Carpenter described the allegation as "silly."

The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to discuss the audit of the public defender's office on Wednesday.

# Public defender feels 'shamed,' apologizes to county supervisor

By WILLIAM LA JEUNESSE  
Arizona Republic Staff

Feeling "doubly shamed," Maricopa County's chief public defender, Ross Lee, apologized to Supervisor Carole Carpenter on Wednesday for accusing her of trying to rig an audit of his office in an effort to get him replaced.

"I apologize for causing you and your family consternation and embarrassment," Lee wrote in a letter to Carpenter. "I blame only myself. As a county department head, I had no right to question your motives. To have done it in the press doubles my shame."

Carpenter said she would not respond to Lee's letter.

Last week, Lee accused Carpenter of attempting to influence a performance audit of the public defender's office being prepared by county auditors so that he would be replaced.

One reason for her interference, Lee said then, was that he had not hired Carpenter five years ago when she applied for a job with the public defender's office. Also, he said, the Democratic supervisor had promised campaign supporters that she could get Lee, a Republican, fired.

Carpenter denied the charges, calling them "silly" and Lee "paranoid."

Regardless, the feud upset Board of Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone, who called Lee into his office Monday and told him "to stop his attack" on Carpenter.

"I told Ross that, in my judgment, it was inappropriate for him to personally attack her in response to a management audit," Freestone said. "That is no way to deal with a problem."

Lee, chastened by his meeting with Freestone, had no comment after Carpenter strongly criticized his office at Wednesday's board meeting. The 69-page audit charges Lee with mismanagement, inefficiency and poor hiring practices.

Carpenter concurred with most of the audit's findings, including the suggestion that Lee and his chief deputy, Bob Briney, should carry a caseload in addition to their administrative duties.

Last week, Lee had called that suggestion "ludicrous."



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**Carole Carpenter**  
Denied the charges, calling them "silly" and Ross Lee "paranoid."

Supervisor Ed Pastor, also a Democrat, said, "My confidence is not totally with management" at the public defender's office.

The board Wednesday postponed action on Lee's request for an additional 12 attorneys to handle a growing caseload to allow time for further study. The audit had been requested by Pastor in response to Lee's request for more staff.

# County initially OKs \$644.7 million budget

## Supervisors claim it's not enough; tax rate lowered

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

A tentative budget of \$644.7 million was adopted unanimously Monday by the Maricopa County supervisors after they complained that it actually isn't enough money to run the county effectively.

The budget, for the fiscal year that began July 1, represents a 6 percent increase over last year's

budget, but makes few provisions for increases in county services, Finance Director Ray Smith said.

"I'd like to compare that increase to the needs of county departments," Supervisor George Campbell said. "I imagine their needs have gone up 15 percent."

Smith said he and County Manager Robert Mauney prepared the budget using the maximum revenue the county can generate from the maximum property tax rate allowed by state law and a constitutional amendment approved by voters in 1980 — estimated at 95 cents for every \$100 of assessed valuation.

The amendment set a limit on the amount the county can raise in property taxes, which, as property valuations have risen, has forced the tax rate to decrease every year since the amendment was passed. The rate in the past year was \$1.

Mauney said no adjustments were made in the budget for the county's population increase.

Campbell said county officials need to inform legislators and the public that "services are declining to the point of being critical."

Supervisor Carole Carpenter said, "Our budget is not meeting our various needs. I know it's

obvious to the county departments and, soon, it will be to the public."

Supervisor Ed Pastor agreed and said that perhaps it's time to look at the 1980 referendum that limits the county's tax rates to determine whether it's still accomplishing what the voters wanted.

"Possibly the objectives of the referendum are too restrictive now, five years after it was implemented," Pastor said.

He said a study could be conducted by the Legislature or by a committee established by the Legislature to examine counties' fiscal conditions.

Pastor, a proponent of county "home rule," said it also may be time for the Legislature to look into changing state laws so that county voters can determine what services they want the county to provide, rather than the Legislature making that determination.

The budget includes a 4.5 percent pay increase for the county's 6,982 employees and a contingency fund of \$3.3 million, from which county department heads can seek additional funds in September. At that time, the supervisors plan to

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# \$716.9 million budget for city wins approval

By William Porter  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

A \$716.9 million budget for fiscal 1985-86 was unanimously approved by the Phoenix City Council.

The budget, endorsed Tuesday, is a 13.7 percent increase from last year's budget and includes \$5.9 million in changes made by Mayor Terry Goddard and the council after a proposed budget was unveiled in May.

The council is scheduled to approve the 1985-86 property tax rates next week. The combined rates are slated to remain steady at \$1.70 per \$100 assessed valuation.

Along with the operating fund budget, the council adopted a capital budget of \$284.7 million to pay for building projects and major equipment purchases during the coming year. A five-year capital improvement program totaling \$1.1 billion also was approved.

The council also was told by city staff the Reagan administration's proposed tax reform program for local governments could have a

significant effect on Phoenix's ability to finance future development programs — including airport expansion and public aid for a domed stadium's construction.

But the possibility of the Reagan proposal's passage by Congress was downplayed, with Councilman Ed Korrick referring to its chances as "almost nil." The council took no action on the matter.

At issue is the impact of the proposed elimination of tax exempt status for non-governmental bonds in which more than 1 percent of the bonds' proceeds are used directly or indirectly by anyone other than a state or local government.

The proposal could have a severe impact on Sky Harbor International Airport's bond program by making the bonds taxable. If approved, the proposal would take effect Jan. 1. However, it would not be retroactive.

"It would virtually wipe out all industrial bonds," Kevin Keogh,

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assistant finance director, predicted. "If it was passed in this form, it would be extremely dramatic."

Phoenix officials plan to sell \$79.3 million in bonds after Jan. 1 to finance airport improvements such as construction of Terminal 4. The city plans to issue another \$14.3 million in general obligation bonds to complete the Western Approach Land Acquisition project and undertake the Sky Harbor Center Development project.

Keogh recommended that the city accelerate its bond program, noting that city staff has planned a November sale of some bonds just in case the Reagan proposal is approved.

Redevelopment efforts also could be hurt. Phoenix would be unable to issue tax-exempt bonds for a parking garage and then lease more than 1 percent of the spaces to a private company. However, that is what is planned with the proposed Patriots Square garage, which would be part of the Trammel Crow high-rise project going up at Central Avenue and Washington Street.

And city participation in funding a domed stadium "would also be

difficult," Keogh said.

In another budget-related matter, the council today heard testimony on a proposal that would enable the city to exceed state-imposed spending limits on certain budget items.

The Citizens Task Force on Future Financing has recommended that aviation, water, wastewater and Civic Plaza funding continue to be exempt from budget ceilings imposed by the state in 1979. Phoenix voters, using the home-rule option, voted in 1981 to override the state caps in those areas.

In addition to extending the current exemptions, the task force recommended that voters be asked to grant exemptions to expenditures financed by user fees, such as sanitation service. The task force also wants a permanent exemption on spending that would be needed to make up for the proposed cancellation of the federal revenue sharing and mass transit-assistance programs.

The council will make a decision next week. If approved, the matter will go to city voters in November.

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# Freestone calls for audit of Collins' expenses

By JERRY SEPER and PAT SALLEN  
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Maricopa County Supervisors Chairman Tom Freestone called Friday for an audit to determine whether travel expenses run up by County Attorney Tom Collins and his chief deputy, Norm Keyt, are proper.

Freestone, a Mesa Republican, said he hopes Collins would cooperate in an audit but plans to proceed anyway because "the public has a right to know what's going on."

"I don't want to widen the gap between other elected officials, but

we are responsible to the taxpayers of Maricopa County," Freestone said. "We cannot sit back and do nothing when there is a question.

"It's in everybody's best interest that this be done."

Collins, who said during a press conference Thursday that he would welcome an outside investigation, would not discuss the matter Friday.

"Fine... fine," was his only comment when asked what he thought about Freestone's proposal. He would not comment further.

Freestone said that if Collins cooperates, County Auditor John

Donovan could begin the review shortly. If not, he said, he will take the matter before the Board of Supervisors and ask that the audit be ordered.

He noted that the supervisors have not given final approval to the 1985-86 budget and that they "can go to the mat with Collins if they want to" by cutting his travel budget.

Collins and Keyt have spent nearly \$30,000 in taxpayer funds during the past three years attending conferences, seminars and meetings in cities across the country.

The expenditures, recorded in

documents filed with the county Finance Department, are 1½ times the combined total of the travel expenses incurred during the same period by the sheriff, treasurer, assessor and recorder and their chief deputies.

None of the prosecutors' trips involved prosecutions or investigations by the county attorney's office and included only professional seminars and association meetings, records show.

Collins, during the press conference, described the trips as being for business and said, "The public benefited from all of them."

He said the seminars gave him and Keyt opportunities to study other agencies so that they could improve their own program.

Collins also has charged taxpayers about \$1,500 during the past three years on rental cars and out-of-state trips that appear to be unrelated to county business.

They include trips to the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City, and car rentals while attending conferences during which he drove hun-

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dreds of miles to see historic sites or visit nearby cities.

The rental-car charges have run from less than \$100 to as much as \$220 per trip. During a four-day meeting sponsored by the National Conference on Juvenile Justice in Hilton Head Island, S.C., he drove a car more than 500 miles.

He denied putting that many miles on the vehicle but acknowledged that he sometimes visits historic sites and cities near such meetings. Those visits, however, have not interfered with his attendance at any of the conferences, he said.

"I'm bewildered (as to) why he needs a rental car at a convention," Freestone said. "Those are the hardest things to trace down and scrutinize."

Records show that, on several occasions, Collins and Keyt went on a trip without first obtaining authorization from County Manager Bob Mauney, contrary to a policy established by the supervisors.

In several cases, records show, an authorization letter was signed by Mauney after Collins and Keyt took their trips.

"That shows that the county's policy was not being adhered to and that the proper audit trail was being interrupted," Freestone said.

## Supervisors approve \$644.7 million budget

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors today adopted a county budget of \$644.7 million for fiscal 1985-86.

The budget, largely unchanged from tentative figures approved by the board last month, represents a \$34 million increase over fiscal 1984-85.

A whopping 30 percent of the budget, or \$191.3 million, is dedicated to county health, welfare and sanitation programs. Public safety programs — including law enforcement and the courts — will consume another 24 percent or \$156.9 million.

The big loser in this year's budget is county reserve money, which dipped to \$35 million from last year's \$81 million. Only \$2.9 million in contingency funds remains unspent in the county's general fund, County Manager Robert Mauney told supervisors today.

In moving to approve the budget, Supervisor George Campbell nevertheless sounded an alarm, saying the county "will be in serious (financial) trouble if a proposed bond election for capital improvements does not go through this fall."

## County ordered to call for incorporation election for Fountain Hills

By Laura Laughlin  
and Pat Dodds  
The Phoenix Gazette

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors must call an incorporation election in Fountain Hills, despite Scottsdale's attempts to block the vote, a judge has ruled.

In a decision released Friday, Superior Court Judge Rebecca Albrecht ordered the supervisors to call an election to incorporate the 18-square-mile town with a population of about 5,000.

Deputy County Attorney Dean Wolcott said the county had no immediate plans to appeal the judge's

decision. Wolcott said he did not know when the board might set an election.

Albrecht made her ruling in a lawsuit brought against the county by the Fountain Hills Civic Association.

"We're real excited about it," said Gary Strohm, chairman of the association's incorporation committee. "We don't look at this as a victory over Scottsdale or the county. We just want to have an election."

Scottsdale Vice Mayor Billie Gentry said City Attorney Bill Farrell was "looking into the matter," but the city probably won't take any action until next week.

The ruling comes after the Scottsdale City Council

twice blocked incorporation attempts by refusing to grant the association permission for an election. Under Arizona law, all cities within six miles must approve incorporation of a community.

In May, Scottsdale officials said they may be interested in annexing the community or parts of it.

Albrecht's ruling means the community will vote on incorporating an area that includes a planned multimillion-dollar medical-resort complex unveiled earlier this month.

One of the partners in the Eagle Ridge development, Dr. John Simons, has said he would seek to have th

405-acre project annexed into Scottsdale, leaving an adjoining golf course in Fountain Hills.

But the incorporation boundaries outlined in the association's suit include that 405-acre parcel, where, according to Simons, the Arizona Heart Institute is planning to move its headquarters.

