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President Jimmy Carter speaks to survivors of the June 3 tornado that devastated parts of Grand Island, Neb. during a tour of the area Tuesday.

Carter was speaking from the foundation of a home blown away by the twister. (AP Laserphoto)

'You won't be abandoned,' Carter tells twister victims

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. (AP) — President Carter has come and gone, leaving Grand Island residents with the back-breaking chore of rebuilding their tornado-gutted community.

The president stopped briefly in Nebraska's third largest city Tuesday to meet with officials and inspect first hand the damage inflicted by a series of tornadoes that lashed the city June 3, claiming five lives and injuring more than 200.

"You won't be abandoned," he told several residents of one of the town's hardest-hit areas. "The nation is behind you," he said to a group of people filling out assistance applications. They applauded.

And while standing on the foundation of a home that had been blown away, the president said the government "is trying to help out in any way we can, to help you build it better than it was before."

Carter urged this central Nebraska city of nearly 40,000 to maintain its spirit of cooperation after the volunteers and neighbors now lending assistance leave.

"I hope a week or two or three from now you'll still keep the same unselfish attitude," Carter said. "I don't want you to feel alone when a lot of the volunteers have left."

But federal officials say the worst of the psychological trauma that Carter warned of is about two weeks away. Federal Emergency Management Agency officials who may remain another six weeks say there is always a "low point" following a disaster. Grand Island, they say, hasn't reached it yet.

"You can see it building now," said Bill Connor of the federal agency. "People still have good Samaritans,

neighbors and relatives to move in on. But there are 10 or 14 people in a house. After a while ... they get on each other's nerves."

An estimated 2,100 are homeless and federal officials say it will be weeks before mobile homes can be moved into the area.

After Carter completed his two-hour tour and left Hall County Airport aboard Air Force One, some people still wore stunned looks as they stood amid the heaps of scrap lumber that had been homes.

"I think it was just awfully nice," Mary McCormick said of Carter's stop en route to Washington from the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Seattle. "But I know he can't really help."

Mrs. McCormick's husband, Gene, refused to go out and see the president. "It's been a week. A week of promises and we've had no help to date," said McCormick. "I want to see action. Then I'll go out to hear what a man has to say."

Carter met with federal, state and local officials in the temporary disaster relief headquarters, then shook hands with a crowd outside before touring storm-damaged areas.

Some here believed the stop was politically motivated. "He didn't do anything," said Joe Ewoldt as he swept the floor of his roofless home. Jerry Spahr, who was helping Ewoldt, added: "Except hunt votes."

But the president obviously buoyed the spirits of some, like Pat Cross, who asked him to sign the cast she wore on her arm.

"The Secret Service told me not to," Carter told her. "But we won't tell the Secret Service."

Trustees won't change school transfer policy

By DAVID CAMPBELL
Staff Writer

Trustees killed action on a request by a group of Midland parents to prevent the transferring of elementary school principals from one school to another during Tuesday's board meeting.

The school district also got its "report cards" from the California Achievement Tests and the Texas Assessment of Basic Skills exams which showed Midland students performing above average.

Bobby Williams, representing a concerned parents group from Lamar Elementary, told board members he thought the school principal transfer

policy was counterproductive to elementary schools because the principal did not have the chance to establish a good working relationship with the schools.

WILLIAMS' PRIMARY point was to keep Lamar Elementary principal Lee Roy Shannon, who will be transferred to Pease Elementary next year, at Lamar. He later expanded his request to include all elementary principals. Shannon had been Lamar's principal for a year when he was transferred.

School superintendent Dr. James Mailey defended the policy, noting the district would get the best possible use of the principals by transferring

them to other elementary schools. The school administrator added that if a principal stayed too long in one elementary school he would become "stale."

"The principals would be able to take a new look at the problems of the district and get acquainted with a new set of challenges," Mailey said.

Trustee Bill Jackson, a former elementary school principal, agreed with Mailey, adding this was not the first time the district transferred school principals. While he was a principal he, too, was transferred to another elementary school within one year. "You have to move people

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OPEC nations announce more oil price hikes

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — The world oil cartel, after a bitterly divisive three-day meeting, set in motion today another round of price increases that could eventually force American consumers to pay as much as 3 cents a gallon more for gasoline and home heating fuel.

Kuwait and Venezuela quickly announced price increases of \$2 a barrel effective July 1. Sheik Ahmed Zaki Yamani of Saudi Arabia, the leading price dove and world's largest oil exporter, said the Saudi price might go up \$1 or \$2, but the world oil glut probably would rule that out for the moment.

The 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries set a reference, or benchmark price of \$32 a barrel — roughly halfway between Saudi Arabia's \$28 and Iran's \$35. OPEC also fixed a ceiling of \$37 a barrel, which will prevent bawks Algeria, Nigeria and Libya from making large price hikes in a new round of "leapfrogging."

But the "compromise" agreement was mostly for public consumption, because individual members may wait as long as they like before putting their prices in line with the new benchmark.

Oil industry analysts in New York

said the latest OPEC decision will not immediately affect prices in the United States as long as Saudi Arabia does not raise its prices. But the energy commissioner of the nine-nation European Common Market, Guido Brunner, said in Brussels that the new price standard was "a further considerable burden for the world economy" that would worsen "the tendencies toward recession and inflation."

Under the accord, middle-priced countries, led by Iraq, are to raise current prices, about \$30 a barrel, by \$2. And according to industry analysts, gasoline and heating oil prices in the United States go up about 1 1/2 cents a gallon for every \$1 increase in the price of an OPEC 42-gallon barrel.

But prices at the lower and upper ends of the spectrum will remain unchanged — at least for now.

Saudi Arabia, for one, apparently ruled out a price increase for the moment, although conference sources said a Saudi increase would come in the next few months. Iran, which sells oil virtually identical to that of Saudi Arabia and Iraq, said it would not decrease the cost of oil.

As a result, OPEC prices will remain disunited as they have been

since early 1979. Over five sessions, the conference bounced from discord to agreement as some ministers, like Iranian Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar, announced they had achieved unanimity. Others, like United Arab Emirates Oil Minister Mana Saeed al-Otaiba, said there was no agreement on anything.

In a communique issued at the end of the conference session, the 20-year-old cartel said it had decided:

"1. To set the level of oil price for a marker crude up to a ceiling of \$32 per barrel.

"2. That the value differentials which would be added over and above the said ceiling of the marker crude price level of \$32 on account of quality and geographical location should not exceed in any case \$5 per barrel.

"3. This price structure will be applicable as of July 1, 1980, to be reviewed in the tripartite meeting to take place next autumn.

"The objective of this new price structure aims at achieving an equilibrium between supply and demand in order to avoid further stockpiling which is harmful to producers and consumers alike."

Draft action delayed Senate meets through the night

WASHINGTON (AP) — Final congressional action on renewal of peace-time draft registration was temporarily blocked today as the Senate, after meeting through the night, remained locked in parliamentary wrangling.

Every major test vote pointed toward eventual approval of a House-passed program requiring an estimated 4 million young men to register this summer.

But opponents fought efforts to bring it to a resolution and there was no indication when a final vote would come. In theory, the Senate could stay in session around the clock until noon Saturday before a vote could be forced on the issue.

The registration plan calls for spending \$13.3 million to register 19- and 20-year-old men at local post offices, probably in mid-July. Two weeks would be set aside for registration — one for persons born in 1960 and one for persons born in 1961.

Failure to register is a felony that carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

A court challenge of the program seems virtually assured following a 51-40 vote late Tuesday blocking women from registering along with men. The American Civil Liberties Union has vowed to file suit to test the constitutionality of any registration system that excludes women.

Registration opponents led by Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., forced repeated roll call votes to stall final action. Hatfield sometimes voted against his own proposals, merely to give himself the parliamentary right to request that the whole vote be reconsidered.

Through the night, as some senators napped in their offices and others slept at home, Republicans held control of the Senate floor and kept debate going.

As dawn broke over the Capitol, GOP leader Howard Baker, R-Tenn., told the almost-empty empty chamber that the United States is "slipping steadily" in terms of manpower and equipment compared with the Soviet Union. He said a big increase in defense spending will be required.

Baker and several others who support the plan helped registration foes prolong debate, saying the minority

had a right to carry on its fight as long as Senate rules permit.

The Senate voted Tuesday to impose debate-limiting closure and curtail the discussion — now six days old — to an additional 100 hours.

"I know of no other issue the Senate will take up that will be of more importance," Hatfield said in vowing to try to keep the Senate working on registration the full 100 hours.

Senate Democratic Leader Robert C. Byrd accused Hatfield of waging a "post-cloture filibuster" and urged the Senate to move onto other business. He said he would keep the Senate in session around the clock until a final vote was taken or agreement was reached on a specific time to schedule a final vote.

Midland City Council took a step away from its ordinary routine Tuesday to agree on filing a formal protest with the Alcoholic Beverages Commission against an application for a private club on the east side of the city.

An application for Phase I disco to be granted a license as a private club has been filed with the ABC. A public hearing on the application will be held Thursday in Austin, according to City Manager James Brown.

Normally, the city doesn't become involved in applications for private clubs, Brown said. "We represent the people, and the people were objecting to it," he explained. "If the citizens don't want it, we have to protest. The council has voted down an application from Phase I twice."

Phase I is a nightclub disco located at 500 E. Nobles Ave., and has been in operation for several months. The facility tried in November 1979 and

The last time the Senate met all night on filibuster was Sept. 27, 1977, on a debate over deregulation of natural gas prices.

In a surprise twist, backers of registration won approval of an amendment to cut the program's funds by \$10,000. If left unchanged by a later Senate vote, the move would require the House to vote again on registration to concur with the amendment.

However, it also had the effect of blocking Senate votes on dozens of Hatfield amendments that were drafted using the higher amount of money. The amendments could be ruled out of order since the amount was incorrect.

Registration foes accused liberals of abandoning the fight.

City Council opposes Phase I's bid to ABC

again last March to get a specific use permit from the city to sell alcoholic beverages. But persons from the residential neighborhood surrounding it, nearby churches and an elementary school lodged their sentiments against the permits with the City Council.

Based on those objections, the council rejected the applications for a permit.

Without that permit, persons are allowed to bring their own alcoholic beverages to Phase I.

