

**COMING  
SUNDAY**

**Flight at Altitude Zero**

After 30 years in the Air Force, Smokey Rolland can still slip behind the controls of a DC-3 and go anywhere he wants — including a Midland truckstop or the alley behind your house. See the story in this week's West Texas Sunday.

**Three R's and a C?**

Reading, writing, arithmetic — and computer? Sam Houston Elementary fifth graders recently were given their first exposure to the ever-growing computer world. Read about this experience in Sunday's Reporter-Telegram.

**Capping the Campaign**

Candidates are gearing up for the last week of campaigning before the election Nov. 4. A series of articles eyeing local candidates begins Sunday in The Reporter-Telegram. Also appearing will be the voters guide sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

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**Iraq claims capture of Iranian port city**

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Iraq said its tanks and troops captured the vital Iranian port of Khorramshahr and overran "every yard" of the city today in their greatest victory of the 33-day-old Persian Gulf war.

"The Iranian flag was lowered from over the government house in Mohammara (Arabic name of Khorramshahr) and the Iraqi flag was hoisted over the building to declare the return of the city to Arab rule forever," said an Iraqi military communique broadcast by Baghdad radio.

The battle for Khorramshahr has been one of the toughest of the war between the Arab nation of Iraq and its foe, Persian Iran.

There was no immediate confirmation from Iran that the city had fallen, but according to earlier reports the governor of Abadan said Iraqi forces were trying to penetrate Khorramshahr from the east to help hard-driving troops in control of the city's northern sector overrun the entire port.

Iraq made frequent claims in the past that Khorramshahr, Iran's main commercial port on the embattled Shatt el-Arab waterway, had fallen and each time Iran denied the claim.

The Iraqi communique said Iraq's Defense Minister Gen. Adnan Khairalla telephoned the news of Khorramshahr's capture at midday to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein at the operation's room of the Iraqi army, according to the broadcast.

"Our troops and tanks have captured the city's main bridge on the Karun river and all the residential buildings overlooking it," the communique said.

The Iranian command said earlier that at daybreak hand-to-hand combat flared into a seventh straight day in the streets of Khorramshahr, which Iran's Supreme Defense Council recently renamed Khuninshahr, or City of Blood, in tribute to its "self-sacrificing Moslem defenders."

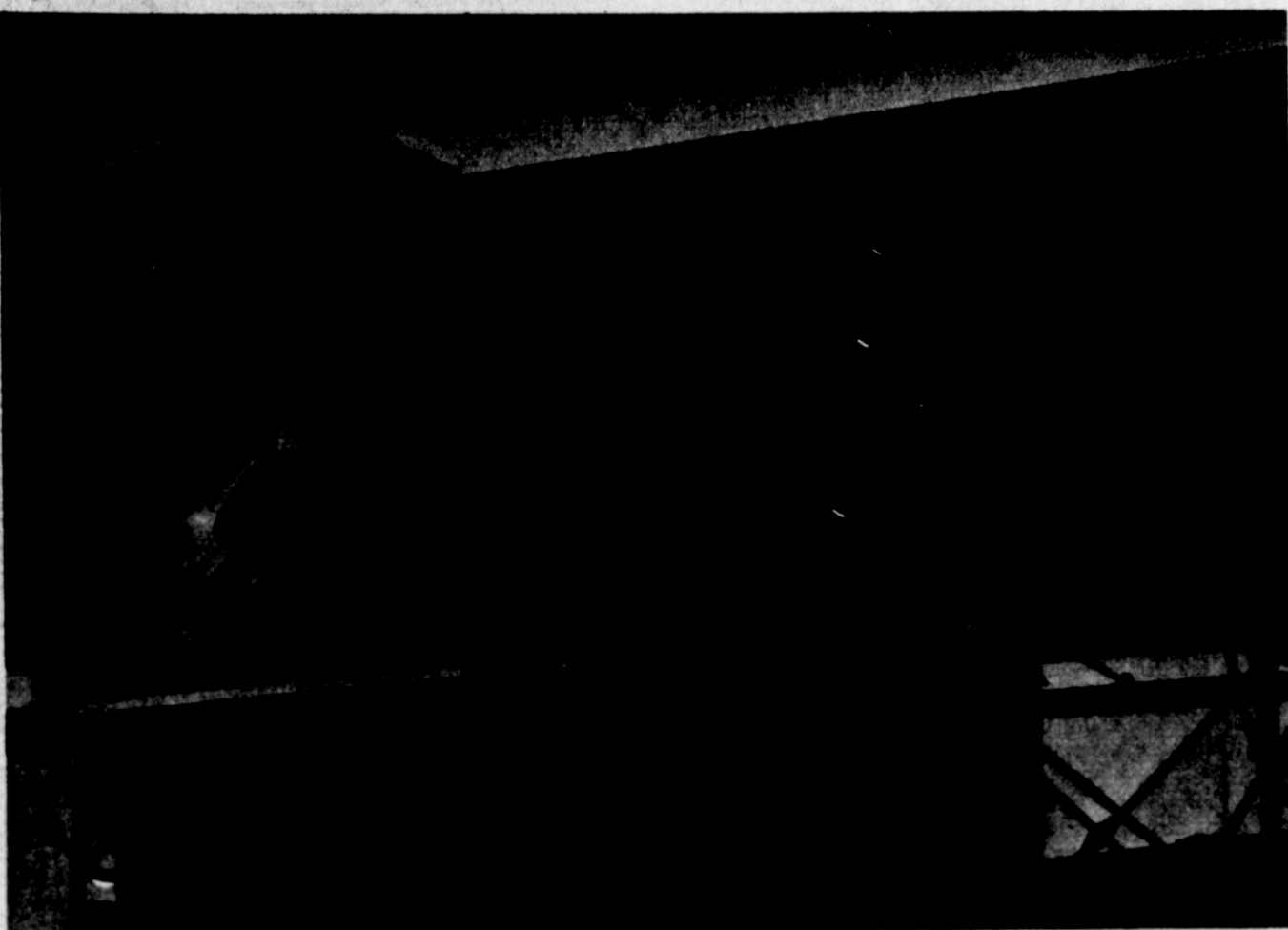
Hundreds of diehard Islamic revolu-

tionary guards of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's regime have been killed in the seven days of house-to-house fighting that preceded the city's final fall, according to the Iraqi communique.

"Their bodies are left in the streets and in the houses where the fighting flared," said a telegram to Hussein from the Iraqi commanding general of the invasion.

Nearly all of Khorramshahr's estimated 150,000 inhabitants were reported to have deserted the city before the Iraqis captured its harbor and northern sector at the end of the first week of the war. The northern sector is the smaller part of the city, separated from the rest by the Karun River.

It was then that Iraq made the first, premature, declaration of Khorramshahr's fall on Sept. 25. The Iraqis then bogged down on the main river bridge that connects the north-ern with the rest of Khorramshahr.



Tears flow from the face of Miss Liberty on a billboard erected over the Massachusetts Turnpike extension in Boston Thursday by a local billboard company. Employees of the firm designed and

painted the sign and pledged to change the number indicating days in captivity daily until the hostages, now held in Iran 356 days, are released. (AP Laserphoto)

**Resignation raises new questions**

By THOMAS KENT

MOSCOW (AP) — The resignation of ailing Premier Alexei N. Kosygin is expected to have little immediate impact on Soviet policy, but observers here believe it offers important hints about future personnel changes in the aging Kremlin hierarchy.

Western analysts say the appointment of Deputy Premier Nikolai A. Tikhonov as successor to the 76-year-old Kosygin strengthens the hand of President Leonid I. Brezhnev, Tikhonov's long-time close friend and associate. But they say the new premier's advanced age, 75, indicates he may only be an interim replacement.

Brezhnev, 73, announced the shake-up Wednesday in a speech to the Supreme Soviet, the national Parliament.

His speech included no praise for Kosygin, but Western analysts said Kosygin apparently left the No. 2 Kremlin post while in good political

standing. If so, he joined former President Anastas Mikoyan as one of the few top Soviet leaders to resign of his own will.

The official reason given for Kosygin's resignation was ill health — he reportedly suffered at least two heart attacks in recent years. Reports of

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falling health have often been used by Soviet leaders to disguise forced ousters, but Soviet and Western analysts here believe Kosygin's desire to step down was genuine.

"He has been trying to resign for some time," said a Soviet source who knows Kosygin's family. "He just wanted to rest, to fish. But other Soviet leaders have been reluctant. Perhaps they've been wondering how to replace him."

Western experts believe the resignation of Kosygin — who handled economic affairs and the day-to-day running of the government — may

have set an important precedent for other members of the aging national leadership to step down eventually, rather than die in office.

Many past Soviet leaders have clung to their jobs as long as their lives or their political support lasted.

But despite a comment in 1976 by one member of the ruling Politburo that 70 is only "middle age," Soviet leaders are suffering increasingly from health problems and others may also seek an honorable way out of office.

Brezhnev himself has frequently been ill in recent years but lately he has appeared in better health.

Defense Minister Dmitri F. Ustinov, 71; KGB Security police chief Yuri V. Andropov, 66; ideologist Mikhail A. Suslov 77 and other members of the ruling 15-member Politburo have all disappeared from public view for long periods and missed major events.

Kosygin's departure was handled with dignity and downplayed in the official news media, a sign of how

view that Communist Party policy takes precedence over the men who execute it.

The departure of Kosygin came just two days after the election of 49-year-old Mikhail Gorbachev to full membership in the Politburo, and some analysts believe the two events could be closely linked.

Gorbachev is one of the youngest people inducted into the ruling hierarchy since the days of Stalin, and some Kremlin watchers see his election as the spearhead of an effort to bring younger men to top leadership positions. The current average age of Politburo members is 69.

The coverage reflected the official view that Gorbachev appears to have been given responsibility for the agricultural sector, traditionally a political hot potato because of its history of poor production.