The development would be within two miles of the Mayo Clinic's satellite facility, set to open in 1987 at 136th Street and Shea Boulevard. Mayo officials say they have no connection with Simons' plans, although Simons is a former Mayo physician.

Simons was not available for comment Friday.  
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In its suit, the association alleged the supervisors failed to act in accordance with state law when they did not call an election after an incorporation petition was presented to them Jan. 2.

By law, the board must call an election within 60 days of receiving a valid incorporation petition. The validity of the Jan. 2 petition was in question because it contained two 1983 resolutions of support from the cities of Scottsdale and Mesa.

The county believed the resolutions passed by Scottsdale and Mesa in May 1983 applied only to an incorporation attempt that failed in an October 1983 election.

But the association's lawsuit alleged the resolutions had no time limit on them and thus still applied to the latest incorporation attempt.

Albrecht agreed, noting the two incorporation

petitions were identical except for the time of their circulation.

Although Scottsdale rescinded its 1983 resolution Jan. 14, the judge said that had no effect on the petition filed Jan. 2.

The association asked Scottsdale in May to pass a new resolution permitting the election, but the council refused on a 4-3 vote. Members said a large faction of Fountain Hills residents wanted annexation into Scottsdale.

Council members said they wanted to give annexation proponents a chance and postpone any election until the state enacts a new annexation law.

Annexation is not a possibility for a while, with the Legislature's 18-month moratorium on annexation and the Arizona Court of Appeals' recent declaration that the state's annexation law is unconstitutional.

# 3 inches of paper keeps officials out of jail

By WILLIAM LA JEUNESSE  
Arizona Republic Staff

Operation "ELF" — Eliminate Legal-size Files — has struck.

Seriously.

Legal-size paper is illegal for Arizona governments.

Yes, Gov. Bruce Babbitt could be tossed in jail tomorrow for doing public business on legal-size paper; so could Attorney General Bob Corbin or Mayor Terry Goddard.

Imagine, four months in jail, a \$750 fine and two years' probation for using the wrong-size paper.

Sound like bureaucracy run amok?

It does to Maricopa County Manager Robert Mauney. The county's Board of Supervisors unknowingly broke the law Wednesday by typing the board's agenda on legal-size paper.

"We knew nothing about it," Mauney said of Arizona Revised Statute 39-301, which was passed by the Legislature this spring and took effect Aug. 7.

The law makes it a Class 2 misdemeanor to conduct public business on 8- by 14-inch paper,

otherwise known as legal-size paper. Instead, governments must use the standard 8- by 11-inch paper.

The law applies to the state government, school districts, and city and county governments but will not effect citizens who do business with the government, such as title companies.

Absurd as it may sound, Martin Richelsoph, a manager with the state Department of Library, Archives and Public Records said, the law will save taxpayers money.

"Based on studies conducted by

ARMA, the American Records Management Association, we can save an estimated 21 percent to 27 percent in the (government's) office records management budget," he said.

Savings come from uniformity. Offices no longer need to purchase two sizes of file cabinets, of file folders, of photocopying paper.

The federal courts outlawed legal-size paper in 1982, and Arizona courts followed suit a year later,

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Richelsoph said. Since then, all legal briefs filed in Arizona have appeared on 8- by 11-inch paper.

Still, there are "plenty" of state and local agencies using legal-size paper in day-to-day operations, Richelsoph said. Engineers at the state Department of Transportation and elected officials at both the city and county levels will have to make the adjustment.

"I was not even aware of the law," said Archie Stevens, director of the Arizona Association of Counties. "I'll have to alert the counties as soon as I possible."

There will be a grace period for some public documents. Pre-printed forms are exempt from

the law until the next printing or until July 1, 1986. Personal notepads are not affected.

"We know this could be costly for some of the smaller agencies, we know it's not going to be easy, and we know it's not going to happen over night," Richelsoph said.

"But we feel in the long run it is going to save money. Besides, the director (of the Library and Archives Department) can grant exemptions if the cost to change over is prohibitive."

Asked if felt violators would be thrown in jail, Richelsoph said, "I don't expect a big push in this area."

# Audit of Collins' travel tab nears completion

By JERRY SEPER  
Arizona Republic Staff

Results of an audit by Maricopa County officials into the travel expenses of County Attorney Tom Collins are expected to be turned over to the Board of Supervisors on Sept. 13, a spokesman said Wednesday.

The audit was ordered last month by board Chairman Tom Freestone, who said he was concerned about the expenditure of nearly \$30,000 in tax money over the past three years by Collins and his chief deputy, Norm Keyt, to attend conferences in cities throughout the country.

"We expect that it will be completed and

handed over to the supervisors on time," said Dick Bryce, a spokesman for Freestone. "At least we have been told that the auditors are shooting for a September 13 completion date."

County Auditor John Donovan refused Wednesday to discuss the review, saying only that it "is under way."

The \$30,000 total, according to travel-authorization and expense vouchers filed with the county Finance Department, includes trips to Air Force facilities in Colorado and Oklahoma and car rentals during which hundreds of miles were recorded by Collins and Keyt to visit historic sites, restaurants and nearby cities.

County records show that the two men were out of the office 191 days, including travel, to attend the conferences during the three-year period. None of the trips, records show, involved prosecutions or investigations, only association or organization meetings and professional seminars.

Collins said all the trips were related directly to county business. He has charged that *The Arizona Republic*, which first published stories about the expenditures July 19, has falsely accused him of theft. He recently hired a private attorney, at his own expense, to represent him during the audit process.

# Clerk's office beset by woes, study concludes

## Court agency taking high losses on child-support fees, report says

By **SUSAN LEONARD**  
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The Maricopa County Superior Court clerk's office has many leadership, record-keeping and planning problems and is hampered by an atmosphere of "reactive crisis management," a study has concluded.

The consultant's report also says the county is losing more than \$200,000 a year because the clerk's office is doing a poor job of collecting fees for administering child-support payments.

The National Center for State Courts in San Francisco recommends in the report that Court Clerk Vivian Kringle reorganize her office, improve its collection methods and develop better communication with other agencies because the office is now perceived as being uncooperative.

In all, the study, prepared on the orders of the county Board of Supervisors at a cost of \$63,609, makes 76 recommendations but also says that no significant morale problems exist at the clerk's office and that its staff members have impressive "professional attitudes and remarkable dedication to their work."

Kringle said Wednesday that she is implementing many of the recommendations and has known about the need for at least half of them but has been unable to make many of the proposed changes because they "are expensive" and supervisors consistently have turned down her requests for budget increases.

"I think it's a very positive report, a very helpful report, and it gives us kind of a checklist of where



**Vivian Kringle**  
"It's a very positive report."

we are and where they think we should be," she said. "Overall, I think it concludes that we're doing pretty good."

Kringle conceded that her office was once run under an atmosphere of "crisis management" but said she believes that was caused by a lack of personnel and is no longer true.

The center's study also found that the use of compensatory time and overtime by its employees, which "does not appear to be well-managed," needs to be improved and that better security and fire protection is needed around the millions of important court records kept by the clerk's office.

The clerk's office keeps all records for the Superior Courts and oversees clerks to Superior Court judges. It also issues marriage licenses and passports.

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Kringle also conceded that the county has not been collecting fees for administering the child-support payments but said that is the county attorney's responsibility, rather than hers because "we just keep the records."

Kringle said, however, that representatives from her office, the county attorney's office and the presiding judge's office are working on the problem.

The report says citizens who use the clerk's office as a "middleman" to pass on child-support payments to their divorced spouses are supposed to pay the office \$12 a year to help offset the costs for handling and administering the payments.

"However, as of May 1985, the fee had been paid by the respondents in less than 20 percent of the cases," the report says.

The study estimates that more than \$200,000 in revenue is being lost each year because collection of the \$12 fee is not enforced and recommends that the clerk's office bill citizens who don't pay the fees.

The study was ordered in April after Kringle requested 20 more clerks for her office. The board granted 20 temporary positions but declined to make them permanent. The study concludes that those 20 clerks are needed now and that additional personnel are needed.

It also says that:

- Paper work, particularly paper work that is copied on copy machines, should be analyzed carefully to see whether it is repetitive or unnecessary. In 1984, 3½ million papers were copied.

- Smoke detectors and automatic fire-extinguishing systems should be installed in all records areas.

- A new telephone system is needed. Telephone inquiries, which the office now virtually refuses to accept, should be given better response.

- The clerk's staff perceives that communication is the biggest problem in the office, followed by lack of equipment, workload growth and a shortage of staff.

- A liaison should be appointed for each of the agencies that deals with the clerk's office.

# Study of county clerk's office calls for better management

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

Significant improvements in management techniques, planning and record-keeping are keys to reversing poor performance of the Maricopa County Superior Court clerk's office, a study commissioned by the Board of Supervisors indicates.

The more than 200-page study by the National Center for State Courts — commissioned in response to a request by Superior Court Clerk Vivian Kringle for more personnel — found that an atmosphere of "crisis management" has precipitated many of the problems plaguing the office.

The report contains a list of 76 recommendations for improvements, including a restructuring of office functions, upgrading the automated record-keeping system and beefing up administrative practices.

Despite the criticisms, Kringle



Vivian Kringle

today called the report "overall... very positive." She said more than half the recommendations already had been identified by her office.

"We've already been screaming for some of these things, but the money just isn't there," she said in a telephone interview. "It's not like we didn't already know a lot of this."

Kringle said she believes the report supports her previous requests for more employees to handle an ever-increasing workload.

But Supervisors Fred Koory and Carole Carpenter, the only supervisors who so far had reviewed the report, said it confirms their belief that problems in the office are the result of poor management.

"This tells me that no additional personnel are needed, but the office needs restructuring and better instruction from the top to do the job more efficiently," Koory said. "They've got no guidelines whatsoever."

Carpenter concurred, saying, "significant improvements in management of the office" are needed before supervisors can determine whether more employees are needed.

"That certainly is the most  
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important part of the report," Carpenter added.

The study points out a variety of ills, including serious problems in the child- and spouse-support enforcement functions. Kringle's office must ensure that child- and spouse-support payments ordered by the courts are made and that detailed case records are kept.

The report found, however, that the status was uncertain in more than half of the 46,500 cases handled by the office.

The report also found poor communication between Kringle's

office and other county departments involved; that more than \$200,000 in annual administrative fees are not being collected on the cases; that poor financial controls exist in federally mandated portions of the program; and that state and federal approval of the support program's design is lacking. Without approval, the program is excluded from consideration for about \$170,000 in annual federal funds.

The study also found:

● Poor administrative communication and procedures, and a lack of administrative goals and objectives officewide.

● Lax training for new employees.

● Poor management of the use of compensatory time and overtime by employees.

● Lack of a comprehensive policy on the retention and/or destruction of vital court records.

● Poor coordination between the clerk's office, the courts and the County Attorney's Office.

● The need for a variety of improvements in the office's computerized record system.

# Illegal waste was dumped at county fill

## Hazardous liquids were mixed with sewage; no harm known

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

Tens of thousands of gallons of hazardous liquids were improperly dumped into a Maricopa County landfill near Cave Creek this summer, apparently by sewage haulers who mixed the hazardous material with septic-tank wastes.

County engineers said Wednesday that the hazardous materials have not caused any known problems but that steps are needed to prevent more hazardous wastes from being brought to the Cave Creek landfill and other county landfills.

"It's not terribly serious at this point and hasn't done any damage to the environment, but we don't want it to happen again," Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins said. "We had been hoping that the sewage haulers were policing themselves, but it turns out they apparently aren't."

Collins and County Engineer Robert Esterbrooks told the county Board of Supervisors about the problem Wednesday. They recommended that the county begin requiring sewage haulers to have tests conducted to prove that their liquid wastes do not contain any hazardous materials.

Among the materials found in liquid wastes being dumped at the Cave Creek landfill were the metals lead and chromium, which are potentially hazardous to human beings who drink or breathe them.

The levels of lead and chromium detected in the wastes were slightly above federal limits for landfill disposal, Collins said. Under federal law, such hazardous materials shouldn't have been dumped in

— Waste, A2

were part of the space program's most elaborate study to date of the effects of weightlessness on mammals. Although monkeys, frogs and rats have journeyed into space on earlier U.S. flights, NASA never had done such extensive tests on animal physiology and behavior.

NASA will release its complete test results at a scientific forum in October. Recently, however, scientists revealed some initial findings to the *San Jose Mercury News*.

