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Offshore gains victory in House

By PAUL HOUSTON
The Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — After having little success in the Senate, the oil and gas industry won nearly every fight to water down an offshore-leasing reform bill that cleared the House Thursday.

The House bill, approved 291 to 91 after six days of debate, now must be reconciled with Senate-passed legislation which is strongly preferred by the Carter administration and environmental and consumer groups.

In setting new rules for managing offshore lands, the heavily lobbied legislation would tighten environmental safeguards against drilling and oil spills, would seek to give the government a better financial deal on drilling leases and would try to make leases more accessible to small companies.

Sponsors said the legislation, which would revamp the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act of 1953, was urgently needed since energy shortages re-

quire hurry-up development of offshore fields, particularly in frontier areas off Southern California, Alaska, Oregon, Washington and the Atlantic seaboard.

Though sponsors strongly disagreed, industry supporters charged that the bill's new rules would delay development by up to six years. Industry lobbyists especially fought proposed new lease bidding systems that would extensively replace traditional "bonus bidding." That system requires a large cash payment to the

government before drilling begins.

Critics charge that bonus bidding enables major companies, which have considerable ready cash, to monopolize leasing. The critics want to see more bids based on, say, the government being given a share of royalties or net profits from producing wells.

After the House narrowly defeated an industry-backed substitute bill, industry allies recouped nearly all they wanted by winning adoption of a series of amendments that incorporated most elements of the rejected substitute measure.

"We're encouraged. Some of the amendments were quite palatable,"

an oil lobbyist said.

"We're disappointed," said Barbara Heller, deputy undersecretary of Interior. "We're not happy at all" with the dilution of the bill's chief provision, which would direct the Interior secretary to experiment with seven new lease bidding systems.

However, White House lobbyist William Cable was more sanguine.

"We'll get another shot at it in conference," he said, "and I think we can work something out that will make everybody happy. This one lends itself to fudging numbers and moving numbers around."

He was referring to the Senate bill's (Continued on Page 2A)

Coming Sunday...

An unusual landmark located about 100 miles west of Midland will be the subject of a West Texas Life article in Sunday's edition of The Reporter-Telegram.

Known as the San Simon Sink, the large depression on otherwise flat terrain has long been the subject of controversy. What made it? How long has it been there? Is it worth a visit to view?

City editor Tom Nickell took a dusty trip over to the Sink in southeastern New Mexico recently. Read his account and see his question-answering photographs in Sunday's Reporter-Telegram.

Former policeman testifies

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Houston policeman stated in federal court Thursday he once said a fellow officer had pushed a young Mexican-American prisoner off a high embankment into a bayou, but now he could testify that he wasn't even looking in the direction of the action.

Stephen Orlando, 22, an officer from a family of policemen, said he had signed a statement last May that fellow policeman Terry W. Denson, 27, had pushed the man into Buffalo Bayou, "but only because I had read the statement of another officer and I thought that was what they (the police investigating team) wanted me to say. I was afraid of losing my job."

Expected to testify today is Joseph Janish, 22, the third officer accused of violating the civil rights of Joe Campos Torres, a 23-year-old laborer and former serviceman.

Torres was arrested late on the night of May 5, 1977, during a disturbance at a Houston tavern. His body was found three days later floating in the bayou that snakes through a section of downtown Houston.

\$1.5 million awarded

A jury Thursday night awarded \$1.5 million to David Jezek, suing on behalf of his injured son, Keith Jezek. The verdict was against the city of Midland and arose out of an intersection collision that happened June 10, 1976.

The award was in Judge Perry D. Pickett's 142nd District Court.

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OFFICE SUPPLY BUILDING on Peachtree Street in downtown Atlanta burns Thursday. Cause of the fire, the second big one in downtown Atlanta this week, was undetermined. (AP Laserphoto)

DA to bring evidence before coroner's jury in Lozano probe

By BROOKS KELLER
R-T Staff Writer

ODESSA — Ector County Dist. Atty. John Green said Thursday afternoon he would bring evidence before "a coroner's jury in an inquest" into Larry Lozano's death in Ector County Jail on Jan. 22. The hearing will be Feb. 14, Green said.

Green told a press conference in his office that he was acting at the request of Justice of the Peace Virgil Lumpee.

Lumpee, who was also present, said: "He is acting as a friend of the court to help me get at the truth in this matter."

In a prepared statement handed to reporters, and also in verbal comments, Green stressed his vigorous objections to any investigation into Lozano's death by representatives of Texas Atty. Gen. John Hill.

"The attorney general has no right to come into this county and disturb local rule. He has no jurisdiction in this matter," Green's statement said.

"I feel that this investigation can

and is being handled properly by the investigation teams from the Texas Rangers and the Federal Bureau of Investigation," the statement said.

Green said he did not know which

office of the FBI was investigating Lozano's death.

This is a touchy subject with some members of Lozano's family and other members of the Mexican-

American community, who have voiced militant objections to any investigations by Texas Rangers or

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Jobless rate plummets to lowest point since '74

By R. GREGORY NOKES

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate dropped another notch in January to 6.3 percent, its lowest point in more than three years, the government said today.

Even more important than the slight improvement in the jobless picture last month was the report's

confirmation that the big and surprising drop in unemployment in December, to 6.4 percent from 6.9 percent the month before, was not the fluke that some economists had feared.

The Labor Department said an additional 270,000 persons found jobs in January, raising total employment to 32.9 million. The number of unemployed persons remained at 6.2

million, about the same as in December.

The 0.1 percent drop in unemployment last month meant the Carter administration already is near the upper end of its goal to reduce the nation's jobless rate to between 6 and 6.25 percent in 1978.

However, the job picture for blacks and other minorities remained bleak in January, as the overall jobless rate for this group of workers remained at 12.7 percent and for black males and black youths, jobs became even more scarce.

The Labor Department said the jobless rate for black adult men rose to 9.8 percent in January, up from 9.1 percent in December, while the rate for black youths rose to 38.7 percent, up from 38 percent in December. There was an improvement for black adult women, whose jobless rate declined to 10.8 percent from December's 11.5 percent.

The Labor Department gave this additional breakdown on unemployment for various categories in January:

- Adult men, 4.7 percent, down from 4.8.
- Adult women, 6.1 percent, down from 6.8.
- Teenagers, 16 percent, up from 15.6.
- Whites, 5.5 percent, unchanged.
- Fulltime workers, 5.8 percent, down from 5.9.
- White collar workers, 3.6 percent, down from 4.
- Blue collar workers, 7.1 percent.

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Mayor says 1977 was boom year

The state of the city is "calm," Midland Mayor Ernest Angelo Jr. said in a fireside-like chat Thursday noon.

By comparison, though, the state of the union has a few ruffles in it, the mayor seemed to say, when he digressed in his talk to the Midland Rotary Club in the Midland Hilton.

"I do think things have been fairly calm lately," he told about 90 Rotarians.

However, "1977 was a real banner year for Midland," the 43-year-old two-year mayor, now in his third term of office, said in his "state of the city" message.

The mayor put the city's side of last year into a capsule:

— Boom town. The city-issued building permits were at an all-time high in '77. "The boom was really on." Residential development is booming, too, he said.