**After 356 days: Iran, why now?**

An AP News Analysis  
By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON (AP) — After 356 days, why now? Iran's desperate scramble for arms to fight its month-long war with Iraq and a desire for a more sympathetic hearing in the international community may be major factors behind the decision in Tehran to take up the plight of the American hostages this weekend.

But is the timing, in the waning days of the U.S. presidential campaign, merely a coincidence?

If their 356-day ordeal is indeed nearing an end, it might well help President Carter win re-election, although the Iranians deny that intention.

Quoting Prime Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai that the decision had "nothing to do with November or the American election," State Department spokesman John H. Trattner said Thursday "that's the most eloquent statement I can give you at this time."

And, he added, "I believe it."

Why, then, are the Iranians finally moving on the hostages after almost a year of repeated delays?

According to one U.S. analyst, military forces in Iran may have persuaded the radicals that Iran's need for equipment in the conflict with Iraq should take priority over other considerations.

Whatever value holding the hostages had as an anti-American gesture, reopening trade with the United States is now more vital, this theory goes.

And, according to the official, who asked not to be identified, Iran might feel it can strike a better bargain with the administration before the election than afterward — no matter who wins.

Former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger said Thursday he expects the hostages to be released "in the relatively near future" because they have served the purposes which their captors had in mind.

In a meeting here with reporters, Kissinger would not predict whether the hostages would be freed before the election.

But he emphasized his belief that the release, if it occurs, will be due to Iran's internal needs rather than Carter administration diplomacy.

He said two of the initial objectives in seizing the U.S. Embassy at Tehran had been achieved — enhancing the position of the radical captors and demonstrating the weakness of the United States within Iran.

According to Kissinger, who has been advising and appearing with Republican presidential candidate Ronald Reagan, these objectives were met months ago but there was no consensus among Iranian forces to release the Americans until recently.

**GOP leaders host Reagan rally in Midland**

By SUE FAHLGREN  
Staff Writer

Sen. Bill Armstrong of Colorado and State Republican Party Chairman Chester Upham of Mineral Wells hosted a Republican rally in Midland Thursday as part of the final two-week swing through Texas to gain support for the Reagan-Bush ticket.

"We're looking for support on all parts of the ticket," Upham said.

Upham, co-owner of Upham Oil and Gas Co. and managing co-owner of Upham Development Co. in Mineral Wells, said a current Republican party poll "shows the Reagan-Bush ticket has a solid eight-point lead."

Upham said 47 percent of those polled support the Reagan-Bush ticket, while 39 percent are for Carter-Mondale and 6 percent are for Anderson-Lucey.

In addition, Upham said, some phone bank volunteers in Texas had "already located two times as many registered voters as during the Clements campaign" two years ago when Bill Clements ran for governor. The volunteers are phoning residents from two sets of phone banks in Texas to get them to support the Republican candidates.

"We're finding that people are becoming more comfortable with the Republican Party," Upham said,

mentioning switch-party voters, "while they are becoming very, very uncomfortable with the Democratic Party."

Armstrong, a junior senator from Colorado, said one reason for the stop in Midland is that the city represents "what America stands for."

"I'm more glad to be back in Midland than you know," Armstrong told media representatives during a news conference Thursday. "There's a sense of tremendous dedication to the free enterprise system here. The values in Midland are the values of most Americans."

Armstrong continued, "Seeing what you're doing here gives me more en-

couragement to fight for the American people," and get Ronald Reagan elected.

Armstrong said he feels that as the campaign nears election day, issues would turn away from the current rhetoric and lean more toward "the state of the economy."

"Jimmy Carter himself made the economy an issue in the 1976 election," Armstrong said as he pointed out taxes and inflation have increased since Carter took office.

"No where else in the world is this more evident than in Midland, Texas, which has had so much to do with the

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**Inflation back in 'double digits'**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Inflation jumped back into double digits in September as consumer prices, led by rising food costs, jumped a full 1 percent, the government said today in its last inflation report before Election Day.

Last month's rise translates into a 12.7 percent compound annual inflation rate, compared with the 13.3 percent rise in 1979. From January through September, consumer prices have risen 12.1 percent.

The inflation issue has become a central theme of the presidential campaign, with Republican nominee Ronald Reagan sharply attacking President Carter's handling of the economy. At one point, he accused the administration of manipulating economic statistics for political purposes, a charge officials strongly denied.

September's consumer price figures proved worse than August's 0.7

percent increase and the zero movement registered in July. Inflation was at an even 1 percent in June.

The report showed retail food prices once again rising sharply, while housing costs began to accelerate following this summer's decline. Gasoline prices, however, fell for the fifth consecutive month.

September's inflation performance as measured by the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index was far more favorable than the pace last winter when consumer prices were racing at more than an 18 percent annual rate.

However, the 1 percent increase was worse than many economists predicted. Moreover, food prices are expected to accelerate in coming months, say economists, including Carter's chief inflation adviser, Alfred Kahn.

The Labor Department also reported that average weekly earnings after

deductions for Social Security and federal income taxes decreased 0.4 percent from August after seasonal adjustments. Over the year, spendable earnings declined 6.7 percent after inflation was taken into account.

Patrick Jackman, a Labor Department economist, said the difference between September's 1 percent jump and August's 0.7 percent rise was due largely to a slowing in the decline of mortgage interest costs.

He said sharply higher costs of pork and beef also played a significant role in last month's price acceleration.

The September inflation report, adjusted for seasonal variations, showed:

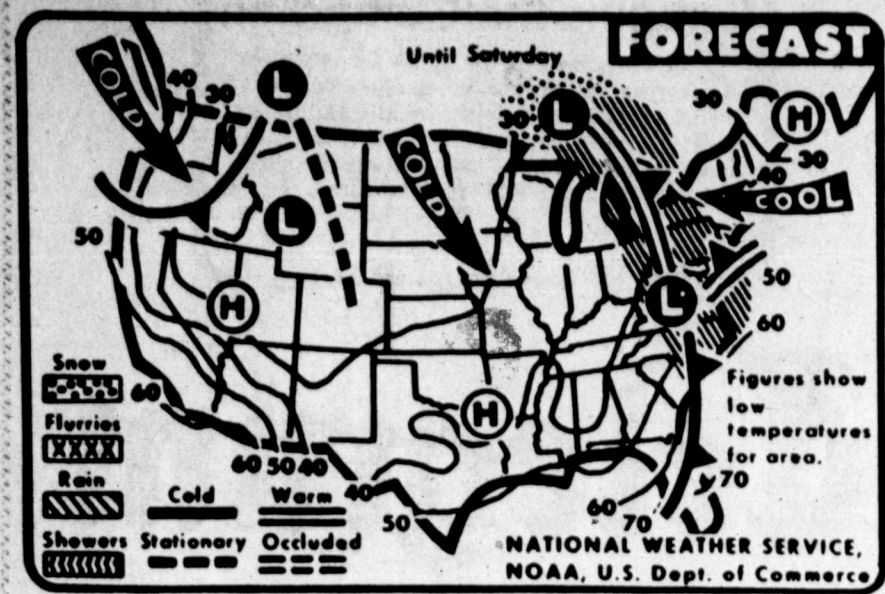
- All food and beverage prices jumped 1.6 percent after increasing 1.7 percent in August. Meats, poultry, fish and eggs alone accounted for three-fifths of the increase. Beef, pork and poultry prices shot up for the

third consecutive month, reflecting the summer's severe drought in many areas.

- Eating out at a restaurant cost 0.9 percent more in September than in August, while purchasing an alcoholic beverage was 0.5 percent more expensive.
- Housing costs rose 0.7 percent compared with a slim 0.1 percent increase in August. Mortgage interest rates continued to decline, but by substantially less than during the summer. Home prices, meanwhile, jumped 1.3 percent.
- Gasoline prices fell 0.5 percent, about the same as in August. Public transportation costs were up 3.6 percent; new car prices, 1 percent; and used car prices, a sharp 5.6 percent.
- Apparel and its upkeep rose 1.3 percent following substantially smaller increases in the preceding three months.



WEATHER SUMMARY



Colder weather will spread over most of the country. Mild temperatures are forecast across the southern tier of states.

Midland statistics

Table with columns for weather forecast, national weather service readings, local temperatures, and southwest temperatures.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, and Amarillo.

Texas temperatures

Table showing high, low, and precipitation for various Texas cities like Abilene, Alice, and Amarillo.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Clear with a slight warming trend through Saturday. Highs upper 50s north to near 80 south.

Accused describes fight with victim

McKINNEY, Texas (AP) — A visibly shaken Candace Montgomery told a hypnotized courtroom she wrestled a three-foot ax away from a homicidal Betty Gore and then "I hit her and I hit her and I hit her and I hit her."

GOP record on welfare bad: Harris

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health and Human Services Secretary Patricia Roberts Harris said the last two Republican administrations had no "magic" for administering federal welfare programs.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Mostly cloudy northeast, clear to partly cloudy elsewhere. Cold with scattered frost from sections tonight.

Gore, the pathologist told jurors, and it appeared that "more force than necessary was used."

The prosecution rested its case Thursday afternoon and Mrs. Montgomery opened defense testimony with this account of the slaying:

She said she went to the Gore home after teaching a Bible class at First United Methodist Church of Lucas — where the Gores and Montgomerys met about three years ago.

The Auburn-haired defendant said she wanted to pick up a bathing suit for the Gores' 7-year-old daughter, Alisa, who was staying with 8-year-old Jennifer Montgomery.

Gore, 33, previously testified he and Mrs. Montgomery carried on an 11-month affair that ended about nine months before the slaying.

Mrs. Montgomery said she admitted the affair, but said it was over "a very long time ago."

She said Mrs. Gore left the room and returned with an ax, saying "I don't want you to ever see him again. You can't have him."

