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John O'Leary, deputy secretary of the Department of Energy, Tuesday talks on the telephone, left, shortly before addressing a



public meeting, right, in Midland on a proposed nuclear Waste Isolation Pilot Project (WIPP) near Carlsbad, N.M. (Staff Photos by Mike Kardos)

DOE cover-up of WIPP site study charged

By JIM STEINBERG

A former NASA physicist charged at a public hearing in Midland Tuesday that there is a conspiracy to keep high level decision makers in the Department of Energy from having access to information showing that a proposed site for underground nuclear waste disposal in southeastern New Mexico is unfit for that purpose.

Dr. John Hyder of Albuquerque, N.M., presented Department of Energy Deputy Director John O'Leary with a geological study of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad, N.M., which Hyder claims concludes that the site is unsafe for long-term storage of nuclear wastes.

O'Leary and other officials of the DOE held the first of three Texas public information hearings on WIPP at Midland College Tuesday.

A second hearing will be held today in Amarillo and a third one will be held Thursday in El Paso.

A long-time opponent of the proposed WIPP site near Carlsbad, N.M., Hyder said the draft, prepared by University of New Mexico geology professor Dr. Roger Y. Anderson in January of this year, was being deliberately kept from top decision makers of DOE.

O'Leary denied the conspiracy charge, adding that "even if it were so, there would be plenty of opportunity for all the information relative to WIPP to be brought forward during the lengthy public hearing sessions necessary during the licensing procedure of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission."

Anderson's report concludes that the entire Delaware Basin, the geological formation in the WIPP site area, is geologically active. Hyder said. The report makes a strong case for the existence of a fault line which runs tangent to the WIPP site, Hyder added. But the most damaging aspect of the report, Hyder said, were Anderson's findings of collapse structures (sinks) in the WIPP site area.

In the report Anderson wrote: "The potential for the formation of such collapse structures in the site area constitutes an unavoidable geological hazard that is inherent for any site selected in the basin. Studies of the statistical probability of occurrence based on known distributions and on a better understanding of the collapse process will provide estimates of the seriousness of the hazard."

Anderson also noted a long-term geological trend whereby the salt layer in which the nuclear wastes would be stored is gradually being eaten away by water.

Wrote Anderson: "The progression of deep dissolution (of the salt layer) will reach the site locality within the next few million years."

When asked privately if he intended to respond to the Anderson report, O'Leary said, "No. You know I just quipped to a colleague that the Ice Age would be here first (before water reached the WIPP site). I noticed

Anderson did note we chose the best location in the Delaware Basin."

Hyder, a staff scientist for the Albuquerque-based Southwest Research and Information Center, said Anderson's report seriously questioned the WIPP site's geological integrity, which he says must span a period of 250,000 years.

During the public information hearing, DOE officials explained the purpose of WIPP, a \$350 to \$400 billion pilot project to store low- and intermediate-level nuclear wastes at a depth of 2,100 feet and highly radioactive spent nuclear fuel rods at 2,600 feet. There will also be an underground research area for the test storage of high-level military wastes, officials said Tuesday.

DOE is conducting the hearings in Texas at the request of Attorney General John Hill. If the WIPP site is approved, much of the materials brought into it for storage will travel through Texas from a storage area at Savannah River, S.C., the hearing revealed.

James Liverman, acting assistant secretary for environment with the DOE, surprised many people at the hearing by announcing that the rail route would take the wastes into New Mexico through Amarillo. It had been thought the wastes would travel a more direct route, on the Texas and Pacific Railroad through Dallas-Fort Worth, Midland-Odessa and Kermit.

When pressed for details of the exact route, Liverman said he would have to get back to his staff in Washington, adding, "I don't know where they got Amarillo."

After the hearing, Liverman tried unsuccessfully to get the exact information from Washington.

"Watch in Amarillo he'll say the wastes will travel through Midland-Odessa," one observer quipped.

During the 20-year period in which wastes will be brought to the site, Hyder said, he has calculated there would be 10 to 14 train accidents involving the leakage of radioactive materials along a Dallas-Midland-Kermit route. He said it would be higher on the Amarillo route.

Herman Roser, DOE Albuquerque Operations Office manager, said data collected by a U.S. Geological Survey hydrologist showed that the aquifers which supply water to the cities of Pecos, Midland and Odessa were completely separate from the aquifer beneath the WIPP site. Roser added that the Guadalupe Mountains protected the integrity of El Paso's water from the WIPP site.

During a public comment session of the hearing, Midland hydrologist Bill Heck said that, based on his experience with the water sources for numerous cities in West Texas and southeastern New Mexico, he agreed with government findings that WIPP posed no danger to the water supply of any nearby municipality.

"There has been a striking change in the energy outlook in this country in the past ten years," O'Leary said

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Airport changes create new problem on ground

By LANA CUNNINGHAM

Construction at Midland Regional Airport continues to cause problems and this time it has to do with various modes of ground transportation.

Midland City Council at its regular meeting Tuesday approved parking spaces for a variety of companies after listening to complaints about the locations of their current parking allocations.

Col. Wilson Banks, city director of aviation, explained the spaces had been allotted to The Chauffeur, a limousine service, and three taxi companies at the south end of the airport building when the baggage terminal had been moved there. But, since the new carousel has opened at the north end of the building, the firms are requesting spaces at that location, he said.

Construction work is taking up some of that space in front of the building, while rental car agencies are allotted other spaces.

Hershel Hockman with The Chauffeur said drivers are prohibited from entering the baggage area to let passengers know the service is available. He also said the public address system was not working to announce the service. The firm's attorney, Greg Hoosier of Austin, said the distance for passengers to walk from the new baggage area to the limousine service at the south end of the building takes

more than three minutes for "a young healthy man." The distance brings more problems for those who are senior citizens, handicapped or with children and a large amount of luggage.

U.S. Brown, who is with an Odessa taxi company, said he has stopped his service at the airport because "of the friction out there."

The council decided to allot four spaces near the baggage area for ground transportation. The Chauffeur will get two — one for the Odessa bus and the other for Midland — and one each for the Midland and Odessa taxi companies.

A plan to provide water and sewer services to industries along Interstate Highway 10, West Highway 80 and north of the airport was presented by James Blazer of Parkhill, Smith and Cooper.

Fred Baker, city director of public utilities, explained Texas Instruments already has located in the area and Pittsburgh Plate Glass is considering a plant there. The predicted growth of the area shows the current water wells at the airport and city sewer system can not keep pace with the demand. For the area to continue development, Baker said, a water and sewer system will be needed in the future.

Blazer said plans estimate the

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Tank truck explosion 'holocaust'

By FENTON WHEELER

TARRAGONA, Spain (AP) — "It was like a giant flame thrower," said a French woman who survived the holocaust when a runaway tank truck loaded with propylene gas exploded in a campsite on Spain's northeast coast and killed between 119 and 125 persons, police reported.

More than 200 other campers were hospitalized with burns. Many were reported in critical condition.

Most of the 500 to 600 vacationers registered at the camp on the Costa Brava 50 miles south of Barcelona were from other West European countries. Many of the bodies were burned beyond recognition, and identification was slow.

The campsite "resembles hell or what we think hell is like," said one

police officer working amid the charred remains of automobiles, trailers, campers and tents.

The permanent campsite is one of a score along the popular Costa Brava. The lunch-hour explosion blackened more than 160 acres and was heard two miles away.

Earlier reports put the death toll at near 200. Officials blamed the higher estimate on "great confusion."

Vincente Mirabet, the head of a burn treatment unit at a Valencia hospital, said 40 victims had been admitted there and most were in critical condition.

"I don't think many will survive," he said.

Police at noon put the death toll at 119 and said half a dozen persons were missing.

Police said the 38-ton single-trailer

truck was loaded with 43 cubic meters of gas when it left the highway while rounding a curve, crashed through a stone fence and exploded.

Witnesses said the truck was going about 40 mph when the driver lost control.

The blast set off a chain of explosions as campers' bottled cooking gas blew up. No trace of the Spanish driver was found.

"I heard an explosion, a whoosh, and stepped out of my trailer to see flames 150 yards high," said a Dutchman who refused to give his name.

"After seconds I saw people walking out of the fire with their outer skin burned completely off. Many fell down. Some just sat down. Others ran into the sea."

Antonio Betancourt, an officer of Spain's paramilitary civil guard, said many victims were burned beyond

recognition. Identification, he said, is going to be really difficult, even for their own relatives."

The bodies were taken by helicopter to the nearby town of Tortosa until they could be moved to Barcelona.

Spanish officials said it was the worst campsite disaster ever.

"Cries came out from everywhere in the camp," said a municipal policeman who was there when the truck exploded. "I'll never be able to get rid of these horrible sights no matter how long I live."

A Madrid propylene transportation company, Cisternas Reunidas, took responsibility and said an investigation has been ordered.

Propylene is a colorless gas obtained from the petroleum refining process. It is used to make polypropylene, a light thermoplastic resin used for packaging and coating.

Age of carrier ending, Senate says

By GEORGE C. WILSON
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Senate served notice Tuesday that while it favors higher defense spending and is willing to buy one more nuclear aircraft carrier, the age of the giant

carriers is ending.

Approving a \$36 billion Pentagon money bill by a vote of 87 to 2, the Senate pushed an amendment declaring it national policy to design and build "more survivable, more numerous and less costly" weapons from now on, with cheaper and smaller

carriers the case in point.

The amendment was offered by Sen. John C. Culver, D-Iowa, who told the Senate that in the age of precision missiles a \$2 billion aircraft carrier could be shot "like a duck in a pond."