— Airport. Midland Regional Air Terminal is undergoing renovation.

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And as "anybody who goes anywhere (by air)" knows, that remodeling is causing air travelers problems. However, the terminal building expansion and the two-level car parking facility should be finished by year's end.

— A lift. The mayor noted The First National Bank's providing of a van service to carry air travelers from the airport's temporary parking lots to the terminal building and back.

— Exhibition Hall. Construction of the \$1.5 million downtown Exhibition

Hall should be in progress by the end of 1978. Most of the older buildings on the Exhibition Hall block have been razed. "The old buildings are gone, and the vacant lots in some cases look better than the old buildings." Meanwhile, the wind is picking up dust from the vacant lots.

— Streets. Some streets, damaged several years ago by a severe freeze, are in ill repair. "I do think we have been spoiled over the years by the quality of streets in Midland. . . . We have the climate that fosters good streets." Many of those ice-damaged streets have been, are being, or will be repaired through money raised in the sale of municipal bonds.

— Telltale interest. The city's recent sale of municipal bonds at an interest rate of 4.69 percent "is a very strong sign of the economic health of your city," the mayor said. He said the interest rate was two-tenths of 1

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Tech decision on med school facility today

By LINDA HILL SCHAFFRINA
R-T Staff Writer

LUBBOCK — "Texas Tech University could live with any one of the three cities."

That was the reaction Thursday of Judson Williams, chairman of the Texas Tech Board of Regents, after representatives from Midland, Odessa and Big Spring told the regents why the Permian Basin Regional Health Center should be located in their city.

"We feel courted," Williams told the overflow crowd of Permian Basin residents after the presentations on the Texas Tech campus Thursday afternoon.

The regents were to make a decision this afternoon on the location of the facility, which will bring a teaching branch of the Texas Tech medical school to the Permian Basin.

But after Thursday's meeting, there was no indication of what the

decision might be.

"We have still got 12 hours to decide," one Texas Tech administrator said when asked which city the medical committee and Texas Tech President Dr. Cecil Mackey would recommend.

And it was far from sure the regents would follow the recommendation. "You are talking to some pretty independent men," Williams said.

Midland's case was presented by Harold Feldt, Midland Chamber of Commerce president, and Dr. William Trotter, Midland Memorial Hospital trustee.

Among the points Feldt emphasized were the recent creation of a hospital district and passage of \$10 million in bonds. Midland's location in the center of the Permian Basin, support of the medical community, traditional support of Midlanders for civic projects and availability of land and financing for building the center.

The chief elements in Odessa's proposal were the availability of 6.1 acres of land adjoining Medical Center Hospital, approximately 1200 indigent patients yearly, hospital facilities and inclusion of classroom space in the expansion of Medical Center.

Big Spring's proposal rested primarily on the 1007 hospital beds in the city and the availability, at no cost to the University, of the former Webb Air Force Base hospital.

The city of Andrews also had put in a bid for the facility, but made no formal oral presentation. Dr. Z. W. Huchinson representing Andrews told the regents, "I know there is a political plum up. We don't want the whole plum, but we want part of it."

Delwin Jones, candidate for state senate in the 28th District which includes Odessa, endorsed Odessa as the site for the center. Jones, who was state representative from Lubbock when the medical school was created, told the regents the legislature intended the Permian Basin center to go to Odessa.

Another candidate for that State Senate post is Texas Tech Regent Don Workman. "I would not vote if my vote is the swing vote," he said after the presentations. "I would hope it would be a unanimous decision by our board and, if so, I will probably

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Wreck kills Midland man

GARDEN CITY — A 34-year-old Midland resident was killed here Thursday night when the motorcycle he was driving collided with a car.

Roland D. Wilkinson, of the 3500 block of Tanner Drive, was pronounced dead at 9:30 p.m. Thursday at Malone-Hogan Hospital in Big Spring, according to the Department of Public Safety.

His wife, Lyn Wilkinson, 25, a passenger on the motorcycle, was treated at Malone-Hogan Hospital and released.

The accident occurred 7 mile east of Garden City on Texas 158. The Wilkinson motorcycle was traveling east when it and a westbound car driven by Presley Earl Fabion of Odessa collided shortly before 8 p.m., according to DPS reports.

Troopers apprehended Fabion nine miles east of Midland on Texas 158, according to a DPS spokesman. He was in the Midland County Jail this morning, a jail spokesman said.

WEATHER SUMMARY



SUNNY SKIES are expected for most of the nation today. Cold weather is forecast for the eastern half of the country but mild weather will likely prevail in the West. The National Weather Service predicts rain for the northern Pacific Coast and snow for the top of the northern Plains and western Great Lakes. (AP Laserphoto Map)

Midland statistics

MIDLAND, ODESSA, BAKERS, BIG LAKE, GARDEN CITY FORECAST: Mostly fair tonight and Saturday. High temperatures for this afternoon in upper 90s. Low tonight in lower 30s. Saturday's high in the mid-90s. Winds becoming light and variable tonight.

ANDREWS, LAMESA, BIG SPRING, STANTON FORECAST: Mostly fair tonight and Saturday. Low tonight in the lower 30s. Saturday's high in the mid-90s. Winds becoming light and variable tonight.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High: 38 degrees
Overnight Low: 34 degrees
Snow today: 0.00 inches
Sunrise tomorrow: 7:40 a.m.
Precipitation: Last 24 hours: 0.00 inches
This month to date: 0.00 inches
1977 to date: 0.00 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

1 p.m.	34	1 a.m.	30
2 p.m.	34	2 a.m.	29
3 p.m.	35	3 a.m.	29
4 p.m.	35	4 a.m.	29
5 p.m.	35	5 a.m.	29
6 p.m.	35	6 a.m.	29
7 p.m.	35	7 a.m.	29
8 p.m.	35	8 a.m.	29
9 p.m.	35	9 a.m.	29
10 p.m.	35	10 a.m.	29
11 p.m.	35	11 a.m.	29

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES:

Arlington	33	27
Denver	33	27
Amesbury	33	27
Sioux Falls	33	27
F. Worth	33	27
Memphis	33	27
LA	33	27
Maria	33	27
Chil. City	33	27
Wick Falls	33	27

Weather elsewhere

Albany	27	68	60
Albuquerque	27	68	60
Anchorage	27	68	60
Asheville	27	68	60
Atlanta	27	68	60
Baltimore	27	68	60
Birmingham	27	68	60
Bismarck	27	68	60
Boston	27	68	60
Brownsville	27	68	60
Buffalo	27	68	60
Charleston SC	27	68	60
Charleston WV	27	68	60
Chicago	27	68	60
Cincinnati	27	68	60
Cleveland	27	68	60
Dal. Ft. Worth	27	68	60
Denver	27	68	60
Des Moines	27	68	60
Detroit	27	68	60
Dulles	27	68	60
Fairbanks	27	68	60
Hartford	27	68	60
Helena	27	68	60
Honolulu	27	68	60
Houston	27	68	60
Ind.apolis	27	68	60
Jackville	27	68	60
Juneau	27	68	60
Kan. City	27	68	60
Las Vegas	27	68	60
Little Rock	27	68	60
Los Angeles	27	68	60
Louisville	27	68	60
Madison	27	68	60
Miami	27	68	60
Minneapolis	27	68	60
Mobile	27	68	60
New Orleans	27	68	60
New York	27	68	60
Omaha	27	68	60
Orlando	27	68	60
Philadelphia	27	68	60
Phoenix	27	68	60
Pittsburgh	27	68	60
Plover	27	68	60
Portland, Ore.	27	68	60
Rapid City	27	68	60
San Antonio	27	68	60
St. Louis	27	68	60
St. Paul	27	68	60
St. Tampa	27	68	60
San Diego	27	68	60
San Francisco	27	68	60
Spokane	27	68	60
Washington	27	68	60

Extended forecasts

Sunday through Thursday
North Texas - Partly cloudy and mild Sunday through Tuesday. Highest temperatures in the 90s. Lowest temperatures in the 50s.

