Panel toughens 'windfall profits' tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) - A toughened "windfall profits" tax is on its way to the full House where anger over long gasoline lines and high fuel prices is expected to lead to prompt approval.

The beefed-up tax, which would cost oil companies about \$6 billion more over five years than President Carter's original plan, cleared the House Ways and Means Committee on a 20-16 vote Tuesday. The bill is scheduled for House action next week.

After clearing whatever hurdles it encounters in the House, the tax proposal is expected to face a stiff challenge when it goes to the Senate Finance Committee, which is headed by oil-state Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La. In related developments:

-Three congressional committees are considering legislation to promote development of synthetic fuels, such as oil extracted from coal, and other alternatives to foreign oil.

-Rep. Toby Moffett, D-Conn., chairman of a House energy subcommittee, said Tuesday home heating oil may be in such short supply in the Northeast this winter that people may have to leave their homes and go to public shelters to keep warm.

-Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal outlined to the Ways and Means Committee Tuesday the Carter administration's proposal to raise \$500 million a year by limiting the oil companies' use of the foreign tax credit. Liberals on the committee are expected to press for their own proposal to eliminate the foreign tax credit for oil companies altogether and thus raise an estimated \$2 billion a year.

The Ways and Means Committee's "windfall profits" tax bill would raise an estimated \$27.8 billion between 1980 and 1984, compared with \$21.8 billion under the president's bill.

The revised version would allow the oil companies to keep 17 cents to 23 cents of each dollar gained from oil price decontrol. Those pennies would total about \$13 billion in extra oil company profits through 1984.

The committee adopted the president's plan for a special energy trust fund, paid for by the "windfall" taxes, but put off until later a decision on what types of projects the fund will support.

Carter has recommended using the fund to help finance improved mass transit and development of alternative energy sources and to help pay for the fuel bills of low-income Americans.

The committee rejected most efforts Tuesday to tamper further with the proposed "windfall" tax. However, it voted to exempt from the tax revenues contributed by oil companies to state educational funds.

Committee members said that exemption would reduce the revenue raised by the tax by about \$700 million over five years. However, some congressional tax experts indicated they believe the figure might be closer to \$1 billion.

And by an 18-17 vote, the committee approved a so-called closed rule for floor action on the bill. A closed rule would bar floor amendments aimed at toughening or weakening the tax when it goes to the full House.

The "windfall" tax accompanies the president's action to slowly lift price controls on U.S.-produced crude oil, a process that began June 1 and will continue until mid-1981 when domestic oil prices will have reached world levels.

Under price controls, U.S. oil prices have been averaging about \$11 per 42-gallon barrel - compared with world prices averaging about \$18, including surcharges. The nation imports roughly half of the petroleum it

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Demand for water studied by council

By LANA CUNNINGHAM Staff Writer

Midland's water demands by 1990 will exceed the supply if no action is taken in the near future, the Midland City Council was advised Tuesday during a regular session in City Hall

The meeting was 15 minutes late getting started so four members could show up, giving the council a quorum. Missing were Tom Sloan and Doris Howbert.

Dr. James Glasser with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, Inc., an engineering firm in Lubbock, said Midland's three water supplies have a current capacity of 37.5 million gallons per

This includes 13.5 mgd from the Colorado River Municipal Water District, 5 mgd from McMillen Field west of the city and 19 mgd from the Paul Davis Well Field about 30 miles north of Midland. For 1979, the projected peak load is 31 to 34 mgd; for 1985, the projected peak is 37 to 40 mgd, and in 1990, it will be 42 to 46 mgd, Glasser said. "By 1990, the demand will exceed what now is available from the three water sources," he added. The most feasible idea is to increase the amount from the Paul Davis field because "there are a number of undeveloped well sites," Glasser said. The transmission line from that field into Midland is designed for a maximum of 27 mgd, but is now only pumping 19 mgd. With booster pumps and an auxiliary line, it could be increased to 37 mgd, he recommend-

sites and five pumps for those wells; employ Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, Inc. to design and write the specifications for new system lines and construction of a booster pump halfway between the city and the Paul Davis field; replace antiquated control equipment, and install an interconnecting line between the Paul Davis and McMil'en fields.

In other action, Magnatex Corp. cleared the final City Council hurdle with approval on second reading for its zone changes. The requests deal with a shopping center and housing development to be built on the southeast corner of FM 868 and Midkiff Road.

Moving the 911 emergency system

Parking fee at airport

to buck pricing trend

to the new Central Fire Station when it is completed was approved by the panel. That OK also included installation of a new emergency system in January.

Other action included approval of a contract with Nolen and Hemphill Architects to draw plans for a new Municipal Court Building.

The structure will be located on a vacant lot across the street from the current Public Safety Building and should have about 4,000 square feet of space.

Where the money will come from for the construction has not been decided by the council, but options include revenue bonds or a bond issue.

Boasting architectural lines noticeably out of "carriage house" - but much of its known step with those of businesses along Midland's West history dates back only to a relocation in 1923. Wall Street, this structure is thought to be an old (Staff Photo)

Old building 'tucked away'

Structure, its history 'hidden'

By LANA CUNNINGHAM **Staff Writer**

Nestled away from busy streets in a commercial section of Midland is an odd-looking and yet elegant old building which motorists can see only if they're looking for it.

The two-story, cream-colored wooden structure trimmed with teal blue has the appearance of another time

And apparently it is from an early period in the city's history, said Fred Hansler, who owns the building and lot at 2004 W. Wall St.

The house sits on the back of the West Midland lot, which also contains a business building fronting on Wall Street.

Hansler said he has been told the strange-looking building was a carriage house built in downtown Midland in the early 1900s, but he doesn't know the exact date of its construction or original location.

He said the structure may have been used to house carriages before cars became popular in West Texas.

The building was moved to its current spot and placed on a concrete foundation in 1923, he said. Bricks were molded into the ground in front of the door, forming a kind of porch framed by an iron railing. In the building's functional heyday, the upstairs likely was used as living quarters by the person operating the carriage house, Hansler said.

Not long after the building was moved to Wall Street. sometime in the mid-1920s, it was used by some Catholic nuns as a residence, according to Hansler.

The nuns then were operating a hospital in Midland, he said.

Since that time, the "carriage house" has been used as a real estate office, artists' studio and storage room - with the upstairs section rented as a small apartment at various intervals.

The problem now, Hansler said, stems from the fact that he needs the space now occupied by the building for more parking. But if the house does have signicifanct historical value, he said he would prefer moving it to another location instead of tearing it down.

Or it may be that someone would prefer restoring the building to its original design, noted Hansler.

Trying to unravel the building's history before 1928 has led him nowhere, he said.

Hansler, whose telephone number is 563-0159, indicated he would like to hear from anyone having firm knowledge about the building's history.

Somoza's guard continues effort to drive rebels from Managua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) -President Anastasio Somoza's national guard attacked Sandinista guerrillas in the slums of eastern Managua today in a drive to clear the rebels from the capital.

"It's going very well for us," said a high-ranking government source. 'We expect to finish the operation in Managua today.

The sounds of rocket, machine-gun and mortar fire mixed with heavy. explosions through the night. The government source said convoys of troop reinforcements left the infantry training school at intervals through the night.

Smoke rose from the barrios on the east side of the city, which the guerrillas had controlled for more than a week.

The rebels of the Sandinista National Liberation Front appeared to have left or been driven out of the western half of the city but were fighting from barricaded positions on the other side of Managua.

The rebels' clandestine Radio Sandino said an attack wa imminent on Somoza's heavily fortified headquarters, known as the Bunker, inside the infantry training school. But reliable sources said some guerrillas were pulling out of the capital and possibly heading for Rivas, 30 miles north of the Costa Rican border, which the Sandinistas have vowed to capture and make a capital for the provisional government they named last weekend.

The Sandinistas announced Tuesday night that their forces in the south resumed their attack near La Virgen, south of Rivas. But Maj. Pablo Emilio Salazar, the 35-year-old commander of Somoza's forces in the south, denied the rebel claim in a television appearance.

'We have stopped them at the Rio Pita," said Salazar. "We figure there are now 400 to 600 guerrillas there. We are planning a major offensive.'

The Pita River is five miles north of the Costa Rican border.

A Sandinista spokesman in neighboring Costa Rica said there were 600 guerrillas at La Virgen "with the heaviest weapon we have. We have also moved up for the battle all the armored cars and other weapons taken from the national guard."

La Virgen, on Lake Nicaragua, is 12 miles from the border.

The Sandinista commander in the south, Eden Pastora, told a reporter the guerrillas had overrun several barrios in Rivas and were battling the national guard garrison there late

Tuesday.