Chairman John Stennis, D-Miss., of the Senate Armed Services Committee and Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., key Pentagon allies, were among those who expressed their support for the Culver amendment before it was passed by voice vote.

Stennis said he favored building one more Nimitz-class nuclear carrier, even though President Carter does not want it, but added that this fifth nuclear carrier should be the last of the giants as far as he was concerned.

Goldwater said, "The day of the carrier has passed." Adding that he was "appalled" at the \$2.3 billion estimated cost of the Nimitz, which he predicted would end up with a price tag of \$3 billion.

Sen. John H. Chafee, R-R.I., former secretary of the Navy, said that "by drawing the line here that this is it" as far as building anymore \$2 billion carriers, the Senate would get "the attention of the Defense Department."

So far the Navy has built the nuclear-powered Enterprise aircraft carrier and has previously won congressional approval for three nuclear carriers of the Nimitz class. The new question is whether a fourth Nimitz should be constructed.

The Carter administration, while not requesting any money at all in the fiscal 1979 budget for a new carrier, said it would prefer a conventionally powered one if Congress insisted on another large-deck ship.

Administration officials did not mobilize to delete the big carrier the Senate Armed Services Committee had added to the Pentagon's fiscal 1979 procurement bill passed Tuesday, telling congressional anti-carrier forces the administration would

hold its fire until the appropriations bills were voted.

Carter, in reassessing congressional support for one more Nimitz, may decide to go along.

The Culver amendment states that if at some later date the president wants to build a carrier as big as the Nimitz, or a conventionally powered one of the same size, he must send Congress "an alternate program of smaller ships" to consider.

The cost of the planes that go aboard a Nimitz, the price of the Nimitz itself and the cost of the ships assigned to protect the carrier total a \$30 billion target for an enemy, Culver said in arguing for a change of course in Navy shipbuilding.

The answer to precision weapons, Culver said, is "a sufficient number of smaller aircraft carriers that we can disperse around the world" so an enemy could not get them all in a sudden attack.

The argument that the Pentagon must think smaller and cheaper redesigning and building weapons threaded through the two days of debate on the procurement bill, which authorizes the president to spend about \$616 million more than he requested for weapons.

"If the attack submarine is not to price itself out of the market similarly to the large carrier," said Chairman Thomas J. McIntyre, D-N.H., of the Senate research subcommittee, the Senate should "take steps now to reverse the cost-growth trend."

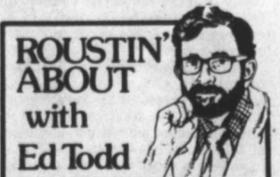
The Senate Armed Services Committee in its report on the procurement bill directed the Navy to investigate cheaper alternatives to the Los Angeles-class attack submarine, now costing \$411 million each.

However, an amendment sponsored by Sen. Gary Hart, D-Colo., to cancel the Navy F-18 fighter program — a move that Hart said would hasten the switch to smaller carriers — was defeated by a vote of 68 to 22 Tuesday.

Though not a winner, float portrayed history

STANTON — June Reid must have felt let down something awful. There she was, sitting business-like at the table, taking orders for the illustrated book, "A History of Martin County." It's selling for a pre-publication price of \$21.50.

In the relative cool of the communi-



ty building, she seemed confident about that railroad float just outside and under the blistering sun.

It had been entered in the Stanton's Old Settlers Day parade, which was keyed to the theme "Songs of Yesteryears."

On the mobile float were steel tracks and 13 cross-ties and the banner, "I've Been Working on the Railroad." And Mrs. Reid just knew the float, sponsored by the Martin County Historical Commission, would take top prize. (The Commission's putting out the book, too.) In the actual parade, the T&P float was adorned by hard-worked and hard-driving men dressed in the work clothes of Texas & Pacific Railroad hands.

And appropriate that was, for it was the railroad that gave rise to Stanton back in the late 1800s.

Mrs. Reid said the float was a sure-fire winner, or ought to be. She seemed to be dreaming of a first-place ribbon on the float.

"If it don't get first place, and if it don't get second (place), it ought to get third place," she said after the

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WEATHER

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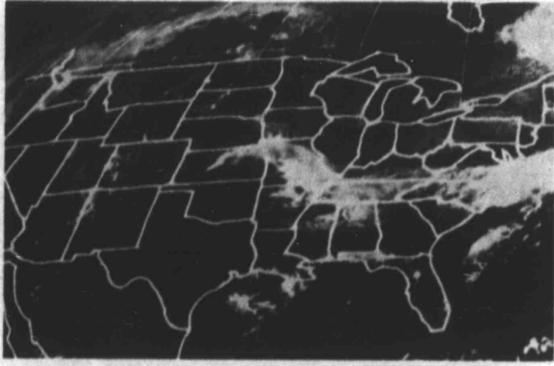
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WEATHER SUMMARY



SHOWERS ARE forecast for parts of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Kansas for today, according to the National Weather Service.



A BAND of clouds and thunderstorms are shown in this satellite map along a front from Kansas to the mid-Atlantic coast.

Midland statistics

MIDLAND OGDENSA HANKIN, BIG LAKE, GARDEN CITY FORECAST: Fair through Thursday with hot afternoons...

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS: Yesterday's High, Overnight Low, Noon today, Sunset today, Sunrise tomorrow, Precipitation, Last 24 hours, This month to date, 1978 to date.

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES: Abilene, Amarillo, El Paso, Ft. Worth, Houston, Lubbock, Marfa, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, Sherman, Wichita Falls.

Texas Thermometer

Table of temperatures for various Texas cities including Abilene, Alice, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, Lubbock, Marfa, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, Sherman, Wichita Falls, and Sherman.

Weather elsewhere

Table of weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, Anchorage, Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Buffalo, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbia, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, El Paso, Fairbanks, Hartford, Helena, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jackson, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Norfolk, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Orlando, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Portland, Raleigh, Richmond, Salt Lake, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane, St. Louis, St. Paul, Tampa, Salt Lake, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane, St. Louis, St. Paul, Tampa.

Texas area forecasts

North Texas—Generally fair and hot today through Thursday. Afternoon highs 94 southeast to 104 northwest. Low tonight 73 east to near 80 central and west.

Dissidents' trials near climax today

By SETH MYDANS

MOSCOW (AP) — The trials of two of the Soviet Union's best-known dissidents neared a climax today as they threatened to become an issue at the U.S.-Soviet arms limitation talks in Geneva.

Anatoly Shcharansky, 30, faces the death penalty in a Moscow courtroom on a charge of spying for the United States. He is accused of passing military secrets to Los Angeles Times reporter Robert C. Toth, who has denied the allegation.

Alexander Ginzburg, 41, is on trial in Kaluga, 100 miles to the south, on a charge of anti-Soviet activities for his distribution of dissident literature and his management of exiled novelist Alexander Solzhenitsyn's fund to aid the families of political prisoners.

The trials, each before a judge and two laymen, are proceeding despite an American request that they be called off and a storm of criticism from around the world.

Despite the strain in Soviet-American relations resulting from the trials, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko were opening talks in Geneva today in an attempt to remove the last big barriers to SALT II, the second Soviet-American treaty to limit their stocks of nuclear weapons and the means of delivering them.

Vance said the talks would proceed despite American displeasure over the trials. But he was to deliver a message from President Carter to Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev expressing U.S. concern.

Eleven witnesses testified Tuesday that Shcharansky, a Jewish computer expert, engaged in "concrete espionage activity and assisting a foreign state in hostile activity against the U.S.S.R.," a court spokesman told reporters.

The spokesman said Shcharansky was accused of passing on to Toth the locations, security classifications and personnel of military-related industrial enterprises and of helping him make contact with scientists engaged in secret work.

Though he did not mention Toth by name, the spokesman referred to several articles he wrote on scientific subjects which he said were classified.

Witnesses said Shcharansky received instructions and pay from abroad for providing classified information.

Since Tuesday's proceedings were closed because of the classified nature of the testimony, relatives who attended the first session Monday could not confirm or dispute the official account.

The Ginzburg trial Tuesday was marked by shouts of protest from his wife Irina which twice interrupted the proceedings and caused her ejection twice.

Doubts cast on nuclear waste disposal plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — A White House study cast new doubts Tuesday on the long-range suitability of nearly all current proposals for storing nuclear wastes underground.

Even deep salt beds, a leading contender as a permanent resting place for atomic wastes, got poor reviews in the report prepared by the president's Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Although salt is usually stable for long periods of time, either the heat from the radioactive wastes or water that might leak into the burial site could pose major problems, the study said.

The report was prepared for a task force which President Carter named earlier this year to recommend guidelines for selecting national nuclear waste disposal sites.

Most wastes from nuclear weapons are now in temporary storage in federal repositories in Washington, Idaho and South Carolina. Those from commercial nuclear reactors are being held at the reactor sites themselves, in cooling ponds.

John M. Deutch, head of the task force, told a House interior subcommittee a solution to the waste disposal problem is still years away, although the panel hopes to present some general recommendations to Carter by Oct. 1.

"I'm not here today to tell you that a solution is at hand, nor that it will be easily obtainable tomorrow," Deutch said.

The administration made the disposal-site report available to the energy and environment subcommittee.

On the subject of salt-formation burial, the study said the presence of even a small amount of water could dissolve some of the salt and open a path for the wastes to leak out.

And the heat given off by the radioactive material itself could cause salt formations to expand considerably, possibly fracturing overlying rock structures, it said.

"With conservative engineering salt may be an acceptable repository medium," the report said. "However, salt is soluble and does not provide the (water-holding) qualities of other rocks."