South Texas - Decreasing cloudiness from the west with occasional rain or drizzle coastal sections Sunday. Partly cloudy Monday and Tuesday. Seasonable temperatures. Highest temperatures in the 90s and low 70s. Lowest in the 50s and low 60s.

West Texas - Partly cloudy Sunday through Tuesday. Generally warm afternoons. Highs in the 90s and the north and the south. Lows in the 50s and the north and the south.

Texas area forecasts

North Texas - Mostly cloudy and mild with a slight chance of showers and sleet Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness from west this afternoon and tonight. Partly cloudy and a little warmer Saturday. Highs 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60. Highs Saturday 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60.

South Texas - Partly cloudy through Saturday. A little warmer during the afternoon, mild tonight. Highs 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60. Highs Saturday 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60.

West Texas - Mostly fair through Saturday with warm days. Except partly cloudy southeast today. Highs 90 except the west of the mountains. Lows mid 30s north to upper 30s Big Bend. Highs Saturday in the 90s.

New Mexico, Oklahoma

Oklahoma - Fair and warmer through Saturday. Highs 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60. Highs Saturday 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60.

New Mexico - Fair through Saturday with warmer days. Highs 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60. Highs Saturday 90 to 100. Lows 50 to 60.

Talks again recessed in 60-day coal strike

By DAVID ESPO

WASHINGTON (AP) — Negotiators for the United Mine Workers union and the coal industry, reported at one point "very close" to a deal, recessed their talks early today without settling on terms that could end a record 60-day strike.

Chief federal mediator Wayne L. Horvitz announced shortly after midnight that 14 hours of talks had failed to produce an accord. Although he had been hopeful earlier in the day, Horvitz said, "We don't have an agreement tonight."

He said he was hopeful negotiations would resume later today but added that no time was set. "It's always possible" the two sides might choose not to meet during the day, he said.

Members of the union's bargaining council were called to a mid-morning session by UMW President Arnold Miller, apparently so they could be filled in on the talks.

The strike entered its 60th day today, making it the longest industry-wide work stoppage in UMW history. The union struck for 59 days in 1946.

Fresh concern was expressed, meanwhile, over the effect of dwindling coal supplies on electric utilities.

A council of power companies in Pittsburgh appealed to President Carter for intervention to halt the strike. Stanley G. Schaffer, chairman of the EastCentral Area Reliability Council, said the group was asking Carter to take steps short of invoking the strike-halting provision of the Taft-Hartley Act. But Schaffer did not specify what action the organization wants Carter to take.

"We're going to tell him that the time we can buy, through such measures as using alternate fuels, is gone," said Schaffer. The council includes utilities in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky.

Word that Miller had summoned the council to Washington on Thursday raised optimism that negotiators might finally be close to a tentative agreement in their stormy talks. The council must approve any contract proposal before it can be submitted to the union's rank and file for ratification.

Another indication of progress

came when one source close to the talks reported the two sides were "very close" to an agreement. But hopes that a tentative settlement was imminent diminished as the talks dragged on Thursday night.

"I think basically that I'd stand on my statement that we're still apart on economics," Horvitz said in a post-midnight news conference. "I think the issues have narrowed significantly," he said.

Money has reportedly been the major sticking point in the talks since bargainers reached tentative agreement on other key points. The union's negotiators have been holding out for more economic concessions from the industry, claiming they gave in on other points earlier.

The union rejected an industry offer of a \$2.10 hourly wage boost last week, up from the \$7.80 miners now earn. The BCOA said the union was asking for wage and fringe benefit increases amounting to 44 percent.

DA to bring evidence

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by local FBI men.

They believe that Lozano was beaten to death by sheriff's deputies in Ector County Jail, and that investigations by either Texas Rangers or local FBI people would be a whitewash.

Gilbert Herrera, leader of the Texas Brown Beret movement, made this clear at an Odessa press conference on Jan. 24 at El Que Que Club.

Green said Thursday that "first-arrest photographs" of Lozano, taken after his arrest on Jan. 10, were "quite shocking." The photos will be shown to the jury at the inquest, he added.

He said 30 witnesses had already been subpoenaed for the inquest, including an El Paso pathologist who conducted a private autopsy on Lozano's body at the request of Lozano's family.

Green stressed that the inquest would be open to public and press, and that he had selected this procedure rather than calling a grand jury because a grand jury's proceedings

Unemployment rate falls again

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down from 7.2.

The Labor Department said most of the employment gains during January were in manufacturing, up 105,000, and in wholesale and retail trade, up 95,000.

It said overall employment totals were affected by the strike in the coal mining industry, which has removed 160,000 workers from payrolls,

although these persons are not counted as unemployed.

The agency said the median duration of unemployment declined to 6.8 weeks in January from 7.1 weeks in December, meaning that half of the unemployed workers had been jobless for less than 6.8 weeks and half for a longer period.

The unemployment rate in January was 1.1 percentage points lower than a year earlier and the lowest since

October 1974, when it was 6.1 percent.

The Labor Department made several adjustments in its employment and unemployment statistics in January, including an expansion of its employment survey from 47,000 to a total of 56,000 households. All of the figures in the report are adjusted for seasonal variations.

Despite the surprising drop in the December jobless rate, President

Carter has said the realization of his 1978 employment targets depends on whether Congress enacts the \$25 billion in tax reductions he has proposed. He said the tax cuts would help create one million jobs by the end of the year.

While the administration was encouraged by the downward trend in unemployment at the close of 1977, it remained concerned about the high rate of joblessness among blacks and minorities.

Unemployment for those job seekers in December was 12.5 percent. For black youth it was 37.3 percent. The jobless rate for whites was 5.6 percent, and for white youth it was 12.6 percent.

To try to deal with the problem of black unemployment, Carter has said he will unveil soon a plan to provide jobs for disadvantaged persons in private industry at a cost to the government of about \$400 million.

Meanwhile, a senior Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee said Thursday that Congress will approve no more than 30 percent of the tax revisions proposed by Carter.

Sen. Ernest F. Hollings, D-S.C., issued the warning to Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal. Hollings and other committee members suggested Carter might want to delay his proposed tax cut.



Harrell Feldt, Midland Chamber of Commerce president, Thursday presents Midland's case for the Texas Tech Permian Basin Regional Health Center to Texas Tech Regents and onlookers in Lubbock. (Staff Photo by Linda Hill Schaffrina)

Decision today on which city to get Tech medical facility

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participate," he said.