Mrs. Montgomery said the two women talked some more, but Mrs. Gore "looked so hurt and so distressed, I reached out and put my hands on her arm and said 'Betty, I'm so sorry' and she pushed me in the laundry room."

Then, the defendant said, Mrs. Gore picked up the ax and said: "I've got to kill you."

Mrs. Montgomery said Mrs. Gore hit her in the head with the ax, although she did not reveal the wound to DiMaio when he saw her 13 days later.

Mrs. Gore swung again, the defendant said, and the ax bounced off the green and gold linoleum floor, cutting Mrs. Montgomery's toe.

The women struggled wildly for the ax and Mrs. Montgomery said she pleaded "Let me go, Betty. Let me go" before grabbing the ax away.

"I was fighting to control her... I hit her somewhere around the back or the side of her head. It was like I was standing back watching me do it."

They fought again, she said, and she grabbed the ax "... and I hit her ..."

"I remember being so angry at her because she was messing up my life and I remember being so afraid she would get back up again," she said, her voice cracking.



Texas Republican Party Chairman Chester Upham, left, and Republican Colorado Sen. Bill Armstrong criticize President Carter during a news conference Thursday in Midland Center.

Republican leaders host Reagan-Bush rally here

Upham agreed with Armstrong, calling Carter's recent consent of an additional \$1,000 for small royalty owners a "lousy fix of a lousy bill by a lousy president."

Armstrong said he felt money could be found for permanent tax relief for small royalty owners if Congress would cut back on "lower priority items."

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Polls have become political necessity

By TIMOTHY HARPER Associated Press Writer

A political novelty 20 years ago, polls have become a political necessity in the 1980 electoral season.

At least 35 states have had statewide polls for president, governor or U.S. Senate this year, and San Francisco pollster Mervin Field estimates that polls have been conducted in 90 to 95 percent of the nation's 435 congressional races.

"There's been a tremendous expansion in polling," said Chris Zuken, a pollster at Rutgers University's Eagleton Institute. "Journalists especially are using public opinion polls. You never would have seen that 20 years ago."

He said that up until the 1960s, most of the handful of political polls were done for presidential candidates; now, even a potential mayoral contender may commission a citywide poll before deciding whether to run.

In addition, he said, many new polls have been started in the last two years by universities, which use the data for political analyses, and by news organizations, which characterize polling as a newsworthy public service.

"I guess the media is fascinated by it," Field said. "We're a nation of scorekeepers. A race aspect gets people involved, and if you have a race aspect you want to keep score."

The pollsters disagree, however, on whether that's good or bad.

Field, for instance, said polls analyzing how voters feel about various issues can force candidates to focus their rhetoric.

Zuken, on the other hand, said polls can bury the issues in the "horse-race," and said the news media could better spend its money — estimated by other pollsters at anywhere from \$2,500 to 20,000 for each state polling — to hire more reporters.

"I think the pendulum has swung too far," Zuken said. "There's far too much emphasis on polls."

The University of Kentucky's Michael Baer, who is organizing a group of 15-20 university pollsters, scoffed at the notion of a "bandwagon" or "underdog" effect.

"I don't think there's any concrete evidence showing that polls will affect what voters will do," he said.

Zuken agreed, noting that Election Day studies show early returns from the East Coast have little effect on voters who go to the polls later on the West Coast.

However, he said, polls can be misleading, especially in primary campaigns with many candidates and many voters who have not decided how or even whether they will vote.

The Des Moines Register's widely respected Iowa Poll, the first and only one of its kind when formed in 1943, may be influential but does not dictate political winners and losers, director Glenn Roberts said.

"There's probably some impact, but we're sort of part of the woodwork now," he said. "We're sort of an institution now."

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Five charged with gaming

Five Midland men were arrested by police here Thursday evening and charged in Municipal Court with gaming.

Officers said they received information about 8:35 p.m. Thursday of gambling at King's Sandwich Shop, 301 N. Lee St. When the officers entered the building, they said they witnessed five men sitting around a table in the back room. On the table were cards and money, reports indicated.

Clifford Conner, Harvey McCleendon, George Howard Conner Jr., Frank Turner and Billy Joe Alexander were arrested on charges of gaming.

Officers also reported confiscating a cigar box, six \$1 bills, \$9.50 in quarters, a small locked metal box, a deck of playing cards and an unopened deck of playing cards.

Police also were investigating two thefts in which musical instruments were taken from local school facilities.

Mrs. Jesse Lopez of 1605 S. Belmont St. reported the theft of a flute valued at \$600 from the Midland High School band hall. She said the flute was taken between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Police Roundup

juries she received Thursday morning when the car she was driving was involved in a collision with a pickup.

Alice W. Kopsaci of 4004 Compton suffered broken ribs in the collision at 9:17 a.m.

At the time of the accident, Mrs. Kopsaci's vehicle was southbound on Holiday Hill Road and the pickup driven by Vick A. Burk, 25, of 4618 Brookdale Drive was eastbound on Andrews Highway.

Burk was treated and released from the hospital's emergency room.

Klan paramilitary units pose threat, says ADL

DALLAS (AP) — Guerrilla warfare training by paramilitary units associated with the Ku Klux Klan could lead to an outbreak of terrorism if ignored by the federal government, according to a report by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

"A clear danger of new Klan violence is more serious than ever before," said Nathan Perlmutter, director of the ADL.

The ADL contended, in a study commissioned by the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, that the paramilitary units were training at clandestine camps in five states.

ADL officials said they sent a copy of the report to U.S. Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti, and urged him to provide regular FBI surveillance of

the Klan "to protect American citizens from further terrorism and violence."

FBI surveillance of the Klan was curtailed in 1976 by guidelines that require evidence of actual or imminent violence before investigating the actions of domestic groups.

Perlmutter, in a statement released to the press Thursday afternoon, described members of the paramilitary units as "armed racists and pathological haters of blacks, Jews and other minority groups."

Texas, Alabama, Connecticut, Illinois and North Carolina were named in the report as locations for hidden training camps. California was listed as the site of a Klan distribution center for instructional manuals on

weapons and guerrilla warfare.

The "Texas Emergency Reserve," an arm of the Klan, conducts tactical exercises two weekends of each month in rural East Texas, the ADL said in its report.

ADL officials said about 200 to 500 Klansmen are members of the TER and many are veterans or in the Army at Fort Hood, Texas.

The report said one of the Klan leaders in Texas brags that their military instruction is more rigorous than training at Fort Hood.

men clashed with members of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Decatur, Ala., and four people were shot.

According to the report, some Klansmen conduct target practice with M-16 rifles, study guerrilla warfare tactics and practice search-and-destroy missions at a camp near Cullman, Ala., that has been dubbed "My Lai."

A Klan leader said the Cullman training ground is one of several campsites in the state which are changed every three months, the report said. The leader said similar units are located in Mississippi, Georgia, Tennessee and two unidentified northern states.

The Connecticut branch of the "In-

visible Empire" has announced it has opened several "guerrilla camps" in that state. But it said the camps are "strictly defensive" operations, the ADL said in the report.

In Louisville, Ill., a national organization called the Christian Patriots Defense League conducts "survival lessons" on a 55-acre estate.

The ADL study said the CPDL shares a similar ideology with the Klan, that white Christian Americans should arm themselves in preparation for a cataclysmic racial war.

At a Johnston County, N.C., training camp for Klansmen and the neo-Nazi National Socialist Party of America men and women, dressed in fatigues and carrying semi-automatic weapons practice guerrilla warfare.

HOME DELIVERY

Table showing subscription rates for Home Delivery, including options for paid-in-advance and mail rates in Texas and outside Texas.



# DEATHS

## John B. Bilbrey

LOCKNEY — Services for John Burril Bilbrey, 78, of Lockney, father of Wilma Robertson of Midland, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church in Lockney with the Rev. John Jenkins, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Lockney Cemetery directed by Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

Bilbrey died Thursday morning in a Floydada hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was a native of White County, Tenn. Bilbrey married Lena Leota Kyle in 1923 in Victory, Okla. They came to Floyd County 34 years ago from Hollis, Okla. He was a retired car salesman.

Other survivors include a son, three brothers, a sister, six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

## 'Andy' Andrews

E.E. "Andy" Andrews, 55, of 106 N. Bentwood Drive, died Monday in a Midland hospital after an illness.

Services were at 3 p.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Daniel Vestal, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Masonic graveside services were to be at 4 p.m. today in the Masonic Cemetery of Gonzales. Services are under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home in Midland and Seydler-Hill Funeral Home of Gonzales.

Pallbearers were Dwayne Tucker of Odessa and Lester Seth, Jack Everett, Bob Wise, Bill Burchard, David Williams, Lee "Pete" Brown and Harry Libby, all of Midland.

Honorary pallbearers were Edgar Walker of Montezuma, Ga., Aaron Lasater of Austin, James Schellhase of Gonzales and Frank Mullings and Jerry Mobley, both of Midland.

# Funeral set for victims of explosion

ORTUELLA, Spain (AP) — This poverty-stricken Spanish mining town was draped in mourning black under a driving rain today for the funeral of 49 of its children, killed when a powerful gas explosion leveled their grammar school.

The governor of Vizcaya Province issued what he said was the final toll: 49 children aged between 6 and 8, and two adults. Initial reports said as many as 64 people were killed, but officials said some were counted twice.

One of the adults was a teacher and the other a plumber, who investigators said could have unwittingly caused the explosion. They said there were indications that a soldering iron the plumber was using near the school's gas-fired heating boiler may have set off the gas explosion.

Because of the rain officials said the coffins will be laid out in a factory instead of the town square, where the ceremony originally was scheduled to be held. Officials predicted a crowd of about 40,000 will attend the burial in the town's only cemetery this afternoon.