There was no estimate of rebel casualties in the three weeks since the Sandinistas launched their second offensive in 10 months to try to end the 42-year rule of the Somoza family dictatorship. But reliable sources said 80 national guardsmen have been killed and 215 wounded, two of the guard's four Sherman tanks were disabled in Leon, and only five of its 10 rocket-firing Cessnas were still fly-

Foreign embassies continued to sponsor evacuation flights. More than 800 persons have left on U.S. Air Force C-130s. National guardsmen stopped a busload of Venezuelans and political refugees from the Venezuelan embassy and threatened to shoot them as Sandinistas, but the Venezuelan foreign minister arranged their release and departure from the country.

The Sandinistas control a number of cities in northwest Nicaragua, including Leon, the country's second largest, and in most of them have the national guard garrisons under siege. The government says no attempt will be made to recover those points until the rebels in Managua and the south have been defeated.

The council approved recommendations made by John Lowe, director of public utilities.

These included employing Ed Reed and Associates to design five well

Fees for the new two-story parking garage at Midland Regional Airport will be changed, but unlike most prices nowadays, they will go down.

Midland City Council Tuesday approved changes in the parking lot rates during a regular session in City Hall after Col. Wilson Banks, director of aviation, said the covered parking area is not being utilized because of its higher price.

Currently, charge for parking in the covered area is 50 cents per hour or \$5 per day. The council has lowered that to 30 cents for the first half hour, 20 cents for each additional half hour, up to \$4 per day.

The 30 cent half hour would be cheaper than the remaining parking areas and could be utilized by persons needing a place to stop for a short time.

The new uncovered area will carry a fee of 35 cents for the first hour and 15 cents each additional hour up to \$2 per day. The old lot west of the building will be reserved for long-term parking, with the charge to be \$1.50 per day.

"People have told me they won't use that covered parking area because of the high prices," Banks said in presenting his arguments to the council

Even though the remodeling at Midland Regional Airport officially was dedicated Friday, more changes were approved by the council.

Another computer for the second toll both at the exit of the parking lot was approved for purchase. One al-

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Ambassador would suit Russians, analysts say

By HARRY DUNPHY

MOSCOW (AP) - Businessman Thomas J. Watson Jr., President Carter's reported choice to be the next U.S. ambassador to Moscow, would be just the kind of foreign

The Soviet leaders are uncomfortable with specialists who speak Rustraining, Western envoys said. Watther a Russian-speaking expert on the Soviet Union nor a professional diplomat with years of experience at dealing with foreign governments.

The Russians prefer to conduct their negotiations with foreign gov ernments through their ambassador abroad rather than by talking wit the envoys accredited to them. The want to keep foreign ambassadors a a distance because this enables then to maintain their secretive way of operating.

"If they allowed ambassadors t perform their duties as they do else where, the Soviets would have to ope up their society because we'd insist o access to the people who hold the rea levers of power," one Western am bassador said.

As a result, many ambassadors find the Moscow assignment one of th most difficult and frustrating of their careers. Their work is limited to re porting what is in the official press exchanging speculation with co leagues, opening trade exhibition and giving and going to cocktail par ties and dinners.

"I've been here nearly four year

and in that time I've had talks with (Foreign Minister Andrei A.) Gromyko once," a European ambassador. complained. "The Soviet ambassador to my country has access to all levels of government."

Many ambassadors here believe their governments are wrong to accept the Soviet way of doing diplomatic business because there is a risk Moscow's ambassadors may misunderstand what they are told. But the Western governments go along in the interest of expediency.

The strategic arms limitation treaty Carter and President Leonid Brezhnev signed in Vienna Monday is a case in point. The final obstacles to the agreement were overcome during nearly 30 meetings starting last January between Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and the Soviet ambassador in Washington, Anatoly Dobryn-

Vance has said he decided he had a better chance to clear up these issues with Dobrynin, who has been a trusted conduit between Washington and Moscow since the Cuban missile crisis in 1962. But this diminished the role of the U.S. ambassador in Moscow, Malcolm Toon, and the position of his successor.

Toon, who is retiring this summer, is a career diplomat as every U.S ambassador here has been for 27 years, since George Kennan in 1952. He speaks Russian, has been ambassador to two other Soviet Bloc countries and had two previous assignments in Moscow at a lower level.

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sian and have some familiarity with the country and its government through previous assignments or son, the former head of IBM, is nei-

envoy the Kremlin wants, Western diplomatic analysts say.



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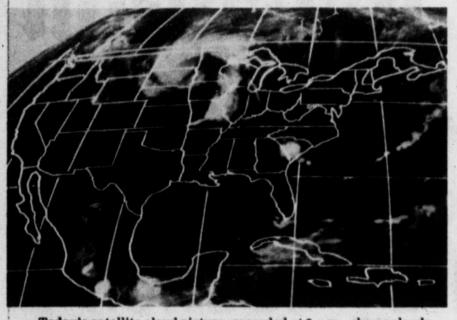
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Sunny skies with warm weather in most areas is expected in the western half of the nation through Thursday. Rain and showers are forecast from the central Gulf states to the Great Lakes. (AP Laserphoto Map)



Today's satellite cloud picture, recorded at 3 a.m., shows clouds associated with a cold front stretching from Missouri northward. through the upper Midwest. Clouds extend westward over the northern Plains due to a storm center in the Dakotas. (AP Laserphoto)

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EPA criticized for role in water agreement

By RICHARD MASON **Staff Writer**

The role of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in a joint state of Texas-EPA agreement drew fire from oil industry officials Tuesday in Midland

Simultaneously, a San Angelo environmentalist claimed the EPA is not doing enough to protect consumers.

The comments came during a public hearing on an agreement between the state and the EPA, which addresses water quality and waste management in the state of Texas.

According to information supplied at the hearing, the state and the EPA will enact stricter standards for water quality beginning in 1980 under the current proposal.

The goals also promise stricter standards for maintaining the state's water supply and for licensing and permitting in waste disposal and water treatment

Those regulations also promise tighter restrictions on underground injection wells.

About 30 persons attended the hearing at Midland College, one of five across the state this week.

Three of them, including two members of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, addressed the proposal during public testimony portions of the hearing.

Al Dillard, president of PBPA, said existing state agencies had been doing an adequate job protecting the environment from industrial threats. "I find the EPA regulations are not nearly as good as the ones the states

of Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma have enforced over the years," he said

Dillard told the hearing panel, composed of officials from the Texas Department of Health, the Texas Department of Water Resources and the Railroad Commission, that state agencies should intervene between the oil industry and the EPA, with the state enforcing the regulations.

Dillard was joined at the meeting by Arthur Densmore, an oil engineer and EPA chairman for the PBPA.

Densmore criticized EPA regulations for being unrealistic.

"Mother Nature violates some of the mandates set out by the EPA," Densmore said.

However, Harrold Tabor, a self-employed businessman from San Angelo, disagreed about the effectiveness of state agencies in enforcing regulations

Tabor, reading a prepared statement from the Lone Star Sierra Club, criticized the water quality and management plan for ineffectiveness in guaranteeing a clean environment.

'We need some action here, we don't need any more studies," he said.

Tabor asked that the authority of the regulations be "as strong as the law will allow" on enforcing the management of hazardous wastes.

The environmentalist contended "state agencies do not have the concern for the citizens of this state that they should have.

"The Railroad Commission is oriented to oil production, not to water quality," he charged.

Tabor asked that the EPA increase its penalties for violation of pollution standards, holding industries economically responsible for any damages.

Council to lower parking fee

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ready is on order, Banks said. Additions to the terminal building for Braniff International's ticket booth and to the air cargo building for Braniff and Texas International finally got off the ground Tuesday during the meeting.

Bids for both projects were accepted by the council.

Awarded a contract for the Braniff addition was Stewart and Clark Construction Co. of Dallas who had a bid of \$681,000. The bid is subject to the approval of Braniff.

A contract for the air cargo building went to Snead Construction Co. of Odessa, which bid \$275,880.

Both projects had been out for bid earlier in the year, but council members rejected the bids on the basis they were too high. Comparing Tuesday's bids with the earlier ones, the council was told it had saved about \$290,000 by going out for bids a second time

Plans for a new entrance road to Midland Regional Airport, drawn by Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, Inc., of Lubbock, were approved. Redesigning of LaForce Boulevard calls for traffic leaving the airport building to enter LaForce Boulevard by the Post Office. A second phase of the project includes a spur road connecting with FM 1788.