In making Midland's presentation, Feldt promised the regents Midland could provide the medical facilities for the health center because of its "sense of community."

Among evidences of that sense of community, Feldt said, is creation of a hospital district and approval of a \$10 million bond issue for the hospital. Also he said \$1 million has been promised to support the program through stipends for residents, scholarships and lectureships. And the Midland Memorial Hospital Foundation has pledged to raise money for continuous financial support of the Texas Tech program.

"When Midland gives a commitment, you need never, never despair of it being fulfilled," Feldt said.

Feldt pledged that adequate land will be provided free of charge to the medical school.

Another point in Midland's favor, Feldt told the regents, is its geographic location. "Patients in every part of the area can receive the same service with the same availability of your program from a centrally located facility in Midland," he said.

Feldt cited bond issues passed in 1971 and 1974 for Midland College as evidence of the city's commitment to higher education.

Since Midland has no upper-level college, its loyalties to Texas Tech are great, he said.

"Midland does and has always identified itself with and supported Texas Tech more than any area in the Permian Basin," he added.

As for the building of the center, Feldt said the city's lending institutions have committed \$3 million so that construction can start at once. That money would be paid back on a lease-purchase arrangement, he said.

Also, two savings and loan associations have pledged to provide home mortgage loans to the first 15 members of the teaching staff at one percent below the then-prevailing prime interest rate.

Feldt also pointed to Midland's cultural attractions, such as the community theater, concerts and museums. "The staff and students will never lack for entertainment and

cultural activity in this city," he said.

Included in the written presentation to the regents were letters from medical and community leaders supporting location of the facility in Midland.

Dr. Trotter, former chief of staff at Midland Memorial Hospital, told the regents about additions and improvements under construction at the hospital.

Trotter also called the regents' attention to an affidavit of support from 94 percent of Midland's physicians.

He said a recent poll of the paying patients at Midland Memorial showed more than 90 percent would be willing to participate in the teaching program as patients. Also, he said,

there is "a most adequate indigent patient load in the Permian Basin and Midland, which is in the center of that area."

More than 50 percent of Midland's 97 physicians are board-certified, Trotter said, and at least 20 percent are board-qualified. These doctors could assist in teaching students, he said.

"Probably the most important point I can make," he said, "is that regardless of where the satellite facilities for the Texas Tech School of Medicine will be placed, the major hospitals in Midland, Big Spring and Odessa will still be utilized and all in the same proportion according to the strengths, physicians participating and the number of beds."

'Low-key' reception planned for Sadat

By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter is extending a low-keyed reception to Anwar Sadat as the Egyptian leader begins a new drive here for U.S. support in his negotiations with Israel.

Administration officials in advance of the 5½-day visit, said no dramatic breakthroughs in the peace talks are anticipated. Carter, meanwhile, planned a relaxed and isolated weekend for his guest at Camp David, Md., the presidential retreat.

By the time Sadat leaves next Wednesday night, he is certain to have put his case across to the American public. His position, as he has often said, is that the United States holds "90 percent of the cards" where Israel is concerned and should use its influence with the Jewish state toward a settlement.

The outstanding obstacles to continued progress are the Palestinian issue and the question of Jewish settlements in Sinai and other former Arab territories.

While Israel has offered civil autonomy for the 1.1 million Palestinians who live on the West Bank of the Jordan River and in Gaza, the Egyptian leader wants them guaranteed "self-determination." This, in most Israeli and Arab minds, could lead to eventual statehood for the Palestinians.

And while Israel has offered to surrender virtually the entire Sinai Peninsula, Egypt is insisting that a score of Jewish settlements be abandoned as well.

Carter, so far, has tried to strike a balance, supporting, for example, "legitimate rights" for the Palestinians but opposing statehood. He has also adhered to the ambiguity of U.N. Security Council resolutions by not insisting specifically on total Israeli withdrawal from all the territories captured in the six-day war of 1967.

Administration officials dismiss reports of a deadlock but acknowledge negotiating problems exist.

"It is an ongoing process," State Department spokesman John Tranter said Thursday.

Offshore gains win

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requirement that the Interior secretary experiment on from 50 to 100 per cent of lease bids versus the amended House bill's range of from 20 to 50 per cent.

Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., said, "I suspect that we will come out at 33 percent, which is where the conference came out" in 1976 on a compromise bill that was narrowly killed by the House.

Miller, a leading proponent of the legislation, said that "California's interests came out exceedingly well" in the House battle.

He explained that special environmental protection was preserved for future leasing in the Santa Barbara Channel, scene of a 1969 oil well blowout; shore areas would be strictly protected from air pollutants generated by offshore activity; states would share revenues from federal leases that adjoin state-owned tracts, and coastal states would be more closely involved in federal leasing plans.

Besides gaining a bidding system compromise, pro-oil forces succeeded in deleting a provision that would have required the government to award separate leases for exploration and production. This provision was supposed to give the Interior secretary a better chance to consider the mineral value of the tract plus the need for environmental protection before awarding a production lease. Also, states would be able to better prepare for production impacts or to fight them better.

Another amendment would allow the government to contract for test drilling on offshore lands but not to do the drilling itself. This action set the stage for a conference fight with the Senate, whose bill directs the Interior secretary to drill test holes as a means of better evaluating tracts up for lease. Critics say they fear such government drilling would lead to nationalization of the oil industry.

Council names acting chief

FORT STOCKTON — Police Lt. Tony Cordova, 36, has been named acting chief of police here until the Fort Stockton City Council decides on a permanent chief to replace the fired Mickey Clark, 41.

In its Thursday editions, The Reporter-Telegram listed Cordova as chief.

Clark was fired by the council on Jan. 24 after he refused to resign at the council's request, and Cordova, a seven-year veteran of the police force, was appointed interim chief six days later.

Mayor Frank Hayes and six police officers — half of the force — resigned Jan. 23 in protesting the council's ousting of Clark, a former Midland County sheriff's deputy.

Fair weekend weather likely

Mostly fair weather is forecast for the weekend with temperatures expected Saturday in the mid-60s.

The low temperature tonight is in the lower 30s.

The rain gauge at the Midland Regional Air Terminal registered .06 inch rain following the sporadic drizzle which occurred Thursday.

Low fog or heavy clouds were reported this morning in Rankin, Andrews, Lamesa, Big Lake, Stanton and Crane.

1977 said boom year

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percent lower than that on bonds sold by other Texas cities comparable in size to Midland.

Midway in his stand-up chat, the Republican mayor turned to politics and said some things in the nation's capital need to be clarified and set straight.

— Backdoor repeal. The Labor Reform Act of 1977 now before the Congress is not what it implies, the mayor said. "This bill... is a backdoor repeal of the right-to-work law. It's a very sinister piece of legislation." In the Senate, Texas Sen. John Tower would lead the filibuster against passage of the bill. Texas Congressman Bob Krueger supported the measure in the House, Angelo said.

— Better times. The mayor said he foresees "some chance of deregulation (of oil and gas) in toto." The situation is not hopeless, he said.

— Tax reform. The mayor, who calls the tax reform a misnomer, said the act conceals some "less obvious insidious changes."