About 30 children remained hospitalized, at least six of them in critical condition, following the explosion Thursday.

"We were studying or drawing when a terrific blast shook the building," said eight-year-old Javier Abad, one of the survivors. "Walls opened and fell on us and the floor caved in around me. I saw some of my best friends disappear."

Witnesses said some of the children were hurled through windows in the four-story building by the powerful explosion.

"I saw some children falling down to the ground from the high floors," said one witness. "It was so terrible I really lack words to explain what my eyes saw."

The devastating blast, heard as far as 10 miles away, brought parents running to the "Marcelino Ugalde" school. Witnesses said some relatives jumped onto the mound of smoking rubble in a frantic effort to find their children and had to be restrained by rescue workers.

Some parents were reported to have lost up to three children in the explosion.

"I never suffered so much in my life," said one rescue worker. "Two of my children were in the school at the time but luckily they were in one of the units not affected by the explosion," he said.

Some parents managed to save in-

jured children but others saw their children die in their arms as they rushed through the town of 9,500 shouting for help, witnesses said.

The pre-noon blast shattered the elementary school, one of three school buildings in the complex. The other two units of the state-run school suffered minor damage, but the estimated 300 students in them escaped unhurt, officials said.

The grammar school looked like it "had been swallowed by an earthquake," one woman said.

Cars parked by the school were damaged by flying debris and some passersby were injured, officials said.

It was the third tragedy involving Spanish children in less than two years.

On Christmas eve, 1978 a school bus and a locomotive crashed at a rail crossing in Salamanca province, killing 28 children and an adult. Four months later, 52 children died when a school bus plunged into a river in Zamora province.

## Plant blast kills five workers

NEW CASTLE, Del. (AP) — A faulty valve which leaked a cloud of explosive gases was to blame for the blast at an Amoco Chemical Corp. plant that killed five people and injured at least 20 others, the state fire marshal says.

The explosion occurred Tuesday when a mixture of propylene, hexane and propane leaked through the valve, State Fire Marshal J. Benjamin Roy Jr. said Thursday.

Two maintenance men were working on the valve or a connecting pipeline when the leak occurred, he said,

and the gaseous cloud engulfed them and ignited before they could escape.

Union officials and state and federal investigators were trying to determine if the gas should have been blocked off from the line before the maintenance work began.

One of the two workers died in the blast, while the other was hospitalized in serious condition. Two other injured workers are in critical condition.

The explosion sent flames hundreds of feet into the air.

## Calls to help solve child killings flood task force

ATLANTA (AP) — Mayor Maynard Jackson's prediction last week that a \$100,000 reward would "shake the tree" apparently proved true as police fielded a flood of calls offering help in solving the killings of 10 black children since July 1979.

"It's been a madhouse around here today," said Roger Harris, one of several police public affairs officers helping handle calls Thursday for the special task force investigating the killings.

Harris said, however, there were "no new developments" in the investigation, which has left police baffled. Four other children are missing.

Meanwhile, police accompanied self-professed psychic Dorothy Allison of Nutley, N.J., until late into the night on visits to crime sites and to victims' families.

She had said on a television program she hoped "to have some answers" by Thursday evening, but she could not be reached for comment during the night.

Meanwhile, in Washington, President Carter told a group of black ministers he had asked U.S. Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti to investigate the Atlanta killings and the slayings of six black men in Buffalo, N.Y.

"I've been deeply disturbed lately at the attacks that have been made by depraved human beings on black citizens in our country," the president said. "Those sorts of persons and the Ku Klux Klan have got to be caught,

brought to justice, proved that they violated the law, and put in the jail where they belong."

Atlanta authorities speculated the mayor's promotion of the \$100,000 reward being offered in the cases might have contributed to the volume of calls from the public. Jackson was photographed Wednesday standing behind a pile of small bills comprising the fund.

"Anything they see concerning kids, they call it in to us," one officer said of the torrent of phone calls, which has forced investigators to employ a computer to keep track of their leads.

Some callers reported new child abductions, but so far "none have been determined to be valid," Public Safety Commissioner Lee Brown said.

Mrs. Allison's expenses in Atlanta are being paid by the city, but she is not charging for her services. She claims to have helped police solve 13 slayings and find more than 50 missing persons.

Detective Al Darden of the Baltimore County, Md. police, said Mrs. Allison would return to New Jersey on Sunday but that she was working almost around the clock to gather information about the crimes before then.

The detective accompanying the 55-year-old housewife said, however, that her assistance to police would not end then. "She does not quit until the perpetrator is caught."

## No serious injuries reported in collision of plane, pickup

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — A single-engine plane piloted by a member of the musical group the Commodores collided with a pickup truck and burst into flames while attempting to make an emergency landing on a freeway here, officials say.

No serious injuries were reported after the incident Thursday night. Milan Williams, 32, of Tuskegee, Ala., a keyboard man for the group, and press agent and passenger Lester Mornay suffered "bumps and bruises," a fire department spokesman said.

The driver of the truck, identified as Robert Mitchell, 52, of Tempe, sustained minor injuries, officials said.

Williams said the Bellanca Viking was enroute from Provo, Utah, to

Phoenix for a concert tonight when he began having engine trouble on final approach.

An air traffic controller suggested the freeway landing if the plane could not make all the way, said Steve Jensen, a fire department spokesman. The crash occurred about three miles west of the airport.

"They just had enough time to get out before it caught on fire," said Allan Schmidt, a Department of Public Safety spokesman.

"If you look at that plane, it's really amazing that they lived through it," said Fire Department Capt. Ed Cunningham.

The cause of the engine trouble was under investigation.

## Plane crash kills four

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga. (AP) — A twin-engine private airplane enroute from Atlanta to Savannah smashed into a field in west Baldwin County, killing all four people aboard, authorities say.

Baldwin County Chief Deputy Gene Ellis said the victims were believed to be from the Atlanta area, but they had not been identified late Thursday.

A reporter at the scene said he saw the bodies of two women, a man and a child.

The Cessna 310 left Peachtree-DeKalb Airport at 6:15 p.m. Thursday and disappeared from Macon radar screens at about 6:54 p.m.

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**Smoking causes most lung cancer**

Dear Dr. Solomon: I've been an on-again, off-again smoker for the past few years. With all the publicity I've read and heard about the dangers of smoking, I don't recall seeing any statistics about what would be accomplished if a person stopped. Cigarettes aren't the only cause of lung cancer, are they? — Len

Dear Len: More than 80 percent of all lung cancer, as well as 50 percent of all bladder cancer, could be prevented if people simply stopped smoking. The importance of these statistics is underlined by the fact that four percent of all deaths in the United States, and 25 percent of all deaths from cancer in 1977, were attributable to lung cancer. That means that 80 percent of 72,000 men and 23,000 women died because they smoked cigarettes. Keep that in mind next time you're debating whether to go on-again or off-again.

Dear Dr. Solomon: My husband is a diabetic. Some time ago he had trouble with an infection on his foot, but fortunately it has since cleared up. However, I'm always a little concerned that the condition may recur. Can you tell me what to look for so that we can be aware of possible trouble at an early stage? — Sylvia

Dear Sylvia: According to Dr. Max Weisfeld, a Baltimore podiatrist, early signs of foot trouble in diabetic patients include changes in skin color, swelling or pain; skin blisters, cracking or rashes; corns, calluses, ingrown nails or slow-healing sores; and cramping, "pins and needles" and numbness. In addition to being alert to these signs of impending trouble, your husband should make it a

point to see a physician or podiatrist for regular foot examinations.

Dear Dr. Solomon: I saw a television program dealing with the use of radiation treatments about 30 years ago. Apparently, these treatments were used for a variety of conditions, and may have had a harmful effect on the thyroid. I had X-ray treatments for acne as an adolescent, and I'm wondering what, if anything, I should do. I feel well and can't remember the last time I was sick. Should I just forget about it. — Meg

Dear Meg: Although you probably have no need to be concerned, I would not simply "forget about it." Some people who had radiation treatments to the head and neck back in the 40s and 50s have developed nodules in the thyroid, and some of these may be malignant. The lump ordinarily is not noticeable, and can be detected only by physical examination or a thyroid scan.

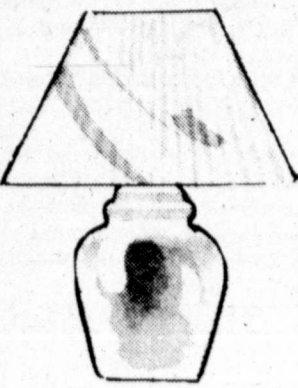
Persons between 20 and 45 years of age who had X-ray treatments during their childhood should arrange for an examination by their physician. Medical treatment or surgical removal of the nodules, if any are found, may be indicated. Although few people die as a result of this condition, they do have an increased risk of developing thyroid cancer.

The peace of mind you will achieve by seeing a doctor will be well worth the time and cost.

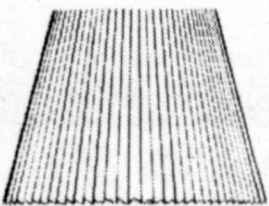
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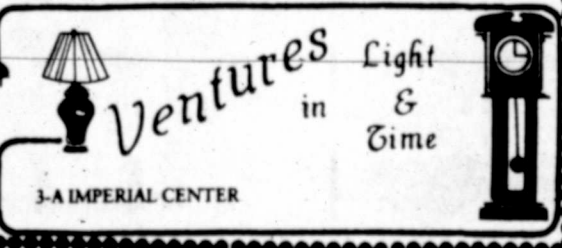
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**Vehicle sales tax down**

AUSTIN — State Comptroller Bob Bullock Monday said the automobile industry's woes brought about by sagging sales in the past year are reflected in the state's income from the motor vehicle sales tax.