Fair, warm

Members of the Minnesota National Guard go through an early morning jog outside the Koch oil refinery today in Pine Bend, Minn, The guard wascalled to duty Tuesday by the governor in an effort

to get oil supplies moving again after independent truckers succeeded in slowing down trucks at refineries around the state. (AP Laserphoto)

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Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Generally fair through tonight. Warmer Panhandle. Partly cloudy to clear Thursday. Highs in the 90s except near 105 Big Bend valleys. Lows 58 to 75

North Texas: Partly cloudy central and east through Thursday. Continued fair west. Highs ranging from 93 southeast to near 100 southwest. Lows 72 to 77.

South Texas: Considerable morning cloudiness over the Hill Country and south central, otherwise partly cloudy, warm and humid through Thursday with isolated abovers mear the Coast. Highs mostly low and mid son north to near 100 along the Rio Grande. Lows mid 70s

Extended forecasts Friday through Sunday

West Texas: Near seasonal temperatures Friday through Sunday with highs mostly in 90s to near 105 Big Bend Valleys. Lows in 60s north to 70s south.

North Texas: Mostly fair and warm Friday through Sunday. Highest temperatures lower and mid 90s. Lowest in the lower and mid 70s.

South Texas: Isolated thundershowers southeast Texas and along the Guif Coast Friday otherwise part-ly cloudy and warm. Afternoon highs in the 90s and overnight lows 60s northwest and 70s elsewhere.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Fair to partly cloudy through Thursday with warm afternoons and mild nights. Highs 86 to 95. Lows upper 365 Panhandle to mid 70s east. Highs Thursday 90s.

New Mexico: Sunny and warm through Thursday Clear and cool tonight. Highs 80s north to 90s south, 70s mountains. Lows mostly 50s lower elevations, 30s and 40s

Fair to partly cloudy and continued hot rsday with only isolated mainly afternoon ers. Highs mostly in the 90s. Lows mostly in

as protest violence continues

By The Associated Press

An Alabama trucker was shot and killed today as violence flared up again in connection with a nationwide protest by independent drivers.

Vegetables were rotting in fields, meat remained in packing plants and motorists lined up for tightening gasoline supplies. Several states beefed up National Guard and police protection for trucks still on the road.

Alabama state troopers said Robert Tate of Birmingham was shot and killed while standing in a cotton field beside his disabled tractor-trailer rig which had jack-knifed off U.S. 72 near Tuscumbia. The officers said Tate bled to death when a shot fired by a medium caliber rifle severed an artery in his left leg.

State trooper Lt. Roy Smith said authorities were searching for a latemodel pickup truck. Last week a trucker's wife was

critically wounded by a sniper while riding with her husband in Alabama. Police in Utah reported two trucks hit by gunfire today after four such incidents Tuesday. No injuries were reported.

The leader of the Independent Truckers Unity Committee urged the nation's 100,000 owner-operators to stop driving at midnight to protest high diesel fuel prices and the 55 mph speed limit.

Florida Agriculture Department officials, worried that ripe produce would rot in the fields, arranged for highway patrol escorts and police protection in 10 states for a convoy expected to pull out of Lake City

President of Uganda resigns

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP) - President Yusufu Lule yielded to his political opponents today and resigned. throwing Uganda's provisional government into confusion two months after the ouster of dictator Idi Amin, according to an official announcement

Lule's resignation was reported in a statement distributed by the official Uganda News Agency and broadcast by Uganda government radio. A spokesman for the agency who gave details of the statement said the capital, Kampala, remained calm after the midday broadcast.

Leaders of the Uganda National Liberation Front, the coalition formed in exile to rule the country

after Amin's ouster, held an emergency session to choose a successor to Lule.

"I did not wish to see any conflict developing around my personality ... We now hand over to our colleagues," Lule's statement said.

A spokesman for the news agency said Lule "definitely has resigned." Confusion surrounded the state-

ment, however. Reporters who went to the Information Ministry newsroom to obtain copies of Lule's remarks were told by employees that "people from the government" had ordered the statement withdrawn. But the workers said the statement was not officially denied, and they provided copies of it.

today. As many as 100 trucks were expected to join the convoy, but by 9

Minnesota Gov. Al Quie declared a state of emergency Tuesday, saying he would call out the National Guard and law enforcement officers to shepherd truckers who wanted to keep driving.

restore gas deliveries to fuel-starved northern Indiana. And National Guardsmen were to refill storage tanks to keep some Alabama service stations open.

Troopers along the East Coast today were to escort a convoy of trucks hauling produce from Florida to markets in the Northeast.

A spokesman for Florida Gov. Bob

delivering.

man of the truckers' council, estimated 40 percent of the nation's drivers were idle as the 2-week-old protest

He predicted today the "overwhelming majority" of ndependents would have their rigs parked by the end of the week and said the council couldn't slow the strike momentum if it wanted.

"Actually we don't represent the majority of independent truckers. There's nobody in the nation that does," he said on NBC's "Today" show. "Through the coalition we put together mechanics where we're going to have to go through procedures to call this thing off. The independent haulers themselves would have to vote on an agreement.

Hill also emphasized the council wants the protest to be non-violent. "We think our people should more or less park their rigs at home and take an extended vacation," he said. "They shouldn't be blockading any truck stops. They shouldn't be blocking any highways.

Some businesses went to court to make sure their products would be delivered. East Highland Co., an Alabama sawmill, filed suit against 10 men accused of shutting down the mill in connection with the protest. The company wants \$75,000 for each day it's closed.

The Armour pork processing plant won a temporary restraining order to keep truckers from blocking its Worthington, Minn., plant. The firm closed Monday due to a lack of trucks, but the plant manager said he hoped to have 400 workers back on the job Thursday.

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Summer will officially begin Thursday at 6:56 p.m., but there should be nothing special in the way of weather to celebrate the occasion.

The National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport predicts summer probably will get off to a lackluster start with fair skies and temperatures in the mid-90s. Southerly winds 10 to 15 mph should complete summer's opening act.

The high Tuesday was 95 degrees and the overnight low was 67 degrees. Record temperatures for the area remain at an overnight low of 52 degrees set in 1973 and a high for today of 107 degrees set in 1951. Area weather watchers reported all

the signs of a hot day ahead.

A weak frontal system moving slowly eastward along a line from Childress to Lubbock southwestward did little today, to break up the pattern of hot, humid weather across Texas.

Ahead of the front, skies remained cloudy during the morning in the Hill Country and in South Central Texas. Most of the state, however, had mostly clear skies and continued warm temperatures and high humidity. Forecasts made no mention of

rain Highs were expected to be mostly in

the 90s

Comprehensive health bill said too expensive

WASHINGTON (AP) - Americans don't want "womb-to-tomb" national health insurance coverage, says the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

And the nation cannot afford such comprehensive coverage, says Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., who is presiding over hearings on national health insurance legislation.

Long said Tuesday that he hopes to finish work by July 4 on a compromise bill that would provide medical coverage for major illnesses.

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remembers when her late husband would come home from work at the uranium mine at Marysvale,

Utah. His stepfather would be waiting at the door with a geiger counter, she recalled Tuesday at a Senate hearing, and John Taylor "would light up like a Christmas tree."

WASHINGTON (AP) - Mrs. John Taylor Howes

Her voice occasionally dissolving into sobs, Mrs. Howes told how her husband worked 10 years mining uranium, how she noticed years later he was becoming weaker and grayer and losing strength and how one day he entered a clinic for exploratory sur-

gery. The diagnosis was inoperable cancer.

On Aug. 26, 1966, he died, one of hundreds of uranium miners to succumb to lung cancer since the dawn of the atomic age. Now, 13 years later, Mrs. Howes is still waiting for the state of Utah to nonor her claim for survivor's benefits under workers' compensation.

Mrs. Howes and other witnesses told a joint hearing of the Senate Judiciary Committee and a health subcommittee she recalls no warnings, official or otherwise, that uranium mining could be hazardous to her late husband's health.

"To my knowledge they never were told," Mrs. Howes said. "If he were told, I'm sure he would have

mentioned it to me."

A former miner, George Val Snow of Salt Lake City, was asked whether his employer, or the government, or perhaps union officials had warned him.

"They never mentioned it," he said. But government officials said that as early as 1944, it was generally believed that radon found in uranium mines was associated with lung cancer.

One witness, Joseph K. Wagoner of the U.S. Public Health Service, said white uranium miners stand a four or five times greater risk of dying from lung cancer than average white Americans. Indians who work in the mines in the Southeast also face a higher risk of death from cancer.