— Panama Canal Treaty. The "pride and standing of this nation is involved" in the treaty, which Angelo opposes and which he says would be a mistake should it be ratified. The "key" to the treaty is that "the United States will give up control and sovereignty of the Canal."

"I believe the battle's not over yet," he said in referring to President Carter's push to get the treaty ratified.

Angelo, an independent petroleum engineer, is a Republican National Committee member and was a Ronald Reagan delegate in 1976 during Reagan's bid for the Republican party's nomination for president. One of the stands in Reagan's platform was opposition to any treaty that would cause the United States to lose control of the Canal.

Angelo's state-of-the-city message was wrapped up in his response to a question on the progress of a proposed shopping mall for the city.

The mayor noted the "sensitive nature of that whole thing" and responded:

"I'm still... optimistic that we will have a first-class shopping mall within the next two to three years in operation."

Site of the proposed shopping mall is at Midkiff Road and Farm Road 868.

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Cosmonauts accomplish risky refueling of space lab

By KEVIN KLOSE
The Washington Post

MOSCOW — Two Soviet cosmonauts successfully refueled their orbiting space lab from an accompanying cargo craft Thursday, the government reported, the first time such a dangerous feat has been achieved in the history of manned spaceflight.

The refueling required cosmonauts Yuri Romanenko and Georgi Grechko to pump highly corrosive and volatile rocket fuels from the "Progress One" cargo ship into the tanks of the Salyut 6 space lab. Even on the ground, handling rocket fuel such as hydrazine and liquid oxygen is demanding and very dangerous.

Western sources here called the feat a major step forward for the Russians toward their goal of assembling large manned complexes capable of indefinite orbital flight.

Tass, the official government news agency, said the cosmonauts "began work in filling the fuel tanks of the station" after completing a lengthy check-out of the "fueling pipes and automatic facilities." It added, "According to telemetric information and reports from the cosmonauts, the Salyut 6 refueling program has been completely carried out. The on-board systems of the complex function smoothly. The cosmonauts feel well."

actly how the fuel transfer was carried out. Some observers here had speculated that such a transfer would require a "spacewalk" for a cosmonaut to complete connection of fueling pipes.

The cargocraft was launched Jan. 20 and successfully linked up with Salyut, itself a space first. Since then, Romanenko and Grechko have been spending much of their time readying the fuel transfer. The cosmonauts themselves have been aboard the Salyut since Dec. 11. In mid-January, they were visited by two other Soviet cosmonauts, another historic first for the Salyut flight. Romanenko and Grechko, who are featured nightly on the national television news, are approaching the Soviet record of 63 days in space for a previous crew. The United States holds the record of 84 days in space aboard a Skylab several years ago.

The Soviet space program, after delays, accidents and tragedy, now seems solidly advancing in a manner that is both daring and well-reasoned, according to several sources here. With a smaller payload capability than the Americans and overall a space technology that Western experts consider substantially cruder than the Americans', the Soviets have moved steadily to apply this hardware in more complex ways.

The Salyut lab, weighing about 19 tons, is the sixth in a series. This ver-

sion was launched last fall but the first duet of cosmonauts who tried to dock with it failed, causing the Soviets public embarrassment just when they were looking for a space spectacular to help celebrate the 60th anniversary

of the Russian Revolution.

But a few weeks later, the Soviets launched Romanenko and Grechko, who have been aboard ever since. One

Western expert pointed out that several years ago, the Soviets experimented during a Salyut flight with the transfer and pumping of liquids in a weightless condition. This experiment, the observer suggested,

was a precursor to Thursday's fuel transfer. The source said it is his view that the Soviets will continue making a series of strides based on individual achievements involving their present spacecraft and rockets.

Guerrillas attack garrison in Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Heavily armed guerrillas attacked the national guard garrison and burned the post office in the lakeside city of Granada, killing at least one person, witnesses said.

They said between 25 and 40 Sandinista National Liberation Front guerrillas were in control of Liberation Plaza in the center of town.

Marston 'politicized office'

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Attorney General Griffin Bell said Thursday that David Marston, former U.S. attorney in Philadelphia, was fired because he "had politicized his office."

Bell also said that he expects to announce Marston's replacement in a few days and that Samuel Dash, who served as majority counsel to the Senate Watergate committee, is a "likely candidate" to succeed Mar-

No other details were immediately available.

The attack came as leaders of the 12-day-old general strike against President Anastasio Somoza claimed the protest was gaining momentum despite a government claim that more than three-fourths of Managua's businesses have reopened.

The Nicaraguan Development Institute, which represents most of

the nation's businesses, said the strike got a boost Thursday when 2,000 public employees, including some from banks and government ministries, left their jobs for the first time.

A spokesman for Somoza said 78 percent of Managua's businesses were open Thursday and most manufacturing had resumed. But the Development Institute reported 80 percent of the businesses and shops were closed.

The strike began in support of demands for a full investigation into the assassination of anti-Somoza publisher Pedro Joaquin Chamorro, which foes of Somoza suspected he had a hand in. As the strike has continued, it has generated open demands for the president's resignation and the end of his family's 40 years in power.

Somoza in an interview said the strike had degenerated into a "strike of words."

"It was a very powerful strike at

the beginning but as people began to see the motivation, the workers abandoned the strike," he said.

The presidential press office said Somoza would make a radio-television speech this afternoon.

Chamorro's brother Javier, who took over the newspaper La Prensa after the publisher's murder, wrote in an editorial Thursday that Somoza's refusal to heed "the unanimous civic demand" that he resign "is opening the door to violence."

Reporters covering anti-government rallies in other cities have reported at least three demonstrators killed and eight injured this week. Managua was calm Thursday, with most shopping centers closed, but the National Guard arrested four government employees during a peaceful demonstration.

Meanwhile, in Panama City, Nicaraguan students in Panama continued a hunger strike in the local United Nations building which they took over Wednesday afternoon.

Senator opposes SS tax increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Senate Aging Committee says Congress must reverse itself and overturn the Social Security tax increases that were approved barely a month ago.

Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, said in a speech prepared for delivery to a conference on aging in Minneapolis that the tax increases will fall most heavily on those least able to afford them.

"Of course, the system must be kept solvent," he said. "It must enjoy the confidence of young and old alike. But this can be done without saddling workers and their employers with unduly large payroll tax increases between now and 1985."

Congress approved a bill last December that raises taxes on employers and employees, starting in 1979, in order to keep Social Security financially solvent. Payroll taxes went up last month because of increases approved earlier.

President Carter has proposed that income taxes be reduced this year to at least partially offset some of the higher payroll taxes. But Church said that is no solution at all.

Church noted that the Social Security tax is regressive, meaning it falls proportionately more heavily on low-income workers. Payroll taxes are assessed on the first dollar earned by rich and poor alike; there are no exemptions because of family size or income level.

On the other hand, the income tax system is progressive because tax rates rise as income rises. And millions of low-income workers pay no federal income tax at all.

Thus, it makes no sense to reduce the progressive tax and raise the regressive levy, Church said.