Bullock said for the 12-month period that ended Sept. 1, 1980, the 4 percent motor vehicle tax levied on the sales of cars, trucks, motorcycles and mo-

bile homes amounted to \$439.4 million.

He said this was \$3.7 million less than was collected in the previous one-year period.

Harris County was the number one contributor of motor vehicle sales tax during fiscal year 1980, collecting more than \$93.6 million, a slight increase from the \$93.1 million collected in fiscal 1979.

Dallas County collected \$59.3 million in 1980, down from \$61.5 million in 1979.

Midland County contributed \$4,164,978.89 during 1980. Ector County contributed \$6,266,028.14.

Motor vehicle sales taxes are collected by county tax assessor-collectors and the counties retain 5 percent of the amount and send the rest to the state.

**Shroud report due in January**

ESPANOLA, N.M. (AP) — A scientific study of the authenticity of the Shroud of Turin should be complete within three months, according to Raymond Rogers, a spokesman for the researchers.

**Polecats hope to skunk candidates**

CHICAGO (AP) — Three years ago, Bill Stanton and the state got into a stink over a skunk. Now the father of seven is taking a pro-polecat campaign to the state's schoolchildren.

As head of the "Polecat Party," Stanton is conducting a write-in campaign for the election of the skunk as Illinois' state animal. The voters are the state's 2.4 million schoolchildren and the election is to be held Nov. 4, the same day the general election for adults. A good turnout is assured.

"Those on the ballot can't hold a candle to the skunk," Stanton said Wednesday. He is rigging up a "skunkmobile" — an old station wagon with a public address system — to promote that view.

"Our platform stresses that a skunk's fur is used for coats, its oil is used in the production of perfume and skunks eat insects harmful to crops," he said.

The animals listed on the ballot are the red fox, opossum, whitetailed deer, fox squirrel, raccoon and ground squirrel.

The state has an official bird, the cardinal, and an official flower, the violet. It even has an official insect, the monarch butterfly. But no official animal.

To remedy that, and provide a chance for schoolchildren to get a civics lesson, the state Legislature passed a bill authorizing the animal vote and listing animals it thought would make good candidates.

The state boards of education and elections aren't putting up much of a stink about the skunk.

"We appreciate Mr. Stanton's interest in the skunk and there is a place on the ballot for a write-in candidate," said Ann Pictor, educational consultant for the state office of education. "But we are more interested in our school children learning the electoral process."

Stanton, 48, who works in construction, is a long-time champion of the skunk.

Three years ago, one of the critters wandered into his garage on the far South Side of Chicago and refused to leave. The skunk was adopted by Stanton's seven children as a pet, and eventually moved into the house, where he lived for seven weeks.

They named him "Wishbone" because he enjoyed a piece of the family's Thanksgiving Day turkey. Wishbone — who was so gentle he never had to be deodorized — attracted wide attention as Stanton battled to keep it. A state conservation regulation bars skunks as household pets.

Stanton lost that campaign, but he saw to it that Wishbone found a good home in Prairie Park, a state wildlife sanctuary near Peoria.

Stanton, who has been beaten in two attempts to gain election as a city alderman, is working hard on his new drive.

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...Dr. Austin Stockton, extension horticulturist, will present a program on "Bed Preparation" at a seminar from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday in Hogan Park's Activities Building (the old pro shop).  
The seminar is sponsored by the Midland Garden Clubs, Inc. and Midland County Extension Agent Charlie Green...

12 who is interested in joining the group may call 684-6222 for information...

...THE "GLOVES AND GOURMET" special interest group sponsored by the Midland Girl Scouts will meet at 3 p.m. Sunday at Bushwacker's Beauty Salon.

Program will be on hair care. Any girl in grade seven through who is interested in joining the group may call 684-6222 for information...

...M SQUARES OF MIDLAND, a square dance group, will meet at 8 p.m. Friday at M Squarena.  
Leon Ivey of Munday will be the caller...

...THE YOUTH OF HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH is having their annual rummage sale from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at 1412 Illinois.  
Anyone having rummage to donate should call 683-4207...

...MARY B. DUNN has recently returned from the seventh annual North American Conference on Adoptable Children in Houston.

Mary represented the local chapter of Permian Basin Council on Adoptable Children. COAC is an organization concerned about the need for permanence in the lives of the thousands of children "waiting."

Next meeting of the Permian Basin Council for Adoptable Children will be Friday at 7:30 p.m. For further information, call 694-9902...

...AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS with the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging and the National Retired Teachers Association are sponsoring an Area Community Forum on Aging to be held Saturday in Odessa.

The event will be at the Ector County Senior Center, 13th St. and Adams St.

The Forum is being held in connection with the White House Conference on Aging, 1981.

Keynote speaker will be Representative Jay Gibson. There will be both morning and afternoon group discussions open to the public, and all persons concerned with the problems of older Americans are invited to attend and participate.

A light lunch will also be served at noon for a small donation. Anyone wishing further information about the Forum or the White House Conference may call Edward Jones at 362-1775 or the Senior Center at 337-5281...



Jo Ann Freeman models one of the outfits to be shown at the Midland Mothers of Twins Club benefit fashion show noon Saturday at Holiday Inn Country Villa. Fashions will be shown from Lou's and Calico Barn, both located at San Miguel Square. Adult models will be Diane Dean, Kathy Stanley, Paula Boyd and Ms. Freeman. Children models will be Katy Bufler, Kari Brewer, Maria Brewer and Chris Freeman. (Staff Photo)

## Foster named Woman of the Year

Dorothy Foster was named Woman of the Year by the Uptown Chapter of Business and Professional Women's Club Wednesday. The award is annually given to a business woman who has distinguished herself in career and community service.

The award was given in conjunction with National Business Woman's Week, which honors and recognizes the 17,121 working women in Midland and women throughout the nation.

Ms. Foster has been employed with the Texas Employment Commission for 25 years and currently serves as departmental supervisor. She is a graduate of Texas Tech University.

A member of B&PW since 1955, Ms. Foster has served as officer for all offices and is presently recording secretary and a director. She is past president of the Wildcat Investment Club, is a member of the Human Resources Advisory Committee of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission and is active in the adult education program as an instructor-advisor at Midland College.

B&PW membership drive is now underway with membership is open to all persons actively engaged in business or the professions. The organization is the oldest and largest organization of working women in this country with over 100 local members, 8,000 state members and 165,000 national members.



Dorothy Foster

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## DEAR ABBY

### These wedding bells will toll, not ring

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: I am a middle-aged married woman with children. I belong to an organization that provides fellowship and fun.

I mistook one gentleman's friendliness for affection and became more than a little fond of him. By the way, he's married, has children and grandchildren. I never had or have any intention of becoming close to him, but for some stupid reason, which I am unable to explain, I wrote him a letter telling him about my feelings for him. As soon as I realized what a foolish thing I had done, I began to feel ashamed, embarrassed and terribly sick about the whole thing. There is no way I can avoid seeing this man. I will have to face him again—and soon.

How should I act? Please help me, Abby. I am desperate.—SIGN ME STUPID.

DEAR STUPID: Try to act as natural as possible. Make no reference to the letter. If he mentions it, be honest and tell him that you regret having written it, feel stupid and embarrassed, and to please forget it. Then YOU forget it.

DEAR ABBY: I used to be one of those married men whose wives would write to you complaining that their husbands would stop at bars after work and come home anywhere from one to three hours late for dinner.

No more. Here's how I was cured: I recently phoned my wife (from a bar) to tell her I was "detained at the office" and would be home in 20 minutes. (I was already 2 hours late.)

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I rushed home, frantic. The house was dark and my wife's car was nowhere to be seen. When I went into

our bedroom, I found my wife in bed! "That was no recording. It was 'live.'" The missing car? She had parked it around the corner on a side street to prolong my agony. "But next time," she warned, "it might be for real."—GEORGE

## Researchers say bran causes loss of nutrients

WASHINGTON (AP) — Foods loaded with bran interfere with the use of zinc and increase the body's loss of this vital nutrient, say researchers at Georgetown University Medical Center.

Researchers said recently that preliminary results of studies with volunteers eating high-fiber diets indicate that bran-enriched foods alter the body's zinc metabolism.

Dr. Robert I. Henkin, the principal investigator, said all dietary fiber is not the same and similar zinc losses were not found in volunteers eating food high in other types of fiber.

"None of the people in the bran group developed zinc-deficiency symptoms," Henkin said in an interview. "But if bran is consumed at the levels that we gave it, there is a risk that one could develop a deficiency."

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Researchers caution doctors

CHICAGO (AP) — Physicians should be more cautious about telling patients that severe menstrual cramps are "all in your head," researchers say.

Doctors at a recent symposium on painful menstruation, or dysmenorrhea, say it often is based on definite physiological changes — and arthritis drugs may be useful in blocking the process which gives rise to the pain.

Doctors have traditionally prescribed tranquilizers or analgesics that merely mask the pain. But those who attended the symposium at the University of Illinois described a number of drugs helpful in preventing the chemical interactions which give rise to menstrual pain.

Research by Dr. M. Yusoff Dawood of the University of Illinois indicates that dysmenorrheic women often have abnormally high levels of hormone-like proteins called prostaglandins.

These substances, synthesized in the muscular layer of the uterine wall, are thought to be a major factor in the menstrual cramps which afflict millions of women.

Doctors are now experimenting with drugs known to block the production of prostaglandins by inhibiting the enzymes needed to make them. One such drug, called ibuprofen, has traditionally been used to treat the inflammation from arthritis.

A Cornell University pharmacologist, W.Y. Chan, reported he gave eight patients ibuprofen alternated with a placebo. He found that the levels of prostaglandins markedly decreased when they were treated with the drug. Most importantly, the patients reported significant relief from menstrual pain compared to when they took the placebo.

Chan also observed that taking oral contraceptives appear to have a direct effect in lowering levels of the pain-causing prostaglandins.