In April, several club members filed the application with the ABC for a permit to become a private club, which may serve alcoholic beverages.

In agreeing to protest the application, City Councilman Tom Sloan said he wasn't opposed to the idea of a club or disco, but to its location.

"The idea might be good if they would find a better place for it," he said.

He left with their good wishes, and their \$500

DENTON (AP) — Law enforcement officers say they probably never will catch the con man they helped escape with the hard-earned cash of charitable truckers.

Denton County Sheriff's deputies, believing the man's family had been killed in an auto accident, drove the culprit to the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport and saw him safely aboard and Eastern Airlines flight to Charlotte, N.C.

The man flew away Monday with the good-wishes of charitable truckers and more than \$500 of their

money. Police called the scheme one of the cleverest they had ever seen. It began when a man, claiming to be a North Carolina highway patrolman, called deputies and a Union 76 truck stop Sunday afternoon.

The caller said he was trying to locate a trucker, en route from Houston to Oklahoma City, whose family had been killed in an auto accident.

A short time later the con man, posing as a trucker, arrived at the truck stop on foot and identified himself as the North Carolina driver. He

said his truck had broken down and he had had to hitchhike the rest of the way. Manager Billy Studdard said the man appeared "stunned" by the news that his family had been killed. The man's truck was never located.

Meanwhile law enforcement officers solicited donations at the truck stop for the driver whose said his company would not pay his way home.

The hoax wasn't discovered until a Charlotte police detective notified authorities in Texas that there had been no such accident.

Studdard said he was stunned by the hoax.

"Even the highway department was collecting for the ...," said Studdard, who nonetheless thanked authorities for their help. "We were so sincere."

Sheriff Kenneth George said he hopes the man can be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

But police officer Howard Kelly said he doubt the man, who said he was from Eden, N.C., will ever be caught.

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Marine loses White House job



Marine Maj. Jeffery Zorn, a former military aide to President Carter, sits in his Washington area home recently, as he discusses his recent dismissal from the post. Zorn has been involved in a dispute with the Internal Revenue Service, as he has since 1976 paid no income taxes, saying he has donated the money to a church he heads. In front of Zorn are his Bible and religious books, and behind him a series of photos with the president. (AP Laserphoto)

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Marine major has been removed from his job as a military aide to President Carter because of a controversy with the Internal Revenue Service over his refusal, on religious grounds, to pay federal income taxes.

Maj. Jeffery Zorn, a Vietnam veteran who was assigned the prestigious White House job last December, said in an interview that he has not paid income taxes since 1976, when he began giving all his earnings to a small church he heads.

The Defense Department said Tuesday that Zorn was transferred in April after the White House informed

the department of an IRS investigation of Zorn and his church. The Marine claims the White House ordered his transfer, saying, "They told me that they thought it would be better if I wasn't around."

White House spokesman Ray Jenkins said the White House "simply notified the Defense Department" of the IRS inquiry and that the Pentagon decided on the transfer. Zorn was reassigned to a same staff job at the Quantico, Va., marine base, the same assignment he had before being transferred to the White House.

"A decision was made that while this (the IRS investigation) was

going, on he should be transferred back to Quantico," said Pentagon spokesman Ralph Blanchard.

Zorn, 33, who said he has a theology degree from the International Bible Institute and Seminary in Florida and is licensed by Virginia to perform marriages, is co-pastor, along with this wife, of the Third Estate Church in Quantico.

He said he gives "every penny" of his military pay to the church which, in turn, uses it for various projects as well as paying his basic expenses. A Marine major earns about \$19,000 a year subject to federal income tax.

The church, which reportedly has about 12 members, uses the money to

buy religious pamphlets; to contribute to radio and television evangelists; and to run a Bible study program in nursing homes, hospitals and prisons, Zorn said.

The Internal Revenue Service declined to discuss the Zorn case specifically. But an IRS spokesman said there have been numerous court cases involving individuals who obtain ministerial licenses and then seek to avoid paying taxes.

"A minister's income, salary and so forth is subject to tax," said Rod Young, the IRS spokesman. "You cannot merely assign away your income and get it back and claim that it's tax-exempt by that manner."

French on way to New Hebrides

PORT VILA, New Hebrides (AP) — One hundred French troops were to leave New Caledonia today and fly to the neighboring New Hebrides where new violence took the life of an opposition party leader, a government spokesman here said.

British resident Commissioner Andrew Stuart said he has also asked the British Foreign Office to send British troops because of the worsening political situation in the New Hebrides, about 850 miles east of Australia.

Chief Minister Walter Lini has asked Britain and France, which have ruled here for 74 years, to use military force to restore government authority before the island chain becomes independent July 30.

Several hundred opponents of the New Hebrides government here, already beset by a two-week-old native rebellion on the island of Espiritu Santo 280 miles to the north, attacked the government offices on Tanna early today.

Tanna is 300 miles southeast of Espiritu Santo. Alexi Yalou, 32, leader of the moderate opposition to Lini, was killed by a shotgun blast, and a policeman was injured in the rioting. The rioters stormed a local jail and released 29 prisoners, officials said.

It was the first reported death in the New Hebrides since political upheaval began two weeks ago. At that time, British police fired on rioters in Tanna who tried to dynamite police vehicles.

Stuart said the attack on the jail and an attempt to close the Tanna airport by dynamiting the runway was co-ordinated with the revolt on Espiritu Santo. Stuart said it was not known who killed Yalou. He said Melanesian policemen who were defending the government offices do not carry shotguns.

The British have sent 12 Malanesian policemen to reinforce the 10 already on Tanna. The French resident commissioner dispatched 25 policemen to Tanna by air this morning.

Fried chicken founder suffering from leukemia

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Col. Harland Sanders, the 89-year-old founder of the Kentucky Fried Chicken chain, will undergo treatment for acute leukemia, doctors say. The blood disease was discovered by doctors while Sanders was hospitalized for pneumonia.

Sanders was released from the hospital Tuesday after a 10-day stay and will receive leukemia treatments on an outpatient basis beginning next week.

"He wanted some home cooking," explained a spokesman for the fast-food chain. "And he refuses to remain hospitalized while he's feeling good."

He said the pneumonia, which developed during a trip to Japan, had cleared up and that "the colonel was eager to return to his home in Shelbyville."

"If this can be beaten, I'll beat it," Sanders re-

portedly replied when doctors advised him of the diagnosis.

Despite Sanders' objections, his tour next month for the March of Dimes has been canceled, the company spokesman said.

"We're still going ahead with plans, however, for the Colonel's 90th birthday celebration Sept. 5-7," he added.

Sanders didn't begin franchising his secret chicken recipe until he was 66 and had been forced to sell his Corbin, Ky., restaurant after it

had been bypassed by an interstate highway.

Sanders, who sold the business for \$2 million in 1964, is not active in the day-to-day management of the operation, with annual sales exceeding \$2 billion. But he still does commercials for the company and travels more than 250,000 miles a year making public appearances for the firm.

The fried chicken recipe is still secret although Sanders has said the ingredients "can be found on just about any housewife's shelf."

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Paul Huff

Services for Paul Huff, 70, of Denison and formerly of Midland, were to be held at 10 a.m. today in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with burial following in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

Huff died Sunday in a Big Spring hospital.

He was born Dec. 21, 1909, in Gordonville. He moved to Midland with his family in 1928 from the Madill, Okla., area. He settled west of Midland and ranched in what is now the Gardendale area. He ranched and worked for Texas Company for several years on the Mabee lease. He moved to Ada, Okla., in 1949 where he dairy farmed, returning to Midland in 1960. He lived in the Dallas area for five years and then moved back to Ada, Okla., where he retired. He spent the past three years in Denison. He served in World War II in the Third Army Division with General Patton in Europe.

Survivors include a son, Paul L. Huff of Dallas; a daughter, Betty Sue Huff of Roby; three brothers, L.J. Huff of Midland, Roy Huff of Odessa and Fred Huff of Canyon; two sisters, Lois Petty of Midland and Glennis Blair of Pauls Valley, Okla.; and five grandchildren.

Pablo Ramirez Jr.

BIG SPRING — Funeral mass for Pablo Ramirez Jr., 45, of Marfa and formerly of Big Spring, was to be held at 3 p.m. today at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Big Spring. Burial was to follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Ramirez drowned Sunday afternoon in Mexico.

He was born in 1935 in Big Spring; where he had lived most of his life until moving to Marfa four years ago. He was a carpenter and a member of the Catholic church.

Survivors include his wife, Rosa Ramirez of Fort Worth; four sons, Jesse Ramirez, Allen Ramirez, Ray Ramirez and Pablo Ramirez III, all of Fort Worth; six daughters, Della Ramirez, Emma Ramirez, Delores Ramirez, Rebecca Ramirez, Consuela Ramirez and Isabel Ramirez, all of Fort Worth; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pablo Ramirez Sr. of Big Spring; and five grandchildren.

Israeli policeman shot in revenge in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM (AP) — A sniper wounded an Israeli policeman in the Old City of Jerusalem in an apparent escalation of Palestinian revenge attacks for the maiming of two Arab mayors on the West Bank.

Meanwhile, Common Market sources said the Europeans had ruled out recognition of Palestinian demands for statehood as well as any Mideast move that might endanger U.S. efforts to break the deadlock in Palestinian autonomy talks between Egypt and Israel.

The policeman was shot Tuesday by a sniper perched on the stone walls surrounding the Old City, authorities said. Police and troops immediately cordoned off the area and several suspects were detained.

Earlier, two bombs planted by Arab terrorists exploded in a Tel Aviv suburb. Authorities reported no injuries or damage.

One bomb was planted in a trash bin in Peah Tikvah, about six miles from Tel Aviv, and the other was placed at a military pickup point in the town for soldiers traveling to their base.

In Damascus, Syria, a Soviet-backed faction of the PLO called the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine claimed responsibility and said the commandos were able to withdraw safely.

Tel Aviv police, meanwhile, warned that Palestinian guerrillas might be planning a letter-bomb campaign. "Check all your mail carefully for name, return address and size. If you have any suspicions, report immediately to the police," a spokesman said.