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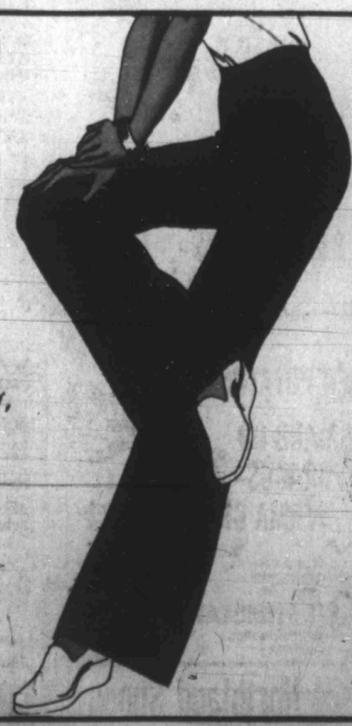
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DEATHS

John C. Parks

ODESSA — Jack C. Parks, 58, an Odessa businessman, banker and vice president and director of the Permian Basin Oil Show, died Tuesday in a San Angelo hospital following a brief illness.

Services were held Thursday in the First Presbyterian Church here. Burial, directed by Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home, was in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Parks was born July 12, 1919, in Ramona, Okla.

He moved to Odessa from Oklahoma City, Okla., in November of 1945, and was married to Nell McWhirter on Jan. 21, 1967, in Mexico.

Parks was owner of Tillery & Parks Co., an oil field equipment business in Odessa, and was president of the West Texas White Truck Co. in Odessa.

He was a director of the State National Bank here and a director of the Foster Cathead Co. in Wichita Falls.

Parks, a member of the First Methodist Church, was a 32nd degree Mason. He was a past president of the Odessa Country Club. He was a veteran of World War II. Parks was a director on the Odessa Council on Alcoholism.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Mark Parks of New York; a daughter, Dianne Heidelberg of Odessa; his mother, Pearl Duke of Oklahoma City, and a brother, Rex Parks of Houston.

Vaughn Knight

HOUSTON — Vaughn A. Knight, 70, longtime superintendent of drilling operations for the Barnhart Co., of Houston, which is active in the Permian Basin, died Thursday in a Houston hospital.

Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the George H. Lewis and Sons Funeral Home of Houston, with the Rev. Carey B. Sayers officiating. Burial was to be in Forrest Park West.

Knight had been active in the oil and gas drilling business all his adult life, having worked for many years for the Barnsdall Co., in Oklahoma, Kansas, Illinois, Louisiana, New Mexico and Texas, and for the last 27 years as superintendent for Barnhart Co., overseeing operations in Oklahoma, Mississippi, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

For the last five years, Knight had resided at a lake home near Kingsland.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys; a daughter, Mary P. Hobbs of Lubbock; a son, Jerry L. Knight of Houston; a brother and four grandchildren.

The family has requested that memorials be directed to the M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, 6723 Bertner, Houston.

Ora Irene Deen

SNYDER — Ora Irene Deen, 69, of Snyder, sister of Verna Webb of Hobbs, N.M., died Wednesday in a Lubbock hospital following a lengthy illness.

Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Bell-Seale Funeral Home Chapel here. Burial was to be in Snyder Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband, a daughter, two sisters, a brother, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Crawford infant

KERMIT — The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Crawford of Hobbs, N.M., died Thursday at a Kermit hospital.

Graveside services were to be held at 2 p.m. today at Kermit Cemetery.

Survivors include her parents, Dennis and Terri Crawford; grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Crawford of Kermit and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Golleber of Carrizo Springs, and four great-grandparents.

Midkiff community to meet

MIDKIFF — The Midkiff community will hold a covered-dish supper and townhall meeting at 7 p.m.

Aeronautics commission elects head

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Aeronautics Commission Thursday elected Dallas attorney David Witts as its chairman and approved a motion by Texas Airlines of San Antonio to withdraw its authority to provide scheduled air service to Laredo.

The requested air route has been tied up in litigation for several months. A pre-hearing conference is scheduled Feb. 24 on a new Texas application that seeks to provide air service from the Alamo City to both Laredo and McAllen.

In other action, the commission adopted a resolution commending outgoing chairman Rex Cauble of Denton.

Cauble was replaced on the commission late last year. The resolution commends Cauble, who had been on the commission since 1967 for his "invaluable contribution of service and his astute leadership."

Harold Cowan

ANDREWS — Harold Reed Cowan, 53, area manager for Skelly Oil Co., died Wednesday at his Andrews home following an apparent heart attack.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Trinity Baptist Church in Bristow, Okla. Burial will be in Bristow's Magnolia Cemetery.

Hutchins-Maples Funeral Home of Bristow is handling the services. Arrangements here were made by Singleton Funeral Home.

Cowan moved to Andrews from Bristow in 1946 and had been employed by Skelly Oil Co. for 19 years.

He was married to Geraldine McGuire on Nov. 6, 1945, in Sapulpa, Okla.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Dennis Cowan of Houston and Danny Cowan of Austin; a daughter, LaDonna Ragsdale of Andrews; his mother, Maude Cowan of Bristow; a brother, Kenneth Cowan of Broken Arrow, Okla., and six grandchildren.

Billie B. Ford

BIG SPRING — Billie B. Ford, 70, died Thursday in a Big Spring hospital.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

The Coahoma Masonic Lodge 992 will perform graveside rites at the Coahoma Cemetery.

Ford was born June 29, 1907, in Westbrook. He was married to Georgia Stewart in 1935 in Colorado City.

Survivors include his wife, Georgia Ford; one son, Billie B. Ford Jr. of Midland; one daughter, Mrs. Sammie Buchanan of Big Spring; four sisters, Mrs. Winnie Hawkins of Freeport, Mrs. Delta Madison of Rising Star, Mrs. Ola Harper of Dallas and Mrs. Mary Doan of Odessa; two brothers, Johnnie Ford of Big Spring and E. B. Ford of Austin, and four grandchildren.

Mrs. C. H. Ward

Mrs. Charles Henry Ward, 92, mother of Joe H. E. Ward of Midland, died Thursday morning at Luling.

Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church of Luling, with burial to follow in a Luling cemetery under direction of O'Banion Funeral Home of Luling.

Mrs. Ward was a lifelong resident of Luling. She was a Baptist.

In addition to the Midland son, survivors include another son, Charles F. Ward of Loma Vista, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Hilton B. Moore

MASON — Hilton Bernard Moore, 60, father of Candace Elaine Moore of Crane, died Thursday morning in a Brady hospital.

Services for the Lohn resident were to be held at 3 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church in Brady. Burial was to be in Bethel Cemetery directed by Mason Funeral Home.

Moore was born Nov. 27, 1917, in Lohn. He was married to Dorothy McWilliams on Nov. 1, 1939, in Big Lake. He was a rancher and had lived most of his life in McCulloch County. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, one daughter, four brothers, and one sister.

Mrs. Easley

Mrs. S. P. Easley, mother of Gustava Easley of Midland, died last weekend in Portales, N.M. Midland friends have been advised.

Services were held Monday in Portales, with burial following in a Portales cemetery.

In addition to the Midland daughter, Mrs. Easley is survived by several sons.

Republican to enter race

ODESSA — Ed McConaha, 32, an Odessa Republican, has announced his candidacy for the 69th District seat now held by Rep. Dick Slack of Pecos.