It also said that salt is extremely corrosive and may enter into chemical reactions with either the nuclear waste or the container it is kept in.

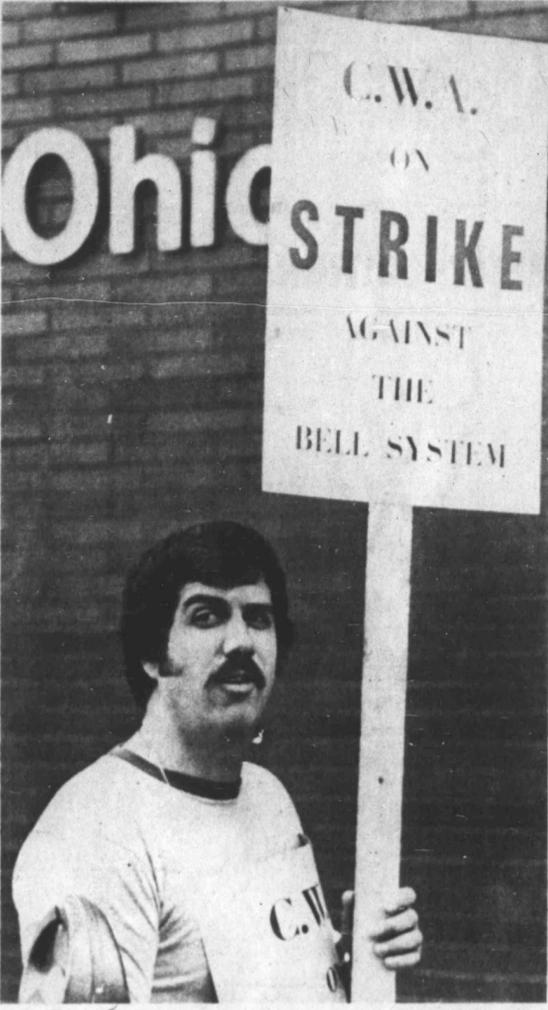
"All of these could be troublesome in the event of breachment of repository integrity," the report said.

Such salt formations are located along the Gulf Coast and in New Mexico, Utah and in parts of the mid-continental and eastern United States.

Granites — another top contender for burying nuclear wastes — present problems because they are easily fractured by natural forces, requiring extremely deep disposal sites, the report said.

And shale — found in thick deposits in the Midwest and West — often undergoes structural changes when subjected to the kind of heat that would be given off by decaying nuclear wastes, raising questions about its suitability, the study said.

The report also said there are key problems with using basalt, volcanic rock or anhydrite (calcium sulfate) formations as burial sites.



Tony Murch, a long lines employee of Ohio Bell, pickets the offices in Columbus Tuesday in protest of company action against workers in Nashville, Tenn.

Telephone company working out strike by phone — how else?

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Perhaps influenced by a telephone company jingle that says "long distance is the next best thing to being there," phone company negotiators worked by phone trying to end a strike by key long-distance personnel.

Involving about 3,000 skilled workers, the strike spread Tuesday from Nashville to Mississippi.

The walkout would set off a day earlier when nine American Telephone & Telegraph employees in Nashville were suspended after declining to cross a picket line set up by South Central Bell Telephone Co.

Telephone company working out strike by phone — how else?

workers. The South Central Bell workers were protesting having to work six days a week.

Wildcat walkouts were reported in Memphis and Nashville; Kansas City, Mo.; Oklahoma City; Louisville, Ky.; Jackson, Miss.; Greensboro, N.C.; Detroit; and Columbus, Toledo and Dayton, Ohio.

The walkout had not disrupted long-distance service, said Mike McCorstin, a spokesman at AT&T's headquarters in Bedminster, N.J.

Tanning weather here for a while

The summer vacation is almost half over, and if any Midlanders have yet to receive a good tan, Thursday may be a good day to work on it.

The weatherman with the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport said it should be fair through Thursday with hot afternoons.

The high should be in the middle 90s, nowhere near the record high of 105 degrees set in 1964. The low should be near 70. The record low for today is 55 degrees set in 1936.

Southerly winds of 10 to 20 mph should be turning southeasterly tonight, the weatherman said.

Clear skies and high temperatures were reported by area towns early today.

Construction at airport creates ills

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growth and needs on a large basis. Recommended plan by the firm calls for three water lines to the area which is described as being bordered on the east by Midland Drive, on the west by FM 1788, on the south by I-20 and on the north by Highway 80 and an area north of the airport.

To deal with sewage, Blazer said the best plan drawn by his firm suggested constructing a reclamation plant south of the airport and I-20.

In other action Tuesday, Hoyt Morgan was granted a new 10-year lease for the restaurant and cocktail lounge at the airport. While his contract will not expire until August 1979, Morgan is planning to put about \$80,000 in improvements into his operations and wanted to be guaranteed he would have the contract, Banks told the council.

Approved on first reading were ordinances setting a 20 mph speed limit along North I Street and authorizing stop signs along the street. Approved on second reading were similar ordinances that apply to North L Street.

Contracts for construction of the fire station to be located at Haines Street and Midkiff Road and for the pro-shop and concession stand at Hogan Park Golf Course were approved.

Approved on second reading were ordinances prohibiting glass containers in public parks and playgrounds and a rate increase for Tall City Cable TV Co. A request to put up for bid a tract of land at the corner of North A Street and Wadley Avenue for an apartment complex was delayed.

The city denied a liability request from Kote-Line Inc. of Odessa for insulation installed on the Parks and Recreation Department gymnasium roof.

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during introductory remarks to the 60 persons gathered for Tuesday's hearing.

"Ten years ago we had a wealth of choices. Utilities could use gas, oil, coal and they were just beginning to look at nuclear power. Now the oil option is not there. The same can be said of natural gas and we are having severe problems with coal. And unless things are going to change we are not going to have a nuclear industry," O'Leary said.

O'Leary noted that California has already forbidden the licensing of nuclear power plants until there is a solution to the nuclear waste disposal problem.

O'Leary said the WIPP proposal is part of the country's first attempt to come to grips with the problem of nuclear waste disposal, a project that "was at the bottom of the pile" for the old Atomic Energy Commission. As a result of this poor planning, "we've had some disgraceful happenings at military waste storage areas. It was only by luck that nothing serious occurred."

Through a representative, Texas Railroad Commissioner Mack Wallace asked DOE for "full local participation" in the transportation planning stage of WIPP.

In a statement read into the hearing record, Wallace said: "It would be foolhardy to have transportation of these materials without the full participation by the people in the communities through which these materials travel."

The present timetable for WIPP is to have an environmental impact statement prepared by January 1979 and to ask the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a license in the spring of 1979. A decision from the NRC is expected in early 1981. If the project is approved, it would take four years to build.

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For oldtimers and newcomers alike: Aug. 5, a Saturday, is the date of the Sheffield Reunion, formerly called the "Ole Timers Reunion." Those who want to join in the 10 a.m. parade ought to bring along their horses, surreys, buckboards and antique roadmobiles.

Float depicts history of Stanton area

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judges had picked their favorites but before any public announcement on the results had been made.

As it turned out, the float didn't faze the judges. Maybe the historical significance of the float didn't impress the judges. What got their favors were floats keyed to the songs "She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain," "In Old Shanty Town" and "On a Bicycle Built for Two."

What happened to their perspective? Back in 1881 in its westward move, the Texas & Pacific set up a little ole' section house named Grelton out in the middle of nowhere. Settlers came. The first to Grelton were five priests, some says monks or friars, from the Order of Carmelites. Families came, more were created, and because of the Roman Catholic influence, the settlement name became Marienfeld, meaning "Field of Mary."

The drought of the mid-1880s came, farms and ranches were broken up and many from the old faith pulled up stakes and moved on.

And in their stead came Protestants, though Marienfeld still was very much Catholic.

But, in the 1890s, the Protestants called for a vote and got the town named Stanton. It namesake was Edwin McMasters Stanton, Abe Lincoln's secretary of war.

The book Mrs. Reid was taking orders for will tell about those early days in Grelton, Marienfeld and Stanton and in such Martin County communities as Countney, Lenorah, Tarzack, Walcott, Flower Grove, Three Leggeds, Ackery and Grady. The book, too, will take in Mustang Draw. It'll describe the years from 1881 to the 1970s.

Jerry Register, the new Stanton police chief, is learning the ins and outs of Martin County. One way is to take heed of Dan Saunders, who's in his second quarter-century as sheriff.

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Historic tax cut vote slated today

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas senators were ready to vote today on two tax-relief measures that Gov. Dolph Briscoe says would be "the largest cut-back in state tax in modern history."

The Senate Finance Committee quickly approved Tuesday afternoon proposals that would:

— Repeal the state sales tax on residential gas and electricity bills and give cities the right to repeal local taxes if they wish.

— Increase state inheritance tax exemption for estates from \$25,000 to \$200,000.

The House had similar bills on its calendar but the first action was expected today in the Senate.

Briscoe strongly recommended the utility tax repeal and inheritance tax exemption measures, which failed to pass the 1977 Legislature, in his opening speech Monday.

The Legislative Budget Board estimated the state utilities tax repeal would result in a loss of about \$125 million in 1979 revenue and about \$14.5 million for inheritance taxes for the same period.

However, San Antonio Mayor Lila Cockrell told the Senate committee Tuesday that the utilities tax break would mean about \$10 million in tax relief to residents of her city alone.

"I feel relief should be given where it hurts most," she said, "and that's with utility bills."

settlement name became Marienfeld, meaning "Field of Mary."

The drought of the mid-1880s came, farms and ranches were broken up and many from the old faith pulled up stakes and moved on.