Palestinian guerrillas have vowed to retaliate "in the next days and weeks" for the attempted assassinations of three Arab nationalist mayors

Wayne R. Long

MONAHANS — Services for Wayne Ralph Long, 71, of Monahans, sister of Mrs. Mike Scigut of Midland, were to be at 4 p.m. today in Wickett Methodist Church with burial in Monahans Cemetery under direction of Wilson-Miller Funeral Home.

Long died Monday in a Big Spring hospital.

Born May 11, 1909, in Cason, he was a member of Wickett Methodist Church. Long came to Monahans in 1950. He was married Dec. 30, 1939, in Orange Grove. He was a Lions Club member.

Other survivors include his wife and four sisters.

Melba Garrett

Melba Louise Garrett, 53, 1603 W. Louisiana Ave., died Sunday afternoon in a Midland hospital.

Burial will be in Glendale, Calif. Local arrangements were handled by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Born in Fort Smith, Ark., in 1926, Mrs. Garrett lived in Glendale for most of her life. She moved to Midland following the death of her husband in 1979.

Survivors include two sons, Ronald L. Garrett and Michael Garrett, both of Midland; and a daughter, Linda L. Allbright of Midland.

Annie Thompson

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. W.O. (Annie) Thompson, 85, of Big Spring were to be at 10 a.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

She died Monday in a Big Spring hospital following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Thompson was born Oct. 18, 1894, in Hico. She moved to Big Spring in 1928. She was a member of First United Methodist Church and Susanna Wesley Sunday School Class. Her husband, William Oscar Thompson, died in 1933.

Survivors include a son, W.L. "Squeaky" Thompson of Big Spring; two daughters, Mrs. Paul Turner of Brownfield and Mrs. M.G. Wiswell of Stanton; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Khomeini warns revolution may be self-destructive

By The Associated Press

Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini warned Iran's revolution might self-destruct unless the Islamic hardliners controlling Parliament halt their political war with President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr. Meanwhile, Ramsey Clark called President Carter's threat to prosecute him a form of legal poisoning.

"If things remain this way we cannot survive, we cannot administer the country," Khomeini said Tuesday in a speech to provincial governors delivered amid a dispute in the new Parliament over who will become the country's prime minister.

"There is disorganization and misunderstanding at all levels of government and society," Khomeini said. "It is from the inside that we start fighting each other and destroying ourselves. We have to establish a system in order to further our cause."

Bani-Sadr has criticized diverse "decision making centers" for causing administrative problems for Khomeini's 17-month-old revolution. He has vowed to "unmask those opportunists trying to undermine the capabilities of the executive branch of the Iranian Islamic government."

Bani-Sadr told the Tehran newspaper Ettelaat this week that his opponents had "imperiled the future of the country and the revolution."

"In my opinion, the worst and the ugliest form of government rule is the massacre and violence by the govern-

ment functionaries," Bani-Sadr said in an apparent reference to the slew of executions ordered by the revolutionary courts without the knowledge of the executive branch of government.

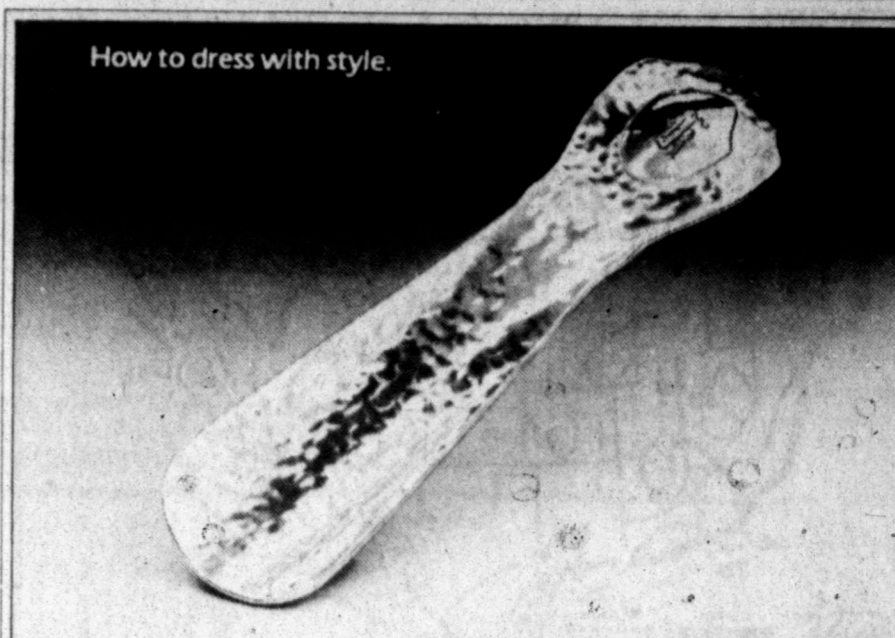
Bani-Sadr for months has been jockeying for power with the Islamic hardliners who now dominate the Parliament as well as the student militants who seized the 53 American hostages Nov. 4.

Clark, a former U.S. attorney general, and nine other Americans went to Tehran last week in violation of Carter's travel ban to attend a "Crimes of America" conference that brushed aside the hostage issue and said the U.S. government should pay reparations for past interference in Iran.

Carter told reporters Tuesday aboard Air Force One returning from Washington state to the U.S. capital that the trip by Clark and the other Americans to Iran so damaged America's foreign policy that "my inclination is, within the bounds of the law" to order him prosecuted.

But he said the decision on prosecution would be up to the Attorney General Benjamin R. Civiletti. "My guess would be he would seek civil penalties," Carter said. This could mean up to 10 years in prison and fines of up to \$50,000 upon conviction.

But Clark brushed aside the threat, calling it an attempt to divert attention from the hostage crisis and saying Carter was a politician who doesn't understand the law.



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Flight price war route changing?

NEW YORK (AP) — World Airways' \$88 cross-country fare goes into effect today, and the airline industry is hoping that it will end the transcontinental price war.

However, a new round of price cuts may have broken out on the New York-Miami route, where Trans World Airlines cut the one-way fare to \$79.

World's fare, announced Tuesday, was not matched by other carriers, which cut the price of night flights from New York to Los Angeles and San Francisco to \$99 last week.

The low fares on the most heavily traveled route in the nation are guaranteed through the end of June, with prices after that still in question. Fares on many other routes, particularly those served by one or two airlines, have risen in recent months as jet fuel costs climbed.

World's \$88 fare applies to all seats on its DC-10 flights from Los Angeles and Oakland, Calif., to Newark, N.J., which serves the New York City area, and from Los Angeles to Baltimore. It had been charging \$139.99 on these routes.

TWA announced late Tuesday that the \$79 fare between New York and Miami will be effective next Monday through July 31. There was no immediate reaction from other carriers on TWA's \$20 reduction.

"The big question in the industry right now is whether this will spread," says Julius Maldutis, an analyst with the Wall Street firm of Salomon Brothers.

While World has lowered the fare from Baltimore to Los Angeles, other more established airlines have not yet found it necessary to match that reduction.

"I would hope we wouldn't be extending this to other markets," said Sally McElwreath, director of marketing at TWA.

Airlines are reluctant to be drawn into a widespread price-cutting battle because they lose money on the lower fares. Maldutis estimates that the direct costs of flying a Boeing 747 between New York and Los Angeles are about \$22,000, not including overhead such as the cost of reservations. Such a plane would have to be two-thirds full with passengers paying \$88 each to cover direct costs.

Before the government lifted many of the regulations it had imposed on airlines, there were only three airlines serving the New York-California routes — American, United and Trans World. But now World Airways, Eastern, Pan American World Airways and Capitol Airlines have leaped into the transcontinental market.

The newcomers, particularly Eastern and World, seem to be determined to gain a significant share of the market, even if it means suffering short term losses. And the established airlines aren't willing to lose such a major market.

"Even if we lose a jillion dollars this summer, we have to protect that market," said David Frailey, a vice president of American Airlines. "We have been flying these routes for many years and will not be driven out."

"They can't afford it indefinitely..." said Anthony Low-Beer, an analyst with L.F. Rothschild, Unterberg, Towbin.

Potts won't get another appeal, judge warns

ATLANTA (AP) — A federal judge says condemned murderer Jack Potts won't be able to save himself from the electric chair with another last-minute appeal.

U.S. District Judge William C. O'Kelley granted Potts' request Tuesday to drop his appeals but warned he was abandoning the last chance to save his life.

"I'm well aware of that," replied Potts, who was scheduled to die last week but stopped his execution with only hours to go by resurrecting the appeal process he halted last fall.

O'Kelley's warning "might not be the last word if Potts were seriously interested in resuming his appeals," said Henry Schwarzschild, director of the Capital Punishment Project of the American Civil Liberties Union in New York.

But the odds of stopping the execution are

Alamo offering swim lessons

The Alamo YMCA is taking registration for its second summer swimming session. There will be five two-week sessions at the Y throughout the summer. Classes meet Monday through Thursday each week and are taught by qualified instructors.

They are also offering a Gym and Swim program for preschoolers. It will be two mornings a week from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Preschoolers enrolled in the program will have a 45-minute swimming lesson and a 45-minute gymnastics lesson. Other activities will also be featured.

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For more information on both activities, call the YMCA at 694-2528 or come by 901 N. Midland Drive.

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Gunman Costica Studineanu, center, a Romanian refugee, is led from the Union Savings and Loan Association in Queens, New York, Tuesday by members of the police department's hostage negotiating team. (AP Laserphoto)

Man charged in hostage incident

NEW YORK (AP) — A Romanian refugee was charged with robbery, weapons possession and unlawful imprisonment after a 3½-hour standoff involving up to 10 hostages at a savings and loan association.

Criminal Court. Studineanu was accused of holding police at bay at the Union Federal Savings and Loan Association in the Ridgewood section of Queens.

Police said the armed man had demanded a passport and a job with the CIA during the incident Tuesday. He was overpowered by police, and no injuries were reported.

He allegedly started an argument when employees told him the office did not process passports and pulled a gun and took hostages, said police. Authorities said at one point, he secured a bag of \$25,000 in cash from a teller.

The Queens district attorney planned to ask that bail be denied Costica Studineanu, 25, of Queens, when he appeared today for arraignment in Queens

The hostages were either freed or rescued unharmed and police disarmed the 1978 immigrant from Savovia, Romania by gaining access through the basement of the savings and loan.