Researchers at Ames and universities around the country have been doing testing the rats' muscles, bones and organs since the rodents

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## Hard-pressed fa

Republic Wire Services

WASHINGTON — Economic conditions in American agriculture have slumped so badly that the \$74 billion Farm Credit System, the nation's largest farm lender, no longer can absorb its losses and will have to seek outside help, system spokesmen said Wednesday.

The directors of the Farm Credit Administration, the federal agency that regulates the quasi-governmental system, met into the night to draw up a rescue plan.

One board member, William Wampler, said after the meeting that the board authorized Donald Wilkinson, Farm Credit Administration governor, to gather

## Supervisor seeking tighter rein on revenue-share funds

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

A stricter method of disbursing federal revenue-sharing funds likely will be implemented by Maricopa County, but there is some confusion as to the form it will take.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter said she will pursue plans to send detailed questionnaires to more than 100 agencies applying for money, despite the tepid response her proposal received from fellow supervisors during a policy meeting Wednesday.

The issue — somewhat of a political hot potato since funding for a variety of charities in supervisors' home districts is at stake — was nearly omitted from discussion during the meeting.

Though it was listed on the

agenda, board Chairman Tom Freestone said during the meeting that the matter had been resolved and indicated the board would "pass" to the next item.

Carpenter, who has spearheaded an effort for stricter controls on revenue-sharing monies, replied, "I'm not sure what's going on here." She managed to elicit a short discussion of the subject, citing her concern that too little accountability for use of the federal funds is demanded by the county.

Though Carpenter said her concerns have existed since she took office this year, the issue has taken on added significance during the past two months.

During that time, county officials

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have been told of several instances of questionable financial dealings by agencies receiving revenue-sharing money. One agency had \$60,000 embezzled by an employee, while several others have come under county or state scrutiny for possible misuse of funds.

Carpenter believes a detailed financial disclosure by applicant agencies would solve some of the problems. She also argued Wednesday that random performance audits of the agencies by the county

would guarantee that funds are being used in the manner for which they were approved.

Freestone opposed the idea, saying it would cost the county too much. He suggested the agencies simply submit a certified financial audit to the county when they apply for funds.

Supervisor George Campbell, who previously has supported Carpenter's proposals, also noted during the meeting that the issue "could be moot" if revenue sharing

is deleted from the federal budget next year, as many officials suspect.

Nevertheless, he indicated after the meeting that he would support Carpenter's efforts and would agree to performance audits if revenue sharing survives next year.

Carpenter said after the meeting she is uncertain how much board support she has. But she is proceeding with plans to have a questionnaire mailed to applicants later this week. Carpenter said it would press for detailed financial information.

# County budgets exempt from fire aid

## Local districts' funds not covered by tax lid

By BRENT WHITING  
Arizona Republic Staff

In a decision that will affect most Arizona counties, the state Court of Appeals has ruled that money paid by Apache County to fire districts need not be applied to the county's annual taxing limit.

Under constitutional restrictions passed by voters in 1980, counties

are limited in the amount of taxes they can levy and in the growth of their budgets.

Tuesday's ruling means that the counties will not have to pay fire districts out of their state-limited budgets, which means the money in those budgets can be spent on other things, according to Mel Morris, executive director of the Arizona Tax Research Association.

The fire-district money may be raised in a secondary property tax

not affected by the state limit.

The effect of all this could mean higher property taxes.

Unless reversed, the decision will apply to all Arizona counties, except Yuma, which has no fire districts, Morris said.

Ray O. Smith, Maricopa County finance director, said Tuesday that the county Board of Supervisors has budgeted \$985,097 in contributions to 11 fire districts for fiscal 1986.

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The contributions include \$511,082 to a fire district in Sun City and \$262,366 to a district in Sun City West, he said. The remaining \$211,649 will go to nine rural districts.

The county would like to use the money for other purposes, but the budget has been finalized, and it is doubtful the decision by the Court of Appeals will have an immediate impact, Smith said.

The court's unanimous decision stems from a January 1983 lawsuit filed by two non-profit organizations challenging the manner in which the Apache County Board of Supervisors set property taxes for fiscal 1983.

The suit contended that "illegal" tax increases by the board cost Apache County taxpayers \$63,983 for fire-district contributions and \$10,800 for library services.

The suit contended that both were covered under the state's tax limits.

Plaintiffs in the lawsuit included the Tax Research Association, which serves as a consultant to the Arizona Legislature on tax matters, and the Mountain States Legal Foundation, a conservative group.

They appealed after Judge John Claborne of Apache County Superior Court ruled in August 1983 that fire-district and library taxes were not subject to the 1980 limit.

Judge Bruce Meyerson, writing for the Court of Appeals, overturned the library portion, ruling that it is subject to the tax-levy limitation.

He ruled that because the fire-district contribution is financed through a property tax for the benefit of a special-purpose district, the contribution must be considered as a secondary tax and excluded from the state limitation.

Judges Sarah D. Grant and Levi Ray Haire concurred.

Morris, the executive director of the Tax Research Association, said

Tuesday there had been no decision whether to petition for a review of the ruling by the Arizona Supreme Court.

Under state law, fire districts in unincorporated areas can levy a tax of as much as \$2.60 per \$100 of assessed valuation, Morris said.

According to Archie Stephens, executive director of the Arizona Association of Counties, county contributions to fire districts last year were: Apache, \$114,486; Cochise, \$145,839; Coconino, \$147,695; Gila, \$54,860; Graham, \$8,962; Greenlee, \$1,455; LaPaz, \$63,017; and Maricopa \$910,350.

Also, Mohave, \$273,005; Navajo \$61,027; Pima \$1,045,948; Pinal County \$46,608; Santa Cruz, \$39,765; and Yavapai \$93,207.

## County to save money with Dynacomp

A contract allowing a private company to perform data entry tasks for the Maricopa County Recorder's Office is expected to save the office \$145,000 annually.

Under a plan approved by county supervisors, the Recorder's Office will pay Dynacomp Inc. an estimated \$69,000 a year to perform a job that has cost the office \$217,000

a year to do, Recorder Keith Poletis said.

Dynacomp is a Phoenix-based company providing real property and title information services in Arizona, Nevada and Utah. Poletis said the job it will do for the county already is being done by Dynacomp for other companies.

According to Poletis, key information about documents and records filed in his office must be keypunched onto a computer tape which is then fed into a machine that alphabetizes and indexes the records for future retrieval.

Because of an increasing workload in Poletis' office and "resource limitations," an average day's filings took eight to 10 days to be keypunched by his office.

Dynacomp, which provides such information to title companies, has

routinely purchased copies of tiled documents and produced keypunched tapes of the information for clients within 24 hours.

Thus, Dynacomp will continue purchasing the information from the county, keypunch it for a fee, and return a tape of the information to the county within 24 hours. That information then will be fed into county computers.

Five staff members who had been doing the work will fill existing vacancies in other areas of the Recorder's Office. Thus, Poletis said, while five staff positions are being eliminated, no layoffs will take place and productivity should improve.

"I think a little innovation was needed," Poletis said. "We need to come up with some better ideas. We can't just keep asking for more employees and more money."

# Regional landfill proposed

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Faced with the impending closure of Phoenix's 27th Avenue Landfill, several jurisdictions are joining forces to develop a regional landfill in the southwest Valley that could be operational within a year.

Though the project is in its infancy, supporters told the editorial board of *The Phoenix Gazette/The Arizona Republic* Monday that it has the potential to ease growing environmental and economic concerns over waste disposal in the Valley.

Equally important, Maricopa County Supervisor Carole Carpenter said after the meeting, the plan could stifle inter-jurisdictional squabbles over the placement of landfills.

Carpenter — joined at the meeting by Ron Jensen, public works director for the city of Phoenix, and Ernie Kleinschmidt, town manager of Goodyear — said the local entities have developed a "cursory plan, at this point," for a 640- to 1,800-acre landfill that would serve southwest Phoenix and Maricopa County, as well as Goodyear, Glendale, Buckeye, Avondale, Litchfield Park and Tolleson.

Discussions are under way to develop a site-selection process and methods of financing that Carpenter said ideally should result in "breaking ground within a year." The Phoenix landfill at 27th Avenue and the Salt River is scheduled to close in January 1987.

"We know this is going to be controversial," Carpenter told the editorial board. "Landfills are always controversial. But the fact is, both the northwest region of my district and the southwest part of the district need a regional landfill."

Short-term options are available to the various jurisdictions, but Carpenter said she and others backing the plan "think that is not a way to solve the problem."

Despite the fact "the costs up front are going to be considerable," she said stricter state and federal environmental controls and a myriad of other economic consider-

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ations make the regional approach most feasible.

Carpenter and Jensen said the primary financial burden will be borne by Phoenix, which generates the heaviest amount of refuse in the Valley.

Jensen said Phoenix also is interested in developing a refuse-to-energy plant that could convert 70 percent to 80 percent of the southwest Valley's garbage to marketable energy. Although it could cost from \$250 million to \$300 million to develop, Jensen said the plant would prolong the life of the new landfill and ease some environmental concerns.

"Right now, we're trying to get all the information we can" on the feasibility of such a project, he said.

Completion of a conversion plant would take five to seven years, but Carpenter said its development is something "I'm absolutely convinced we have to do."

"It needs to become, along with the regional landfill, the primary focus," she said after the meeting.

Carpenter said the Arizona Land Department has agreed to make state land available for a potential landfill site "so long as we attempt the regional approach."

## County, cities unite in search for new landfill

By MARTIN VAN DER WERF  
Northwest Valley Bureau

With the 27th Avenue landfill scheduled to close in early 1987, officials of Maricopa County and seven southwest Valley communities have agreed to join in the search for a new regional dump site.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter said Monday that the county also plans to look into the feasibility of building a facility that would burn trash, converting it into energy.

She said engineers and town and city managers from the county, Phoenix, Glendale, Avondale, Goodyear, Buckeye, Tolleson and Litchfield Park have been meeting for several months to plan the search for the new landfill.

The 27th Avenue landfill is being closed because it is nearing capacity.

"We know this is going to be controversial," Carpenter told the editorial board of *The Arizona Republic/The Phoenix Gazette*. "But within a year, we hope to have a site picked out."

Ron Jensen, Phoenix public-works director, said the city and county officials have begun the process of eliminating land in the area from consideration as a landfill site.

Jensen, who also spoke before the editorial board, said landfills cannot be located on agricultural land or near earth fissures or heavily populated areas.

Carpenter said once potential sites have been chosen, a citizen committee will likely be chosen to make a recommendation to the county.

The agreement by the communities to work together comes less than a year after Phoenix and Goodyear

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argued about plans to put a landfill near Rainbow Valley, which has been strip-annexed by Goodyear.

At the time, Goodyear passed an ordinance banning all landfills from the town.

However, the county and municipal governments now involved in the landfill search are aware that the dump may be located within their respective jurisdictions, Carpenter said.

Goodyear Town Manager Ernie Kleinschmidt said Monday, "The little towns have no choice but to be involved. We need a regional site."

Carpenter said, "I learned from the northwest Valley how not to approach a landfill site."

She was referring to the 25-member Maricopa County-El Mirage Landfill Siting Study Committee, which has been meeting for a year but has yet to make a specific recommendation on where to put a dump to replace the El Mirage Industrial Landfill, slated to be closed soon.

"By selecting possible sites before going to the citizens, you don't frustrate people by prolonging the process, which is what we've done in the northwest," Carpenter said.

The site should be 1 to 3 square miles in size and will be surrounded by parks. When the dump is filled in about 50 years, it, too, would become a park, Carpenter said.

The dump will be necessary even if a waste-to-energy plant is built, Carpenter said, because 20 to 30 percent of trash cannot be used in the energy-making process.

She also said the Arizona Land Department has agreed to provide property for a site if the most feasible location is on land it owns.

# Board OK proposed on all trips

'Time is right,' claims  
supervisors' chairman

By VENITA HAWTHORNE JAMES  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County officials would have to get permission from the Board of Supervisors to take trips to seminars and conventions, under a proposal to tighten control over travel expenses.

Tom Freestone, county board chairman, said Thursday that a proposal he plans to present Oct. 2 would tighten control over all out-of-town trips.

Because approval for the trips would be given at public meetings, the policy also would let the public scrutinize how tax dollars are spent on travel expenses, Freestone said.

"In light of the recent controversy over travel," he said, "the time is right."

Freestone was referring to recent publicity on conference travels by Maricopa County Attorney Tom Collins and his chief deputy, Norm Keyt.