And in their stead came Protestants, though Marienfeld still was very much Catholic.

But, in the 1890s, the Protestants called for a vote and got the town named Stanton. It namesake was Edwin McMasters Stanton, Abe Lincoln's secretary of war.

The book Mrs. Reid was taking orders for will tell about those early days in Grelton, Marienfeld and Stanton and in such Martin County communities as Countney, Lenorah, Tarzack, Walcott, Flower Grove, Three Leggeds, Ackery and Grady. The book, too, will take in Mustang Draw. It'll describe the years from 1881 to the 1970s.

For oldtimers and newcomers alike: Aug. 5, a Saturday, is the date of the Sheffield Reunion, formerly called the "Ole Timers Reunion." Those who want to join in the 10 a.m. parade ought to bring along their horses, surreys, buckboards and antique roadmobiles.

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Zodiac investigator demoted for writing letter

By DAVID JOHNSTON
The Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — The crack homicide detective who alone for nine years has pursued the mysterious Zodiac killer has been demoted from the homicide division to the pawn shop squad for writing letters over fictitious signatures to a newspaper seeking favorable comment about himself.

Inspector David R. Toschi readily admitted writing the letters to Armistead Maupin, whose fictional newspaper serial, "Tales of the City," was a popular feature in the San Francisco Chronicle in 1976-77.

But Toschi denied Maupin's suggestion that he also wrote an April 24 letter from the Zodiac, the first communication in four years from the mystery man suspected of six random shootings in 1969-70.

Police Chief Charles R. Gain said he demoted Toschi for writing the letters to Maupin. Gain said the authenticity of the latest Zodiac letter is now in question. He would not comment on whether police think Toschi wrote it but said there is no evidence that he did.

Other sources, however, confirmed an investigation into whether Toschi wrote the latest Zodiac letter is under way.

"It was a very foolish thing to do,"

Toschi said of the letters to Maupin. "I am ashamed of it."

Toschi said he wrote the letters to Maupin, using a fictitious name, only because he was excited to see his name in the serial and wanted it to continue.

Maupin, in a prepared statement, said he considered the letters "harmless" and went to the police only after he noticed "certain similarities between the tone of the letters (to him) and the tone of the latest Zodiac letter."

Maupin, who brought the matter to the police 18 months after he got the letters, called a press conference Tuesday.

But he refused to answer any questions and said that a story about Toschi and the letters will appear in New West magazine's issue. He denied the episode was a publicity stunt.

Asked by reporters if he was the Zodiac, Toschi dismissed the idea as absurd.

Toschi, who turned 47 Tuesday, has been a policeman here for 25 years and a homicide investigator for 18 years. Usually, a department spokesman said, homicide detectives work in pairs, but Toschi worked alone on the Zodiac case.

The Zodiac was the name the gunman gave himself in a series of cryptic letters, some written in code, that he sent to the Chronicle and two other

newspapers when he was terrorizing the Bay Area.

Zodiac claimed in one letter to have killed 10 persons.

The April 24 letter to the Chronicle said Zodiac is "back with you. Tell Herb Caen (the Chronicle columnist) I am here. I have always been here. That city pig Toschi is good, but I am

smarter and better...he will get tired then leave me alone. I am waiting for a good movie about me. Who will play me. I am now in control of all things."

Toschi had once said he would eventually catch Zodiac because he was smarter than the killer.

Sherwood Morrill, retired chief of the questioned documents section of the California Bureau of Criminal Identification, who examined all the Zodiac letters, said he is certain the April 24 letter was from "the real Zodiac."

Morrill added that "if Toschi wrote the last one he's the Zodiac. He wrote them all."

But Morrill said he thought, instead, that Toschi was being framed. "My suspicion is that somebody is after Toschi," Morrill said.

Robert Prouty, who now heads the questioned document office, said he believes the April 24 letter was written by someone other than the real Zodiac.

Proponents of Stacy Dam project address Texas Water Commission

By SUSAN STOLER

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — West Texas needs reliable sources of future water supplies, proponents of the Stacy Dam project on the Colorado River told the Texas Water Commission Tuesday.

The Colorado River Municipal Water District has asked for authority to build the dam-and-reservoir project near Ballinger and divert 113,000 acre feet from the Colorado River annually.

The Lower Colorado River Authority, the city of Austin and Lake Travis residents say the project would divert too much water from downstream communities which depend on the Highland Lakes system along the Colorado River.

Water needs developed faster downstream along the river than in West Texas, said Fred Booth, attorney for the water district.

"At the time the LCRA was created in 1934, the people of West Texas were concerned about the possibility of having all resources of the water basin being appropriated at the lower end of the basin where the need was developing earlier," Booth said during the hearing's opening day.

Under a 1931 law known as the Wagstaff Act, municipalities have a right to appropriate water for public supply, he said, drawing a retort from

LCRA attorney Fred Werkenthin.

"No city has applied under the terms of the Wagstaff Act to appropriate water, only the district has done that," Werkenthin said. "The application was triggered because of the needs of Texas Utility Service Inc. and its related power sources. The district contracted with them to apply for such a permit."

The district supplies water to San Angelo, Midland, Stanton, Odessa, Big Spring, Snyder and other communities.

Tentative date established for first Hart murder trial

PRYOR, Okla. (AP) — Oct. 4 has been tentatively scheduled as the date Gene Leroy Hart will go to trial on the first of three, first-degree murder counts filed against him in the slayings of three Girl Scouts last year.

Hart's attorneys expressed doubt that they could be ready for trial on that date, penciled in Tuesday by District Judge William J. Whistler.

Whistler, who apparently will preside at the trial, set the date during an informal meeting with Hart attorney Gary Pitchlynn and Assistant District Attorney Royce Hobbs.

Hart was bound over last week at the conclusion of a 14-day preliminary hearing.

He was charged 10 days after the June 13, 1977 sex slayings of the three young Scouts at Camp Scott, near Locust Grove.

Whistler said Oct. 4 "is my projected trial date," but he indicated it could be changed.

"We could live with it in late November or early December," Pitchlynn said. "We prefer January."

Also Tuesday, Whistler rescheduled Hart's formal arraignment to Aug. 25. District Judge Jess Clanton, who presided at the preliminary hearing, had originally scheduled it for July 18.

Whistler delayed the arraignment so defense attorneys will have several

weeks to study transcripts of the hearing.

Whistler turned down a defense motion that Hart be transferred back to the Mayes County Jail here from the Oklahoma State Prison at McAlester.

Sheriff Pete Weaver wasted no time transferring Hart out of his jail after the hearing concluded July 6, citing security precautions.

Whistler said he would "reconsider" letting Hart stay in the jail after he is returned here the day before the arraignment.

In 1973, Hart escaped twice from the Mayes County Jail. He remained a fugitive following the second escape, in September 1973. He had been serving sentences for kidnapping, rape and burglary.

Hart was recaptured April 6 at an isolated shack some 50 miles from the Girl Scout camp.

Lori Lee Farmer, 8; Michelle Guse, 9, and Doris Denise Milner, 10, all of the Tulsa area, were bludgeoned and sexually molested on the first night of what was to have been a two-week encampment.

The charges against Hart were combined for the preliminary hearing, but prosecutors are expected to announce at the arraignment which of the charges they want to prosecute first.

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Health planning workshop set at regional airport

The Permian Basin Health Systems Agency will conduct a Health Planning Workshop starting at 10:15 a.m. Saturday in the conference room of the West Texas Education Building at Midland Regional Airport.

The workshop will try to establish the direction for development of the Permian Basin Health Systems Plan for the year running from May 1978-May 1979. The two-hour session also will emphasize the responsibility of those involved in the health planning process.

Participating will be the PBHSA governing body members and the planning task force members who worked in developing this year's

plan.

Task forces are set up in the areas of perinatal, emergency medical services, heart, cancer, communicable diseases, drug abuse, mental health, alcoholism, mental retardation, end-stage renal disease, dental health, rehabilitation and environment.

The workshop is open to any resident of the Permian Basin who would like to work on a task force, said a spokesman. Anyone who is interested in serving on a task force may obtain further information by writing to the Permian Basin Health Systems Agency, P.O. Box 6391, Midland, or telephoning 563-1061.

Diving chamber to aid research

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Southwest Research Institute engineers are readying a new deep diving research facility, a submarine-steel chamber that can be used for simulated dives to ocean depths as great as 3,600 feet.

If you think that sounds a little deep, you're right. It's 1,600 feet deeper than a diver has ever gone in such a chamber and 2,000 feet deeper than any open-sea dive.

"It is the only man-rated civilian chamber of its depth rating in the United States, to my knowledge," said George Wolfe, engineer in charge of the program at SWRI.

The chamber, designed, constructed and tested by SWRI, is being installed for research at the Duke

University Medical Center in Durham, N.C.

The facility will significantly extend hyperbaric research capabilities beyond Duke's present depth simulation limit of 1,000 feet.

Made of submarine grade HY-100 steel, the chamber consists of a sphere almost eight feet across, sitting atop an upright cylindrical "wet pot" six feet in diameter. It is designed to operate at pressures to 1,600 pounds per square inch.

Experimental divers, SWRI officials said, have reached the equivalent of about 2,000 feet in a chamber and have gone to depths of 1,600 feet in the open sea. They said 1,000-foot dives are relatively recent and most dives are to lesser depths.

But the efforts to find and develop offshore oil and natural gas resources have helped provide impetus for the study of ways divers can live and work at even greater depths.

Capabilities of the new chamber will permit investigations into many questions affecting the physical and emotional health of deep sea divers.