Wagoner said a public health study launched in 1950 showed 200 former miners out of 3,500 surveyed have died of cancer. Normally, officials would expect about 40 lung cancer deaths from a sample of that size over the same time period, he said.

Despite such evidence, Wagoner said in a brief interview after testifying, the government waited until 1971 before placing into effect the first comprehensive health standard to protect workers. Similar standards now in effect in Czechoslovakia apparently have reduced the threat to workers to double the normal risk of dying from lung cancer, he said

Several witnesses were critical of the federal

tions in the uranium industry, which was developed to provide the military and Atomic Energy Commission with material for atomic tests.

mission employee, said he had recommended in 1948 that the AEC write "requirements for health protection" into its procurement contracts, since the government was virtually the sole purchaser of the uranium.

"the decision was made at Washington headquarters that uranium mine safety would remain the responsibility of the states."

Meanwhile, an interagency task force President Carter ordered to study the health effects of radiation published its final report today and went out of business calling for more open regulation of radiation policy by a high-level interagency council.

The panel, most of whose findings and recommendations already have been published in draft form, called for the National Institutes of Health to take over from the Energy Department long-range health research into the effects of low-level radiation. The panel says the Energy Department has a potential conflict of interest because it both promotes nuclear projects and studies their Safety.

Senate hears cancer plight of uranium miners government for failing to promote health precau-

Merril Eisenbud, a former Atomic Energy Com-

His recommendation was rejected, he said, and

start of summer a.m. today, none had showed up. Gov. Otis Bowen ordered police to

Graham said states along interstate highways 75 and 95 had agreed to protect an estimated 100 trucks hauling watermelons and other freight.

We don't want to hurt the people," said Florida gasoline hauler Jim Dailey. "But somebody's going to suffer when the stations aren't getting any gasoline. You can't get around if you don't have any gas. You can't get any produce if the produce haulers aren't

Meanwhile, William J. Hill, chair-

continued.

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Beth Griffith marries McGuire

COLOGNE, Ger-many-Beth Jeanne Griffith and John Howard McGuire, both of Cologne, recited wedding vows at 11 a.m. May 29 here. Officiating at the single ring ceremony

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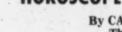
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Carrying a bouquet of yellow roses and babies breath, the bride was dressed in a white silk suit. A reception was held in

a country house in Saal, Germany: The house is over 200 years old.

Following a wedding Mr. and Mrs. William trip to Ghent, Belgium, W. Griffith, 1423 Lanham St., are parents of the the couple will reside in bride. The bridegroom is Cologne. the son of Mrs. Eugene The bride is a per-

Hubert McGuire of Long former of classic and Beach, Calif. and the late avant-garde opera and is presently engaged by Mauricio Kagel for performances of his pieces

Attendants for the couple included Larry Honn in Paris. She received a of Wuppertal, Germany as best man; Barbara BA degree from St. Marys of Notre Dame, Honn of Wuppertal, ma-Ind. and did graduate tron of honor; Debbie study at Southern Meth-Henk of Cologne, bridesodist University, North maid, and Herbert Henk Texas State University, of Cologne as grooms-Wayne State University,

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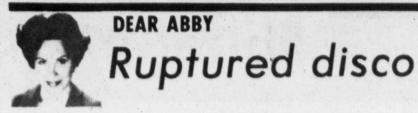
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standing from left are Betty Griffin, historian; Mildred Howard, reporter; Wynola Washburn, treasurer; Bonnie Miller, third vice president, and Elaine Van Steenberg. second vice president.



and at music conserva- received a BA degree tories in Munich and Co-

from Occidental College in Los Angeles and an The bridegroom is a MA in composition from composer of both classic the University of Califorand computer music. He nia at Berkeley.



By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: The house is finally quiet. My husband and two teenagers are in bed, but am so upset I can't disturbing to you.

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upset.

DEAR ABBY: 1'm I've never seen my expecting my first child husband so angry. The in four months. All the kids are mad and I'm beauty of pregnancy and motherhood are slowly. Do other parents have being destroyed by the this problem? And how do horror stories of other they handle it? - AM-FM women.

DEAR AM: Yes, many Ladies I hardly know parents have that have told me how the problem. And they handle doctor had to break the it the same way your baby's arm for delivery, husband handled it — by cords choking babies exploding and then during delivery, etc. And finally laying down the as though that weren't bad enough, I've been law.

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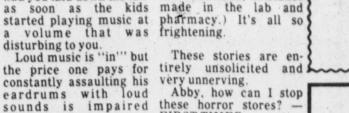
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spending money foolishly or you will regret it later. Show more consideration for others. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Take steps to improve

your appearance before attending an important social event later in the day. Be poised.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Consult an expert in your line of endeavor before going ahead with a plan you have in mind. Know where you are headed.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You can come to a better understanding with family members at this time. Don't neglect to pay your bills on time.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) You have to use orthodox methods if you want to get ahead faster in the business world. Take no risk with securities.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) You may want to engage in new interests now but make sure you study them well. A new friend can be helpful to you now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Fine day for contacting good friends and good things can result. Know exactly

where you stand with an associate. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Don't try to resist ideas of associates with fixed ideas, but cater to them for best results. Take it easy tonight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A good day to study a new project you have in mind. Listen to what a fellow worker has to say and gain the benefits.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Try not to spend too much money where pleasure is concerned at this time. Show more affection for your mate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study conditions not to your liking at home and do whatever you can to improve them. Take needed health treatments.

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Services for Herschel Murff, 62, 707 Dellwood St., were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church with Dr. Daniel Vestal, pastor, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Murff died Friday in Laredo.

He was born April 16, 1917, in Ennis. He moved to California at an early age. He began working for Superior Oil Company in 1937.

He married Irene Heneise June 28, 1937, in Yuma, Ariz.

He was senior production superintendent with Superior Oil Company. He was a deacon in the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Lynn Herschel Murff of Plano; his mother, Mina Herschel Murff of Bakersfield, Calif.; a sister, Barbara Rieken of Bakersfield, and a grandchild.

Active pallbearers were to be J.A. Bobbitt, A.B. Taylor, Floyd Woods, Charley Nelson, Larry Hamilton and J.C. Speer.

Honorary pallbearers were to be employees and ex-employees of Superior Oil Company.

Annie B. Melton

Graveside services for Annie Bert Melton, 96, 405 W. Broadway St. were to be at 10 a.m. today in Fairview Cemetery with Dr. Ray Riddle of First Presbyterian Church officiating. Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home is in charge of services.

Mrs. Melton died Monday in a nursing home.

She was born Sept. 30, 1882, in Cuero and was reared there. She was married to T. June Melton Sr. April 8, 1906, in Fort Worth. He died Oct. 20,

Mrs. J.P. Curry

BIG SPRING - Services for Mrs. J.P. Curry, 50, of Big Spring will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Our Lady of Good Hope Church, in Hope, Ark. Burial will follow in Memory Gar-

dens Cemetery there. Rosary will be said at 8 p.m. tonight in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel in

Big Spring. Mrs. Curry died Sunday in Big

Spring. She was born Lillie Barrett Feb. 11,

1929, in Texarkana. She was a resident of Big Spring for 25 years and was a retired civil service employee. She was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse P. Curry Sr.

Survivors include a son, Jesse Curry, Jr. of Big Spring; a brother, Emmett Barett of Texarkana; three sisters, Mrs. C.D. Cawthorn of Texarkana, Mrs. F.A. Johnson of Fauke, Ark., and Glenda Beardon of Hope, Ark., and several nieces and neph-

Mamie W. Jones

SAN SABA - Services for Mamie W. Jones, 81, of Lometa, mother of Vernon Jones of Ozona, were to be at 2:30 p.m. today in Lometa Methodist Church here. Burial was to be in Lometa Cemetery directed by Howell-Doran Funeral Home. Mrs. Jones died Tuesday in a San

Saba hospital. She was born Dec. 17, 1897. She was

married to Steve T. Jones April 4, 1919, in Goldthwaite. He died Jan. 28, 1951. She was a member of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Jones lived in Lampasas County most of her life.

Other survivors include two sons, two daughters, a sister, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Gilbert Carter -

BIG SPRING - Gilbert Wayne Carter, 82, of Midland died Tuesday in a Midland hospital.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring, with the Rev. Neil Easter of the the First Assembly of God Church in Midland and the Rev. David Pohl of Ropesville officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Carter was born Oct. 6, 1896, in Scottshill, Tenn. He was married to Bertha Lerah Jacobs June 14, 1925, in Taylor County.

He was a resident of Pyote from 1947 to 1955 where he worked for the Pyote Air Force Base before moving to Big Spring, where he was em-ployed by the Veteran's Administration Hospital until his retirement in 1965. He moved to Midland in 1976.