Shifting problems could have led to Arkansas bus crash

HARRISON, Ark. (AP) — The driver of a bus that crashed near Jasper last week may have had trouble shifting the bus because of mechanical problems, says an official investigating the crash.

Calderwood said all of the problems could have made it difficult for the bus driver to downshift as the bus careened down the steep mountain-side during the accident. He said investigators found that the bus was in neutral when they were examining the wreckage.

Tom Calderwood of the National Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday investigators found that the clutch in the bus was out of adjustment and that the shift linkage was binding against the rear axle. The investigators worked through the night Monday studying the bus.

Meanwhile, state Crime Lab director Steve Nawojczyk said an autopsy of the bus driver, James Jefferson Thigpen, 60, of Lancaster, Texas, revealed that Thigpen's health could have been a contributing factor in the accident, but probably was not the main cause. Thigpen was killed in the crash.

Plus, the wrong part was used to repair the bus on Wednesday, Calderwood said. He said the bus' normally vacuum-operated fuel pump was replaced with an electric pump like those used on automobiles. He said the change would have reduced the flow of fuel and made it difficult for the bus to accelerate.

Nawojczyk said Thigpen suffered from hardening of the arteries and hypoglycemia or low blood sugar. He said Thigpen had a chronic inflammation of the thyroid gland.

Ship's pilot possibly negligent in wreck of Summit Venture

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A review board has found probable cause that the harbor pilot guiding the freighter Summit Venture when it struck the Sunshine Skyway bridge last month was negligent in his duties.

The findings now go to the Department of Professional Regulation for a hearing and the recommendations of the hearing examiner are forwarded to the pilot board for final action. The full, 10-member commission licenses pilots and makes the final decision on whether to dismiss the case, suspend the pilot,

revoke his license or fine him up to \$1,000.

Lerro blamed sudden bad weather for the accident during Tuesday's hearing. But a state lawyer charged that Lerro "gambled...navigated blindly...and took unnecessary risks and as a result of those risks the collision occurred."

The decision Tuesday by the casualty review panel is the first step in proceedings that could lead to the revocation of John Lerro's pilot license. The three-member committee of the state Board of Pilot Commissioners also recommended informally that Lerro, 37, be suspended pending further investigation.

The passage was routine, Lerro told the board.

Potts was convicted in the 1975 kidnapping and shooting of Michael Priest, 24, of Roswell, an auto mechanic and father of two children.

Thirty-five people died in the May 9 accident that sent a 1,400-foot section of the bridge along

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It takes some mumbling to choose a president



Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — It may be my imagination but more and more people seem to be talking to themselves during this election year. All you have to do is walk down the street and you can hear someone mumbling. I was curious so I followed one man who was muttering. This is what I heard:
"I can't vote for Carter. Anyone but Carter ... But then I can't vote for Reagan either ... If I go for Anderson, I'll be throwing my vote away ... I better vote for Carter. But Carter doesn't seem to know what he's doing. He got us into a recession, and in four more years he could get us into a depression ... I better vote for Reagan ... Reagan will get us into a war. It would be terrible to be in a recession and a war at the same time ... I better vote for Anderson ... What do I know about Anderson? I voted for Carter last time because I didn't know anything about him. I won't make that mistake again ... I better vote for Carter."
"I'm not sure I could stand the Georgia mafia for another four years. I better vote for Reagan ... But if I vote for Reagan I'll be voting for simple answers to complicated questions. He hasn't said anything original since 'Bedtime for Bonzo' ... Maybe I better vote for Anderson. Why should I vote for Anderson? He seems honest — but they all seem honest at

the beginning. I'll bet underneath it all he's just another politician on the make ... I think I'll cast my ballot for Carter. What I am saying? The reason I'm having all this trouble deciding who to vote for is because of Carter. He hasn't solved any of the problems we're facing ... He says one thing one day and another the next ... It looks like I have no choice. I have to pull the lever for Reagan ... But if Reagan gets in he may have two or three Supreme Court appointments. I couldn't live with the people Reagan would appoint to the Supreme Court.
"It's obvious, I have to forget the two-party system and support Anderson. Hold it, Anderson can't win. All he can do is spoil it for the other two and then it will go to the House, and they'll probably give it to Carter. I might as well vote for Carter in the first place ... My wife said she'd never talk to me if I voted for Carter again. She says she's had it with Born-Again Presidents ... I don't think Reagan's been born again. I wonder if she'd want me to vote for Reagan? ... I wish she hadn't left home to take a job in California so I could ask her ... I guess it has to be Reagan ... No, it doesn't have to be Reagan. He never gets his facts straight. That's all right when you're running for office — but it could be real trouble in the Oval Office ... I better think Anderson ... Anderson? Is he just a media star who will burn out once the election is over? ... Where did he come from? What do I know about him except that he looks different from the others? ... I have to come to my senses. I'm not happy about it, but I'll go for Carter."
"But if I vote for Carter we'll get the whole damn family in the White House again ... I'm not sure I can put up with Amy in her teens, and I know I've had it with Billy. At least with Reagan we don't get a family ... It's obvious what my decision is. I'll vote for Reagan and take my chances.
Some people say he was a good governor of California. Come to think of it he's the one who said it. Others say he fudged his record ... Maybe I should vote for Anderson and forget about the whole thing. But Anderson's record in the House isn't that hot either. He says he's changed his mind on a lot of things ... Well, if he can change his mind, so can I. At least I know what I'm getting with Carter. If anyone asks me, I'm a Carter man ... I can't say it with a straight face. Can I say I'm a Reagan man with a straight face? Nope, I can't do that either. I can say I'm an Anderson man with a straight face. Look at my straight face. It isn't straight? I was afraid of that.
"So where does that leave me? Maybe Carter has learned a lot in the first four years and will be a good President in his second term. It's happened before. When did it happen? How do I know? ... If I vote for Reagan, he said he'll only stay for one term ... That's in his favor. But then again I have to consider his age. Of course his hair is dark. Anderson's is white. I wonder why Anderson's hair is white ... Can the country survive with a white-haired President?
"There has to be a solution to my problem ... Wait a minute! ... I think I have it. Why didn't I think of it before? I'll move to Chicago and vote for all three of them."

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Traveling from Midland, for example, the Big Bend, Davis Mountains, McDonald Observatory, Carlsbad Caverns at Carlsbad, N.M., Bottomless Lakes near Roswell, N.M., Spence Reservoir at Robert Lee, Monahans Sandhills State Park, Palo Duro Canyon outside Amarillo and numerous other attractions are located within one day's drive of the Tall City, some within a few hours.

These attractions are ideal for weekend vacation outings where a minimum of expense is wanted. And there's some interesting country awaiting motorists traveling to any of those points, giving an indication of the varied landscapes and climates of Texas.

If you're interested in taking a longer trip, Texas offers numerous vacation prospects including the forests of deep East Texas, the sparkling beaches along the

Texas Gulf Coast, the cactus and sun-drenched Mexico border areas and the lakes, streams and campsites dotting locations elsewhere throughout the state.

Helping one's own pocketbook might be the best incentive for a Texan enjoying a vacation within the state. But there are attractions just outside the state's borders that would make interesting vacation trips.

Oklahoma and New Mexico, of course, would be more compatible to the vacation trips of Midlanders. But Louisiana and Arkansas offer attractions to residents in other parts of the Lone Star State.

And Texans wanting a vacation trip with an international flavor have only to cross the border into Mexico where they can enjoy a culture that has given the Southwest, too, a distinctive flavor all its own.

Besides helping out one's own pocketbook, close-to-home vacations are patriotic in light of the 'United States' drive to decrease dependence on imported oil. We can all help with that goal by driving less, even when not in the midst of the vacation season.

This year, even more so than in the past, it makes good sense for Texans to take a vacation in their own backyard.

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Justice Department orders bewildered FBI

WASHINGTON — In an earlier column, I told how eight members of Congress were caught in the ABSCAM trap, but seven others were let out before the trap was sprung. Several of the eight were filmed accepting bribes from FBI undercover agents. The same intermediaries who brought in the eight legislators for their payoffs also offered to produce another seven. But curiously, the Justice Department was not interested.

The FBI agents and their star witness, Mel Weinberg, "were frustrated and bewildered at a series of orders from the Justice Department in Washington which prevented them from pursuing what they regarded as promising leads."

This sensational allegation is contained in a confidential book proposal prepared by Bob Greene, whose investigative reporting earned Newsday a Pulitzer Prize. It is clear from the text that one of Greene's informants is the government's own chief witness, Weinberg himself.

Five weeks ago, I reported that the Justice Department had been selective in pursuing ABSCAM leads. I noted that some of President Carter's political opponents had been pursued while some of his supporters had not.

I reported that the FBI had an intense interest in House Speaker Tip O'Neill. There is no evidence that the FBI agents could have netted him, but they were eager to try. Then the Justice Department sent word that "we don't think (the O'Neill investigation) is profitable to pursue."

Here are two other big fish who escaped the ABSCAM net:
HOUSE JUDICIARY CHAIRMAN PETER RODINO, D-N.J. — Just as the FBI agents were about to draw Rodino into their net, the Justice De-



Jack Anderson

partment scooped the investigation. They were dealing with Rodino's son-in-law, Charles Stanziale, who now swears he resisted the baited fish hook.

But Greene declares flatly: "Contrary to his public statement, the son-in-law of powerful Judiciary Committee Chairman Peter Rodino eagerly talked with Weinberg and an undercover FBI agent about getting legal fees for his law firm ... and strongly intimated that he could deliver Congressman Rodino in return."

A source close to the investigation told my associate Gary Cohn that the Justice Department "cooled on Rodino just as the agents were getting closer to meeting him." The source insisted that a meeting with Rodino "could have been pulled off," although there is no indication that he would have taken any money or even would have discussed a payment.

The Justice Department's tampering with the Rodino investigation, inside sources suggest, so angered the undercover men that they leaked the ABSCAM story.

SEN. STROM THURMOND, R-S.C. — Justice Department sources first hesitated to pursue the 77-year-old Senate veteran, then gave the go-ahead, then called off the investiga-

tion.

By Greene's account, Rep. John Jenrette, D-S.C., offered to deliver Thurmond for \$100,000. But, says Greene, Jenrette insisted upon picking up the money himself, contending that Thurmond wouldn't meet with the undercover operatives in person. There is no proof that Thurmond was aware of Jenrette's dicker.