Researchers hope to determine safe compression and decompression procedures for very deep dives and further investigate medical disorders, such as the high pressure nervous syndrome that causes dizziness, nausea, vomiting, tremors and brain wave irregularities in divers.

Duke's F.G. Hall Laboratory for Environmental Research is widely known for its work in diving research

and medical research involving the application of oxygen at low or high pressures. Duke's six-chamber hyperbaric unit went into service in 1968.

The new chamber, designed to accommodate two-man teams of divers, will be attached to the existing facility so that living quarters can be provided during protracted experimental dives.

Deep sea divers, SWRI officials explained, often spend several days in a diving bell to complete a job at great depths. They must remain at that pressure during that time, even after being brought out of the water each night, because the lengthy decompression procedure is impossible to repeat each day.

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Black art adorns Texas Southern University walls

By SUSAN LINNÉE

HOUSTON (AP) — Their first assignment was to brighten the walls of the one-room art department. They painted murals.

And over the past 29 years, generations of art students at Texas Southern University have covered the walls with the story of their lives and times.

Although the murals in Hannah Hall, the school's administration building, are not always in chronological sequence, they are an expression of the artistic and social consciousness of black students, many of whom came from dirt-poor rural backgrounds and had never had formal training in art.

John Biggers, a young black paint-

er influenced by the Mexican muralists, started the department in 1949. Decoration was not the main purpose of the murals, he said. Rather it was more important "to create an atmosphere and a much-needed identity" in an environment indifferent to black cultural awareness and hostile to the notion of Negro art.

"If education deals with honesty, then this experience has been one of people coming back to what had been taken away from them," Biggers said. "Many of our students had never seen anyone paint a picture before. But each has to do a mural before graduating."

One of the earliest murals depicts the development of black education. It was painted by Abraham Washington in 1952, two years before the Su-

preme Court decision declaring an end to school segregation.

The central figure in the mural is Booker T. Washington. On his left recently freed slaves come into contact with formal education through the Freedman's Bureau, while on his right, row upon row of black doctors and lawyers emerge from Greek-columned buildings.

Most of the murals depict civil rights themes that reflect a growing militancy and disenchantment among black students.

One, "Campus Life: Turmoil of the 60s" by Maurice Ellison, shows young blacks interposed with American flags, eagles and skulls and Richard Nixon. Two posters read: "America doesn't want her black citizens. You see it from her treatments," and

"Black people please wake up."

Harry Vital, a former student who now teaches mural painting, said the biggest difference between TSU art students today and those in the late 1950s and '60s is their lack of direct experience with nature and rural settings.

"Dr. Biggers always stressed the importance of our rural backgrounds," he said. "Now a lot of the kids have never seen a horse or a rooster."

Biggers, a noted muralist, painter and author, said increasing urbanization is having a profound effect on his students.

"Kids today are more chaotic. The whole ghetto thing is putting them out of touch with their earth and their beginnings," he said.

Art and technology came into conflict one day in 1976 when several students rushed in to tell Biggers some men with sledgehammers were knocking down the murals. School officials had decided to install a computer center, he said, and wanted to replace the wall with glass.

"Black college administrators have historically not been interested in art," he said. "They didn't see it as a way for black students to make any money."

The destruction of several murals, without the knowledge of the art department, is still a sore point at the predominantly black school. But Biggers and others took it as a sign they had to move ahead with a project to document the development of the department.

"Black Art in Houston: The Texas Southern University Experience" tells the story of the struggle to encourage students to come to terms with their heritage long before searching for roots was a popular thing to do.

Published by Texas A&M Press and sponsored by Houston art patron Susan McAshan, the book contains photographs of the murals that were destroyed and some of those remaining as well as works by Biggers and his students.

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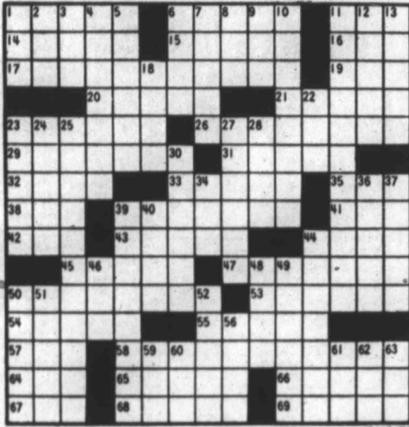
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 - 35 Elders: Abbr.
 - 38 Eisenhower's mother
 - 39 One theory of the beginning of the universe
 - 41 First of an active trio
 - 42 — hall
 - 43 Beautify
 - 44 Variety of cotton
 - 45 Preliminary survey, for short
 - 47 Goes over the wall
- DOWN**
- 1 Actor O'Neal, to friends
 - 2 Gone by
 - 3 Rocky peak
 - 4 Comes to pass
 - 5 Spatial
 - 6 "In apprehension how like —"
 - 7 Jazz style
 - 8 Yoko —
 - 9 Old bird
 - 10 Night flier's appendage
 - 11 Vehicles of our time
 - 12 Cognizant
 - 13 Nickel, for one
 - 18 Irish goddess
 - 22 Exclamations of appreciation
 - 23 — de lune
 - 24 — camp: Var.
 - 25 Snack of a kind
 - 27 Vastness of space
 - 28 Time of day
 - 30 Go away!
 - 34 Shorten: Abbr.
 - 36 Rival of Paris
 - 37 Sudden burst of energy
 - 39 Gardener's ailment
 - 40 Apple of one's eye
 - 44 Well-known box opener
 - 46 Son of Gad
 - 48 Vehicle, old style
 - 49 Paper of a sort
 - 50 Cut
 - 51 Soup dish
 - 52 More unusual
 - 56 Color
 - 59 Word of endearment
 - 60 Id —
 - 61 11th-cent. date: Rom.
 - 62 Ophidian
 - 63 Photog.'s order



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CBS' summer lineup wins battle for TV viewer for second week

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS has won the networks' battle for the prime time TV viewer for the second week in a row with a summer lineup that included the week's two most-watched programs.

At the top of the A.C. Nielsen Co.'s ratings for the week ending July 9 were the CBS comedy hits "Alice" and "One Day at a Time." CBS also listed No. 4 "M-A-S-H" and "Barnaby Jones," tied for 10th.

The strong showing at the top contributed to CBS' rating of 14, compared with 13.3 for NBC and 13.1 for ABC. CBS had won the week before with six of the 10 most-watched shows.

The networks say the rating means in an average prime time minute, 14

percent of the homes in the country with TV were tuned to CBS.

The rating for "Alice" was 21.1, and Nielsen says that means of all the homes in the country with television, 21.1 percent saw at least part of the program.

NBC's best for the week was a repeat of "Colombo," third in the ratings, and ABC's top-rated show was a rerun of "Starsky and Hutch," No. 7.

Ten of the 11 top-rated shows, in fact, were reruns. The exception was an episode of "Switch" on NBC, fifth in the ratings.

Four of the six programs at the bottom of the ratings were on ABC: "Fat Movie," a Friday movie, tied with NBC's "Chico and the Man" and

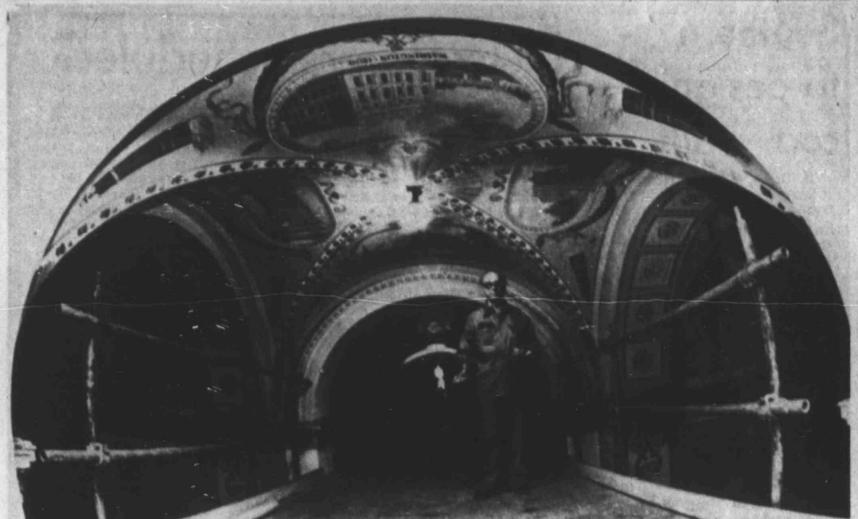
by "Hardy Boys-Nancy Drew Mystery" and "Free Country." "Man from Atlantis" on NBC was last.

Here are the week's Top 10 shows:

"Alice," with a 21.1 rating representing 15.4 million homes, and "One Day at a Time," 20.4 or 14.9 million, both CBS; Big Event—"Colombo," 20.2 or 14.7 million, NBC; "M-A-S-H," 20 or 14.6 million, CBS; "Switch," 19.4 or 14.1 million; "All in the Family," 18.9 or 13.8 million; "Starsky and Hutch," 18.6 or 13.8 million, and "Fantasy Island," 18.5 or 13.5 million, both ABC; "Quincy," 18.4 or 13.4 million, and "Charlie's Angels," ABC, and "Barnaby Jones," CBS, both 18.2 or 13.3 million.

Here are the next 10 shows:

"Love Boat," ABC; "Lou Grant," CBS; "Barney Miller," ABC; "Hawaii Five-O," CBS; "Three's Company," ABC; "60 Minutes," CBS, and ABC Thursday Movie—"Ash Wednesday," tie; "Rockford Files," NBC, and "Carter Country," ABC.