The two spent nearly \$30,000 in tax money over the past three years attending conferences throughout the United States. Freestone ordered an audit of their travel expenses that is expected to be completed by today.

Collins, who has insisted that all the trips were important to county business, said Thursday that Freestone's proposal is unnecessary and impractical.

He also questioned whether supervisors can tell other elected officials how to spend travel money, saying this could become "a real legal issue."

Freestone disagreed.

"We can set the budget under certain provisions," he said. "The only thing we can't interfere with is their statutory responsibilities, and we certainly aren't interfering with those with this proposal."

Freestone said he is not using the proposal to point a finger at Collins or any department, adding that it would apply to all county employees and elected officials, including the board of supervisors.

Anyone who wants to travel would have to send a request letter to the county manager detailing the reason for the trip, the location, the dates, the cost and how it would benefit Maricopa County, Freestone said. The request then would be placed on the board agenda for a vote.

"It's a stricter accounting of the money ... and the days spent away

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"from the county," Freestone said. "It makes it more visible. Any official is going to be darn certain they have solid reasons for traveling."

Collins said, however, that the board already approves travel expenses by first setting a travel budget, then having the county Finance Department approve trips prior to traveling, and finally by having the that department audit expenses of each trip after it is completed.

"There's no way the board of supervisors should be bothered with looking at every trip by every county employee," he said, adding that the current travel system has worked for years.

Collins, who has repeatedly expressed anger at *The Arizona Republic* for publishing stories in July about his trips, called Freestone's proposal an unnecessary

# Collins' chief deputy to quit attorney post

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

Chief Deputy Maricopa County Attorney Norm Keyt is resigning to work for a computer company that has held a controversial contract with the county since 1982.

Keyt — County Attorney Tom Collins' right-hand man since he took office in 1981 — is expected to formally announce his resignation to office members during a meeting today, Sylvia Lopez, an office spokeswoman, confirmed.

Keyt was unavailable for comment late Wednesday on his decision to join the software company, Systems & Computer Technology Corp.

Deputy County Attorney George Mount, head of the office's Organized Crime and Racketeering Unit, will serve as acting chief deputy until Keyt's position is filled permanently, Lopez said.

Keyt will remain at his \$66,248-a-year post through Friday, then take a leave of unspecified length before his resignation becomes effective, Lopez said.

At the time of his appointment by Collins, Keyt was in private practice. He had formerly been a deputy county attorney.

In his new position with SCT, Keyt will be "analyzing software products and the software market for lawyers, courts, prosecutors and police," Lopez said.

A spokesman for SCT in Malvern, Pa., could not confirm Keyt's status Wednesday.

Keyt apparently became interested in computer technology during his stint as Collins' chief deputy, overseeing computer systems for the office.

Though SCT in 1982 entered into a highly criticized \$18 million contract to manage the county's computer system for five years, County Manager Robert Mauney said the company has had no direct business dealings with the County Attorney's Office or Keyt.

Lopez said Keyt will continue to work in the Phoenix area, "but he will be doing some travel."

As Collins' top aide, Keyt handled many of the day-to-day administrative matters for the office, helping oversee a sizable and growing staff of attorneys.

Though generally avoiding pub-

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Keyt and Collins recently came under fire for their travels at county expense. The Arizona Republic, in a series of stories this summer, questioned the propriety of nearly \$30,000 in travel expenses submitted by the pair during the past three years. A county audit released last week largely exonerated both men.

Meanwhile, SCT is being phased out as manager of the county's computer system. The phase-out — adopted in June by the Board of Supervisors and planned for completion next summer — calls for the county to gradually assume SCT's duties. County officials opted out of the five-year contract at mid-term.

## County travel: What not to do

Maricopa County Supervisor Tom Freestone certainly means well with his proposal to require that the county's fast-moving employees — including elected officials — obtain approval from the board of supervisors before taking a taxpayer-paid trip. Indeed, the intensely hostile reaction among his fellow Republican elected officials hints strongly that abuse of county travel has already occurred.

But Freestone's plan rekindles the fiery issue of policymaking and administrative control in county government. And his suggestion runs counter to sound management principles. Supervisors properly have delegated the day-to-day administrative authority to County Manager Robert Mauney. Traditionally, the manager has not required prior approval for routine expenditures, like travel, from other departments

and elected officials. Mauney's office serves merely as a repository for paperwork already approved within the agency.

Questionable travel by County Attorney Tom Collins — and the embarrassing publicity which it created — prompted Freestone's latest efforts to bring more budgetary control to the board.

Supervisors cannot pore over every proposed trip by every county employee. That's not their job. They were elected to make broad general policy for one of the fastest growing, sprawling political entities in the country. That's what they should concentrate on doing.

It's the county manager's job to make sure employees are not abusing taxpayer funds. If elected officials take advantage of their positions, a watchdog press will expose their transgressions.

# Arizona-style county government 'archaic, confusing,' supervisor says

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

County government Arizona-style is an "archaic and confusing" system that should be laid to rest through voter-initiated reform, the newest member of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors says.

"When you think of county government today, you think of inertia," Supervisor Carole Carpenter told members of the Maricopa County Bar Association during a Tuesday luncheon at the Phoenix Hilton.

"I want to see Maricopa County move from the 19th century to the 20th century," she said.

Though acknowledging there is little movement toward change, Carpenter said the key is for voters to "demand a charter commission to provide a draft to reorganize county government."

Devoting most of her 30-minute speech to structural problems facing county government, Carpenter avoided reference to controversy that has engulfed other county elected officials this summer and has renewed the call in some quarters for county home rule.

However, Carpenter may have touched a tender nerve by advocating elimination of some elective offices as a remedy for the bickering that can erupt among elected county officials.

Calling the abundance of elective offices a major problem, Carpenter said she believes making some of them appointive and restructuring others would restore direction and authority.

"You have 12 people with something to say about Maricopa County government, and they're all going separate ways," she said. "The board can't tell . . . any other elected official what to do."

In the absence of a chief executive, Carpenter said, "the lines of authority are blurred, there is very little control . . . and little planning or direction."

The supervisor said a lack of statutory power further has limited county's governing role. Functioning as an administrative arm of the state, it follows orders but has little control over its own financial resources.

Carpenter said a reasonable model would place offices under substantial control of the state — such as the assessor, treasurer and recorder — under state jurisdiction. In addition, she said control over the county judiciary would be better placed in the hands of state authorities.

Full control over health care and criminal justice — the two most costly departments — should remain with the county, but the

offices involved should be appointive instead of elective, she said.

Carpenter said the situation is unlikely to change until voters and politicians shed perceptions of county government as a throwback of the wild West, concerned only with rural politics and "a sheriff with a six-gun."

"After nine months, I can tell you county government is big business," she said.

## SUPERVISORS

# DoIing Out The Pork

**F**OR two fleeting days, it looked as though the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors would reform the process of doling out federal revenue sharing funds to community service organizations.

Two of the five board members, Carole Carpenter and George Campbell, talked glowingly about the need for long questionnaires from the applicants to ascertain how the funds would be spent. They wanted to know how much officers of the receiving organizations got paid. They expressed a need for follow-up performance audits to make sure the money was spent properly.

It was their little effort to allocate federal money based on need and the service provided, not on who knew whom best, or, pardon the dirty word, politics, if you will.

The sweet aroma of reform was nice while it lasted. But Carpenter and Campbell should have known better.

As George Washington Plunkitt, a political sage of Tammany Hall, once wrote about the myriad attempts of reformers: "They were mornin' glories — looked lovely in the mornin' and withered up in a short time, while the regular machines went on flourishin' forever, like fine old oaks."

Carpenter and Campbell did more than wither. Reverting to business as usual, they went behind closed doors with one other crony, Supervisor Ed Pastor, and cut their deals for 20 minutes while Tom Freestone and Fred Koory waited for the meeting to begin.

Koory and Freestone hardly are the heroes in this tale about eating high on the hog at public expense. All five supervisors wheeled and dealed, sniped and threatened to torpedo each other's pet projects.

As it was, each group got what it wanted. And not just charitable or welfare groups but some powerful and not so charitable organizations.

Freestone saw to it that the east Valley food banks will be well stocked; thanks to Koory, a center for girls who are sexually attacked will get federal funds; Pastor took care of Hispanic groups; one of the reformers, Campbell, saw to it that the Scottsdale and Fountain Hills chambers of commerce were taken care of, while Carpenter came through for transportation and day-care programs for the elderly in Sun City.

Even the large Phoenix Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, and the equally visible Phoenix and Valley of the Sun Convention and Visitors Bureau, had no difficulty supping at the trough. The chamber got its \$250,000 — the same as last year — even though the supervisors don't know how the money will be spent. The same holds true for the convention bureau, which will get the tidy sum of \$120,000.

It's perfectly legitimate to question why any chamber of commerce should receive such funds, just as it's proper to question why multimillion-dollar conglomerates should apply and receive economic development grants.

It was not the supervisors' finest hour. In all, they brought some \$2.4 million worth of bacon home to their districts, which undoubtedly makes the hungry recipients of these barrels of pork squeal with delight.

Maybe next time the reformers will come up with a better idea, like sending the dough back to the federal treasury to help reduce the budget deficit, a truly worthwhile cause that should win the support of the chambers of commerce.

It should — but would it?

## Building permits near peak

Maricopa County issued building permits valued at \$1.1 billion during the third quarter of 1985, according to latest data.

The value remained at the near-record level of the second quarter, a study by the Bureau of Business and Economic Research in the Arizona State University College of Business revealed.

Lower activity in multifamily units caused a drop in housing permits issued to 13,097 — well below 1984 peaks. The third quarter number, however, was just 1 percent less than the prior quarter.

"The construction industry continues unusually strong for this late in an economic cycle," Tom Rex, bureau research manager, said. "Lower interest rates have stimulated single-family construction, and apartment and office building has tailed off gradually."

For the third consecutive quarter, residential construction set a record with permit value reaching \$459 million. Commercial construction permits were \$389 million. The value of industrial construction surged to \$115 million, 27 percent more than the previous record.

# Board plans close look at landfill ownership

By Carl Young  
Gazette Northwest Bureau

The "Star Trek" defense has failed to obliterate proponents of a county-owned landfill in northwestern Maricopa County.

The county Board of Supervisors Monday scheduled a special meeting and public hearing for Nov. 25 to decide whether the county should buy land for a public landfill and put off action on a landfill request from a competing private firm.

To challenge the idea that the private landfill would be too close to a mobile home park of 50 residents, the attorney for the private operator quoted a line used by Mr. Spock in one of the "Star Trek" movies.

"The needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few," Mesa lawyer David Udall said. "I suggest the needs of 50 are far outweighed by the needs of the 140,000 (other area residents)."

At issue is whether a new Northwest Valley landfill will be owned by the county or by a private company headed by Ken Boyce, owner of the El Mirage Industrial Landfill.

Boyce is seeking a special use permit for a landfill just off Grand Avenue, 1.5 miles from Wittmann and one-quarter mile from the 50 residents of a trailer park named Mobile Gardens.

Supporters of the Boyce proposal say a private landfill could be started more quickly, would not cost taxpayers any money and would be a "free enterprise" answer to the landfill problem.

A county-sponsored citizens' group ranked the Boyce site last on its list of recommended sites, and instead suggested the landfill be on Deer Valley Road near 187th Avenue.

The committee report said the Deer Valley site is far from any existing homes and would not reduce the tax base because the site is owned by the state. Yet to be decided are whether the county would buy or lease the land from the state, and who would operate a county-owned landfill.

issue. The supervisors scheduled the Nov. 25 public hearing to explore whether the county should buy the ground for a landfill.

Such a hearing is required before the supervisors could go ahead with plans for a county-owned landfill.

Carpenter said the Boyce application is scheduled to come up Nov. 18, but she said the supervisors would delay action on the Boyce permit until after the Nov. 25 public hearing.

Supervisor George Campbell, who left before the vote, went on record in favor of the county-owned landfill.

"There is no free lunch, the Boyces will get their money back," he said. "When there is no competition ... they would have a lock on this area. That is not good."

Supervisor Carole Carpenter, whose district would be served by either landfill, said a county-owned site could be run by a private company.

"To set this up as free enterprise vs. government is incorrect," she said.

After listening to several hours of testimony from both sites, Supervisor Ed Pastor said he, too, had a line to quote from "Star Trek."