Jenrette was caught on videotape; no further attempt was made to reel in Thurmond.

Significantly, both Rodino and Thurmond, as powers on the House and Senate Judiciary committees, respectively, have been strong supporters of the Justice Department. The ABSCAM caper was directed personally by Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti and the head of the Justice Department's criminal division, Philip Heymann. Their spokesman has denied any interference with the ABSCAM investigation.

PARTY SURPRISE: The biggest fear in Ronald Reagan's inner circle right now is that Jimmy Carter will get an unexpected boost in the election campaign from an "October surprise." Reagan's advisers worry that a startling news development like last year's "November surprise," the Tehran hostage seizure, will rally support around a beleaguered president.

There's not much the Republicans can do to forestall such an unpredictable blockbuster, so they'll continue to hammer away at the gap between candidate Carter's promises and President Carter's achievements.

Meanwhile, Reagan is working on a "July surprise" of his own for unveiling at the Detroit convention. His choice of a running mate, insiders confide, will be someone who can broaden his appeal, rather than a political carbon copy who might please only a narrow base of ultra-conservative true believers.

INFLUENCE DIGEST: Several Moslem powers, including Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Pakistan, have brought secret pressure on Iran to return the American hostages, end the crisis and restore stability to the Persian Gulf region. ... The gentle Cambodian people are caught between their ancient enemies, the Vietnamese, and their recent oppressors, the Khmer Rouge. The latest intelligence reports indicate that the Khmer Rouge are gaining strength in the jungles of Cambodia. ... The Soviets are pouring so much firepower into Afghanistan that they have been unable to keep up their scheduled shipments to Vietnam, according to classified reports. This may have contributed to the slowing of the Vietnamese conquest of Cambodia.

WATCH ON WASTE: Back in 1976, Energy Department bureaucrats authorized a modest \$75,000 solar energy visitor's center in a Los Angeles suburb. But in the Topsy-like way of federal projects, it has now grown into a \$55,000 production — more than \$400,000 of it financed by Uncle Sam.

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BIBLE VERSE

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, June 11, the 163rd day of 1980. There are 203 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On June 11, 1859, a prospector laid claim to a silver deposit in Nevada. The claim turned out to be the Comstock lode, one of the richest of all time, yielding ore worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

On this date: In 1942, a Lend-Lease agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union designed to aid the Soviet war effort in World War II was made public.

In 1963, under the eyes of National Guardsmen, Gov. George Wallace stepped aside to let blacks register at the University of Alabama.

In 1967, Israel and Syria settled into a cease-fire after the Six-Day War, with Israeli troops still holding positions inside Syria.

In 1972, Dutch marines stormed a

train hijacked by South Moluccan terrorists in the Netherlands, freeing 49 hostages. Two hostages and six of their captors were killed in the attack.

Ten years ago: The U.S. presence in Libya ended two weeks ahead of schedule when the last detachment left Wheelus Air Base, the last major U.S. military facility in North Africa.

Five years ago: The White House was seeking comments from top officials, including the secretary of state and the CIA director, on the Rockefeller Commission's critical report on the CIA.

Last year: Actor John Wayne died at the age of 72 after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Today's birthday: French deep sea explorer Jacques Cousteau is 70.

Thought for today: Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much — Oscar Wilde (1856-1900)

NICK THIMMESCH

Affairs of black-led Richmond virtually unnoticed

WASHINGTON — The current issue of Ebony proclaims that Richmond, the former Confederate capital, has finally fallen to blacks. I always thought it was Ulysses S. Grant who struggled in frustration for years before capturing Richmond from that fine gentleman, Gen. Robert E. Lee. I wasn't aware that conquering Richmond was also the goal of our contemporary black bourgeoisie.

Anyway, with so many of us news-sniffers in Washington — only 110 miles from Richmond — it is remarkable that it took three years to discover that Richmond's top governmental offices are held by blacks. It is less remarkable that courtly, dignified Richmond, with a population half black and half white, is living with the new power structure, though there are frictions.

For the record, Richmond's mayor is black, and so are the city manager, school superintendent, fire chief and five of the nine city councilpersons. The director of public safety and his police chief are white. The Richmond Braves professional baseball team had a black manager in 1977-78, but nobody, not even Sports Illustrated, seemed interested. That manager, Tommy Aaron, brother of famous Hank, is now a coach with the Atlanta Braves.

Now the way Ebony tells it, the hero of this conquest is an ordinary down-home black named Curtis J. Hope (Ebony was wrong. His correct name is Curtis J. Holt, but no matter.) Hope, now 69, as Ebony describes him, has unkempt hair, baggy pants and offers speech "filled with misplaced infinitives and mispronounced words."

Ebony didn't think that Holt with



Nick Thimmesch

his tenth grade education was the likely person to file a suit in federal court in 1970 which resulted in Richmond's at-large election system being declared unconstitutional in 1976, and thus making it possible for blacks to elect blacks to the top jobs in a ward system election.

Ebony's excitement, delayed three years, burst forth in this article with references to civil war monuments to men who battled to maintain white supremacy, and expressing certainty that "Confederate President Jefferson Davis must be turning over in his grave."

Actually, Southerners are more poised than that, and when it comes time for them to take their final rest, that's what they do. Those monuments of Confederate Army heroes stand just as proudly today — with a black mayor governing Richmond — as they did a half-century ago.

It's true that Richmond engaged in "massive resistance" to integration back in 1957, and that the Byrd political machine was once one of the most powerful in the South, if not in the nation.

But it was many years ago that a Republican governor, Linwood Holton, entered his children into Rich-

mond's public schools to set an example, while Northern liberal Democratic politicians hid theirs in private schools or fled to the whiteness of suburban school districts.

The South has a way of accommodating itself to social change that the North hasn't yet mastered. There have been several blacks elected mayors of Northern cities, but few turned out to be successful mayors. Consider the chronic troubles of cities like Cleveland, Gary and Newark. Detroit and Los Angeles have black mayors who haven't failed, and are trying their best.

Anyway, Richmond's Mayor Henry L. Marsh III, now 46, had been vice-mayor of Richmond for seven years before taking over city hall in 1977. There was some white flight — particularly from public schools — when he and the black leadership took over. But Richmond's "establishment" pretty much remained poised, and life went on.

After all, Richmond is an economic success, has low unemployment, and a stable industry. It is fast becoming a headquarters town. Richmond has long been a cultural center.

Now it is Ebony's business to render this succession of black power in Richmond as a titanic struggle, but I gather it wasn't all that titanic. When Ebony declares that "the political forces in aristocratic West End," pushed a referendum to cut city taxes and limit city government — thus implying racism — it doesn't quite tell the truth. If West End is the "establishment," the record shows that Richmond's "establishment" opposed the referendum, and that proposal was the pet project of one John Ambrose, a maverick schoolteacher.

the small society



Baptists elect conservative

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The staunchly conservative new president of the Southern Baptist Convention says his election is attributable to a "back-to fundamentals" conservatism rising in the nation's largest Protestant body.

"Our people know that any denomination that has gone liberal has gone down," the Rev. Bailey E. Smith of Del City, Okla., said Tuesday in an interview.

"Our people are saying that if we have turned a little to the left, then let's turn back right and get this matter settled so we can be the great, evangelistic Bible-believing force we can be in this world."

Smith, 41, a commanding preacher who insists the Bible must be viewed as totally without error, won the top office of the 13.4 million-member denomination Tuesday over five other candidates with a surprise first-ballot majority.

Smith said he intends to "be kind to everybody," including those differing with his position. But he said certain liberal influences in church institutions and seminaries should be removed.

"I do not look toward any radical excising of anybody," he said, but added objectionable elements could be eliminated "methodically...through the years."

In the election, Smith was the favorite of the conservative movement in which the Rev. Paige Patterson of Dallas has been a key leader and whose rallying cry is "Biblical inerrancy," insisting on that interpretation throughout the denomination.

Smith succeeds another conservative, the Rev. Adrian Rogers of Memphis, Tenn., who also had won with backing of the Patterson group.

Elected first vice president was the Rev. Jack Taylor, a Fort Worth, Texas, evangelist.

Smith also said he strongly opposed the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Women "can't improve on what God meant them to be," he said.

Smith is pastor of the 14,237-member First Southern Baptist Church of Del City, a suburb of Oklahoma City. The congregation is one of the 10 largest churches in the denomination.

He also is president of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention. Born in Dallas and educated at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Texas, he previously served churches in Hobbs, N.M., and Warren, Ark.

He won the national office with a narrow 52 percent majority of 5,739 votes.

Mobster's son slain

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — The son of a reputed Las Vegas underworld figure has died from 10 gunshot wounds after allegedly pulling a gun on plainclothes officers, Las Vegas Metropolitan police say.

Frank Bluestein, 35, a maitre d' at the Hacienda Hotel, was shot by police about 11:45 p.m. Monday after being pulled over while taking a pizza to his girlfriend.

Lt. John Conner, head of the homicide department, said the car was stopped because of outstanding traffic violations.

Police say when two plainclothes detectives approached the car, Bluestein started to open the door, flashing a revolver.

Police fired through the car door, mortally wounding Bluestein. He died an hour later at Sunrise Hospital, Conner said. It was not immediately known whether Bluestein fired any shots and there were no witnesses, he added.

Bluestein, whose father Louis has been linked to organized crime in southern Nevada, moved to Las Vegas six months ago from Chicago.



Rev. Bailey C. Smith and wife Sandy smile broadly as they greet friends shortly after his election as president of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis Tuesday afternoon. Smith won on the first ballot. He is pastor of the First Southern Baptist Church in Del City, Oklahoma. (AP Laserphoto)

Robot era coming

NEW YORK — The sophisticated robot that will be able to see, hear, feel and even talk, is coming. Cheap, efficient, coordinated by the central computer, he'll work side-by-side with humans in the future factory — and may even take away the human's job permanently.

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"Robots," says the magazine, "happily will push, pull, lift, turn, spray, weld, grind and drill those little micro-electric hearts out. Already, tens of thousands of industrial robots are performing such tasks around the world."

In the next decade, the robot industry is expected to grow from a \$60 million-a-year business to a predicted \$3 billion.