ALLYN COX, an 82-year-old artist, stands atop a scaffolding near a corridor ceiling in the U.S. Capitol building where he spends his days painting scenes of American history. (AP Laserphoto)

Never sold a script? Try 20th Century-Fox

By JAY SHARBUTT

HOLLWOOD (AP) — Okay, so you see that wretched mess of a comedy show on TV and say, "Mercy, I can write better than that." Well, 20th Century-Fox Television is giving you just that chance.

Until July 19, it's holding a national write-in search for new comedy screenwriters. The only restriction: You must never have sold a script or story to movies or television before.

Each candidate must submit two writing samples — a teleplay and an excerpt from a screen-

play or comedy sketch, complete with dialogue. Each sample should be no longer than 45 pages.

A total of 10 rookie gagsmiths will be chosen, the studio says. Each winner will be whisked here and paid \$1,000 for a month in which all attend-in-studio studies of the art of writing TV comedy.

When the month ends, those judged best-of-breed in the field of funny will be signed to work on a comedy pilot, provided they dig up the \$400 fee required to join the Writers Guild here.

It's an unusual pro-

gram, considering that when a TV mogul here just thinks of hiring writers, such materialize within seconds from garages, cafes, car washes, even the trees.

"Yes, but it seems like the same circle of people over and over again," says Lynn Roth, comedy development director for 20th-Fox TV and overseer of the studio's new comedy workshop project.

"If you live here or in New York, you have a chance to become a comedy writer. But if you live someplace in the middle of the country, chances are your work never is read."

This is because studios fear plagiarism suits and only accept scripts from writers' agents, most of whom toil here or in Fun City.

If you plan to fire off your brainwave to 20th-Fox, you'll have to sign a form absolving the studio from plagiarism suits. But after that, your epic definitely will be perused, the studio says.

Ms. Roth says she cooked up the comedy hunt with David Sontag, vice president for creative affairs at 20th-Fox, because "we're constantly looking for new, exciting material and just weren't finding it."

"We thought it (the talent search) was a very good idea. So we said, 'Let's do it.'"

The doings began with letters to college theater arts departments, minority groups and drama groups, she says, and this week the project is being announced in newspaper and trade publication ads.

"It's going to be crazy," she conceded.

Workshop address is room 111, Television Building, 20th Century-Fox, P.O. Box 900, Beverly Hills, Calif. Telephone: 213-277-7494.

'Joy of Sex' meets need for positive approach to sexuality

NEW YORK (AP) — It has spawned more printed joys than a library might bear, but the "Joy of Sex" has outdistanced them all as it approaches the sixth anniversary of its publication.

"It meets a compelling need for a positive approach to sexuality that is not exploitive," says Dr. Mary Calderone, co-founder and president of the Sex Information and

Education Council of the United States. "The book is unique."

The book by Dr. Alex Comfort, a gerontologist who has written fiction, poetry and studies of the aged, has been on best-seller lists virtually since it was published in September 1972.

The hardcover version dwelt on the New York Times list for 73 weeks running, 11 of them in the

top spot. Nearly a million copies of the book have been sold nationally.

But that figure pales by comparison with the 4 million copies sold of the paperback edition. It has been high on the Times list of trade paperbacks ever since it came out four years ago, a phenomenon of the publishing industry.

What's more, it's success has led to imitators

including Comfort himself, whose "More Joy of Sex" has sold 400,000 hardcover copies since 1974 and 700,000 paperbacks since 1975. This is besides 200,000 sets of both books in paper.

In addition, there are 75,000 books in print of the "Joy of Gay Sex" and 50,000 copies of the "Joy of Lesbian Sex." These, of course, have had limited appeal and mixed reviews, and they never threatened Comfort's two times as best-sellers.

"I haven't read them," Comfort sniffs, his scorn transparent through the thickets of his English accent.

Wardell Pomeroy, co-author of the Kinsey report and academic dean of the Institute for Advanced Study of Human Sexuality, was asked to explain the "Joys" phenomenon.

"First, and this is in no particular order, they talk explicitly about sex," he said in a telephone interview from San Francisco.

"Second, they don't do it leeringly or in an off-color way — it's direct. Third, it's informative. Fourth, the pictures are, although explicit, tasteful."

Saying Comfort treated sex "in a positive way," Pomeroy added that the title was appropriate and declared: "It's a joyful experience reading it."

Comfort, who says he collects "only" 33 cents per copy sold and thus "I still work for a living," suggests that the books succeeded because "we did it sufficiently tastefully for people to feel that this was a subject which was no longer taboo."

BRIDGE

Learn great lesson of refusing trick

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD

"The day will come all too soon," my father told me when I was in my teens, "when you will learn the great lesson. You can't win 'em all. You must let an occasional queen get away."

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH		EAST	
♠ Q 2	♥ A 10 7	♠ K J 8 7 6 3	♥ J 4
♦ 10 9 8 7 4	♣ A Q 10	♦ A 6 2	♣ 8 2
WEST		SOUTH	
♠ 5 4	♥ K 9 6 2	♠ A 10 9	♥ Q 8 5 3
♦ K 5	♣ 9 7 6 5 3	♦ Q J 3	♣ K J 4

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	1 ♠	2 NT	Pass
3 NT	All Pass		

Opening lead — ♠ 5

Today's hand is what my father had in mind. West opens the five of spades, dummy plays the queen, and East must show that he has learned

the great lesson. He must not try to win the trick.

If East foolishly plays the king of spades at the first trick, South will play low. East continues with a low spade and South wins with the ten.

Now South starts the diamonds. West takes the first diamond but cannot return a spade to continue the attack. Declarer has time to knock out the ace of diamonds while the ace of spades still stops the suit.

ENCOURAGEMENT

East should play the encouraging eight of spades at the first trick, allowing dummy's queen to get away from him.

When West takes the king of diamonds he has another spade to lead. This time East plays the jack to force out declarer's ace.

East gets in with the ace of diamonds in time to defeat the contract with the rest of the spades.

DAILY QUESTION

As dealer, you hold: S A 10 9 H Q 8 5 3 D Q J 3 C K J 4. What do you say?

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Collecting, working gold mines hobby for Wasson

Tahlequah, Okla. (AP) — Bob Wasson has an unusual hobby: he collects gold mines.

"All told, I own shares or controlling interest in 48 claims in Arizona, Colorado and Nevada," the Tahlequah plumber and heating contractor says.

Wasson, who turned 84 this year, still works in the mines when he gets the chance — digging, blasting and hauling tons of ore.

"I started looking for ore deposits in 1912, and I've been looking ever since," he says. "I have walked through some of the roughest country in the West, from Montana to Mexico, and I've watched it grow from a howling wilderness to a concrete paradise."

"But it's not all gone."

No, not yet! And I'm still looking.

A glance inside one of his farm buildings shows he has been around the countryside a while. One wall is lined with shelves, glittering with rare old glass bottles and kerosene lanterns.

There is a cider press, adding machine (model 1922), rolltop desk, pump organ and a stereopticon — the original 3-D viewer.

He has crammed a lot of excitement into his 84 years.

He rode with Gen. Pershing's force into Mexico in 1916 in pursuit of bandit chieftain Pancho Villa. He served in World War I — with the Rainbow Division.

He has hiked in winter across some of the most rugged mountains in Colorado and prospected for metals in all the western states.

Wasson was born in 1894 in Kansas City, Mo. "It was kind of rough, but it was a good life back then," he said. "I used to ride the street cars across Kansas City to Independence, Mo., and then walk six miles to get home to our farm. My father had a sheet metal shop in Kansas City for years."

He recalls he left home early and went to Dodge City, Kan., where he stayed with brothers.

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Southern to design coal plant

ATLANTA (AP) — The Southern Co. has announced that it will design a plant to convert high-sulfur coal into a clean-burning solid fuel that could drastically reduce the nation's dependence on foreign oil.

The plant will convert 6,000 tons of high-sulfur coal a day into an environmentally acceptable fuel called solvent refined coal, the utility holding company announced. A company spokesman said the tentative site for the plant is in western Kentucky, but a final selection has not been made.

Southern Co. President Alvin W. Vogtle Jr. said data compiled during tests at Georgia Power Co.'s Plant Mitchell near Albany, Ga., proved that solvent refined coal meets current clean air requirements for new power plants and improves plant operation and reliability.

The company said it would receive federal funds to manage the design and engineering work on the demonstration plant.

"Today, the federal government and private industry have taken a giant step toward a common goal — the goal of assuring that new ways to use America's vast coal reserves will be fully developed and in place in the 1990s..." Vogtle said.

The company said the project is part of an intensive effort to speed the development of new energy technologies and is being carried out at the request of the U.S. Department of Energy.

Vogtle said he believes the refining plant can be operational by 1983.

The Southern Co. is the parent firm of Alabama Power Co., Georgia Power Co., Mississippi Power Co. and Gulf Power Co.

Explorers scheduled

A. G. Hill of Midland announced location for a 20,000-foot wildcat in Pecos County, and wildcat operations also have been announced in Ward, Ector, Crockett and Dawson counties.

Hill staked his No. 1 Tree Estate 18 miles southwest of Monahans in Pecos County. The deep prospector is 2,200 feet from south and 1,100 feet from east lines of section 48, block 8, H&GN survey.

The drillsite is 5/8 mile west of the depleted Pennsylvanian discovery in the Trees Ranch field.

WARD PROJECT
HNG Oil Co. of Midland will drill No. 1-152 Williams as a 7,000-foot wildcat in Ward County, 11 miles west of Poyote.

It is 900 feet from northeast and 600 feet from southeast lines of section 152, block 24, H&TC survey. It is one and three-eighths miles northwest of the Phantom (Ellenburger and Devonian) field.