Saying he will seek "the working men's vote," McConaha said one of the reasons for his entering the race was that Slack had been unopposed for many years.

"I believe in the two-party system. We need a choice," McConaha said.

The Amarillo native is a Vietnam Navy veteran. He and his wife Berta have two children.

Time Inc., to purchase Washington Star

WASHINGTON (AP) — Time Inc. has reached agreement with Washington Star owner Joe L. Albritton to purchase the afternoon newspaper for \$20 million, a joint announcement by Time and Albritton said today.

Albritton, sole owner and president of the Evening Star Newspaper Co. for the last four years, has agreed to stay on as publisher of the Star, the announcement said.

The purchase of the newspaper, with a daily circulation of 350,000, is

subject to approval by the boards of directors of both companies.

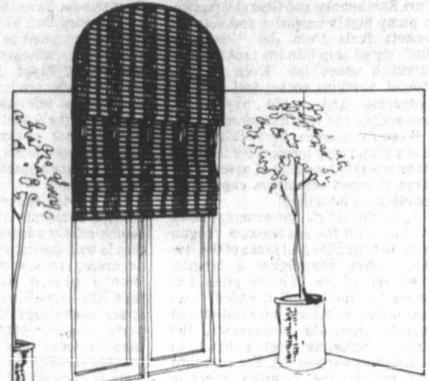
The Star has encountered financial difficulties the last few years, leading to speculation that the Star might be sold.

J.R. Shepley, president of Time Inc., said in the joint announcement: "It is vitally important that the greater Washington area continue to have the service of two strong newspapers. It is important not only to all of the city of this large community which encompasses the

national government but also to its readers and advertisers as well.

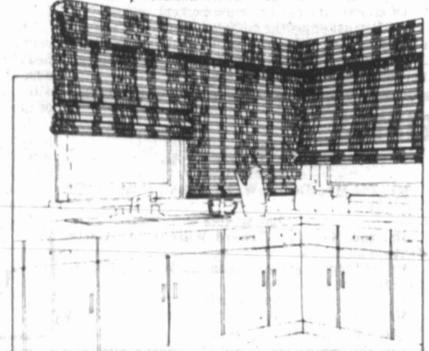
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Albritton said in the announcement: "I came to Washington four years ago and have worked hard to maintain and improve the Star as a responsible and significant newspaper in the nation's capital. I believe that we have had considerable success in improving and strengthening the Star, although the task has not always been easy. I am pleased to continue to work at this task with the backing of a company, which is Time Inc., which is dedicated to editorial excellence."



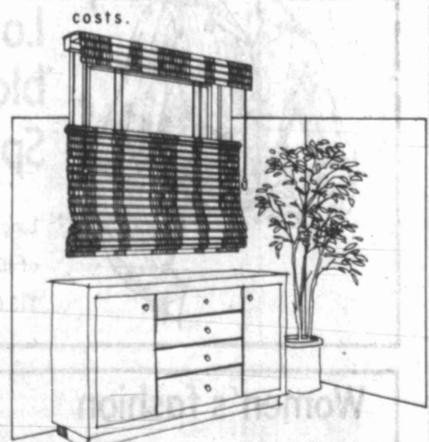
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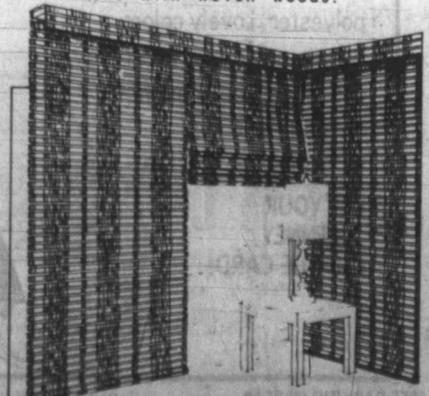
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THE 19,000-TON EXPLORATORY Norwegian oil rig Orion rests on rocks off the coast of Guernsey Thursday, after running aground in a Force 10 gale and heavy seas during the night. The crew of the

Orion — which ran aground after a towing cable parted — was being towed from Rotterdam to Brazil by the German tug Zeeveld. All the rig's crew were safely lifted off by helicopter. (AP Laserphoto)

San Antonio has unique system

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Natural gas bills are being cut by as much as \$5.13 a month here under a new winter rate relief plan officials say is unique in Texas.

The credits — on utility bills issued for December, January, February and March — are being made from a \$2.4 million fund established by a new city ordinance.

The plan also rewards customers for conserving natural gas, which is

the main fuel for home heating in San Antonio. The credit is reduced, and eventually lost entirely, as consumption increases.

The credit is about 50 cents per thousand cubic feet (mcf) of gas used, up to a maximum 10 mcf, or \$5.13 per month. This can amount to more than 20 percent of a customer's total monthly gas bill.

The credit is reduced between 10 mcf and 15 mcf and is dropped after 15 mcf are used.

In December, more than \$500,000 was credited to the bills of city utility customers.

"The purpose of the program is to help the small natural gas user, the residential customer, and provide an incentive for him to conserve," explained a spokesman for the municipally-owned City Public Service Utility.

CPS has not altered its rates because the credits come directly from the city treasury.

Residential electric customers in San Antonio who do not use gas from CPS may receive a maximum \$2.50 monthly refund during the four-month period.

The city council ordered CPS to implement the rate relief program after many citizens — especially those with lower incomes — complained they couldn't pay their winter gas bills and had to do without heat.

CPS purchases its natural gas from LoVaca Gathering Co. and customers have seen LoVaca's charges increase fivefold over the past several years.

Gas prices in San Antonio are among the highest in Texas.

The winter rate relief program is not permanent and will be reviewed by the city council later this year. And there are currently no plans to offer relief during the summer.

The money for the relief program is coming from several sources, including \$700,000 of San Antonio's federal revenue sharing funds. The city also receives a 14 per cent return on its investment in CPS and \$1.5 million of that money is being applied to relief.

Electric customers inside the city are paying slightly more — as much as 25 cents to 50 cents per month — to finance the relief program, too. But that increase can be outweighed by a refund of up to \$5.13 on gas bills, or \$2.50 on bills for allelectric customers.

Operations scheduled in Crockett County

A trio of wildcats have been scheduled in Crockett County.

J. Cleo Thompson of Dallas will drill two 8,800-foot wildcats in the University 56 (Canyon and Ellenburger gas) area, 18 miles northeast of Ozona.

No. 6-13-35 University is 1 1/4 miles southwest of the Ellenburger discovery and separated by the Canyon discovery.

Location is 1,320 feet from north and east lines of section 13, block 56, University Lands survey.

No. 7-14-56 University is one mile south of the Ellenburger opener and separated by the Canyon strike.

Location is 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 14, block 56, University Lands survey.

Estoril Producing Corp. of Midland No. 1-22 University will be drilled as an 8,500-foot Ellenburger gas wildcat in the University 56, 1/2 mile northeast of the No. 1-23 University, active Ellenburger project 14.6 miles southeast of Barnhart.

Location for No. 1-22 is 1,980 feet

from south and 467 feet from east lines of section 22, block 38, University Lands survey.