The industrial robots, who now consist mainly of a single computer-controlled arm with a pincer-like claw, will see with the aid of TV cameras, will feel with the aid of force sensors, will be closer in size to humans, will be able to move around the factory to do their tasks and even will talk with their handlers and listen to instructions.

Where will the displaced factory workers go? In the past, much factory unemployment was soaked up by the office as the American work force over the decades exchanged its blue collar for a white one.

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Exxon Baltimore Canyon test reports gas below 12,300 feet

By PETER MATTIACE

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Exxon announced Tuesday that it has struck gas in an important exploratory well in the offshore Baltimore Canyon area, very near Texaco and Tenneco's earlier natural gas discoveries.

The successful Exxon well eventually could confirm the existence of the first commercial gas field off the East Coast.

Exxon Chairman Clifton C. Garvin Jr., speaking to reporters in Houston, said the leased semi-submersible rig Alaskan Star reported gas shows below 12,300 feet in a projected 16,500-foot well about 106 miles east of Atlantic City.

Exxon's well, its fifth in the Baltimore Canyon area, is only one mile east of multiple Texaco gas strikes in August 1978. It is also less than three miles from later

multiple Texaco and Tenneco strikes in 1979. Garvin said the strike, made during normal drilling and followed by extensive tests, did not necessarily confirm the existence of the first commercial gas field.

"I don't know whether it will prove to be a commercial well or not, but any indication of gas in that kind of an area is encouraging," Garvin said before the Houston Society of Financial Analysts meeting.

"This is the most encouraging thing we have encountered so far," Garvin said.

However, based on previous statements by oil industry executives, government officials and industry analysts, the Exxon strike eventually could confirm the first commercial field.

Exxon's discovery is the ninth gas or oil find in four wells drilled off the mid-Atlantic coast, all within a very small area of the Baltimore Canyon Trough geological formation.

OPEC crude price increases not joined by Saudi Arabia

By WILLIAM GLASGALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil industry analysts say the latest round of price increases by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will not affect American prices immediately because of Saudi Arabia's stand.

Saudi Arabia, OPEC's largest member, refused to move its \$28-a-

\$31.50.

Several others, including Iraq, Kuwait and Qatar, reportedly did agree to raise prices by \$2 to about \$32 per 42-gallon barrel. The moves were not expected to affect American product prices significantly because none of the countries is a major U.S. supplier.

However, Libya's Oil Minister Abuissalam Mohammad Zagar said the Saudis might move their price to \$32 this summer. That would "show up in higher (consumer) prices in the short-run" just as the U.S. recession is deepening, said economist Beryl Sprinkel of Chicago's Harris Trust and Savings Bank.

Other analysts said a \$4-a-barrel Saudi boost could particularly affect prices of products sold by Exxon Corp., Mobil Corp., Standard Oil Co. of California and Texaco Inc., partners in the consortium that produces most of Saudi Arabia's 9.5 million barrels-a-day oil output.

An oil company economist, who asked not to be identified, said prices at the four companies' retail outlets could rise "a few cents a gallon more" than the 1 or 2 cents a gallon average increase at other companies expected from a \$4-a-barrel Saudi crude oil increase.

But the United States and other Western countries "probably can tolerate" such an increase because "it's not really much of a change" from OPEC's current \$31-a-barrel average price, he said.

U.S. gasoline and heating oil prices rise about 1.5 cents for every \$1-a-barrel average OPEC increase, industry analysts calculate.

The latest OPEC disagreement continued the cartel's oil-price free-for-all that started in February 1979 after the revolution in Iran forced a seven-week shutdown of the country's oil production. World oil prices have more than doubled since then.

OPEC did order a \$37 per barrel top price Tuesday, essentially locking in place Libya, Algeria and Nigeria, producers of the cartel's highest-priced oil.

An effort by OPEC a year ago to set a \$23.50-a-barrel ceiling proved ineffective as worried oil buyers frantically bid up prices through the summer and fall.

Today, however, Western countries have built up an unprecedented three-month oil stockpile, partly because economies have slowed and oil demand has lagged after the past year's price raises.

In the United States, for instance, gasoline demand has fallen 8 percent since last spring as the average price of a gallon of gas climbed 35 cents to \$1.23 1/2.

Reductions in Western oil consumption have been met by cuts in OPEC output of more than 2 million barrels a day since late 1979, leaving the cartel's output at 27.5 million to 28 million barrels a day.

New production cuts could help OPEC keep its prices from slipping, and Iranian Oil Minister Ali Akbar Moinefar said the cartel has agreed to allow its members to continue to reduce oil output. But no cuts were immediately announced.

Soviet Union looks to gas production

TULSA — The Soviet Union intends to blunt the negative effects of its static or declining oil production with continued hefty long-term gains in natural gas flow, Oil & Gas Journal says in its June 9 issue.

And while the Soviets have never been able to challenge Saudi Arabia or pre-revolution Iran in volume of oil exports, the U.S.S.R. has taken over world leadership in gas exports and is expected to hold that position by widening margins during the foreseeable future.

Moscow planners believe that intensive development of western Siberia's far northern fields can keep gas output climbing faster than crude production is likely to fall through the end of the century.

If so, the U.S.S.R. will be far better able to maintain its own energy independence and help restrain the financially crippling growth in oil purchases from Third world sources by its eastern European satellites, the Journal says.

Western European government officials and industrialists are increasingly aware that a cutoff in Soviet natural gas supplies would have serious social and economic consequences.

The U.S.S.R. is suggesting none too subtly that when it comes to economic blocs because of Soviet actions in Afghanistan, western European countries would be well advised to pursue their own direct interests rather than adhere to the global policies of their American allies.

Soviet news media adamantly pushing the thesis that U.S. policies are jeopardizing western European and Japanese fuel supplies. Moscow also asserts that American-inspired trade boycotts against the U.S.S.R. and Iran inevitably will fail, and countries participating in them will suffer economically.

The Soviets recently told western European officials that they would be willing to more than double the 35 billion cubic meters a year of gas slated for delivery to that area in 1985. Thus exports to western Europe may rise to 2.5-2.8 trillion cubic feet a year by 2000.

While no specific goals have been set so far ahead, the U.S.S.R. apparently hopes to boost its gas flow to at least 35.3 trillion cubic feet a year by 2000. That's far more than the peak U.S. gas production reached during the early 1970s and about equal to oil output of 18 billion barrels per day.

Meanwhile, the U.S.S.R.'s crude condensate production shows signs of peaking at slightly more than 12 million barrels per day, the Journal reports.

Natural gas is the only major fuel that has met Soviet production targets for the current Five Year Plan (1976-1980). It rose from 10.2 trillion cubic feet in 1975 to 14.4 trillion cubic feet in 1979 and is expected to reach about 15.4 trillion cubic feet this year, a 50 percent increase during the five-year period.

Soviet oil production will increase only 22 percent during 1976-80, compared with a projected 30 percent gain.

The U.S.S.R. is expected to export about 2 trillion cubic feet of gas this year, nearly 13 percent of the country's gas production.

Much of the 1980 export increase will be achieved by bringing to capacity throughout the new 56-inch, 1,700-mile Soyuz pipeline from giant Orenburg field to the Czech border.

Leak causes no problems

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Two accidental water spills from the Peach Bottom nuclear power plant last April posed no threat to the public, the Philadelphia Electric Co. says.

PE reported the leaks to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and to the Pennsylvania Bureau of Radiological Health because they were accidental, even though the total amount of radioactivity was below reportable levels, spokesman Ron Harper said Tuesday.

He said about 11,300 gallons of water leaked into the Susquehanna River from the condenser well of Unit 2, which has been out of service since March 21 for refueling and maintenance.

"The radioactivity of the water re-

leased to the Susquehanna River was too low and too diluted to be detected or to present any risk to the public," Harper said.

PE said the water leaked through a condenser tube between March 31 and April 7, and again on April 21. Extreme dilution prevented detection of the release by monitoring instruments at the York County plant, Harper said.

The leak was discovered June 6 when an in-plant survey showed that some water had been accidentally released, he said.

Peach Bottom is operated by PE and owned by PE, Public Service Electric & Gas Co., Atlantic City Electric and Delmarva Power and Light Co.

RK Petroleum finals Strawn discovery

RK Petroleum Corp. of Midland announced completion of a Strawn discovery in Terry County, five miles southwest of Gomez.

The operator has suggested the new producing area be designated Carter (Strawn oil).

The strike, No. 1-Y Carter-Straw, finalized for a 24-hour pumping potential of 80 barrels of 42-gravity oil, no water, with a gas-oil ratio too small to measure.

Completion was through perforations from 11,474 to 11,479 feet after a 1,000-gallon acid treatment.

Total depth is 12,901 feet and 5.5-inch pipe is cemented at 11,682 feet.

The well is immediately northwest of a 4,045-foot dry hole and 1/2 mile west of one of the two wells in the Coroco, Southeast (Siluro-Devonian) field.

The Dean was topped at 9,520 feet, the Strawn at 11,470 feet and the Mississippian at 11,931 feet. The ground elevation is 3,402 feet.

It is 838 feet from south and 660 feet from east lines of section 122, block D-11, D&S survey.

LUBBOCK RE-ENTRY

Gulf Oil Corp. announced plans to re-enter an old well in the Lee Harrison (Clear Fork) field of Lubbock County and attempt to complete it as a Glorieta discovery.

The project, No. 3-A Barnett, is 643 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 33, block 1, EL&RR survey and six miles east of Lubbock.

The old total depth is 4,857 feet. The Glorieta will be tested at 4,600 feet.

LYNN RE-ENTRY

Campana Petroleum Co. of Midland announced plans to re-enter a 7,350-foot dry hole in Lynn County and deepen to 10,600 feet as a rank wildcat.

The project, drilled by Signal Oil & Gas in 1972, is 1/2 mile northeast of New Home and 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 12, EL&RR survey.

It was drilled by Signal as No. 1 Smith and will be operated by Campana under the same fee name.

MIDLAND WELLS

Wood & Locker Inc. of Midland filed potential tests with the Railroad Commission of Texas on a pair of wells in the Azalea (Grayburg) field of Midland County, 10 miles southeast of Midland.