"Please beam me up, Scotty, to get me out of this mess," Pastor said.

What the supervisors decided to do is to take another look at the

# Residents take stand on landfill

## Support location near White Tank Mountains

By VICTORIA M. STEVENS  
Northwest Valley Bureau

PEORIA — More than 150 northwestern Valley residents Monday night backed the selection of a barren stretch of desert northeast of the White Tank Mountains as the site of a regional landfill.

The site, one of two under final consideration by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, is bounded roughly by Deer Valley and Beardsley roads, from 187th to 211th avenues.

It was recommended for approval by the 30-member Maricopa County-El Mirage Landfill Siting Study Committee, made up of residents and government officials. The group has been seeking a landfill site for 14 months.

The site near the White Tank Mountains also is favored by residents of Wittmann who oppose plans by Ken and Alice Boyce to open a dump 1½ miles northwest of their community.

Bob Kerrick, a Phoenix attorney representing the Wittmann Area Neighborhood Council, which has led the fight against the Boyce landfill proposal, asked those at the meeting who were in favor of the White Tank site to stand. At least three-quarters of the people in attendance stood.

Alice Boyce, who runs the El Mirage Industrial Landfill — along the banks of the Agua Fria River and ready to be closed because it has reached its capacity — said, "I'm still positive that it would be fine to operate a landfill" on the site she and her husband have purchased. That 157-acre site is on the southeastern side of Grand Avenue near Wittmann.

In another development, Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins said the Arizona Land Department, which owns the property at the

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proposed site northeast of the White Tank Mountains, has agreed to make the land available to the county through a sale, exchange or lease.

The hearing, called by county supervisors, was attended by Supervisors Fred Koory and Carole Carpenter.

Koory, after seeing no one speak out against the proposed site, said, "This is very revealing today and very helpful."

The earliest meeting date that the board will be able to make a decision on the landfill site is Jan. 6, Carpenter said.

The supervisors also are expected to decide at that meeting whether to grant a use permit to the Boyces to operate a landfill at the site near Wittmann.

That use permit has been recommended for approval by the county Planning and Zoning Commission.

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## County forms task force to study ways to end waste-haulers strike

By SUSAN LEONARD  
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A task force was formed Monday to study the problems faced by striking liquid-waste haulers in Maricopa County, but officials essentially dismissed as unworkable two proposals for ending the 11-day-old work stoppage.

The proposals were offered by the Liquid Waste Haulers Association during a meeting with Tom Freestone, chairman of the county Board of Supervisors, and several other county and state officials.

One of the haulers' proposals called for the county to suspend testing of wastes at county landfills, which Freestone said "isn't going to happen." The other called for all liquid wastes to be tested at the sites of their origin rather than at the landfills.

Dean Johnson, a Mesa hauler who acted as the group's spokesman during the 90-minute meeting, said he was pleased that a task force was formed but upset that his group's proposals weren't taken more seriously.

"We can't understand why, after we posed workable solutions, that they are totally passed over as though they're ridiculous," Johnson said to Freestone.

Johnson said his group wants the testing to stop or to be done at the

site of origin so that the haulers can't be prosecuted for unwittingly carrying hazardous loads. The haulers who belong to the association pick up most of their loads from septic tanks, restaurants and other businesses, such as car washes.

Freestone told Johnson and eight other haulers who attended the meeting that the county could not stop testing liquid-waste loads at the county landfills for general health reasons and that the testing is needed to comply with state law and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency guidelines.

Freestone also said he couldn't understand the haulers' strong opposition to the testing, because as part of their presentation, they told him that they're not hauling hazardous materials.

"You're telling me two different things," Freestone said. "You say that you're not breaking the law but you fear prosecution. What do you think this is, a Gestapo? If you're obeying the law, you should have no fear."

Freestone also said he's disappointed that the haulers are continuing their strike, which started Nov. 15. The association claims that 20 companies that haul about 85 percent of all liquid waste in the county are participating in the work stoppage.

"I don't understand what good a

continued strike will do," Freestone said. "You're not going to force government into doing what you want. I think you're overreacting. We cannot give anybody immunity under the law, and we wouldn't. You're not holding anybody hostage except your users."

The task force, whose first meeting is scheduled this morning at the county administration building, will consist of representatives from the haulers group, the county health and landfills departments, the county attorney's office, the state attorney general's office and the state department of Health Services.

The task force will examine the haulers' problems and proposals for ending their strike, their liability when they haul hazardous wastes and possible disposal sites for hazardous material, Freestone said.

Freestone, county officials and haulers all agreed the haulers don't dump much hazardous wastes. Those who do dump hazardous wastes do so unwittingly, Johnson said.

Deputy County Engineer Wayne Collins and Freestone said they opposed the proposal that wastes be tested at their sites of origin because that type of testing would defeat the purpose of finding out what was being dumped into county landfills.

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## Increase in county precincts proposed

The number of election precincts in Maricopa County will increase by two-thirds — to 1,092 — next year under a plan devised by the county recorder and approved by the Board of Supervisors.

The "re-precincting" effort by County Recorder Keith Poletis — if accepted by federal officials — will add 416 precincts to the existing 676 on March 1.

Poletis told supervisors Monday the broad increase was necessary to reduce the number of voters in each precinct, thereby allowing the county to meet a generally accepted state standard of 1,000 voters per precinct.

According to the recorder, the number of county precincts failed to keep pace with population growth during the past several

years and resulted in an average of 1,200 voters per precinct.

Poletis said the new precincts will cost the county an additional \$200,000 per election. Despite the increased costs, he said the changes should ease the burden of meeting federal election standards in 1988 and 1990.

By law, the county must revise  
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its precinct maps every two years to keep pace with population changes. In preparation for the 1986 changes, Poletis said his office made projections indicating that there will be 1 million registered voters in the county for 1986 elections.

In order to meet the state standard of 1,000 voters per precinct, at least a thousand precincts were necessary. The new maps also account for future growth, Poletis said, making extensive changes in 1988 and 1990 improbable.

More than 400 existing precincts also had their boundaries changed not only to "make it easier to vote

and encourage wider voter participation," but to accommodate new federal regulations dictating that all precinct boundaries follow visible features such as roadways, canals and physical barriers.

A public hearing on the changes held late last month drew numerous participants, with most of their suggested amendments being incorporated in the plan, Poletis said. In addition, all state and county elected officials, political party representatives and city and town clerks were allowed to preview the changes and respond.

— Pat Flannery

# County OKs \$3 million for merit pay increases

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By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors approved \$3 million in merit pay increases for certain employees, but balked at a host of other high-dollar requests.

During a six-hour policy meeting Wednesday — the final one of 1985 — the supervisors argued at length on predominantly budgetary matters, including \$8.8 million in additional funding requests submitted by two dozen county departments.

The pay increase approved Wednesday is likely to dismay some county employees, who expected an across-the-board 5 percent cost-of-living increase. Instead, the plan calls for varied raises based on merit and each employee's performance ranking.

Supervisors said the plan would be more likely to encourage productivity.

"It simply enhances each department's ability to encourage better work," board Chairman Tom Freestone said after the meeting.

The plan will give employees in the top 2 percent of their departments — based on performance evaluations — 10 percent wage increases. Those evaluated to be in the next 14 percentile will receive 7.5 percent increases. Workers in the broad middle range — comprising 68 percent of employees — will receive 5 percent raises.

Employees in the bottom 16 percent will receive nothing.

While the plan technically makes 84 percent of county employees eligible for raises, many will not be allowed increases under other merit-system rules. Ineligible employees include those newly hired, those who have received a raise since July 1, those at the top of their position's pay range, and temporary or on-call employees.

Mauney acknowledged that because the system calls for varied wage boosts, it will not save any money compared with a 5 percent raise across the board. But he said the purpose is to encourage quality work and retain good workers despite tough financial times for the county.

Supervisors also gave preliminary approval to a \$255,000 security system for the Maricopa County Superior Courts. The money will purchase a series of metal detectors and X-ray machines to screen people entering the two downtown court buildings, and pay for personnel to man the stations.

Less fortunate were departments that had been waiting several months for a decision on their requests for unbudgeted funds. Key among them is County Attorney Tom Collins' request for \$894,000, more than

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half of which would be used to raise attorney salaries and add new positions.

Though the supervisors agreed to fund some of Collins' request through savings his department will realize, they could not agree Wednesday on the salary issue.

The only clear winner among department heads was county Auditor John Donovan, who persuaded board members to release \$62,000 needed to hire three new internal auditors. Decisions on other departments will be made Jan. 6.

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# Supervisors give tentative OK for merit-pay hikes up to 10%

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

Merit-pay increases of 5 to 10 percent for Maricopa County employees were approved tentatively by the Board of Supervisors on Wednesday.

The increases would cost the county about \$3.5 million, according to Assistant County Manager Ray Smith, who is in charge of finance.

Assistant County Manager Bill Mann, in charge of personnel, said the raises will be given Jan. 12, assuming that the supervisors formally approve them next month as expected.

It is unknown how many employees will receive the raises because employee evaluations still are being

done. About one-half to two-thirds of the county's work force received previous merit increases, Mann said.

The last merit increases were given in January. All employees were given a 4½ percent cost-of-living increase in July.

It is anticipated that the majority of employees who receive merit raises will get 5 percent. Some will get 7½ percent, and about 2 percent of the work force will get 10 percent, Mann said.

He said part-time and temporary employees will not be eligible, nor will employees on probation or workers who have had other salary adjustments between July 1 and Sept. 30.

The supervisors tentatively approved the merit increases after County Manager Robert Mauney told them that the money for the raises is included in this year's budget.

Mauney recommended, however, that after the raises are given, the county probably will have to implement a hiring freeze in January. The freeze will be necessary because the county has a "bare-bones budget," he said.

Supervisor George Campbell expressed concern about giving merit raises if the county is going to have to implement a hiring freeze. He agreed, however, to go along in giving tentative approval to the raises after the other supervisors expressed support.

## \$8,000 is unaccounted for in audit of supervisors lobby

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County has given a statewide county supervisors group \$8,000 in the past several years that now cannot be accounted for, according to an audit released to the Maricopa County supervisors on Wednesday.

The report, by Maricopa County Auditor John Donovan, says that the money was given to the County Supervisors Association of Arizona as part of two larger amounts paid to an affiliated group in 1980 and 1983.

The audit says Maricopa County may be entitled to recover the \$8,000 and recommends that the Arizona attorney general's office investigate the matter.

Pete Shumway, a Navajo County supervisor who is the president of the association, said Wednesday that he hadn't heard of the matter until contacted by a reporter.

"I'm completely unaware of the matter and wouldn't want to comment because I'm not familiar with it," said Shumway, a Taylor rancher and contractor. "But I doubt seriously that there was any kind of impropriety involved."

He said he will see that the matter is

investigated by the association.

Ed Pastor, a Maricopa County supervisor and immediate past president of the association, said he doesn't know where the \$8,000 went and didn't know about it until reading Donovan's audit.

"I support recovering the money if it can't be accounted for," Pastor said Wednesday.

All of the state's 15 counties belong to the association, which has monthly meetings for supervisors from all of the counties and acts primarily as a lobbying group for them.

Donovan's audit was done at the request of the attorney general's office, which is investigating funds deposited with the association by Maricopa, Pima and Gila counties for the purpose of lobbying.

The investigation was started at the request of the Arizona Association of Counties, an affiliate of the supervisors association and another lobbying group that includes all county officials.

Part of the reason the attorney general's office got involved is allegations that personnel from Maricopa, Pima and Gila counties received duplicate payments from their

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counties and the supervisors association for the same expenses incurred in lobbying, traveling and entertaining.

Donovan said in his audit, however, that Maricopa County has not paid any county personnel for expenses already paid for by the supervisors association.

Donovan also said in the audit that all payments — of money that can be accounted for — made by the county to the supervisors association were used legally.

Over the years, Maricopa County has given many thousands of dollars to the supervisors association and annually has given about \$40,000 in dues to the Counties Association.

All counties pay dues to the of Counties Association, but Mari-

copa, Pima and Gila counties are being investigated because they are the only counties that gave money beyond their dues to the supervisors association.

According to Donovan's audit, the payments from which the \$8,000 is unaccounted for were for \$41,278 and \$49,053 in 1980 and 1983, respectively.

The status of the audits concerning Pima and Gila counties could not be determined Wednesday.