Projects scheduled

Amerada Hess Corp. spotted location for an 11,800-foot wildcat in Dawson County, five miles southwest of Lamesa.

It will be drilled as No. 1 Dyer, 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 17, block 35, T-4-N, T&P survey and 1 1/2 miles southeast of the Olson Earnest field.

I. W. Lovelady of Midland No. 3 Hudson is to be dug as a 5,300-foot operation in the Ruth Hudson (San Andres) field of Gaines County. It is 1/2 mile north of the discovery and 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 65, block AX, psl survey and six miles southwest of Denver City.

Gulf finals Penn gas discovery; BTA tests Martin Wolfcamp oil

Gulf Oil Corp. and others No. 1 Emma Lou Unit has been completed as a Pennsylvania gas discovery 1 1/4 miles south and slightly west of production in the Puckett multipay field of Pecos County.

Operating with Gulf are Highland Resources, Inc. and George R. Brown of Houston, J. W. Brock, Inc. of Midland and Equity Oil Co. of Denver and Salt Lake City. They own a 47.102 per cent working interest in the project.

The strike was completed for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 8.8 million cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 22,156 to 22,196 feet.

The project was drilled to 23,198 feet and plugged back to 22,240 feet. Seven and three-quarter inch casing is set at 22,209 feet.

Wellsite is 2,308 feet from south and 2,320 feet from east lines of section 58, block 101, AB&M survey and 21 miles southeast of Fort Stockton.

MARTIN TEST

BTA Oil Producers of Midland has been assured discovery production in the Wolfcamp at its No. 8-D 7422 JV-S Mustang, project in Martin County, 20 miles northwest of Lenorah.

Originally scheduled as a test in the Lacaff (Devonian) field, it was drilled to 12,285 feet. Seven-inch casing was set at 12,277 feet.

Operator perforated opposite the Devonian from 12,238 to 12,242 feet and acidized with 250 gallons. The project was swabbed for 72 barrels of formation water in seven hours.

Hole was plugged back to 12,240 feet and casing was perforated opposite the Strawn from 10,905 to 10,908 feet. The zone was acidized with 700 gallons and swabbed dry.

A bridge plug was set at 10,106 feet and the pipe was perforated opposite the Wolfcamp from 9,752 to 9,765 feet. From that zone, the well flowed 122 barrels of oil and 15 barrels of load water in 24 hours, through a 12/64-inch choke.

Operator is preparing to complete from that section as a discovery. Location is 1,940 feet from north and 2,173 feet from west lines of section 2,

block 7, University Lands survey.

LEA OIL WELL
Read & Stevens, Inc., of Roswell, N. M., has reported potential test for its No. 4 Santa Fe, project in the Dickinson (San Andres) field of Lea County, N. M.

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 60 barrels of 21.2-gravity oil, from open hole from 4,960 to 5,000 feet after 2,000 gallons of acid.

Location is 11 miles northeast of Tatum and 1,980 feet from south and west lines of section 35-108-36 and one location south of other production.

GULF WELL
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1 Potts-Federal has been completed as a Morrow producer in Eddy County, N. M., 1/2 miles southwest of production and 1/2 mile north of production from that zone in the Burton Flat area.

The well finalized for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 2.141 million cubic feet of dry gas per day, through perforations from 10,914 to 11,129 feet over 7,000 gallons of acid and a 15,000-gallon fracture treatment.

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CHAVES PROJECT

Flag-Redfern Oil Co. of Midland No. 1-26 Southard is to be drilled 1 1/4 miles northeast of the Tom Tom (San Andres) field in Chaves County, N. M.

Drillsite for the 4,100-foot operation is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 26-76-31e and 13 miles south of Kenna.

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Energy Reserves Group, Inc., of Midland No. 1 State is a new 9,100-foot test in the five-well vacuum (Abo reef) field of Lea County, N. M.

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Dolph Briscoe answers payroll hiding charge

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — After two days of silence on the subject, Gov. Dolph Briscoe lashed out Thursday at allegations he bolstered his energy office by hiding employees under another agency's title. He termed the reports "absolutely incorrect."

Briscoe also cast aside the

of the Texas Natural Resources Council to conceal seven persons who worked for his energy office.

One person on the NRC's payroll told The Associated Press he was in charge of fuel allocations, a function of the governor's energy office.

The man Briscoe designated two months ago as head of the NRC staff is said to have voiced frustration at having six slots taken up by persons doing work for Al Askew, head of the governor's energy office.

Some of Briscoe's gubernatorial foes have begun pointing out other allegations, claiming the governor went along with a plan to conceal 42 GOMA employees by paying them with federal funds via a consulting firm to make his staff seem smaller than it really is.

The GOMA office officially had only

seven or eight employees.

Briscoe said, however, that he doesn't think the GOMA publicity will hurt his campaign.

He also said former State Rep. Ruben Torres' decision to resign the GOMA directorship just four days after he accepted it was done "entirely on his own." Torres announced his decision last Saturday.

"The activity aimed at helping migrants is better known now than ever before," Briscoe said. "I've found stronger support than ever before. I've asked the press in Austin to look into the programs that are carried out by that office — programs aimed at helping train the children of migrants as well as providing for migrants to learn skills to make it possible for them to get better jobs."

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suggestion that current publicity over the probe into alleged wrongdoings in the Governor's Office of Migrant Affairs would hurt his re-election bid.

He said Thursday he considers the publicity a "big plus."

Briscoe, in town for the dedication of Midwestern State University's new fine arts building, said of the hidden employees charge:

"Those six or seven employees had previously been on the Governor's Energy Advisory Commission, which was abolished by the last session of the legislature. They were transferred to the Natural Resources Council and were paid there directly out of the governor's office so they were directly part of the governor's office."

Briscoe was responding to allegations that he had used the name

Three Morrow tests set in Eddy regions

Three Morrow projects have been scheduled in Eddy County, N.M., areas.

Cities Service Co. No. 1-CY State Communized will be drilled as an 11,350-foot operation in the Winchester, North (Morrow) area.

It is 1/2 mile west of production and 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 26-198-28e. It is 15 miles northeast of Carlsbad.

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1-GL Eddy State Communized will be dug 1 1/4 miles northwest of the Angell Ranch

(Morrow) field, 14 miles north of Carlsbad.

The 11,150-foot test is 1,980 feet from south and 660 feet from east lines of section 25-198-27e.

Yates Petroleum Corp. of Artesia, N. M., No. 2-IS Sigmethaler Communized is an 8,750-foot Morrow project in the Kennedy Farms (Morrow) area. It is two miles northwest of the Kennedy Farms discovery and 1 1/2 miles west of a dual Atoka and Morrow producer.

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DRILLING REPORT

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ATLANTIC RICHFIELD — No. 1 Langley Deep; drilling 12,625 feet.

ESTORIL — Union Texas No. 1-BREWSTER; drilling 3,444 feet in time.

CHAVES — Cleary Petroleum Corp. plugged and abandoned.

COKE — Amerada Hess No. 1 abandoned.

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Each is to own one-half of the electrical energy output of the project. HLP's share will be fed into its system to provide additional electricity for a 5,000 square mile area of Texas' upper Gulf coast.

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