ECTOR RE-ENTRY
Amoco Production Co. announced plans to re-enter its No. 1-AJ-B Midland Farms in Ector County and attempt to complete it from an undesignated Strawn zone.

The well is a former Fasken (Pennsylvanian) producer. It will be plugged back to 10,075 feet.

Location is 600 feet from south and 1,900 feet from east lines of section 27, block 42, T-1-N, G&MMB&A survey and 3/4 mile northeast of Fasken (Pennsylvanian) production.

The location is 16 miles north of Odessa.

CROCKETT EXPLORER
Dan J. Harrison Jr. of Houston spotted location for an 8,500-foot wildcat in Crockett County, 10 miles northwest of Ozona.

It is No. 1 Joe F. Bean, 660 feet from north and east lines of section 29, block UV, GC&SF survey.

The drillsite is four miles southeast of depleted Ellenburger production in the Wyatt field and 5/8 mile northwest of a 7,136-foot dry hole.

DAWSON TEST
Coquina Oil Corp. of Midland No. 1-X Lance Furlow will be drilled as an 8,500-foot wildcat in Dawson County, eight miles north of Lamesa.

Location is 700 feet from north and 600 feet from west lines of section 56, block 35, T-6-N, T&P survey and 100 feet south of an 11,777-foot dry hole, W. A. Moncrief of Fort Worth No. 1 Lance Furlow.

The operator had announced plans to re-enter the Moncrief failure and clean out to 8,500 feet. Re-entry plans have been abandoned and the rig skidded 100 feet south to start a new hole.

Moncrief, before plugging the hole in 1967, reported oil, gas and water on a pair of drillstem tests in the Spraberry, from 7,595 to 7,625 feet and from 8,250 to 8,325 feet.

The test is 2.5 miles east of the Welch (Spraberry) field.

Permian Basin draws wildcat field projects

Hanagan Petroleum Corp. of Roswell, N. M., No. 1-M Faircloth is to be drilled as a new wildcat in Chaves County, N. M., and the same operator announced plans to re-enter and test a dry hole in the same county.

The No. 1-M Faircloth, a 6,800-foot project, is 600 feet from south and west lines of section 29-75-27e and three miles north of High Lonesome. It is 2/3 mile northeast of a 6,933-foot dry hole.

Hanagan No. 1-M Borica is the re-entry operation. Drillsite is three miles north of High Lonesome and 600 feet from south and west lines of section 25d-75-27e. The project is three miles northwest of the Acme (San Andres) field.

FIELD TRY
McClellan Oil Corp. of Roswell No. 1-A Marilise is to be dug as a 2,000-foot test in the Double L (Queen) area of Chaves County, 21 miles east of Hagerman.

The drillsite is 600 feet from north and east lines of section 24-14s-29e.

ROOSEVELT TEST
Sundance Oil Co. of Denver, Colo., staked its No. 6 Cone-Federal in the Tomahawk (San Andres) area of Roosevelt County, 12 miles southeast of Kenna.

Location is 600 feet from south and west lines of section 30-75-32e. It is to drill to 4,350 feet.

PECOS EXPLORER
Alkman Oil Corp. of Midland announced drillsite for an 8,000-foot wildcat in Pecos County, 18 miles southeast of Iraan.

The project is No. 1-A Mary Baker, 1,680 feet from north and 600 feet from west lines of section 36, block 2, TCRW survey. It is 1/2 mile northeast of an undesignated Pennsylvanian discovery.

STERLING TESTS
The Conger (Pennsylvanian) pool of Sterling County has gained two more projects.

Sterling Co. of Midland staked No. 1-14 Brownfield 11 miles southwest of Sterling City and one location northwest of production.

The 7,900-foot test is 600 feet from north and west lines of section 14, block 21, H&TC survey.

Wagner & Brown, also of Midland, No. 6-31-A Ray is to be drilled as an 8,400-foot test seven miles southwest of Sterling City.

Slated for an 8,400-foot total depth, it is 719 feet from south and 2,060 feet from west lines of section 31, block 22, H&TC survey.

PAROCHIAL TESTS
Dorchester Exploration, operating from Midland, announced locations for a pair of projects in the Parochial Band (Cisco) field of Sterling County.

The operator staked No. 1-9 Foster 13 miles northwest of Sterling City and one mile northeast of one of the field's two wells.

Scheduled to drill to 7,800 feet, it is 1,650 feet from south and west lines of section 9, block 22, H&TC survey.

Dorchester No. 1-18 Price will be drilled 14 miles northwest of Sterling City and 5/8 mile southeast of Parochial Band (Cisco) production.

The 7,800-foot operation is 900 feet from north and 1,320 feet from west lines of section 18, block 22, H&TC survey.

PECOS WELL
Dick Glover Oil Properties of Midland reported potential test for its No. 2 Jasper County Realty Co. in the Beverly (Queen) field of Pecos County, 10 miles southwest of Imperial.

It is slated for a daily pumping potential of 4 barrels of 24-gravity oil and 15 barrels of water, through perforations from 1,815 to 2,052 feet. Gas-oil ratio is 850-1.

Operator acidized with 1,500 gallons and fractured with 1,000 barrels of fluid.

Total depth is 2,085 feet and 4.5-inch casing is set at total depth. The plugged back depth is 2,058 feet.

Wellsite is 900 feet from southeast and 2,310 feet from southwest lines of section 21, block 10, H&GN survey.

CROCKETT WILDCATS
Anderson Petroleum, Inc., of Ozona will dig a pair of 7,400-foot wildcats in Crockett County, 30 miles southwest of Ozona.

Attempts will be made to develop gas production in the Clear Fork zone.

No. 1-12-D Elmer Hoover Hatton Estate is 3/8 mile north of Canyon production and two and one-eighth miles west of Clear Fork gas production in the VIP field.

The drillsite is 870 feet from south and 1,100 feet from west lines of section 12, block MM, T&SL survey. Ground elevation is 2,410 feet.

Anderson No. 1-24-A W. K. Warren will be drilled 17 1/2 mile south of Canyon production and two and one-quarter miles southwest of the VIP (Clear Fork) area.

Location is 1,580 feet from north and 780 feet from east lines of section 24, block MM, T&SL survey.

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FIELD AREA
J. Cleo Thompson of Dallas No. 4 C. E. Davidson III is to be drilled as an 8,200-foot test in the Davidson Ranch multipay area of Crockett County, 7.5 miles southeast of Ozona.

It is 1/2 mile west and 5/8 mile northeast of 7,800-foot production and 1,320 feet from north and east lines of section 21, block LJ, GC&SF survey.

KIMBLE EXPLORER
A 2,200-foot wildcat has been spotted in Kimble County by J. R. Brown of Houston.

The project is No. 6 Awbrey Kothmann, 3/4 mile northwest of Brown No. 1 Kothmann, a 4,400-foot dry hole. Location for the new project is 14 miles northeast of Junction and 2,408 feet from south and 1,409 feet from east lines of section 90, W. H. Wilson survey, abstract 2099. Ground Elevation is 2,117 feet.

CRANE TEST
Atlantic Richfield Co. No. 7-K Block 31 Unit is to be drilled as an Atoka project in the Block 31, East (Devonian and Atoka) field of Crane County, six miles northwest of Crane.

The 9,100-foot test is 1,320 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 31, block 31, University Lands survey.

RE-ENTRY WILDCAT
Martin Oil Co. of Aspermont announced plans to re-enter a 4,650-foot well in the Mengel (Canyon) field of Stonewall County, five miles south of Aspermont.

The operator will plug back to 3,065 feet tests as a wildcat.

Re-entry will be operated as No. 6 I. E. Smith.

Location is 840 feet from north and 1,005 feet from west lines of D. N. Hodges survey.

REAGAN TESTS
Saxon Oil Co. of Midland spotted four projects in the Spraberry Trend Area of Reagan County.

No. 1-18 University is 1/2 mile west of production and 1,320 feet from north and east lines of section 18, block 9, University Lands survey.

No. 2-18 University is one mile west of production and 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 18, block 9, University Lands survey.

No. 3-18 University is one and one-quarter miles southwest of production and 1,320 feet from south and west lines of section 18, block 9, University Lands survey.

No. 4-18 University is 3/4 mile southwest of production and 1,320 feet from south and east lines of section 18, block 9, University Lands survey.

The projects are eight miles northwest of Big Lake and scheduled for 7,650-foot bottoms.

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY
Exxon No. 1-1 Margaret Collins, id 17,800 feet, shut in.

Exxon No. 2-3 John May, id 11,900 feet, shut in.

HNG No. 1-36 Hodgins, id 14,220 feet, shut in.

HNG No. 1 Reed, drilling 1,645 feet.

Getty No. 1-14, drilling 1,800 feet.

Getty No. 2-1 Emma Lou, drilling 5,897 feet in dome.

Getty No. 2-DA Weatherly, drilling 15,911 feet in shaft.

International Oil & Gas No. 1-45 Coates, plugged back (depth 10,800 feet), swabbing Strawn.

International Oil & Gas No. 1-64 Coates, id 1,198 feet, swabbing and cleaning out.

REAGAN COUNTY
Saxon No. 1-13 University, id 7,878 feet, pumped 40 barrels of load oil and 120 barrels of water in 24 hours.

Saxon No. 2-12 University, id 7,400 feet, pumped 60 barrels of load oil and 151 barrels of water in 24 hours.

Saxon No. 4-13 University, pumped 41 barrels of load oil and 144 barrels of water in 24 hours.

Exxon No. 1-14 University, drilling 1,353 feet in surface rock.