Carter was a member of the Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church in Big Spring. He belonged to International Order of Foresters Lodge No. 117 in Big Spring. A veteran of World War I, he was a member of the Disabled American Veterans. Survivors include four sons, George W. McKinney of Wichita Falls, Harry J. McKinney and William G. Carter, both of Big Spring, and Joe B. Carter of Midland; a daughter, Mavis Glass of Big Spring; a brother, Alton Boyd Carter of Tuscola; three sisters, Eula Allen of Lawn, Bessie Walden of Abilene and Tempa Newby of Houston, 17 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Panel must rule as to kidnap

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - A threejudge federal panel, asked to reinstate abduction charges against a South Texas prosecutor, must determine if an alleged scheme to lure an intended murder victim into Mexico violated kidnapping statutes.

U.S. District Judge Robert O'Conor had dismissed abduction and perjury indictments returned a year ago against suspended Hidalgo County District Attorney Oscar McInnis and Patricia Parada, 23.

The government appealed that ruling to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, where attorneys argued their cases Tuesday.

Trial starts today in obscenity case

ODESSA - The first of three persons recently charged with the exhibition of obscene material was scheduled for jury trial at 9 a.m. today in Ector County Court.

Joseph Allen Mathis, 26, of Odessa, owner of the Art Flick Theater at 6311 Andrews Highway here, was arrested with two others in a raid by the Ector County Sheriff's office May 14. Deputies allegedly confiscated the

films, "Debbie Does Dallas" and "Deep Throat," during the raid. The other two persons arrested and

charged were Laura Lucille Walker, 25, and Marie Mathis, 29, both of Odessa.

The offense with which the trio is charged is a Class B misdemeanor.

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McInnis and Parada were accused of plotting to have Miss Parada's former husband, Noe Villanueva, decoyed across the border and killed by a Mexican policeman. The justice department contends it intervened and stopped the alleged plot before it could be carried out.

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O'Coner, in his decision to dismiss the indictments, ruled no kidnapping occurred on United States soil. And he ruled the perjury indictments resulted from entrapment and unfair treatment of the pair by investigators.

"It is our contention that all you have to do is inveigle or decoy a victim across an interstate or international border for the purposes of holding him for the crime to have been committed," argued Assistant U.S. Attorney John Potter of Houston

"The statute reads 'for ransom, reward or otherwise,' and murder is certainly otherwise.

"If there is no question these people are guilty, why were they charged under these statutes?" asked Judge Peter T. Fay.

'Couldn't you have charged him with a violation of civil rights? If nothing else, conspiracy to deprive him of his civil rights by killing him?

Potter, interviewed after the hearing, said he hoped to lodge civil rights complaints against the pair if the appeals court upholds the dismissal. Frank Maloney of Austin, repre-

senting McInnis and Miss Parada, said federal laws had not been violated. Villanueva willingly agreed to meet Miss Parada in Mexico and

planned to use his own car to do so, he said

That he was supposed to be arrested and killed by a Mexican policeman after crossing the border was not part of the case, he said.

"Your proposition is two-fold then. The holding has to come before the transportation, and the holding has to occur in this country," Judge Fay commented.

"All evidence shows that the holding did not take place at an in this country," said Maloney "He was going to be held in Mexi-

co," said Fay.

"He was going to be killed," Maloney said.

'He was going to be held in Mexico, wasn't he? Then killed?," Fay asked.

"I don't think you can have a holding in Mexico and say there's been a kidnapping in the United States,"

7-Eleven clerk disappears

ODESSA - A 25-year-old mother of two was listed as missing today after disappearing from a 7-Eleven store where she worked Wednesday morning.

Darlene Ruth Flickinger was reported missing after a customer found the 7-Eleven store at 13th and West County Road, where Ms. Flickinger is a clerk, deserted about 3:30 a.m. Wednesday.

There were no signs of a struggle or foul play, according to Odessa Police Lt. Ken Jones.

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The woman's purse, cigarettes and lighter were found undisturbed, and all money in the store was accounted for, he said.

The woman is described as 5 feet 8 inches tall, 107 pounds, brown hair and hazel eyes. She was wearing a 7-Eleven smock, blue jeans and white tennis shoes

Her description was broadcast throughout the region, Jones said, and for today, all units were "just on the lookout.

He said more extensive searches might be conducted later.

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Maloney said. Judge Alvin Rubin then interjected, "The question is whether 'hold' means 'hold in the United States.' That question and the matter of whether McInnis and Miss Parada had been tricked into perjuring themselves was taken under advisement by the three-judge panel, which gave no indication of when it might rule.

Earthquake recorded in Los Angeles area

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) - An earthquake rolled through the Los Angeles metropolitan area, but there were no reports of any damage or injuries, authorities said today.

The temblor registered 3.0 on the Richter scale at 10:30 p.m. Tuesday and was centered three miles east of Culver City.

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Mrs. Melton moved to Midland in 1974 from Fort Worth, where she had resided more than 30 years. Prior to that, she had lived in Fort Smith, Ark.

She attended Draughan's Business College in Fort Worth. She was a life-long member of the First Presbyterian Church of Cuero. She was a member of the May Isham Keith chapter of the Fort Worth Daughters of the American Revolution.

Survivors include a son, Dr. T. June Melton Jr. of Midland; a sister, Mrs. John A. Martin of Midland, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Enemencia Diaz

OZONA - Services for Enemencia S. Diaz, 85, of Ozona will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church here with burial in Lima Cemetery directed by Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home

She died Tuesday in a Crockett County nursing home

Mrs. Diaz was born Oct. 31, 1893, in Mexico.

Survivors include three daughters, Josefa Perez, Anita Fierro and Palella Leal, all of Ozona; two sons, Bekie Diaz of Ozona and Teodulo Diaz of Nashville, N.C.; 31 grandchildren, 94 great-grandchildren and seven greatgreat-grandchildren.

Manuel Cuellar

Manuel Cuellar Jr., 29, of Midland died Tuesday in an Odessa Hospital.

Rosary will be said at 8 p.m. today in the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with burial in Fairview Cemetery

Cuellar was born Nov. 16, 1949, in ' Big Spring. He moved from Knott to Midland in 1967. He was employed as a truck driver.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Cuellar Sr. of Midland; a son, Danny Cuellar of Odessa; three brothers, Maximo Cuellar, Louis Cuellar and Jesus Cuellar, all of Midland, and three sisters, Rosa Zapata, Linda Sandoval and Janie Barela, all of Midland

Air Force officials decline to discuss Higgs charges

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) - Air Force authorities have not specified what charges Staff Sgt. Wilmer W. Higgs Jr. - declared legally dead after disappearing 18 months ago might face following his surrender to Lackland Air Force base officials.

"Higgs just walked up and turned himself in" Monday to his squardron commander at Lackland Air Force Base, where he had been a markmanship instructor before vanishing New Year's Eve 1977, a base spokesman said.

Officials declined to say what charges the 33-year-old serviceman might face. However, the spokesman, who asked not to be identified said servicmen who turn themselves in after being absent without official leave usually face only AWOL charges, instead of more serious desertion charges.

Higgs was reclassified a deserter earlier this month after FBI agents reopened the investigation into his disapearance.

Higgs vanished from his part-time job at a northside San Antonio service station and police feared he had been the victim of a robbery-abduction. The Air Force declared him legally dead and paid his wife military death benefits

Higgs made his surprise appearance late Monday afternoon and was immediately placed under military arrest. He is restricted to his squadron area pending a complete investi-@ gation of his disappearance.

The 12-year Air Force veteran was moonlighting in an all-night Exxon station at the time of his disappearance. Police discovered an empty cash register in the station's blood spattered office.

The sergeant's car was later found partially submerged in the San Antonio River south of downtown. Police reported signs of a struggle

A statewide search, bolstered by a \$1,000 reward offered by Exxon. failed to turn up a trace of the missing sergeant. He was declared legally dead in January 1978 and a memorial service was held for him four months, later in Vidor.

But a recent FBI investigation, sparked by a tip, showed Higgs worked at two jobs in Southeast Texas and had received a traffic ticket in Vidor last June under his real name.

Only last Friday, Higgs' father, W. W. Higgs of Vidor, made a public plea for his son to surrender. Higgs revealed to authorities that his son had called him from Galveston last month.



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Elevation at ground level is 1,971 feet.