Those levels in two patients were quite low while they were taking the contraceptives, but increased considerably when they ceased.

Chan estimated that prostaglandin inhibitors are effective for relieving the pain of dysmenorrhea in 65 to 100 percent of patients.

A pair of pliers is not enough

Ever try working in hard-to-get-to areas found on electronic gadgets with slip joint pliers when you wish you had a pair of long nose pliers? If you have, then you are a firm believer that one pair of pliers is not enough.

The Hand Tools Institute (HTI), a national association for manufacturers of hand tools, points out that there are many types, sizes and shapes of pliers, each designed and manufactured for a specific use. Some pliers are used for gripping, others for turning and bending and still others for cutting, each to be used within the intended manufactured limitations. Selecting the correct plier and knowing how to use it properly and safely is what counts for you. Some important points to remember are:

- Slip joint pliers are for gripping, turning and bending.
- Flat nose pliers — ideal for gripping in close space areas such as electronic gadgets, typewriters, telephones and others.
- Utility pliers — pliers commonly widely used by plumbers, electricians, auto mechanics to grip round, square, flat and hexagonal objects.
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**HINTS FROM HELOISE**

**Do dairy products freeze?**

DEAR HELOISE: Is it safe to freeze dairy products and things made with dairy products? If so, how long can they be kept? — Jeanne Frech

They're just waiting to answer any questions you might have concerning nutrition, food preparation, canning, health, sewing — the list goes on. Give them a call the next time you have a household problem that needs a quick answer. They'd love to hear from you. — Hugs, Heloise.

DEAR HELOISE: I want to tell you what a dear lady in our apartment building does with her discarded magazines. She places them in the laundry room for all of us to read. She even clips out coupons and places them in a small box labeled, "Help yourself." These thoughtful acts prompted me to think it was a good hint for all apartment dwellers, and deserves to be in your column. — Jean Quine

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Panel convenes on pap smear

BETHESDA, Md. — A panel convened recently by the National Institutes of Health recommended that after two consecutive annual Pap smears with negative findings, screenings should be "repeated at regular intervals of one to three years." As reported in "Medical Tribune", the panel did not agree on how often women of different ages or those considered high risk should be screened.

Prior to the NIH conference, the American Cancer Society had adopted the Canadian approach to screening: Once every three years rather than annually. In the U.S. it had been annually.

Young pregnancy

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## Company flooded with bogus deliveries

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Workers at the Aetna Life and Casualty Co. office here don't have much use for motor oil in their line of work, but 2,000 cases of it were delivered recently.

Florists have been delivering unordered bouquets, pizza stores have sent unrequested pies and countless exterminators have rushed to the scene to kill non-existent bugs.

Janitors, carpet cleaners, air conditioning repairmen, caterers and tow-truck operators have all knocked on the office door, only to be told politely that their services weren't needed.

Police say the phony deliveries are apparently the work of one man, but they're not sure who he is or how to stop him if they find him.

Pete Lovelace, manager of the claims office, said Thursday he believes it's all the result of a spat between a woman who works with him and her estranged husband.

"Apparently, he is doing this in hopes we will fire his wife, and we aren't going to do that," Lovelace said.

The deliveries are so frequent and the delivery people so angry that the company has hired a guard to handle the complaints, he said.

Lovelace said the deliveries began Oct. 14, a day after he refused to allow a man who identified himself as Frank Gazzo to talk to his wife, Mary, an Aetna trainee.

"The guy had been driving us nuts for a week demanding to talk to Mary, and our service representatives kept telling him she did not want to talk to him."

"Then he called our personnel director and demanded she put Mary on the phone. It was then that I talked to him," Lovelace said.

"He told me if I wouldn't let him talk to her he would show me something I had never seen before," he added.

"The first day wasn't so bad," Lovelace said. "All we got were deliveries from three different pizza places, a case of beer and five different florists, who delivered three bouquets each."

"It really got bad on the 20th, though. On that day, seven carpet-cleaning companies, one office-supply firm, two pest control companies, two caterers, two janitorial outfits and a dry-cleaning company came."

On Tuesday, 20 concerns arrived to make deliveries, and on Wednesday, the number jumped to 30.

"I really feel sorry for the vendors," Lovelace said. "It would be nice to get rid of the guard we had to rent because he is costing us \$80 a day."

Attempts to reach Gazzo were unsuccessful.

Police Sgt. Dale Lauck said that when calls started coming from vendors, he and other officers checked criminal statutes and could find no law that was being violated.

# Carter aide's testimony sought on Vesco's reported bribe offer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate Judiciary subcommittee wants to question a White House aide who was approached in an alleged bribery scheme in behalf of fugitive financier Robert L. Vesco.

The subcommittee said it would subpoena Richard Harden, the White House aide, if he refused to appear voluntarily today to tell what he knows about the alleged plan to bribe Carter administration officials in 1977 to quash extradition proceedings against Vesco.

Vesco is living in the Bahamas, having fled the country under indictment on stock fraud charges that are not connected to the current allegations.

Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., the panel's chairman and Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said they wanted to question Harden publicly but the administration wants him to testify privately.

Harden has said he cut short any efforts on behalf of Vesco when a friend, Spencer Lee, a lawyer from Albany, Ga., spoke to Harden about Vesco in February 1977.

A federal grand jury that investigated the charges for 19 months did not return indictments. But the grand jury foreman said the Justice Department tried to cover up the case.

At a hearing Thursday, the subcommittee examined another Vesco matter involving an alleged

multimillion-dollar scheme on behalf of the Libyan government.

DeConcini charged that James Day, a lawyer from Brookshire, Texas, was a middleman in the alleged plot. Day appeared before the panel for more than two hours but invoked his constitutional rights against self-incrimination and refused to answer any questions or even state his name.

DeConcini said the scheme involved an attempt to bribe Democratic National Chairman John C. White to use his influence to convince the Carter administration to release military transport planes to Libya.

The administration has refused to provide the planes because of Libyan support of terrorism.

White has denied all wrongdoing and has said he has no knowledge of any bribery plot.

Another witness, James Feeney of New York, who has been a government informant, also refused to answer questions unless he is granted immunity from prosecution.

But Feeney's lawyer, Daniel J. Sears of Denver, accused the Justice Department of bad faith in dealing with his client.

Sears said department officials reportedly decided by early 1979 that Feeney could no longer be believed.

But, Sears said, if that is the case "the government

should justify why it continued to permit him to expend his own money and put his personal security in jeopardy" believing he was still acting for the government.

A Justice Department spokesman refused to comment.

Sears said Feeney became a government informant in hopes of lenient treatment in connection with unrelated stock fraud and other charges.

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## Arms smuggling trial beginning

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Defense lawyers requested a mistrial in an arms smuggling case on grounds prosecutors implied the munitions were destined for snipers or terrorists, but a federal judge turned down the motion.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Marianne Murphy said Thursday that many of the 79,000 rounds of ammunition that five defendants allegedly tried to export to Lebanon were jacketed hollowpoint bullets that expand on impact with a live target.

Defense lawyers, saying the descriptions of the bullets and of 10 firearms made it appear their clients were trying to supply snipers or terrorists, called for a mistrial.

U.S. District Judge H. Lee Sarokin denied the request, but agreed to clarify for the jury that the defendants did not have criminal records.

On trial are three brothers, Hany Badaan, 33, of Nutley, and Marwan Badaan, 35, and Amir Badaan, 36, both of Wayne, charged with conspiring to ship munitions without a license. Lawyers in the case said the brothers are Lebanese Christians.

The other defendants are Mohammed Ismail, 23, of

Belleville, who worked for Hany Badaan as a shoe store clerk, and Mary Ann Sedusky, 25, of Clifton, described by her lawyer as a friend of Hany Badaan.

Federal authorities charged the weapons were bought from gun shops in Wayne and Jersey City and destined for shipment from Weehawken to Beirut, Lebanon. Lebanon has been torn by civil war between Christian and Moslem groups.

Ismail's lawyer said the weapons were to go to a "Christian area" of Lebanon and said his client played no part in the alleged conspiracy, except to loan his employer a driver's license.

Defense lawyers described Hany Badaan and Marwan Badaan as honest businessmen who truthfully signed papers at the gun shops to buy the weapons and openly inquired whether it was permissible to export them.

They urged the jury to listen closely to covertly recorded government tapes for indications that their clients did not try to hide their purchases.

The lawyer for Amir Badaan said his client had no actual involvement and that he was charged only because his brothers were.

## Consumer attitudes show improvement

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Third quarter consumer attitudes show significant improvement for the first time in three years, but consumer evaluations of the economy generally remain unfavorable, says a University of Michigan survey.

Richard Curtin, director of the Institute of Social Research's quarterly Survey of Consumer Attitudes, said Thursday that the level of attitudes and expectations "is still rather low."

Curtin said consumer attitudes must improve further before there will be sustained growth in consumer sales.

The index of consumer sentiment, which attempts to quantify consumer attitudes and expectations toward the economy, registered 67.8 in the July-September 1980 survey. That was a 13.4 point increase over the record low of 54.4 set in the previous quarter, and up 3.9 points from the third quarter of 1979.

The index is calculated on a scale of 100, using February 1966 as a base.

The recovery in consumer sentiment "is not yet firmly established," Curtin said in a statement. He said consumer evaluations of the economy remain "on the balance unfavorable."

"The rapid improvement ... was based on more favorable expectations for future improvement, rather than on more favorable assessments of the

current situation," Curtin said. "Evaluations of consumers' current financial situation and buying conditions were, on balance, still less favorable than year-earlier readings."

The report found that attitudes toward purchasing cars, homes and durable goods improved significantly in the third quarter.