No. 4 B.W. Golladay completed for a 24-hour pumping potential of 11 barrels of 30.7-gravity oil and 75 barrels of water, through perforations from 4,091 to 4,103 feet, with gas-oil ratio too small to measure.

The pay was acidized with 2,000 gallons and fractured with 15,000 gallons.

Total depth is 4,150 feet, 4.5-inch

pipe is set on bottom and plugged back depth is 4,121 feet.

Wellsite is 467 feet from south and east lines of T. Burnham survey, A-537 and one location east of other Grayburg production.

Wood & Locker No. 5 B. W. Golladay, one location south of other Grayburg production, completed for a daily pumping potential of 14 barrels of 29.8-gravity oil and 105 barrels of water, with gas-oil ratio too small to measure.

The pay, behind perforations from 4,080 to 4,101 feet, was acidized with 2,000 gallons and fractured with 15,000 gallons.

Hole is bottomed at 4,155 feet, 4.5-inch pipe is set at 4,152 and plugged back depth is 4,118 feet.

Location is 467 feet from south and 2,173 feet from east lines of T. Burnham survey, abstract 537.

WARD GAS WELL

Exxon Corp., U.S.A. No. 2 Howe Gas Unit No. 1 has been completed as the fifth well in the Howe (Devonian) field of Ward County, 14 miles southwest of Monahan.

The operator reported a calculated absolute open flow potential of 2,540,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 12,218 to 12,301 feet.

Total depth is 12,460 feet and 5.5-inch pipe is set on bottom.

Wellsite is 6,175 feet from northeast and 550 feet from southeast lines of Joseph Howe survey No. 1.

WINKLER PRODUCER

BTA Oil Producers No. 1-B 7427 J.V.S. Winkler has been finalized in the Delstrat (Brushy Canyon) field of Winkler County, six miles north of Wink.

Three-eighths miles northeast of the discovery well, the new producer finalized for a daily flow of 72 barrels of 32-gravity oil and 98 barrels of water through a 14/64-inch choke. Gas-oil ratio is 8,430-1.

Completion was through perforations from 6,632 to 6,700 feet after 25,000 gallons of fracture solution.

Total depth is 7,070 feet, 5.5-inch pipe is set on bottom and hole is plugged back to 6,939 feet.

The pay was topped at 6,632 feet on ground elevation of 2,891 feet.

Wellsite is 2,310 feet from south and west lines of section 72, block F, G&MMB&A survey.

CRCKETT WELL

C. F. Lawrence & Associates Inc. of Midland No. 3-64 Half-West is a new well in the Onlaw (Grayburg) field of Crockett County, six miles south of Iraan.

The operator reported a calculated absolute open flow potential of 1.5 million cubic feet of dry gas per day.

The potential was on the zone being casing perforations from 1,349 to 1,416 feet. The pay was acidized with 1,200 gallons and fractured with 20,000 gallons.

Location is 1.5 miles southeast of other Grayburg gas production and 990 feet from north and 6,400 feet from east lines of the west half of section 64, block 1, I&GN survey.

GAINES PROJECT

Petroleum Technical Services Co. of Midland spotted location for an east offset to the lone producer in the Tex-Mex, Southeast (San Andres) pool of Gaines County, 23 miles southwest of Seminole.

Drillsite for the 4,400-foot test, No. 1 Crump Estate, is 1,787 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 9, block A-28 psi survey.

DAWSON COUNTY

Saxon Oil Co. of Midland staked location for an 8,300-foot project in the Key (upper Spraberry) pool of Dawson County, five miles east of Lamesa.

Location is 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 18, block 34, T-5-N, T&P survey. Ground elevation is 2,930 feet.

The drillsite is 5/8 mile northwest of the discovery well of the four-well field.

MARTIN WELL

Gulf Energy Producing Co. of San Antonio No. 1 M. M. Louder is a new project in the Spraberry Trend Area (Dean-Wolfcamp) field of Martin County, one mile southeast of Stanton.

Scheduled on a 9,400-foot contract, it is 660 feet from north and east lines of section 25, block 36, T-1-S, T&P survey.

LEA TEST

Anadarko Production Co. of Eunice, N.M., No. 1 June Speight is to be drilled in the one-well Hobbs, East (Blineby and San Andres) field of Lea County, four miles east of Hobbs.

Location is 2,310 feet from north and west lines of section 29-18S-39E. Contract depth is 6,700 feet.

Ground elevation is 3,588 feet.

Runnels gains nine wildcats

Nine more wildcats have been announced in Runnels County.

E. B. Fletcher of Dallas No. 1-429.1 Geistman is a 5,500-foot operation one location northwest of the depleted Overman (Gardner oil) pool and 467 feet from southwest and 1,500 feet from northwest lines of section 10, Edward Conley survey No. 445, abstract 80. It is 3/4 mile west of Wilmeth.

Master Drilling Co., Inc., of Abilene No. 1 Weldon Hother is a 5,500-foot wildcat-three miles west of Ballinger.

Drillsite is 4,470 feet from southwest and 467 feet from northwest lines of Johann Heil survey No. 419. It is one mile south of the three-well Big Ed (Gardner oil) pool.

Clay Phillips of Richardson spotted No. 1 E. M. Prichard as a 5,100-foot wildcat 1.5 miles southwest of Wingate.

It is 6,080 feet from southeast and 6,660 feet from northeast lines of John Early survey No. 449, abstract 130 and 7/8 miles southeast of the one-well Wingate, West (Gardner oil) pool.

Sumik Drilling Inc. of Denton

staked No. 1 Stringer as a 5,000-foot wildcat 1.5 miles east of Miles.

It is 1,464 feet from north and 1,463 feet from west lines of WCRR survey No. 133. It is one location northeast of the Urban Miles oil field.

Jerry E. Wylie Oil Drilling Co., Inc., of Rising Star will drill two of the Runnels County wildcats.

No. 1 Kirby-Robinson, a 5,200-foot explorer, will be drilled eight miles southwest of Winters and 725 feet from north and 2,462 feet from west lines of section 4, Thomas M. Fowler survey No. 440, abstract 177. Ground elevation is 1,849 feet.

The site is in the southeast edge of the Norton, North field which produces from the Gray, Goen and Gardner lime.

Wylie No. 1 Eugene B. Hope, also eight miles southwest of Winters and scheduled to 5,200 feet, is 538 feet from south and 2,456 feet from east lines of Lawrence Martin survey No. 441, abstract 381. Ground elevation is 1,853 feet.

Tuthill & Barbee of Amarillo announced location for a 4,800-foot wildcat 2.5 miles southwest of Rowena in Runnels County.

It is No. 1 Schwertner, 467 feet from south and west lines of Dillard Cooper survey No. 166 1/4, abstract 82.

The drillsite is 1 3/8 miles northwest of a 4,710-foot dry hole and five miles east of the Urban (Miles oil and gas) field.

Edco Petroleum Inc. of Dallas No. 1 Pat and Jack Pritchard will be dug as a 4,800-foot wildcat 1.5 miles west of Wingate.

Site is 1,964 feet from northeast and 1,847 feet from northwest lines of John Early survey No. 449, abstract 130.

It is 3/4 mile southwest of the depleted Sanrob, West (Caps oil) pool and 1.5 miles northeast of the one well-Wingate, West (Gardner) pool.

The Townsend Co. of Abilene No. 5 Charles Matschek is to be drilled as a 4,300-foot explorer 3.5 miles north of Rowena in Runnels County.

Operator staked location 580 feet from southwest and 1,425 feet from northwest lines of F. Helmer survey No. 417, abstract 247.

It is a northwest twin to one of the two wells in the Rowena, North (Gardner lime oil) pool and one location northwest of the depleted opener of the Rowena, Northwest (Jennings sand gas) pool which has no production at this time.

DRILLING REPORT

WILDCATS
 Getty No. 1-38 Slaughter Pk. drilled cement to depth of 18,900 feet, clean pits, transfer brine to pits, test liner. Gulf No. 2 Emma Lou Unit, id 28,922, pld 23,860, shut-in.

ANDREWS COUNTY
 Exxon No. 7 H.M. Wilson "A", id 2,148 feet, moving out rig.

BORDEN COUNTY
 Dinero Operating Co. No. 1 Morone M. Lemley, id 2,810 feet, cleaning out.

COCHRAN COUNTY
 Exxon No. 1-3 Slaters, id 5,818 feet, pld 4,960 feet, pumped oil and 22 barrels of water in 9 hours through perforations from 2,913-5,940 feet, pulled rods and pump.

CHROCKETT COUNTY
 Exxon No. 1 Henderson Trust, id 9,837 feet, pld 8,820 feet, perforations from 6,734-8,828 feet, shut-in.

DAWSON COUNTY
 Hilliard Oil & Gas Inc. No. 1 Stuart Elliot, id 14,883 feet, conditioning hole.

COGINS OIL NO. 1 ALTON, drilling 7,800 feet in lime and shale.

RK Petroleum No. 1 Youngblood, drilling 1,900 feet in redbed and anhydrite.

Gulf No. 1 Jones-Kastman, drilling 1,322 feet in anhydrite.

ECTOR COUNTY
 Robert J. Holt No. 1 Phillips-Kirk, drilling 10,623 feet in lime and shale.

EDDY COUNTY
 Getty No. 1-4 Getty-Federal, id 801 feet, running casing.

Bass Enterprises No. 64 Big Eddy Unit, drilling 10,145 feet.

Ferry R. Bass No. 79 Big Eddy Unit, drilling 10,683 feet.

Ellisburg Corp. No. 1-Y SRC-Straw, drilling 4,135 feet in lime.

Cities Service No. 1-A-K Government, id 136, preparing to run casing.

Gulf No. 1 Rustler Bluffs, id 13,800, pld 11,800; flowing to pits, making no fluid gas at rate of 200,000 cubic feet per day.

GAINES COUNTY
 Adams Exploration Co. No. 1 Gain-drew, drilling 12,306 feet in lime and shale.

HOCKLEY COUNTY
 Texas Crude Oil Inc. No. 1-18 Stone, drilling 4,900 feet in lime and shale.

IRION COUNTY
 Medco Properties No. 1-23 UT, id 20,297 feet, rigging up pulling unit, pulling tubing, perforated from 7,157-212 feet, setting retrievable bridge plug and packer, preparing to acidize.