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WARD OILER

Operators have announced locations for West Texas wildcat opera-Location is 532 feet from north and tions, a discovery has been com-1,379 feet from west lines of section pleted in McCulloch County and West 331, TW&NG survey. Texas and New Mexico areas have

Total depth is 14,800 feet and the plugged back depth is 14,675 feet. Operator set 5.5-inch casing at 14,799 feet.

MIDLAND PROJECT

West Texas areas

draw explorers

reported new field wells and new field

Bettis, Boyle & Stovall of Graham

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The prospector is No. 1 Fasken,

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nounced locations for a pair of 8,000-

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His No. 2-12 General Crude and

others is 3,677 feet from south and 650

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block NN, GC&SF survey and 5/8mile

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The new tests are 3.5 miles southwest

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ANDREWS WILDCAT

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CROCKETT PROJECTS

miles southwest of Ozona.

John L. Cox of Midland staked his No. 1-C Curtis Erwin 16 miles east of Midland in the Midland County portion of the Spraberry Trend Area field.

Scheduled on an 8,600-foot contract, it is 990 feet from north and 1,650 feet from east lines of section 46, block 36, T-1-S, T&P survey.

UPTON SAND TESTS

Joy Petroleum Corpl. of Midland staked a 7,600-foot project in the Flat Rock (Spraberry) field, and Wayman W. Buchanan of Midland staked a 9.200-foot test in the Spraberry Trend Area field, both in Upton County.

Joy Petroleum will dig No. 1-28 University 1/2 mile northeast of production in the Flat Rock pool and 2,198 feet from north and 1,763 feet from east lines of section 28, block 3, University Lands survey. It is seven miles east of Rankin.

Buchanan No. 1 Cowden and others will be drilled 1.5 miles west of production in the Spraberry Trend Area field, 19 miles north of Rankin,

Surrounded by depleted producers, it is 1,320 feet from north and east lines of section 44, block 39, T-5-S, T&P survey.

TERRY LOCATION

Mewbourne Oil Co. of Midland No. 1 Sawyer is a new project in the Statex (Cisco reef) field of Terry County, seven miles south of Brownfield. The field has two active producers and No. 1 Sawyer is one location east of one of them. It also is one location

west of a depleted Cisco reef well. Scheduled for an 11,000-foot bottom, it is 1,980 feet frm south and east lines of section 121, block T, D&W survey.

LEA DRILLSITES

Ther new field operations have been reported in Lea County, N.M. Hondo Drilling Co. of Midland No. 1

Hondo has been spotted as a 12,200foot project in an undesignated Morrow area three miles southwest of Lovington.

and 660 feet from west lines of section stations.

Clements makes rules

The Midland Reporter-Telegram

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 1979

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Here in brief are the gasoline purchase restrictions laid down Tuesday by Gov. Bill Clements for Harris, Dallas and Tarrant counties (Houston, Dallas and Fort Worth), effective next Monday:

- Gasoline will be dispensed into vehicles with license plate numbers the last digit of which is an even number and, if only letters are on the plates, the last letter which is the first half of the alphabet (A to M) only on even days of the month. Gasoline will be dispensed into vehicles with licenses which end in odd numbers or, where there are only letters, those which have N to Z plates on odd days of the month

- The minimum purchase price for any single transaction of gasoline is to be \$6 unless the total tank capacity of a vehicle is 10 gallons or less.

- The maximum purchase for any single transaction will be 20 gallons.

- Filling of auxiliary containers in excess of two gallons will be prohibited.

Emergency, out-of-state and identifiable commercial vehicles may purchase gasoline any day of the week.

- Supply and type of gasoline available should be prominently displayed through some flag system.

Rationing plan starts Monday

By GARTH JONES

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Motorists in Houston and the Dallas-Fort Worth area will have to look at their license plates Monday to see if they can buy gasoline.

Gov. Bill Clements declared Tuesday the state would try odd-even gasoline purchase restrictions in Haris, Dallas and Tarrant counties in an Location is 1,980 feet from south effort to ease long lines at service

Connecticut, New York start gasoline rationing

ENERGY

OIL & GAS

By PETER MACKLER

Gasoline rationing came to New York and Connecticut today and was set for midnight in New Jersey as officials in other states dealt with the eastern swing of the Gas Crisis of 1979 with minimum gas purchases.

Rhode Island hoped minimum gasoline purchases - \$5 for small cars, \$7 for large models - would discourage "topping off." Massachusetts energy director Joseph Fitzpatrick said minimums were likely in that state as well

But officials were to make a final decision today whether to go ahead with plans for "odd-even" rationing in Maryland, Washington D.C., and northern Virginia, where minimum sales requirements have failed to shorten lines at pumps. They have said they will begin rationing at midnight unless the situation improves.

"I think people have finally adjusted to the fact that this is a gasoline crisis," said Kathy Godzik, spokeswoman for the Automobile Club of Maryland. "It used to be a crunch; now its a crisis.

Other states like Pennyslvania and Georgia held off on any measures but kept an eye on gasoline supplies and the success of rationing elsewhere.

The odd-even rationing system which alternates days on which gas can be bought between motorists with odd- and even-numbered license plates - began at 12:01 a.m. in the New York City area, where gas prices were over \$1 a gallon in many places.

The plan, announced by Gov. Hugh Carey on Monday, also includes a Clayton, drilling 7,438 feet in shale. minimum-purchase requirement, limits sales to drivers with half a tank or less, and requires some stations to stay open on weekends.

Many service station operators were not happy at the scheme, which Carey said would be extended to other parts of the state if needed.

"If the governor thinks we're going to stand around like a bunch of corner cops looking at license plates and gas gauges, he's got something else coming," said Russell Murway, president of the 1,200-member Long Island Gasoline Retailers Association.

"We have more regulations than we care to handle," Murway said. "We can't tolerate any more violence at

supplies this month and "there was no community that was comfortable.'

"It seems to me there was absolutely no way to avoid this," Mrs. Grasso said in announcing the rationing plan Tuesday.

While all of New Jersey goes on the odd-even system at midnight, its Garden State Parkway was already rationing gasoline at pumps, the first spot in the East to do so.

Rationing was slated to begin Monday in Texas' three most populous counties

In California, which began oddeven rationing May 9, state officials said Tuesday the program had helped ease panic and cut down lines of gas-hungry motorists.

"What I think odd-even did ... was make people realize they had to change some habits," said Stephanie Bradfield, spokeswoman for the state Energy Commission. "They are driving less. They aren't buying as much gasoline.

Elsewhere, Montana's Gov Thomas Judge asked his state's newspapers to carry the hours service

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY Rial No. 1-4 University, drilling 8,515 feet in lime and shale. Guil No. 2-FW State, plugged back depth 3,470 feet, pumped 15 barrels of oil and 177 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations from 5,438 to 5, 442 feet.

BORDEN COUNTY Natomas North America No. 1 McKnight, td 8,350 feet, circulated and

CHAVES COUNTY Depco. Inc. No. 1 Exxon-Federal, id 9,930 feet, open well up 20 minutes with 1 barrel of condensate, spray of water, open on 4-inch choke with gas rate of 360,000 cubic feet, through perfora-tions from 9,284 to 9,282. Depco. Inc. No. 1 Brotar, td 9,385. feet, acidized perforgitions from 9,016 to 9,024 feet with 3,000 gallons, flowed through stack pack 20 minutes, reco-vered 68 barrels of oil and 24 barrels of water with gas rate of 768,000 cubic feet.

MARTIN COUNTY Rial No. 1-A Mahone feet in lime and shale.

6,808 feet. Jonn L. Cox No. 1-B Neal Estate, td 8,430 feet, running 45-inch casing.

stations are open. Florida officials

looked for ways to keep people from

buying unneeded gasoline - possibly

Officials in Massachusetts and the

Washington, D.C., area complained

they weren't getting their allocation

of gasoline promised by the federal

In some areas, particularly Indi-ana, by blockades at fuel depots set

up striking independent truckers ag-

strike June 28 to protest federal pric-

ing policies and owner-operators of

taxicabs in New York City said they'd

stay off the job this weekend to pro-

Details of odd-even gasoline ration-

ing vary from state to state, but,

generally speaking, motorists whose

1,3,5,7,9 - can buy gasoline on odd

days. Those with plates ending in

even numbers - 0,2,4,6,8 - are al-

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Rules about plates composed entirely

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license plates end in odd numbers -

And gasoline retailers threatened to

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Total depth is 1,014 feet and 4.5-inch casing is set at 1,000 feet.

The well is 150 feet from south and 510.8 feet from west lines of L. Caillonette survey No. 1057, abstract 1992.