Some 48 percent of all families were favorably inclined toward buying large household durables such as refrigerators and other appliances, up from 39 percent in the third quarter. The report found 40 percent of the 2,000 people questioned nationwide were also favorably inclined toward automobile purchases, an increase of 6 percent from the previous quarter.

Attitudes toward home buying showed the largest jump at 39 percent, up 22 percent from the second quarter.

The report said lower interest rates and loosened credit lay behind the improved attitudes.

The report said 30 percent of all families expected to be better off financially in a year, the highest level in two years and a 4 percent improvement from the second quarter.

Only 46 percent of those questioned expected increased unemployment, compared with 66 percent in the second quarter, and expectations toward inflation were also improved, the report said.

## Girl will be allowed to try boys' basketball

CHICAGO (AP) — An 11-year-old girl will be allowed to try out for the boys' basketball team at her suburban junior high school even though the school has a girls' team.

U.S. District Judge Prentice H. Marshall ruled Thursday that Karen O'Connor has a fundamental right to develop her athletic skills by playing on the boys' team.

Lawyers for the girl wanted to force administrators at MacArthur Junior High School in suburban Mount Prospect to let her to play on the boys' team.

According to the suit, school principal Philip Arenstein denied her request because she is eligible for the girls' team.

The suit said the 4-foot-11, 103-pound girl has played against boys in organized basketball leagues since she was seven and consistently ranked among the top scorers on her teams.

Her father Joseph O'Connor said she would try out for the team Monday. "She's ready," he said. "There's no question about that."

Her lawyer Rosemarie Guadolo had argued that the separate but equal doctrine upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court means that the girl should be given educational opportunities equal to her abilities.

## Automaker layoffs drop

DETROIT (AP) — Long-term layoffs among U.S. automakers dropped below 200,000 this week for the first time since April, according to company reports.

Temporary layoffs designed to hold down inventories also will fall next week as the industry settles into a week-on, week-off pattern at some plants, the companies reported Thursday.

Workers idle without a recall date totaled 192,250 this week, down from 202,758 last week. Next week's short-term furloughs were put at 3,750 against 11,700 this week.

Meanwhile, the trade publication Ward's Automotive Reports said car production this week was scheduled to rise 3.6 percent to 153,776 from last week's 148,399.

One car and two truck assembly lines were closed this week with two car lines scheduled for downtime next week.

General Motors Corp., with no

workers on or scheduled for temporary layoff, said its indefinite furloughs were unchanged from last week at 102,000 and would stay there next week.

Ford Motor Co. reported indefinite layoffs down from 55,500 to 54,000, with 7,000 workers returning from a week off at Lorain, Ohio, and 950 going off for a week at the San Jose, Calif., car line.

Chrysler Corp. said open-ended furloughs had fallen to 33,600 from 34,500. The No. 3 producer will bring back 4,000 workers to the Warren, Mich., truck plant. Another 700 workers were temporarily home from component plants this week and probably an equal number will be out next week, Chrysler said.

American Motors Corp. said it would close one car line at Kenosha, Wis., next week, idling 2,100. AMC's indefinite layoffs fell from 2,750 to 2,650. Volkswagen of America had no layoffs.

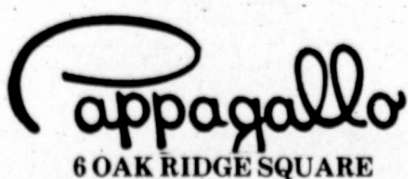
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# Three WT area wildcats scheduled

Wildcat operations have been announced for Pecos, Dawson and Fisher counties, and an attempt will be made to reopen a field in Howard County.

Sinclair Development Corp. of Midland spotted a shallow wildcat six miles west of Bakersfield in Pecos County.

Scheduled to 2,000 feet, it is No. 1-1 University, 467 feet from north and east lines of section 1, block 20, University Lands survey. It is a northeast twin to a 7,380-foot dry hole.

## DAWSON EXPLORER

Aminoff USA, Inc., operating from Midland, spotted a 9,000-foot wildcat in Dawson County, 12.5 miles east of Lamesa.

It is No. 1-A Youngblood, 1,980 feet from south and 1,047 feet from east lines of section 19, block 33, T-5-N, T&P survey.

It is 1/2 mile west of an 8,525-foot failure and one mile northeast of Pennsylvania production in the Cline Farms area.

## FISHER WILDCAT

Strube Exploration Inc. of Abilene No. 3 Fields "A" is to be drilled as a 5,000-foot wildcat in Fisher County, six miles northwest of Noodle.

Location is 1,800 feet from north and 467 feet from west lines of section 1, block K, T&P survey and 1 1/2 miles east of the Newman (Swastika) field.

## HOWARD ATTEMPT

McFarland & Scooby, Inc., of Midland will attempt to reopen the Coronet (2900 oil) pool of Howard County, three miles southeast of Vincent.

The reopening attempt will be made in No. 1 Sterling Cattle Co. The new project is 1,485 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 4, block 25, H&TC survey.

Contract depth is 3,100 feet.

## TERRY RE-ENTRY

The Superior Oil Co. will re-enter a Montoya well in the Tokio field of west Terry County and attempt to complete it as a Devonian producer.

The project, No. 1 O. A. Pippin, is 2,050 feet from south and 500 feet from east lines of section 33, block K, psi survey and one mile northeast of Tokio.

It is one location southwest of the Devonian discovery which was completed at 12,871 feet.

## UPTON TEST

John L. Cox of Midland spotted No. 1 Halamicek "B" as an 8,000-foot project to test for Spraberry production 5/8 mile southeast of the four-well McGill (Spraberry) field of Upton County.

The project was staked 15 miles northwest of Rankin and 660 feet from north and 1980 feet from east lines of section 50, block C, CCSD&RNGG survey.

## IRION OUTPOST

Alford Petroleum Corp., The Woodlands, will dig No. 1 Winterbotham "J" as a 1 1/2-mile north outpost to Canyon D production in the Irion County portion of the Dove Creek multipay field.

The site is eight miles south of Mertzson and 3,200 feet from the most easterly south line and 1,500 feet from the most easterly east line of section 1 CEPI&M survey. Contract depth is 6,950 feet and the ground elevation is 2,183.4 feet.

## STERLING PROJECT

Wagner & Brown of Midland No. 4-1 Flint "B" is to be drilled 5/8 mile southwest of oil production in the Conger (Pennsylvanian) field of Sterling County, 20 miles southwest of Sterling City.

Scheduled to 8,600 feet, it is 1,328 feet from north and 100 feet from west lines of section 1, GC&SF survey.

## STONEWALL AREA

Argee Oil Co. of Midland announced location for a 3,000-foot project to test for Tannehill production one location southwest of one of the eight wells in the Willford Creek (Tannehill) field.

Scheduled as No. 1 Babbist Foundation, it is 14 miles northeast of Asperment and 3,107 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 1, block C, HT&B survey.

## MITCHELL PROJECTS

Max Walden Production of Post spotted locations for four 3,300-foot projects in the six-well Dockery (Clear Fork) field of Mitchell County, three miles south of Wickett.

No. 1 Barber "A" is 2,195 feet from north and 845 feet from west lines of section 18, block 28, T-1-S, T&P survey.

No. 2 Barber "A" is 864 feet from north and 467 feet from west lines of section 18, block 28, T-1-S, T&P survey.

No. 1 Barber "B" will be drilled 864 feet from north and 1,780 feet from west lines of section 18, block 28, T-1-S, T&P survey.

The fourth project, No. 2 Barber "B" will be drilled 863 feet from north and 3,092 feet from west lines of section 18, block 28, T-1-S, T&P survey.

## CULBERSON PROJECT

Conoco Inc., operating from Midland, staked location for No. 1-27 TXL to be drilled as a 4,100-foot project in the Ford, West (4100) field of Culberson County, 12 miles northwest of Orla.

Operator staked location 2,173 feet from south and 467 feet from west lines of section 27, block 58, T-1, T&P survey.

# Four discoveries potential in two New Mexico counties

Operators have reported discoveries in Eddy and Chaves counties in New Mexico.

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1-G Rustler Bluffs was finished as a small Delaware oil discovery five miles southeast of Malaga in Eddy County.

On 24-hour potential test it pumped 21 barrels of 36.5-gravity oil and 65 barrels of water.

Completion was through perforations from 4,680 to 4,694 feet.

The wildcat was drilled to 13,800 feet and plugged back to 6,400 feet.

## ENERGY OIL & GAS

Five-inch liner is set at 13,799 feet.

The strike is four miles southwest of Delaware oil production in the Cedar Canyon field and 1,980 feet from north and east lines of section 6-25s-29e.

Gulf No. 1 Eddy State "C" was completed as a Bone Spring discovery in the Indian Flats (Atoka-Morrow) field of Eddy County, 10 miles east of Carlsbad.

The operator reported a daily flowing potential of 64 barrels of oil, gravity and gas-oil ratio not reported, through perforations at 8,804-8,814 feet. The flow was through a 12/64-inch choke.

The pay was acidized with 3,000 gallons.

Total depth is 12,690 feet, 5 1/2-inch casing is set at 9,130 feet and hole is plugged back to 9,090 feet.

Wellsite is 1,980 feet from north and west lines of section 2-22s-28e.

Amoco Production Co. No. 1 State Communized "HK" has been potentialized as a Morrow gas discovery in Eddy County, six miles northwest of White City.

Operator reported a daily flowing potential of 1,097,000 cubic feet of gas, through a 1.5-inch opening. Flowing tubing pressure was 1,509 pounds.

Completion was through perforations from 10,640 to 10,655 feet.

Total depth is 10,826 feet and 5 1/2-inch casing is cemented on bottom.

Wellsite is two miles northeast of the Crooked Creek (Morrow gas) field and 1,980 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 6-24s-25e.

on a new well in the Catclaw Draw (Morrow) field of Eddy County, five miles west of Carlsbad.