# Hiring freeze looms over county budget

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

A hiring freeze is being sought by Maricopa County manager Robert Mauney to combat a possible \$4 million to \$5 million financial hemorrhage at the end of this fiscal year.

The Board of Supervisors — absent one member — split 2-2 on the freeze during its Wednesday policy session. But members indicated in interviews the freeze probably will be approved in two weeks.

At the heart of the issue is a growing dispute among various board members and Mauney over the county's true financial condition. Some supervisors believe the county is in better fiscal shape than Mauney lets on, while others think the danger is being underestimated.

Mauney said Wednesday that revenue projections show the county will face a deficit unless a temporary freeze is instituted. On a full-year basis, it would save between \$2.5 million and \$3 million, he said.

Coupled with departmental savings and unanticipated revenues, the freeze should allow the county to meet its obligations, Mauney said.

Although the manager blamed

the deficit on unforeseen revenue shortfalls, George Campbell, board chairman, blamed other supervisors and Mauney.

Campbell scolded them Wednesday for the December approval of a merit-pay increase for employees, which he said put the county in the hole. Campbell was the plan's lone opponent.

"We're using (federal) revenue sharing money to cover our cash flow," Campbell said. "We're robbing Peter to pay Paul."

Although Campbell said the freeze is "mandatory," he voted against it Wednesday in a "protest vote" against board approval of the merit increases.

The chairman said he does not believe his vote has jeopardized passage of the freeze because Supervisor Carole Carpenter previously indicated to him she would vote for it. Carpenter was ill Wednesday and unable to attend the meeting.

The other "no" vote came from Supervisor Ed Pastor, who said later the county is in no danger of a deficit. "Essentially, the issue is how much carry over we want for next year," he said.

Pastor believes the county will

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end the fiscal year \$8 million to \$10 million ahead without the freeze.

Supervisor Fred Koory similarly discounted a deficit, but nevertheless voted for the freeze because, "We knew, going into discussions of a merit-pay increase . . . that there were going to have to be prudent measures through the rest of the year to be sure we don't overspend."

The split over finances was

further highlighted Wednesday in arguments over whether to allow the County Attorney's and Public Defender's offices to step up salary schedules for attorneys.

Despite opposing the merit plan, Campbell supported the measure as a method of improving the quality of entry-level lawyers in both offices. Koory, in an often heated argument with Campbell, countered that the new pay plan would cost more than the merit plan.

## Tie vote prevents supervisors from acting on wage-freeze proposal

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors deadlocked Wednesday on whether to institute a county-wide hiring freeze but agreed to reconsider the matter in two weeks.

The deadlock occurred when Supervisors Tom Freestone and Fred Koory voted in a favor of a freeze to try to avoid potential budget problems and Supervisors Ed Pastor and George Campbell voted in opposition.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter was ill and did not attend the meeting. She said she has not decided how she will vote.

"I'm waiting for some material assessing the impact that a hiring freeze would have on the county's various departments," Carpenter said. "It is my belief that if a freeze is necessary for the county to stay in a financially stable condition,

then I will support it. But I'm not convinced that that is the situation."

Campbell said that he opposes the hiring freeze because he doesn't think it combines well with a merit-pay increase plan passed by the supervisors Monday. Campbell opposed the increase.

"If we had not implemented the merit increase, I don't believe we would have to go into a freeze," Campbell said.

Freestone said he believes the board had to approve the merit increase because it had a "choice of quality or quantity" and he believes it was better to keep high-quality employees over hiring more employees.

"You can't have your cake and eat it too," Freestone said. "It's distasteful to implement a hiring freeze, and it does work a hardship

on people, but there will be exceptions. It's not like no one is going to be hired. There will be exceptions to make sure positions critical to the safety and health of the public are filled."

County Manager Robert Mauney had recommended that the supervisors approve a hiring freeze. In a letter Mauney submitted to the board and proposed sending to all department heads, he said:

"Current projections for next year indicate that the economy is not expanding at a rate sufficient to provide the increase in revenue to meet next year's growing expenditure needs primarily in the areas of detention, law enforcement and long-term care."

In other matters, the supervisors:

• Passed a resolution saying the county intends to hold a special bond election May 6. The amount of the bond election has not been

determined, but a citizens committee recommended in December that it be set at \$260.6 million.

• Postponed taking any action on several budget requests, including one by the county auditor, John Donovan, for three more auditors and another by County Attorney Tom Collins and public defender Ross Lee for more pay for their entry-level attorneys.

• Approved spending \$437,638 to continue operation of the Local Alcoholism Reception Center, which provides emergency treatment to alcoholics found on the street, through June 30. The center, which treats about 12,000 clients annually, is jointly funded by the city, county and state but managed by the county. The county contribution this year is the same as last

year.  
• Approved spending \$44,210 on personnel and \$5,500 on equipment for a management team to help run the office of the clerk of the Superior Court. The office was sharply criticized in a consultant's study last year, and Koory and other supervisors said they believe this management team will help the operations of the office.

# Cities win OK to go ahead with annexations

By BRENT WHITING  
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In a ruling expected to clear the way for annexation efforts by several Valley cities, the Arizona Supreme Court on Monday upheld the legality of the state's annexation law.

In a 4-1 opinion, the high court overturned an April 25 decision by the state Court of Appeals declaring the law unconstitutional.

Under the law, a city can annex an area if property owners holding 51 percent of the assessed valuation

agree to the proposal.

The Court of Appeals had ruled that the law unconstitutionally infringes on equal protection because only property owners in unincorporated areas are allowed to sign annexation petitions.

However, James Duke Cameron, writing for the Supreme Court majority, said there is a "rational basis" for an annexation scheme that excludes non-property owners from signing petitions.

Landowners are susceptible to property taxes and face more of an

increased financial burden stemming from an annexation, Cameron said.

"Municipalities will be severely handicapped if annexation required the approval of all voters in the area, and it would hinder the orderly growth of Arizona cities and towns."

Cameron added that the Arizona Legislature intended "that the permanency associated with a property owner be present in a signer of an annexation petition."

Justice Stanley G. Feldman dis-

sented, saying he agrees with the Court of Appeals that non-property owners have an interest in government services and should not be excluded from the annexation process.

In upholding the annexation law, the Supreme Court approved a 1981 annexation by Avondale of about 2.5 square miles of non-residential land south and east of Litchfield Park.

Frank Ross, Avondale city attorney, said Monday that the contested area has remained in Avon-

dale's control pending the ruling by the Supreme Court.

"I'm very happy, of course, with the court's ruling," Ross said.

In a companion decision Monday, the high court reversed a July 25 ruling by a trial judge voiding the May 28 annexation by Gilbert of four parcels totaling about 500 acres of desert land.

Judge Rebecca Albrecht of Maricopa County Superior Court had set aside the Gilbert annexation based on the ruling by the Court of Appeals in the Avondale case.

Three of the parcels annexed by Gilbert are north of Warner Road and between Cooper Road and Val Vista Drive. The fourth is southwest of Gilbert and Warner roads.

Monday's ruling by the Supreme Court also is expected to have a direct impact on pending litigation over annexations by Mesa and Phoenix.

On June 25, Judge Armando de Leon of Superior Court, citing the decision by the Court of Appeals, voided annexations by Mesa on

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April 1, April 15 and May 6. Richard G. Johnson, assistant Mesa city attorney, said Monday at Mesa's appeal of de Leon's decision had been "placed on hold" pending a ruling by the Supreme Court in the Avondale case.

Charles Luster, Mesa city manager, said he expects the court's ruling to lead to the upholding of the three Mesa annexations, resulting in the addition of 7,200 people to the city.

"Needless to say, we're very pleased with the ruling," he said.

The areas that had been annexed to Mesa are 850 acres of largely developed land northeast of University Drive and Sossaman Road; the 612-acre Desert Sands residential area north of Baseline Road and Sossaman; and Fountain of the Sun, a retirement village at Broadway Road and Sossaman.

In a separate case, Superior Court Judge B. Michael Dann on April 22 invalidated two 1984 annexations by Phoenix of land in Ahwatukee and north of Phoenix.

Phoenix appealed after Dann declared the state's annexation law unconstitutional. The Supreme Court heard oral arguments in the appeal Dec. 19, but did not indicate when it would rule.

Larry Felix, an assistant Phoenix city attorney, said Monday that if the law is constitutional, then there is "no basis" for the Supreme Court to uphold Dann's decision.

The decision affected 2 square miles of Ahwatukee, a community southeast of Phoenix, and 9.5 square miles near Bell and Cave Creek roads.

The Supreme Court issued its opinion six days after a joint legislative panel had agreed to place a few hurdles in the paths of cities attempting to annex outlying communities.

Key provisions in the draft legislation would require that residents be notified in advance if their neighborhood was targeted for annexation and that they be given a bigger voice in the process.

Chris Herstam, R-Phoenix, chairman of the House Counties and Municipalities Committee, said Monday that despite the Supreme Court ruling, he has no plans to change the bill being readied for introduction.

"I still believe residents ought to be allowed a greater voice in the annexation process," he said. "Qualified voters should have a say."

# Brace for tough year of budget shortfall, county agencies told

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County will have to operate at virtually the same spending level next fiscal year as it is now, the county's finance director said Tuesday.

County departments will not be able to add positions in the next fiscal year and will be limited to raising their budgets for supplies and services by 2 percent to account for inflation, Ray Smith said.

Smith made his comments during a meeting with about 100 department managers and George Campbell, chairman of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors. Campbell held the meeting to kick off planning for the new fiscal year, which begins July 1.

Campbell warned the agency managers that the coming budget year will be the toughest in years and said he expects the supervisors to impose a hiring freeze today, creating even more hardships.

"I know that every year at this time, you hear that the next year is going to be hard, but this time, if ever there was a tough year, it's this year," Campbell said.

Smith and County Manager Robert Mauney have projected that if the county continues to spend at current levels, there may be a \$4 million to \$5 million shortfall next year.

The primary reasons for the projected shortfall are that the county's costs for its jails and health care for indigents keep increasing at a rapid rate, while at the same time, its ability to collect and spend property taxes is limited by a cap imposed by voters in 1980.

Under the cap, the county's total revenue from property taxes cannot grow by more than 2 percent a year, not counting new construction. This effectively causes the supervisors to annually reduce the property-tax rate, now 95 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Campbell said the cap has created serious problems and could cause the county to have to start cutting back on services in two to three years. The cap can be lifted only by the voters. The Legislature must approve such an election.

The county's budget this year is \$645 million. The amount of money available for next year's budget is not yet known, but steps will be taken to make sure it's balanced, Smith said, adding a hiring freeze could help accomplish that goal.

If imposed immediately, a hiring freeze could save the county about \$3 million over the next six months, Smith said. He said that figure assumed that about 60 employees would quit each month for the next six months and not be replaced.

The supervisors had considered imposing a hiring freeze Jan. 8 but deadlocked 2-2, with Campbell and Supervisor Ed Pastor voting against it. Supervisor Carole Carpenter was ill and did not attend the meeting.

Campbell said Tuesday, however, that the freeze is needed to make up for the projected shortfall.

He said he previously voted against it to "protest" the fact that the four other supervisors had voted for an employee merit-pay increase two days earlier.

On Tuesday, Campbell asked the department managers not to come up with a "wish list" while preparing their budgets, but rather "strictly a must list."

## Job freeze is ordered by county

By **SUSAN LEONARD**  
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A hiring freeze was ordered Wednesday by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, which said it is expected to save up to \$3.5 million and avert a potential shortfall next year.

Supervisors George Campbell and Ed Pastor, who previously voted against a countywide freeze, said they changed their minds because a provision was included that will make it simpler for critical vacancies to be filled.

The provision was suggested by Supervisor Carole Carpenter, who was absent from the earlier meeting, when the board deadlocked 2-2 on the matter, with Supervisors Tom Freestone and Fred Koory voting in favor of it.

The provision calls for county officials to evaluate emergency vacancies within 24 hours of being notified. County Manager Robert Mauney then could exempt those positions from the freeze, although the board later would have to authorize Mauney's action.

With the other supervisors' approval, Carpenter also suggested adding a provision that calls for the board to receive monthly reports regarding the impact and progress of the freeze, which went into effect Wednesday.

Carpenter said she decided to vote in favor of the freeze because Mauney believes that it is necessary to try to prevent a projected \$4.5 million shortfall during the next fiscal year, which starts July 1.

The county, with 7,300 permanent employees and an additional 2,100 in grant-funded, or tempo-

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rary, positions, will begin the fiscal year with \$8 million less in carry-over funds than it did last July 1.