The strike is 1,650 feet northeast of Strawn gas production in the northwest extension area of the Hall multipay field, but separated from it by the depleted discovery well of the Big Chief field and by a 969-foot dry

YOAKUM FIELD TESTS

Amoco Production Co. announced locations for No. 7 A. J. Davis and No. A. J. Davis in the one-well Brahaney (Devonian) pool of Yoakum County, four miles southwest of Plains:

The No. 7 A. J. Davis is one location west of the discovery well and 1,650 feet from south and 350 feet frm east lines of section 514, block D, John H. Gibson survey.

The No. 8 A. J. Davis is one location southwest of the discovery well and 467 feet from south and 552 feet from east lines of section 514, block D, John H. Gibson survey. It was reported earlier, in error,

that the operator is Getty Oil Co. Each of the new tests will be drilled

on an 11,500-foot contract.

TERRELL WELL

Mobil Oil Corp. No. 6 Banner Estate is a new well in the Brown-Bassett (Ellenburger gas) field of Terrell County, 29 miles northeast of Dryden.

The operator reported a calculated absolute open flow potential of 13,642,000 cubic feet of gas per day. through perforations from 13,705 to 4,611 feet after 106,000 gallons of acid vere used to stimulate the pay. Mobil plans to dual complete the

ell from the Strawn or Devonian

19-16s-36e Gulf Oil Corp. No 1-B J. B. Tubb

Another undesignated Morrow area, this one 12 miles northwest of Lovington, drew a 13,500-foot operation. It is Petroleum Development Corp.

of Albuquerque, N.M., No. 1 Morton-Solid State Unit. The location is 2,160 feet from north

and 990 feet from west lines of section 4-15s-34e.

Moran Exploration, Inc., of Mid-land No. 1 Gann will be drilled to 13,800 feet to test the Devonian in the Caudill (Devonian and Permo-Pennsylvanian) field of Lea County, three miles south of Hillburn City.

Location is 860 feet from north and 990 feet from west lines of section 9-15s-36e. The pool has one Devonian well.

KING STEPOUT

Taubert, Steed, Gun & Meddeers of Wichita Falls announced location for a 3/4-mile northwest stepout to the five-well Big "S" (Strawn oil) pool of King County, 14 miles southeast of Guthrie

The project is No. 8 S. B. Burnett Estate, 1,635 feet from south and 690 feet from west lines of section 48, A. L. Jay survey, abstract 1184. It is contracted to 6,000 feet.

CROCKETT WILDCAT

S&R Petroleum Corp. of Odessa staked a 1,500-foot wildcat 10 miles northeast of Iraan in Crockett Coun-

It is No. 1 Bouscaren, 5 miles northeast of the Yates field and 660 feet from north and 2,173 feet from east lines of section 39, block HH, GC&SF survey

The location was reported earlier. but the well number and fee name were omitted.

DAWSON FIELD TESTS

Coquina Oil Corp. of Midland announced location for a project in the Gin, North (8,000) pool in Dawson County.

It is No. 5 Huddleston, 660 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 1, block 2, D. L. Cunningham survey and four miles west of Lamesa.

It is contracted to 8,500 feet.

NOLAN TEST

Hanson Corp. and Masten Oil Corp. of Midland No. 1 Stirl is a new test in the three-well Hollins (Pennsylvanian sand)pool of Nolan County, four miles northwest of Sweetwater.

It is 467 feet from north and 669 feet from east lines of seciton 31, block 22, T&P survey and slated to drill to 5,800 feet.

IRION STEPOUT

Getty Oil Co. No. 3-D Winterbotham is a new test 1/2 mile north of the Dove Creek (Canyon D gas) field of Irion County, 8 miles southeast of Mertzon. It is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 27, block 21, H&TC survey and will drill to 6,700 feet.

He said the restriction might be applied to other cities later.

The Republican governor also called on Texans to raise their air conditioner thermostats to 76 degrees, instead of the 80 suggested by President Carter, and to abide by the 55 mile-per-hour speed law. He also asked for more car pooling.

"Let's make this a 'No-Tie Summer." Clements said in an official proclamation, taking off his coat and tie while it was read at a news conference.

"None of these gas restriction actions will bring additional supplies," Clements said, "but the regulations are needed to preserve good order and make the limited supplies available in an optimum way.

Houston and the Dallas-Fort Worth area have 38 percent of the state's vehicles, Clements said.

"I have considered this fact carefully and am doing what I feel is the minimum required at this time," he said, adding that he expected the restrictions to last at least until September.

"It is my intention to remove these mandatory rules as soon as the situation eases. Conversely, should the situation worsen, I will not hesitate to develop further restrictions."

The odd-even plan would let cars with a license plate number ending in an even number, or a last letter from A to M, to purchase gasoline on evennumber calendar days. Licenses ending in odd numbers, or letters from N to Z, could get gasoline on odd days of the month.

Other features of the plan for the three counties, effective June 25, would:

- Set the minimum purchase amount at \$6, unless a vehicle's tank held less than 10 gallons.

- Set the maximum purchase at 20 gallons, including any boats pulled on trailers.

- Limit filling of any auxiliary containers to two gallons.

- Give emergency, out-of-state and "identifiable commercial vehicles" the right to purchase fuel on any day.

Require stations to prominently display flags indicating the supply and type of gasoline available.

Clements said he was ready to assist local governments in expanding traffic signal timing programs, longrange mass transit programs and "to develop appropriate local plans to help deal with these spot shortages" in gasoline.

The governor said that strict enforcement of the 55 mph speed limit could realize a five percent fuel' saving in addition to keeping down the traffic death toll. He admitted he had to rely on the "enthusiasm" of highway troopers to issue more speeding tickets, instead of hiring more troop-

Clements and Ed Vetter, the governor's chief energy advisor, said they would rely mostly on public opinion in the enforcement of the gasoline restrictions.

the pumps. The answer is more gas

Gov. Ella Grasso began odd-even rationing in her state today after New York and New Jersey announced their programs. She said the state faced a 20 percent shortfall in gas

Judge rules for oil firms in price case

HOUSTON (AP) - The Department of Energy's interpretation of a price-control regulation that led it to charge several oil companies with overpricing their petroleum products has been invalidated by a federal judge

In a ruling issued June 8 in Dallas, U.S. District Judge H.O. Woodward struck down the interpretation and told the DOE to refrain from making any future reinterpretations, Exxon Co. USA said Tuesday.

Although Exxon's announcement made no reference to any overcharge figures, company spokesmen who asked that they not be identified said the interpretation had a "substantial impact" on the oil industry.

Woodward's ruling was the result of a suit filed against the DOE by Exxon, Shell Oil Co., General Crude Oil Co., Coastal States Gas Corp., Coastal States Marketing Inc., and Union Petroleum Corp.

The court also ruled illegal the DOE's attempts to enforce the interpretation without giving the companies an opportunity for public hearings or comment, Exxon said.

The oil company said the dispute involved DOE's interpretation of the method petroleum refiners, resellers. and retailers should use to decide base prices for virtually all petroleum products.

Exxon said the DOE issued the interpretation in March 1977, four years after the original regulation became effective.

The company said DOE's interpretation prohibited oil refiners and marketers from using the prices of products sold under contracts with escalator clauses as the basis for setting base prices despite "clear language in the regulations permitting them to do so."

The suit filed in August 1977 by the oil companies asked for the authority to set base prices as the law allowed.

Exxon said Woodward issued the ruling after the DOE filed on April 13 an admission of error and a motion to dismiss the suit, saying the interpretation conflicted with the intention of the regulations. O.L. Luper, an Exxon senior vice president, said the Woodward ruling is another vindication of Exxon's position that "many of DOE's overcharge accusations and enforcement actions are unwarranted.'

CRANE COUNTY Resources Investment No. 1 Eppen-auer, id 3,600 feet, plugged back depth 3,148 feet, preparing to run tubing, waiting on completion unit. Gulf No. 53 McKnight, td 6,260 feet, flowed 2 barrels of oil and 88 barrels of water in 24 bours, choke size not re-portied, through perforations from 2, 886 to 3,243 feet. Gulf No. 626 Waddell, td 9,410 feet, repairing casing.

Guif No. 3-XV State, drilling 10,450 feet in shale. Adobe No. 12 Barstow, td 6,471 feet NOLAN COUNTY Maralo, Inc. No. 1-66 Whiteside, drilling 3,732 feet in lime and shale.