Medco Properties No. 1-12 Farm-107, id 7,560 feet, sand fractured perforations from 1,683-1,687 feet with 40,000 gallons and 36,000 pounds of sand, swabbing and testing with no gauges, repairing to fracture.

Medco Properties No. 1-17 2B, id 7,764 feet, shut down because of weather.

Medco Properties No. 1-21 E. Sugg, id 7,787 feet, set 4 1/2-inch casing at 7,786 feet, moving out rig.

Medco Properties No. 11 Sugg Unit, id 1,500 feet, shut down because of weather.

LEA COUNTY
 BTA No. 1-6 State Communitized, drilling 4,244 feet.

LOVING COUNTY
 BTA Oil Producers No. 1 Junior, id 20,297 feet, pld 15,300 feet, Atoka perforations from 1,680-1,717 feet, shut-in waiting on pipeline.

Getty No. 1 Tom Laneberg Strip, id 823 feet, set 2 1/2-inch casing at 823 feet, waiting on cement, testing head, nipping up blow out preventer and flowing.

Getty No. 1-25-76 Tom Laneberg, drilling 13,183 feet.

MARTIN COUNTY
 Henry Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Williams, drilling 2,900 feet in anhydrite and salt.

RK Petroleum No. 3 Anchor, id 11,830 feet, completion unit on hole.

RK Petroleum No. 1 J.E. Peugh, drilling 7,625 feet in lime and shale.

PECOS COUNTY
 BTA No. 1 Grande, drilling 16,306 feet in shale and sand.

Exxon No. 5 Longfellow Corp., drilling 4,200 feet.

Exxon No. 1 Cecil C. Mitchell, drilling 5,086 feet.

Exxon No. 1 M. McCumb Gas Unit, drilling 3,020 feet.

NAPECO Inc. No. 1 Centurion, drilling 19,337 feet in shale and sand.

NAPECO Inc. No. 1 Carter, drilling 3,196 feet in anhydrite and salt.

Hunt Energy No. 2 Cerf Ranch Unit, id 1,048 feet, fishing, skidded rig 25 feet east.

Hunt Energy No. 1-0 Cerf Ranch, drilling 18,996 feet in sand and shale.

Getty No. 1 Miriam Hatcliff et al, id 16,672 feet, fishing.

EDDY COUNTY
 Getty No. 1-38 Slaughter Pk. drilled cement to depth of 18,900 feet, clean pits, transfer brine to pits, test liner. Gulf No. 2 Emma Lou Unit, id 28,922, pld 23,860, shut-in.

ANDREWS COUNTY
 Exxon No. 7 H.M. Wilson "A", id 2,148 feet, moving out rig.

BORDEN COUNTY
 Dinero Operating Co. No. 1 Morone M. Lemley, id 2,810 feet, cleaning out.

COCHRAN COUNTY
 Exxon No. 1-3 Slaters, id 5,818 feet, pld 4,960 feet, pumped oil and 22 barrels of water in 9 hours through perforations from 2,913-5,940 feet, pulled rods and pump.

CHROCKETT COUNTY
 Exxon No. 1 Henderson Trust, id 9,837 feet, pld 8,820 feet, perforations from 6,734-8,828 feet, shut-in.

DAWSON COUNTY
 Hilliard Oil & Gas Inc. No. 1 Stuart Elliot, id 14,883 feet, conditioning hole.

COGINS OIL NO. 1 ALTON, drilling 7,800 feet in lime and shale.

RK Petroleum No. 1 Youngblood, drilling 1,900 feet in redbed and anhydrite.

Gulf No. 1 Jones-Kastman, drilling 1,322 feet in anhydrite.

ECTOR COUNTY
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Small-town people can't get reception

GREEN SPRING, W.Va. (AP) — There probably aren't many places in America where Walter Cronkite could go unrecognized, or mention of "M-A-S-H" or "60 Minutes" bring only puzzled stares.

But every evening, while millions of other Americans contentedly watch their favorite programs, idly changing stations, residents of Green Spring peer vainly into a blurred, wildly dancing picture accompanied by buzzing static.

Like most residents, retirees Albert and Camilla Holland will tell you there's not much else to do at night in the tiny hamlet whose inhabitants drive 40 or 50 miles to work or shop.

"Talk about backwards folks," sighed Mrs. Holland, as she tried to follow a movie whose characters faintly appeared every few minutes before being swept back into the heaving interference. "Maybe one evening a week we'll get something we can watch."

In the area of sharp, ragged highlands where West Virginia meets Maryland, television signals are shredded before they reach the small towns tucked away in the high valleys and hollows.

The hills and weather patterns play infinite tricks, combining the soundtrack of one station with the

picture of another hundreds of miles away. Occasionally a Washington, D.C., station will filter in, obliterating signals from closer to home.

"There's times when we get Pittsburgh voice and Baltimore picture," said Holland, who depends for news on a Washington station he picks up about once a week.

Although there are stations fewer than 50 miles away in Pennsylvania and Maryland, the nearest one the Hollands ever see is some 200 miles away in Harrisonburg, Va. "Once in a great while we get it. It don't average once a year," Holland said.

For years local residents have schemed and experimented to get intelligible pictures on their TV sets. Antennas of all shapes and sizes festoon the houses, aerials perch on hillsides and steel reception towers dot backyards.

Ray Crevinson, owner of Green Springs tavern, grunted in disgust as the picture on his television alternately spun and collapsed. "The only thing to do around here is watch television. But it don't stay around too long," he said.

Bunk Carter stared at the set over the tavern counter and declared, "What makes me mad is you

sit down and get interested in something and boom! — it's gone."

Across the Potomac in Oldtown, Md., residents tired of years of maddening static and pictureless television, started their own community cable television corporation.

With help from the U.S. Rural Electrification Project and the U.S. Commerce Department, a satellite dish is being installed that will capture perfect pictures from local channels as well as from stations in New York, Atlanta and Los Angeles.

In the center of Green Spring, residents can subscribe to a limited commercial cable system. But the Ronald Holland, Albert and Camilla's son, the cable, which depends on a giant antenna on the highest hill, offers little improvement.

"You get lines going in all directions. And the roar of its static is unbearable. You can't stand to watch it," he said.

Outside town, where homes are miles apart, cable is too expensive and people listen enviously to stories from across the river about arguments over which stations the Oldtown system should carry.

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'The Sullivans' is imported from Australia

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "The Sullivans," a television institution in Australia, now is being broadcast in this country.

It tells the story of the Sullivan family in World War II, and follows its members through their lives in Melbourne and at war overseas.

The response to the series in Australia was phenomenal. More than 600 half-hour episodes — it's on five times a week — have been completed since the series pre-

miered in November 1976. Only the first 100 segments are being shown here.

"It was originally meant to be only a short series," said Andrew McFarlane, who plays John, the eldest Sullivan son.

"Nobody knew how the public would receive it. But it's become so strong that it's become an Australian institution. Life wouldn't be complete without 'The Sullivans' and football. That says something about our society."

McFarlane left to return to the stage and do other film work. On his return to Australia, he will star in "Cyrano de Bergerac" at the Sydney Opera House.

McFarlane said "The Sullivans" was aimed at the widest possible audi-

ence, with something for everyone.

"Children could see familiar landmarks, but through the eyes of the 1940s," he said. "Older people were looking at something they had lived through. It became a family viewing habit."

"It's like a soap opera, with many stories woven into it. But it attempts to be something more. It's a little grander than the daytime serials. The characters are not stereotypes, but typical of the period."

"And, importantly," he added, "the focus is on one family. Everyone would like a compassionate mother like Grace. Everyone's got somebody like Aunty Rose or a little shady like Uncle Howard."

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'Guess Who's Pregnant?' airs tonight on PBS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — I suppose that Public TV, impervious as it is to the ratings numbers compiled by A.C. Nielsen, is the perfect television forum for the documentary. Documentaries can be dry going, and on PBS, the sound of viewers stampeding to other stations rings rather softly.

A great many documentaries that would never make it to the air on a commercial network find life, if not wide audience, on PBS. Even the notorious "Death of a Princess" would not have met the entertainment standards of a commercial network, and its high rating on PBS owed more to the accident of controversy-stirred publicity than to dramatic value.

Forgive me, but I find a great many of Public TV's documentaries — serious-minded and dripping with import as they may be — just too dull to bear. Still, I can't begrudge them their time on the Public Broadcasting Service.

I suspect such ambivalence will greet tonight's PBS documentary offering, "Guess Who's Pregnant? An Update."

Public service itself, this, an update of an original 1977 documentary that painted a dark picture of the teen-age pregnancy problem. It is informative, thoughtful, painstakingly researched and thoroughly frank... and oh, so dull.

However, braced by the advice that its purpose is not entertainment, but information, you might find the viewing well worthwhile.

Partly because it is on

Public TV, "Guess Who's Pregnant?" eschews the "Shock 'em" slant one would expect from a network treatment of the subject for a coldly informative approach. Numbers take place over shots of steamy cars in drive-in lots.

And the numbers are scary. In 1977, the documentary found that one in 10 American teen-age girls become pregnant every year. That figure still stands, with one disturbing difference: In the age-range 10-19, (expanding the survey to girls aged 10-12) another 300,000 girls become pregnant each year.

Of girls age 14 today, the documentary finds, "four in 10 will be pregnant by age 20."

Youngsters are engaging in sex at ever younger ages, one in five American kids having had sex by the age of 15.

"What's so terrible about teen-age pregnancy?" it is asked. The economic burden on society and the moral question aside, says Dr. Mary Calderone, "The younger the teen-age girl, the higher the health problems for both her and her baby."

Dr. Calderone, of the

U.S. Sex Information and Education Council, says flatly, "There is no reason that can possibly stand up for a pregnancy in someone under 18, in a social sense or a medical-health sense."

The documentary's preference for statistics and a cold eye does not mean it doesn't take a point of view. On the contrary, government, parents, schools, the media and teen-agers themselves are roundly assailed.

"Guess Who's Pregnant II" tackles a heavy-duty social problem, and is bold enough to ask questions and suggest answers. It's not much fun, but its point is well made — if not well taken. Alas, the families and teen-agers for whom it is intended will be watching reruns of "Charlie's Angels."

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