Mauney attributed the potential shortfall to an economic slowdown that is projected to cut into county revenues next year, making it difficult to meet growing expenditures.

The county's costs for its jails and health care for indigents keep increasing at a rapid rate while its ability to collect and spend property taxes is limited by a cap imposed by voters in 1980.

Under the cap, the county's total revenue from property taxes cannot grow by more than 2 percent a year, not counting new construction, placing the county in a financial bind.

However, Pastor said he does not believe the county is in imminent danger of a shortfall.

"The reason for a freeze is not because this year will end in a deficit," he said. "It's how much money we want to carry over so we have a cushion next year."

Mauney estimated Wednesday that the county can save about \$2.4 million between now and July by not filling non-critical positions

as they become vacant. He said it is projected, based on past years, that several hundred people will quit during that time.

The savings then could be rolled over to next year's budget to help offset the projected shortfall, Mauney said.

No time limit was placed on the freeze by the supervisors, but Mauney said he expects it will last at least until July 1.

In other action, the board agreed to fund several requests that will cost \$1.2 million for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

Koory voted against several of the requests, saying that having that money become part of the county's base budget would contribute toward the county's financial problems.

The four other supervisors voted in favor of most of the requests, which included longstanding ones from County Attorney Tom Collins and Ross Lee, head of the public defender's office, for additional money for their entry-level attorneys and from the county internal auditor for three new audit positions.

Also approved were requests to establish 33 positions for the Sheriff's Office and to allocate \$300,000 for the Juvenile Court and \$54,188 for the county recorder's office.

# County begins promotion of \$260 million in bonds

Efforts are under way to drum up voter support for a Maricopa County bond election — but at least one county official thinks the \$260 million price tag will scare people away.

The election — tentatively set for May 6 — is viewed as critical in the county's quest to catch up with capital improvements that have been deferred in recent years due to lean financial conditions.

To help muster the needed votes, the Board of Supervisors last week appointed an unofficial citizens committee to promote the bond issue and highlight county needs.

Officials envision a variety of construction and renovation projects aimed at keeping pace

with the immense growth in population and services during the past decade.

The last general county bond election was in 1972, when voters approved a \$65 million issue.

Though the campaign is under way, the board has not made a final decision on the amount of the bond issue.

Another citizens committee that spent eight months studying county needs recommended the \$260 million price tag in December. That recommendation cut projects worth more than \$200 million from the county's original "wish list," but Supervisor Tom Freestone said it might not be enough.

"The bond committee did an  
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excellent job, and everything in there really is a necessity," he said. "But the political reality is, it will be difficult to get the voters of Maricopa County to accept a bond issue of that size at this time."

Freestone would like to trim it to near \$150 million, the amount cited when the election first was proposed in 1984.

"I don't know if we will be successful in cutting it down to that figure, but we certainly need to try," he said. "What would be the impact if it were all defeated?"

Freestone appears to be alone in his thinking, however. During a Wednesday luncheon at the Phoenix Country Club to honor the outgoing advisory group, board chairman George Campbell said the recommendation "is not a wish list. It is a 'must' list you've provided us."

Supervisor Carole Carpenter urged the board to "go along with me in supporting the entire package as recommended."

Responding to concerns voiced by Freestone, advisory committee chairman John Lassen, presi-

dent of Salt River Project, noted that if the 1972 bond election's value was translated into 1986 dollars, his group's recommendation would be "right in the ballpark."

"I think it's affordable, and I think its bondable," Lassen said. "I will work to get this thing passed because I believe in it."

The proposal would slightly increase the county's debt service tax — set aside out of property taxes — but would cost the average taxpayer only several pennies more, Supervisor Fred Koory said.

"I think what voters will look at is what they're getting and what they're paying for it," Koory said. "To piecemeal it (the bond issue) when you are getting services so cheaply is being penny wise and pound foolish."

Despite his hope to trim the proposal, Freestone said: "I won't oppose the bond issue. If the board doesn't see it my way, I will support the majority. But I hope they will see it my way."

The board is expected to make a decision within the next several weeks.

— Pat Flannery

# Dump site selected by county

By Carl Young

Gazette Northwest Bureau

Supervisors voted unanimously today to locate a county-owned landfill near Deer Valley Road and 187th Avenue, prompting the developer of a competing landfill to withdraw his proposal for a facility near Wittmann.

The approved landfill will be on 1,200 acres west of McMikken Dam, but the Board of Supervisors made no decision on who would operate the facility.

Maricopa County planners hope to lease the property from the State Land Department until an agreement can be reached to buy it.

Today's vote prompted Ken Boyce, owner of the El Mirage Industrial Landfill, to withdraw his proposal for a 160-acre facility a fourth of a mile from a Wittmann trailer park. Boyce said he will try to lease part of the approved site from the county.

A county search committee had ranked the Boyce site last on a list of preferred locations because it is so far from the highly populated areas and because Wittmann residents have strongly objected to it.

Boyce said he will turn the

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Wittmann property back to its owners, and forfeit the down payment on the land and costs of engineering studies he had performed — totaling \$181,500.

According to Boyce, El Mirage and Maricopa County agreed two years ago to relocate his El Mirage landfill and he plans to hold the county to that agreement.

"That (relocation) is what they

were supposed to do two years ago," he said.

Displeased with the speed of a county search committee, Boyce a year ago arranged to buy the 160 acres near Wittmann. But last summer the search committee recommended the landfill be placed near Deer Valley Road and 187th Ave.

# County OKs bond vote figure; Phoenix seeks piece of the pie

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors no sooner had endorsed a \$260 million figure for its upcoming bond election than Phoenix showed up to request a piece of the action.

The election — scheduled May 6 — has been in the works for more than a year and is viewed as critical in the county's efforts to complete capital improvement projects deferred during the past several years.

Heeding the advice of a citizens committee that studied the issue for eight months, supervisors tentatively agreed today to include various projects that make up the \$260 million figure.

Shortly after the sum was approved, Phoenix City Council members Mary Rose Wilcox and John Nelson asked the board to consider including money for a \$6 million city-county recreational project.

Wilcox said the city plans to build three "multigenerational" recreation centers in the west, northwest and northeast parts of the city and hopes the county will help with financing through the bond issue.

She said the city has committed \$3 million to the project from bond money raised in a city election 2½ years ago. Additional funds sought through the county bond issue would allow completion of the three facilities, which would host youth and senior citizen programs as well as community functions in outlying areas.

"This could be the start of true county-city cooperation," Wilcox said after the meeting.

Nelson said the city originally approached county officials with the proposal several months ago but was told to take the matter to supervisors since the county's citizens bond committee had made its recommendations.

Supervisor Ed Pastor said the proposal could benefit both parties if approved, but other supervisors were hesitant to agree until the matter is examined in more depth and procedural problems can be solved.

Supervisor Carole Carpenter said she supports the idea but noted that allowing Phoenix to take part could bring similar requests from other Valley cities.

Supervisors agreed to meet individually with city officials during the next month to explore the

proposal further.

"We want you to know that the door hasn't been slammed," board chairman George Campbell said.

The bond figure set by supervisors today could change slightly within the next month even without

the city project. The amount will be finalized when they formally call for the election in about a month.

If approved, the \$260 million issue would raise residential property taxes 6 cents per \$100 assessed valuation.

## Supervisors mock the law

"Do as I say, not as I do." That should be engraved large on the wall of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors' chambers. It is a fitting motto for the supervisors, considering their adeptness at circumventing their own rules.

Not only did the board ignore the salary restrictions it imposed on all county departments by giving supervisors' staff hefty raises, but the deed was done in executive session — in secret, behind closed doors, that is — and put into effect prior to any public discussion.

County department heads were instructed by the supervisors to allow only the top 2 percent of employees in each department to receive 10 percent raises. But the supervisors bypassed most of these limitations when it came to personal staff, authorizing raises ranging from 5 percent to 20 percent.

The matter was brought to light after questions were raised by an alert *Gazette* reporter. The First Amendment Coalition says that the supervisors' action wasn't legal because they are not allowed under Arizona's open meeting law to make final decisions in executive session. Supervisor Fred Koory said that the board came within legal limits by giving blanket approval to all merit actions during a Jan. 20 meeting.

If Koory is correct, the supervisors are observing the letter of the law while ignoring the intent, to require that the public's business be conducted in public.

If the supervisors thought that all 14 employees deserved more money, they should have exempted them from the limitations in the first place. Open government means exactly that. It applies to everyone, supervisors included.

# Measures pave way for north Valley parkway

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Plans to construct a six-lane parkway across the north Valley have been set in motion by two measures approved by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.

The board agreed on Monday to hire consultants and additional staff to oversee the project, and authorized the county Flood Control District to begin a \$100,000 drainage study of the corridor.

The proposed parkway — the cost of which would be shared by the county and Phoenix, Peoria, Glendale and Surprise — would widen

Bell Road to six lanes from Grand Avenue in the west to Scottsdale Road in the east.

County Supervisor Fred Koory, prime sponsor of the project, said Glendale and Surprise officials informally have endorsed participation. Phoenix and Peoria officials formally have agreed to join the county in the project.

Scottsdale is the only community to decline participation, resulting in two miles being dropped from the east end of the initial parkway proposal.

The board also agreed to:

- Act as the lead planning agency for the

project.

- Hire a consultant to direct planning, and add several additional staff members to oversee administration of the project. Koory said costs associated with the hirings would be prorated among the cities.

- Create a technical advisory committee to oversee the work.

- Begin negotiating intergovernmental agreements formally setting the costs for each participating jurisdiction.

The project should be completed in three to four years.

# County asks supervisors to OK private ownership of landfills

## Plan could end squabbles with Valley communities

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Maricopa County's landfill policies are on the verge of an important change that ultimately could spell a truce in the northwest Valley's landfill wars.

The county Board of Supervisors will be asked this week to approve a "privatization" policy that would allow independent operators to manage county landfills under the watchful eye of government.

"This is a departure from anything we've ever done before," Robert Esterbrooks, assistant county manager for public works, said. "It would make it permissive for us to go to a private operator if that appears desirable and effective."

Esterbrooks said the proposal would give county engineers more latitude in choosing the most cost-effective way to acquire and run a landfill.

The policy change has the potential of defusing longstanding hostilities between county officials, several northwest Valley communities and the owners of the El Mirage Industrial Landfill over the creation of a northwest regional landfill.

The Arizona Department of Health Services has ordered the El Mirage landfill closed because it sits in the Agua Fria River floodplain and could present ground-water pollution problems. El Mirage also wants it closed so the city can proceed with development of a hotel and convention center on an adjacent site.

Under terms of the city's contract with Ken and Alice Boyce, operators of the landfill, the site cannot be closed until a new location is found. The landfill serves Peoria, Surprise, Youngtown, Sun City and Sun City West.

The Boyces hoped to relocate near Wittmann but ran into a wall of public opposition during months of hearings. Last month, county officials agreed to establish their own regional landfill — at a 102-acre site near 183rd Avenue and Deer Valley Road — to serve the region's long-term needs.

The decision left the Boyces without a new site and El Mirage's hotel plans stymied.

The proposed policy change would give the Boyces and El Mirage a crack at operating the new regional landfill, solving everyone's woes. But Esterbrooks makes no promises.

"They certainly would be able to submit a proposal," he said. "Hopefully, there will be a variety of proposals."

Likewise, the county would not be bound to accept any proposals if it finds it can run the operation for less.

"We would certainly want to compete," Esterbrooks said. "But we are also looking at the possibility of having an operator acquire the land, make the necessary improvements, and operate the facility on a combination of fees collected at the gate and a subsidy by the county."

The key, he said, is retaining county authority over the site to ensure responsible operation, reasonable costs to users and rehabilitation of the land.

## Surplus county sales tax revenue might ease budget woes slightly

By Pat Flannery  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Maricopa County's sales tax revenues are outpacing projections made at the start of the fiscal year.

But officials say it's too early to tell if the surplus will alleviate next year's anticipated budget crunch.

The latest financial report — covering July through January — indicates the county collected \$3 million more in sales tax during that period than was projected in the operating budget. So far \$67.4 million has been collected.

But Ray Smith, assistant county manager for finance, said the slight surplus "is certainly not gangbusters."

"The economy wouldn't have to change much for us to be below that," Smith said.

Nevertheless, it enhances the county's chances of putting together a balanced budget next fiscal year, a

chore county manager Robert Mauney has warned will be difficult.