Adobe No. 12 Barstow, td 6,471 feet in lime and sand, fractured perfora-tions from 6,081 to 6,133 with 20,000 galions and 29,000 pounds sand, open-and flowed 316 barrels of load water in 8 hours, with no show of gas on a 3/4-inch choke, shut in. Adobe No. 14 Barstow, td 6,510 feet in sand and shale, open to pit on 16/64-inch choke, Nowed 8 bours, gas rate 400 mc. with estamated 5.4 bar-rels of water per hour, left flowing to pit overnight. FRAUS COURT 1 Exxon No. 1 Longfellow Corp; drill-ing 14,843 feet. Exxon No. 2 Longfellow Corp; td 3,300 feet, pbtd 2,130 feet, perforated from 1,756 to 1,958 feet, swabbed 15 hearen feed hard material. Gulf No. 1127 Waddell, drilling 3,091 feet in dolomite and anhydrite. Exxon No. 185 Tubb, td 5,950 feet, set E-Axon No. 185 Tuffo, 16 3,930 Feet, set 4%-inch casing at total depth, Tubb perforations from 4.170 to 4,185 feet, initial potential pumped 11 barrels of oil per day and 9 barrels of water in 34 bours, gravity and gas-oil ratio not reported. From 1, 154-10 1, 356 Feet, 3 wabbed 15 barrels of load water in 11 hours. Hunt Energy No. 1-9 Cerf Ranch, dilling 5, 551 feet. Gulf No. 3-1 Emma Lou; td 23, 975 feet in lime, tested casing, drilling reament

pil. overnight Adobe No. 18 Barstow, drilling 2,992 feet in salt and anhydrite Adobe No. 18 Barstow, drilling 3,790 feet in sand and shale. cement. Wilson Brothers Leasing Co., No. 1-20 Wilson Ranch, drilling 673 feet in hard sand and lime

Anadarko Production No. 1-37 Clyde Barron, drilling 8,563 feet. NRM Petroleum No. 1 Broyles, td 9,256 feet, plugged and abandoned. REAGAN COUNTY

Samedan No. 1-3 University, drilling 4,600 feet in lime. REEVES COUNTY Guif No. 6 Ligon, td 6,700 feet in lime and sand, reached total depth, pulled Bass Enterprises No. 72 Big Eddy. drilling 11,923 feet.

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NRM No. 1 Case, td 7,5% feet, per-forated from 6,836 to 40 feet. Ing. Exxon No. 1-CW New Mexico State,

SCURRY COUNTY

Exxon No. 1-CW New Mexico State, drilling 9,348 feet. Guif No. 2-GR Eddy State, drilling 12,212 feet in lime and shale. Guif No. 1-D Eddy Federal, td 2,777 feet in anhydrite, logging. J.C. Barnes Oil Co. No. 2 Little Squaw, td 12,730 feet, acidized perfo-rations from 12,656 to 12,698 feet with 1,500 gallons, swabbing. J.C. Barnes Oil Co. No. 4 Big Chief, drilling 5,020 feet in sand and shale. TERRELL COUNTY drilling 5,020 feet in sand and shale.

reported. Bass Enterprises No. 19 Moss, drill-ing 5,385 feet.

DAWSON COUNTY

EDDY COUNTY

GAINES COUNTY J.C. Barnes Oil Co. No. 1-A Sam Jenkins, td 8,800 feet, released rig.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY Belco Petroleum No. 4 Edwards, td 3,300 feet, set 8%-inch casing at total depth, waiting on cement. Getty No. 1 McDowell Estate, drill-Ing 5.155 feet. John L. Cox No. 4-B Irma Wrage, drilling 6.030 feet. Ike Lovelady No. 1 Schwartz, drill-ing 6.076 feet.

HOWARD COUNTY Maralo, Inc. No. 39-2 Kilpatrick, drilling 2,420 feet in salt and anhy-UPTON COUNTY

IRION COUNTY Belco Petroleum No. 2-115 Sugg. td 9,120 feet, preparing to perforate and

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LEA COUNTY David Fasken No. 1 Warren, td 9,800 feet in little and shale, taking drill-stem test from 9,738 to 9,800 feet. Estoril No. 1 Union-Pederal, tr 13,-

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WINKLER COUNTY Rial No. 148A. Sealy & Smith, drill-ing 8,040 feet in lime and shale. Getty No. 142.1 University, td 20,840 feet, spotted 437 gailons of acid, set packer (depth not reported), ran logs, perforating acid, open well, flowed and tested, no gauges, shut donw. Getty No. 1-31-21 University, td 20, 500 feet, running completion material. Belco No. 1 Bley, td 8,520 feet, plugged and abandoned. Atlantic Richfield No. 2 Wolfe, td 19,630 feet, tailling. Hilliard Oli & Gas No. 4-H Sealy-Smith, drilling 9,126 feet in lime and

Coquina Oil Corp., No. 1 Sheffield, td 10,500 feet, ran in hole with tubing, puiled out of hole with retainer, spot-ted 250 gallons of acid, annulas pressure increasing, had communica-tion, puiled out of hole with tubing, oregaring to outlout retainer. YOAKUM COUNTY North American Royalties, Inc. No 2 Waldon, drilling 10,522 feet in shale

preparing to pullout retainer. Texas Pacific No. 1-A Ellen Word; CABLE TOOL drilling 6,239 feet. Mobil No. 1-C Goode, drilling 6,165 DRILLING Top-To-Bottom

TERRY COUNTY NRM Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Adair, drilling 2,816 feet. Union Texas No. 1 Sara Bullard, td Deepening Union Texas No. 1 Sara Bullard, in 13,381 feet, pulled packers, took drill-stem test from 13,216 to 13,341 feet, 3506 feet of water blanket, recovered 24 barrels of oil, 77 feet of oil cut water blanket. Lease Holding

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BUSINESS MIRROR Share holdings by institutions make problems

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By JOHN CUNNIFF AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) - Concentration of share ownership remains a problem for the stock market, and so long as individuals remain away from the market the problem is likely to remain.

In fact, it might remain anyway, whether or not the individual returns. Institutions - insurance companies, bank-administrered trusts, mutual and pension funds and others - are growing larger all the time.

It means, of course, that they are also acquiring more securities all the time, but that in itself doesn't seem to create the major problems. What concerns many critics are the peculiarities of institutions.

Among them: they are overly conservative; they think alike; they don't push their rights as shareholders; they concentrate on a select group of stocks and, complain some companies, starve the rest of the market.

During the first quarter of the year, according to figures filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, institutions handling more than \$100 million of assets owned almost half of IBM's outstanding shares

The same report shows these institutions owned more than 40 percent of Exxon, 42 percent of General Electric and Eastman Kodak, 60 percent of Minnesota Mining, and 50 percent of duPont.

The value of shares held in IBM, now the nation's seventh largest manufacturer, amounted to nearly \$22 billion, making it in dollar terms the most widely owned stock of the institutions.

For IBM, this might be a mixed blessing, and probably is the primary reason why the company decided this spring to split its shares four for one.

At roughly \$300, reasoned the premier electronic computer maker, its common stock was priced in a range that appealed primarily to those wealthy institutions. And, it would seem, it had enough of them.

What it could use, especially in view of its desire for broad support - for its products as well as its battles with government regulators - was more individual owners. Active owners. Supportive owners.

How better to get them than to cut the price per share to around \$75?

IBM undoubtedly was also aware that concentration can create other problems. If so many institutions already owned the stock, for example, where would future support come from?

And what might happen if those institutions soured on the stock at the same time, as they have been inclined to do with stocks of other companies at other times?

IBM might not have acted too soon. Following news that many customers were renting rather than buying outright, and that revenues might suffer, some institutions sold heavily. Shares dropped \$3.75 last week.

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Livestock auction report

The Southwestern Livestock Auction Co. auctioned 1,007 head of cattle Tuesday in a generally steady market sale.

Feeder cattle were steady to \$2 lower, while packer cows and bulls were fully steady.

Steers weighing 600 to 700 pounds sold for \$72.50 to \$75 per hundredweight; 500 to 600 pounds, \$74.50 to \$76.50; 400 to 500 pounds, \$80 to \$85; 300 to 400 pounds, \$85.50 to \$92.50; under 300 pounds, \$101 to \$145 per hundredweight.

Heifers weighing 600 to 700 pounds were auctioned for \$62.50 to \$65 per hundredweight; 500 to 600 pounds, \$64.50 to \$67.50; 400 to 500 pounds, \$70 to \$74.50; 300 to 400 pounds, \$82.50 to \$92.50; under 300 pounds, \$100 to \$135.

Cows utility went for \$54 to \$56.50 per hundredweight.

Canners and cutters sold for \$46.50 to \$48.50 per hundredweight.

Cow-and-calf pairs were auctioned for \$650 to \$785 per pair.

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