EVES COUNTY
HNG No. 1-11 Hoover, drilling 12,543 feet in line and shale.

Hillard No. 1-1 Reeves, drilling 14,800 feet.

Texas No. 1-11 Hoover, drilling 12,674 feet, fishing.

HNG No. 1-23 Hoover-Morris, drilling 11,900 feet.

HNG No. 1-24 State, drilling 2,821 feet.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY
Enersch No. 3 Lambirth, id 8,000 feet in cement, set 5 1/2-inch casing in it.

SCHLESCHER COUNTY
Blanks No. 1-1 Bruter, id 7,878 feet, shut in.

STERLING COUNTY
Krown Central No. 2-13 Terry, id 7,244 feet, pumped 10 barrels of load water in 24 hours.

Stutz, Wagner & Brown No. 2-4 Hillard, id 11,700 feet, preparing to run casing.

W. C. Blanks No. 1-1 Terry, id 7,800 feet.

Blanks No. 1015 Brownfield, id 6,000 feet, shut in.

TERRY COUNTY
Union Texas No. 1-1 Ployd, drilling 8,200 feet.

American Quarar No. 1 Seaton, drilling 11,600 feet in line and shale.

Hill No. 2 Louis, id 5,514 feet, merging in completion.

NRM No. 1-1 Louis, drilling 5,420 feet, shut in.

TOM GREEN COUNTY
Saxon No. 1-1E Waterbottom, id 6,724 feet, waiting on cement.

NRM No. 1-1QG Ranch, id 6,000 feet, shut in.

UPTON COUNTY
Union Texas No. 3 Lane, id 10,000 feet, pumped 10 barrels of oil and 10 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 12,200-10,200 feet.

Exxon No. 1-15 University, id 6,110 feet, recovering load.

Cotton Petroleum No. 1-A Jackson, id 11,700 feet, swabbing 10 barrels of load water and some gas, through perforations at 11,000-11,000 feet, which have fractured with 3,000 gallons and 14,000 pounds.

John L. Cox No. 1-McDaniel, id 8,500 feet, waiting on cement, set 8 1/2-inch casing in it.

Cox No. 1 Langford, id 418 feet, waiting on cement, set 8 1/2-inch casing in it.

Cox No. 3 Morgan, id 418 feet, waiting on cement, set 8 1/2-inch casing in it.

VAL VERDE COUNTY
Resource Investment No. 1-8 Arledge, id 14,800 feet, recovering load, through perforations at 12,200-14,770 feet, which were acidified with 14,000 gallons.

Exxon No. 2 Whitehead, drilling 1,975 feet.

Pennsult, Getty & Tamarack No. 1 Fawcett, id 14,813 feet, waiting on cement, set a plug at 14,150 feet.

WARD COUNTY
Monasanto No. 1-17-4 University, drilling 12,700 feet in line.

Monasanto No. 1 Keller, drilling 15,945 feet in shaft.

Monasanto No. 1 Johnston, id 12,100 feet, drilling on DV well.

HNG No. 1-125 Green, set a bridge plug at 6,200 feet, flowing back, load, through perforations at 6,200-4,142 feet, which were fractured with 60,000 gallons and 27,000 pounds.

O. H. Berry No. 1 Kray, drilling 120 feet.

Exxon No. 1 Tero-State, drilling 12,000 feet.

Exxon No. 2-1 Leader, id 17,804 feet, shut in.

Exxon No. 1-3 Wilson, drilling 4,875 feet.

Getty No. 2-0B State, id 8,000 feet, pumped 20 barrels of oil and 112 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 5,900-4,100 feet.

Getty No. 2-9E State, id 6,000 feet, still waiting on completion work.

Getty No. 1-9 University, drilling 3,320 feet in shaft and line.

Getty, Mitchell & Wintershaker No. 1 Blue Jacket, drilling 7,800 feet in line and shale.

Getty No. 4-10-10 University, id 15,400 feet, preparing to test later.

WINKLER COUNTY
Gifford, Mitchell & Wintershaker No. 1-A G. Hill, drilling 19,700 feet in line and shale.

Monasanto No. 1 Evelyn, id 16,000 feet, shut in.

Getty No. 1-4-21 University, drilling 12,000 feet.

Cotton Petroleum No. 1-30 University, id 10,200 feet, swabbing and reaming.

Hillard No. 2-2F Sealy-Smith, drilling 8,700 feet.

Rial well extends Winkler oil pool; pair of discoveries take potentials

Rial Oil Co. of Midland has completed its No. 1-33-B Sealy-Smith Foundation as a one-half-mile west extension to the Arenoso (Strawn detritus) pool of Winkler County, 13 miles southeast of Kermit.

Operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 875 barrels of oil, no water, through a 20/64-inch choke and perforations from 8,619 to 8,771 feet.

Gravity of the oil is 38 degrees, and the gas-oil ratio is 1,200-1.

Operator acidized the pay section with 2,500 gallons.

The well, 100 percent owned by Rial, is 1,650 feet from north and 1,900 feet from west lines of section 33, block A, G&MMB&A survey.

Total depth is 8,050 feet and 4.5-inch casing is cemented at total depth.

REAGAN REOPENER
Marathon Oil Co., operating from Midland, has reopened Fusselman production in the Big Lake multipay field of Reagan County, one mile northeast of Texon.

The well, No. 4-BL University, one-half mile northeast of the original Fusselman opener which was completed in 1950, finished for a 24-hour flowing potential of 151 barrels of 45 gravity oil and six barrels of water, through a 9/64-inch choke.

The pay section is behind casing perforations from 8,500 to 8,534 feet. The zone was acidized with 200 gallons.

Gas-oil ratio is 1,020-1.

Total depth is 9,312 feet and 5.5-inch casing was cemented at 9,300 feet.

The project is bottomed in the Ellenburger. Test of that zone through perforations from 8,851 to 9,147 feet failed to develop commercial production.

Location is 600 feet from north and 1,780 feet from west lines of section 1, block 2, University Lands survey.

The project topped the Dean at 6,778 feet, the Strawn at 8,247 feet, the Devonian at 8,378 feet, the Fusselman at 8,490 feet, the Simpson at 8,582 feet and the Ellenburger at 8,856 feet.

Kelly bushing elevation is 2,712 feet.

RUNNELS STRIKE
Hameo Exploration & Development Co. has asked for discovery allowable and new field designation for No. 1-B Hoppe (formerly No. 1-F Emma Marka), Strawn lime oil discovery in Runnels County.

The strike finished for a daily flowing potential of 67 barrels of 40-gravity oil, through a 12/64-inch choke and perforations from 3,074 to 3,730 feet. Gas-oil ratio is 925-1.

Operator washed with 500 gallons of mud acid and treated with 2,500 gallons of acid.

Location is 650 feet from south and 4,200 feet from west lines of John Jacob Taylor survey No. 541.

It is a twin to a 4,471-foot failure and 5/8 miles south of the Britley, Southeast multipay field. It is separated from that pool by a 4,170-foot dry hole.

Location is 4.5 miles northeast of Winters.

STERLING TESTS
Wagner & Brown of Midland spotted locations for a steepout and an outpost to the Big Salute (Canyon) pool of Sterling County.

The outpost is No. 1-15 Price, one and one-quarter miles southeast of production and 1,900 feet from south and 600 feet from west lines of section 15, block 22, H&TC survey and nine miles southwest of Sterling City. It is to be drilled to 8,400 feet.

The steepout is No. 1-3-C Rayl, 2,150 feet from south and 1,400 feet from east lines of section 3, block 31, T&P survey. It is nine miles southwest of Sterling City and 1/2 mile northeast of production.

It also is contracted for an 8,400-foot bottom.

IRON GAS WELL
John L. Cox of Midland has announced completion of a new well in the Ela Sugg (Wolfcamp gas) area of Iron County, 14 miles northeast of Barnhart.

The well, 5/8 mile southwest of

Operator is waiting on cement after landing seven-inch casing at 12,605 feet.

Location is 467 feet from north and 1,900 feet from east lines of section 9, block 6, University Lands survey and 18 miles northeast of Andrews. It is one location southwest of a completed Devonian well.

The well, No. 1-O Miss Ela, is 1,320 feet from the most westerly north line and 990 feet from the most westerly west line of O. G. Coulson survey No. 4.

Gas-liquid ratio is 65,000-1, and gravity of the liquid is 51 degrees.

Total depth is 7,764 feet and 4.5-inch pipe was landed on bottom.

TESTS SLATED; STRIKE SEEN
Operators have announced locations for wildcats in four North Basin counties, and pipe is to be set in a possible Devonian discovery in Gaines County.

Ashland Exploration, Inc., No. 1-84 L. B. Jones is to be drilled as an 8,300-foot wildcat in Crosby County, three miles northeast of Kalgray.

It is 100 feet from north and west lines of section 84, block 2, H&GN survey and three and three-eighths miles west of the White River field. It is one and one-quarter miles west of an 8,050-foot dry hole.

GAINES WILDCAT
Houston Oil & Minerals Corp. No. 1 Reagan County School Land is a new 13,000-foot wildcat in Gaines County, 18 miles northeast of Andrews.

The project is 600 feet from south and east lines of labor 18, league 297, Reagan County School Land survey.

It is one and one-fourth miles north of the depleted Strawn discovery in the Brennan field. Ground elevation is 3,057 feet.

HOCKLEY EXPLORER
A 6,500-foot wildcat has been spotted in Hockley County, 11 miles east of Levelland.

It is General Crude Oil Co. of Houston No. 1-13 Oil Development Co., 600 feet from south and west lines of labor 13, league 1, Jones County School Land survey.