Smith was reluctant to predict whether the rosy revenue trend will continue through June, however.

And the latest figures indicate property tax collections will fall \$3 million short of budget projections by year's end, somewhat offsetting sales tax gains.

The key to next year's budget woes will be savings anticipated from a countywide hiring freeze ordered by supervisors in late January. Mauney hopes to save up to \$3.5 million through that action.

February was the first month in which the freeze took hold, however, and its preliminary effects will not be known until the next monthly financial report is finished.

"That will be the first report where we place a dollar value on it," Smith said.

## Phoenix Eyes The Future

**T**HE Phoenix City Council's decision to appraise farmland in western Arizona with the idea of purchasing the acreage to obtain valuable underground and surface water supplies shows proper foresight and planning.

Phoenix is not the first Arizona city to buy farmland to enhance municipal and industrial water supplies. Tucson, which is solely dependent on underground water, Mesa and Scottsdale have purchased acreage with an eye toward future municipal use of the water.

Phoenix wants an additional 60,000 acre-feet of water within the next 50 years, or enough to support 300,000 more people. The appraisal, and eventual purchase of all or part of the land, could be completed by the end of the year, but the city is not expected to need the additional supplies until the turn of the century.

How that water will reach Phoenix has not been determined. City officials should negotiate with the Central Arizona Water Conservation District to share the Central Arizona Project aqueduct that brings Colorado River water to

central and southern portions of the state. The alternative, a separate but duplicative pipeline, should be a last resort.

Finding new water sources is not all Phoenix is doing. The city's current water conservation program contains a pricing structure that dictates higher rates for big water users and requires low-flow devices in toilets and shower heads on all new home construction since 1980. In July, the City Council conceptually approved a program to re-evaluate its pricing structure, expand the low-flow retrofit program to older homes, limit the amount of irrigable turf in landscaping and study new water-saving techniques for industry. All are steps that will help assure continued sufficient supplies.

A key element in any program is public consciousness of water conservation. Phoenix, with a daily per capita consumption of 251 gallons, compares unfavorably with Tucson's 147-gallons-per-capita consumption rate.

Phoenixians should join the City Council in planning for the future.

# County budget lacks raises, new programs

By Pat Flannery  
The Phoenix Gazette

An \$838 million budget devoid of new programs and employee raises has been approved for fiscal 1986-87 by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.

Though Monday's vote was unanimous, Supervisor Carole Carpenter renewed her call for an auditor's review to solve a heated dispute between county manager Robert Mauney and Adolfo Echeveste, assistant county manager for health services, over the Department of Health Services budget.

The board took no action on Carpenter's request.

The final budget did not include slightly more than \$1 million in new programs and additional positions

requested by several county departments earlier this year and does not set aside any money for cost-of-living increases, merit raises or additional employee benefits during the coming year.

But supervisors held open the possibility of funding at least some new programs and beefing up salaries and benefits out of a \$4 million contingency fund approved as part of the budget. The board agreed to take up the matter in September.

Board chairman George Campbell characterized the budget as airtight, saying much of the contingency fund likely will be used to meet cash-flow needs within several months.

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"Maricopa County is not going to go down the tubes tomorrow," he said. "But it is important for us to show that every year there is a decline, a decline, a decline."

Campbell urged other supervisors to lobby the state Legislature for some form of relief from revenue and spending limitations imposed on counties statewide by voters in 1980.

The bulk of spending in this year's budget is in public safety and health programs.

About \$262 million will be spent on health programs, including operation of the county Department of Public Health and Maricopa Medical Center.

Nearly \$166 million will be spent

on public safety programs — including those in the Superior, Juvenile and Justice courts and the County Attorney's, Public Defender's and Sheriff's offices.

Debate over the health department's budget began several weeks ago when a \$12.7 million windfall in undetected revenues from last fiscal year was discovered. The windfall came from payments due the county from the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System.

County health officials attempted to apply all but \$2.8 million to their own fiscal 1986-87 budget, arguing that they would face a \$9.9 million shortfall without it.

But Mauney demanded that only \$6 million of the windfall be given

to the department, with the rest reverting to the county general fund. Health officials argued that a \$3.2 million deficit would remain under his order.

After a spate of charges and countercharges, Mauney and Echeveste reached a compromise whereby the health department's budget was increased by another \$2 million, leaving only \$1.2 million to be made up by year's end. Mauney has argued that the balance will be made up in unforecast revenues.

While the board approved Mauney's plan Monday, Carpenter urged an audit not only of "the events and decision-making in the Health Services budget this year," but also the entire county budget process.

# Worker's idea goes unrewarded

By Edythe Ysasi  
*The Phoenix Gazette*

Maricopa County worker Joan Townsend is disillusioned with a suggestion program that promises cash awards for money-saving or income-producing ideas.

In April, Townsend suggested the county raise its charge on insufficient-funds checks from \$5 to \$10, an idea she said was implemented in July.

But she's never seen any reward money.

The county has been promoting the Employee Suggestion Program for nearly a year. The program promises cash rewards of 10 percent of the estimated first year's savings.

Next week is Townsend's last as a county worker, and she said she could use the expected \$900 to \$1,000 reward money to make a cross-country move.

A copy of a July 2 memo from assistant director of finance Jerry Baugh to suggestion program coordinator Bill Hughes was obtained from Townsend by *The Gazette*.

In the memo, Baugh said: "The Treasurer's Office receives approximately 2,000 NSF checks per year. Based on this, the increased fee would yield \$10,000 per year."

A July 12 letter from Hughes to Townsend said Townsend's suggestion "has been adopted," and review of the award recommendation was scheduled for August.

Townsend said that review repeatedly has been delayed.

Hughes said Tuesday his committee is having trouble making an accurate estimate of the financial benefits of Townsend's suggestion.

"In most suggestions, the saving is easily recognizable, but it wasn't in this case," said Hughes, adding that about 10 percent of all rewards are delayed as long as Townsend's.

If Townsend should leave the state before a reward is established, the money will be mailed to her, he said.

Records show a number of county employees already have received cash awards under the program.

Townsend said suggestion program promotions tell employees they can look forward to getting 10 percent of "expected" financial

benefits and don't give workers the idea they must wait months for their reward.

She said her December paycheck contained such a promotion that urged employees to submit ideas to get "extra Christmas money."

"Here I was waiting for my award since last April, and they make employees think they could submit a suggestion in December and have their money by Christmas!"

Supervisor is upset  
by 6-day stoppage

## County to meet with striking waste haulers

By SUSAN LEONARD  
Arizona Republic Staff

The chairman of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors has agreed to meet Monday with the association of local liquid-waste haulers in an effort to resolve a 6-day-old strike.

"I am upset that they chose to go on a strike and don't understand it," Supervisor Tom Freestone said.

"We (at the county) have had the door open for discussions and have always been willing to talk to them. I do not know what prompted the strike. But our concern now is to resolve it. I hope we can accomplish that on Monday."

Fred Rathbun, president of the Liquid Waste Haulers Association, said that he doesn't expect the strike to end before Monday but that he is optimistic his group's differences with the county can be resolved then.

Rathbun's group is made up of about 20 local haulers, who claim to transport about 85 percent of the liquid waste in the county, primarily from septic tanks and restaurant grease tanks.

Freestone said he has requested that staff members of the county's Landfill Department and the state Department of Health Services be at Monday's meeting, scheduled for 9 a.m. in the supervisors' auditorium.

Freestone has not invited other supervisors to attend because, he said, the group requested only to meet with him.

"It's really their meeting," he said. "They requested it, and it's like any other meeting people have with individual supervisors. You don't invite all the other supervisors when someone asks to meet with you."

The press and the public will be allowed to come to the meeting "as far as I'm concerned," Freestone said, but he added that he hasn't asked any of the others attending the meeting about it.

Freestone said he arranged the meeting after he received a call Tuesday from a liquid-waste hauler.

If any formal action is found to be needed during the meeting Monday, Freestone said, he will place it on a regular supervisors' agenda.

Meanwhile, county health officials said they have not had to investigate any health problems as a result of the strike.

They said they have received more than a dozen telephone calls and referred the callers to haulers not participating in the strike.

Freestone said county officials cannot promise haulers that they won't be prosecuted if they bring hazardous loads to the county landfills, as the haulers want, nor can they promise that testing of loads will stop.

But, Freestone said, the county may be able to work with the haulers on another concern: the lack of any place in the state to put loads found to be hazardous.

As it is now, the haulers' loads are tested at the county landfills,

but the results of the tests are not known until some time after the loads are dumped.

In about three months, county landfill officials plan to start a new testing program that will allow them to determine whether a load

contains hazardous material before it is dumped.

Loads found to be hazardous will not be allowed in the county landfills, and the state has no landfills where they can be placed.

# Sheriff reassigns top deputy, challenges official to lie test

By STEVE YOZWIAK  
Arizona Republic Staff

Maricopa County Sheriff Dick Godbehere reassigned his chief deputy and adviser, Maj. Bob Malone, on Friday because the 18-year veteran of the Sheriff's Office has an ulcer.

During a wide-ranging news conference, Godbehere also challenged County Supervisor George Campbell to take a polygraph test to see who is telling the truth in a spat over the arrest last August of Campbell's son, Gregory, 25, for a "mooning" incident at Saguaro Lake. The sheriff claims the supervisor had demanded that deputies

involved in the arrest be transferred.

Malone, 43, a hard-driving administrator whose "lifelong dream" to become chief deputy came true when Godbehere took office in January, said he requested the transfer Thursday.

"It was a difficult decision, especially when you work all your life to get there," said Malone, who expects to take a substantial pay cut from the \$61,000-a-year post as chief deputy.

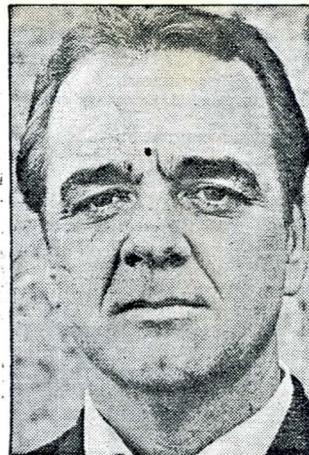
"I'm not going to jeopardize my health to stay there," Malone added, mentioning a desire to spend more time with his wife and two children.

Effective Friday, Malone traded places with Maj. David Carter, a 28-year Sheriff's Office veteran who plans to retire in two years when he is eligible for 30-year retirement benefits.

Godbehere's announcement came at a news conference held at the new \$38 million Madison Street Jail. On other issues, Godbehere said he:

- Stands by his statements made Wednesday on KPNX-TV (Channel 12) that Campbell attempted to get two deputies transferred months after they arrested his son.

Campbell on Thursday called  
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**Bob Malone**  
He is a hard-driving administrator whose "lifelong dream" to become chief deputy came true in January.

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Godbehere's allegations "an absolute lie."

Godbehere challenged Campbell to take a lie-detector test, saying, "I'll pay for his." Malone also said he would take a polygraph test about the Campbell arrest.

Campbell could not be reached Friday for comment on the sheriff's challenge.

- Had immediately cancelled a contract with Encore Productions, a private fund-raising organization, when he learned that only 20 percent of the money it raised in the name of the Sheriff's Office was going to the Sheriff's Youth Assistance Foundation.

The non-profit foundation was established by the Sheriff's Office to help underprivileged kids. Godbehere was criticized in a report by the county auditor published July 11 because deputies were allowed to work for the foundation while on duty.

Godbehere said he had been told the foundation would receive half of the money raised by Encore. When he learned that it would actually receive only half of the profits, "I was outraged."

Godbehere said he will not discontinue the foundation.

- Takes responsibility for all actions taken by his deputies since he took office.

"I'm willing to take the heat,"

said Godbehere, a former Navy commander who has refused to blame his subordinates for any of the controversies in his brief tenure.

"If (any action) is wrong, why doesn't someone prosecute," Godbehere said after the press conference.

Godbehere praised Malone for innovations in crime analysis and reporting, increasing patrols, creating a research and planning office and starting a special investigating team for crimes against children.

Malone, who was hospitalized June 14-17 for tests, said his new post will be less stressful.

Godbehere said Carter, 60, will remain as chief deputy until his retirement.

Carter, who has served in every bureau of the Sheriff's Office, including seven years as commander of jails, has been enforcement-bureau commander since January.



**Dick Godbehere**  
"I'm willing to take the heat."