It is No. 14 Catclaw Draw Unit. It finished for a daily potential of 105,000 cubic feet of dry gas, through a 1/4-inch choke and perforations from 10,434 to 10,479 feet.

Total depth is 10,642 feet in the Morrow, 5 1/2-inch casing is set one foot off bottom and hole is plugged back to 10,598 feet.

The Morrow was topped at 10,116 feet on ground elevation of 3,331 feet.

Other tops include the Delaware, 2,100 feet; Bone Spring, 4,008 feet; Wolfcamp, 7,780 feet; Pennsylvanian, 8,800 feet; Strawn, 9,184 feet; Atoka, 9,664 feet, and Barnett, 10,495 feet.

Amoco Production Co. No. 1 State "II" is a new well in the Harkey (Pennsylvanian gas) area of Eddy County, five miles southwest of Malaga.

The well finished for a daily potential of 275,000 cubic feet of gas, through a 10/64-inch choke and perforations from 11,010 to 11,026 feet.

Total depth is 13,082 feet.

Location is 1 1/4 miles northeast of other Pennsylvania gas production and 1,880 feet from south and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 26-24s-27e.

## LEA GAS WELL

Texaco Inc. No. 1 New Mexico State "BZ" has been completed as a shut-in gas well from the Bone Spring in the Gramma Ridge (Morrow) field of Lea County.

Operator has not reported a potential test. Production will be through perforations from 8,760 to 8,992 feet.

Total depth is 13,350 feet in the Morrow, and the plugged back depth is 10,820 feet.

The Wolfcamp was topped at 11,330 feet, the Strawn at 11,695 feet, the Atoka at 11,924 feet, the Morrow at 12,540 feet and the Morrow clastic at 12,768 feet. Ground elevation is 3,689 feet.

Location is 730 feet from south and 2,050 feet from west lines of section 26-21s-34e and 25 miles southeast of Buckeye.

# North Sea war continues

WESTENSCHOUWEN, Netherlands (AP) — Mammoth 18,000-ton concrete towers, some as tall as 15-story buildings, poke out of pits dug in a man-made island on the latest battle front in Holland's endless war against the North Sea.

In 1982, the pits will be flooded and the 66 towers will be hauled to their sites across the 5.5-mile mouth of the Eastern Scheldt estuary. Steel gates 16 feet thick will be slung between the towers, ready to slam shut when storms threaten to flood the below-sea-level land, home for 60 percent of the Netherlands' 14 million people.

After 1,900 people drowned in 1953 flooding in the last lowlands disaster, the Dutch government vowed "never again." It assigned Dutch engineers the task of sealing four major inlets in the Rhine river delta southwest of Rotterdam with huge dams, shortening the Dutch coastline by 435 miles.

After three bays were sealed, the government made the last and al-

ready most challenging piece infinitely more difficult.

Bowing to environmentalists, the government decided the Eastern Scheldt would not be sealed by a solid dam and turned into a fresh-water lake as planned.

Instead, a flood gate would be built, closable in bad weather but open otherwise to let the tides flow inland to the oyster beds and wildlife.

"There is nothing similar anywhere in the world," said Tjebbe Visser, the engineering-project leader.

The "wet" construction method is a major innovation, he said. The flood gate is being installed in the water, without damming the estuary and disturbing the \$100 million fishing and shellfish industry.

The "open sea" concession to environmentalists — when construction was eight years along — raised the cost of the delta works by \$1.5 billion and put the final price tag at about \$5 billion.

# Field wells complete in Basin counties

William Moss of Dallas No. 5 E. O. Reed "B" has been completed in the MPF (Yates) field of Pecos County, 14 miles north of Fort Stockton.

The operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 75 barrels of 26-gravity oil and eight barrels of water, with a gas-oil ratio of 1,500-1.

Completion was through a 14/64-inch choke and from pay behind casing perforations from 3,049 to 3,059 feet.

The zone was fractured with 15,000 gallons.

Total depth is 3,084 feet, 5 1/2-inch pipe is set on bottom and hole is plugged back to 3,069 feet.

The pay was topped at 2,960 feet on ground elevation of 2,694 feet.

Wellsite is 467 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 15, block 142, T&SL survey.

## CRANE PRODUCER

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 110F. J. Lea and others is a new well in the Lea (Tubb) field of Crane County, 10.5 miles west of Crane.

On 24-hour potential test, the well flowed 185 barrels of 41.5-gravity oil, plus 10 barrels of water, with a gas-oil ratio of 1,162-1.

Completion was through a 20/64-inch choke and perforations from 4,398 to 4,618 feet after a 750-gallon acid treatment and a 60,000-gallon fracture job.

Total depth is 4,755 feet, 5 1/2-inch casing is set on bottom and hole is plugged back to 4,717 feet.

The eighth well in the field, it is 1,420 feet from north and 1,370 feet from east lines of section 39, block 22, psi survey.

## SUTTON GAS WELL

HNG Oil Co. of Midland No. 1-4 Richardson is a new Leonard gas well, the 10th, in the Sawyer multipay field of Sutton County, eight miles west of Sonora.

It finished for a calculated absolute open flow potential of 780,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 1,713 to 1,743 feet after a 1,000-gallon acid treatment.

Location is 933 feet from south and 1,033 feet from east lines of E. J. Parker survey, abstract 1300.

## SCHLEICHER WELL

Getty Oil Co., operating from Midland, filed potential test on its No. 1-7 J. H. Treadwell, new well in the Fort McKavitt (Canyon) field of Schleicher County.

The third well in the field, it finished for a daily pumping potential of 139 barrels of 36-gravity oil, no water, with a gas-oil ratio of 806-1.

Completion was through perforations from 4,054 to 4,064 feet after a 20,000-gallon fracture job.

It is 1/2 mile southwest of the closest Canyon well and 1,200 feet from south and west lines of W. W. Treadwell survey, abstract 893. It is seven miles northwest of Fort McKavitt.

## MITCHELL COUNTY

Sun Oil Co. No. 32 V. T. McCabe has been completed in the Jameson, North (Strawn) pool of Mitchell County, four miles north of Silver.

The operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 51 barrels of 43-gravity oil and five barrels of water, with a gas-oil ratio of 2,627-1.

Completion was from pay behind casing perforations from 5,883 to 6,025 feet. The zone was acidized with 1,000 gallons and fractured with 105,000 gallons.

Drilled as a wildcat, it is bottomed at 7,250 feet, where 5 1/2-inch casing is set. The plugged back depth is 6,755 feet.

Location is 1,350 feet from north and 2,680 feet from west lines of section 22s, block 1-A, H&TC survey.

## FISHER PRODUCER

The Raven Creek field of Fisher County has gained its 10th Strawn producer.

It is Seago Oil Inc. No. 3 Griffity, eight miles southeast of Sylvester.

It completed for a 24-hour flowing potential of 131 barrels of 42-gravity oil, no water, with a gas-oil ratio of 2,000-1.

Completion was through a 12/64-inch choke and perforations from 5,046 to 5,060 feet after a 10,000-gallon fracture treatment.

Total depth is 5,105 feet and 4 1/2-inch casing is cemented on bottom.

Location is 2,390 feet from north and 467 feet from east lines of section 3, block 19, T&P survey.

## CROCKETT AREA

Indian Wells Oil Co. of Ozona No. 3 McMullan "Section 36" is a new well in the Ozona (Canyon sand) area.

It is 1/2 mile south of the closest other Canyon sand gas producer.

Operator reported a calculated absolute open flow potential of 4,400,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 5,989 to 6,008 feet after a 3,000-gallon acid job and an 80,000-gallon fracture treatment.

Location is 720 feet from the most southerly north line and 743 feet from the most southerly west line of section 36, MK&T survey.

## CONCHO WELL

McBay and others of Crockett has completed No. 3 B. J. Mikeska "A" as a new well in the Speck, North (Strawn oil) pool of Concho County, 10 miles south of Paint Rock.

It finished for a daily pumping potential of 60 barrels of 46.5-gravity oil and no water, through perforations from 3,680 to 3,686 feet. The gas-oil ratio is 200-1.

The pay was acidized with 1,500 gallons.

Hole is bottomed at 3,740 feet and plugged back depth is 3,724 feet.

Scheduled as a wildcat, it is 467 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 158, James Hughes survey.

# Line may help Texans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas Attorney General Mark White said Tuesday that the state's consumers may gain if a rail line is built from the coal-rich Powder River Basin to compete with Burlington Northern Railroad.

"The introduction of competition in the transportation could result in reduced costs of coal burned by electric utilities which supply many consumers in Texas," White said in a statement issued in Austin.

An administrative law judge has given approval to the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad to build a second line to carry coal shipments from the Powder River Basin in Wyoming.

Currently the Burlington Northern Railroad operates the only rail line from the basin.

Chicago and Northwestern sought approval from the Interstate Commerce Commission on a \$300 million project to build a second line and operate it in conjunction with the

Union Pacific Railroad, providing competition to Burlington Northern.

ICC Administrative Law Judge Richard H. Beddow approved the railroad's plans Oct. 7, saying a second rail line would promote competition and contribute to expansion of coal development in the Powder River Basin.

The ruling will become final unless appealed to the ICC within 20 days, a commission spokesman said.

The railroad must still get approval from the Department of Transportation on a loan guarantee request to help finance the project. The railroad deregulation bill that recently became law contained a provision ordering the DOT to expedite its decision.

In Beddow's decision, he said coal traffic out of the Wyoming basin is expected to reach 80 million tons by 1992.



L. W. Funkhouser on program

L. W. Funkhouser, director and vice president — Exploration and Production for Standard Oil Co. of California, will be the speaker for the Tuesday meeting of the West Texas Geological Society.

The meeting, scheduled for 11:30 a.m., will be held in the Midland Hilton.

Funkhouser's topic will be "Deep Tuscaloosa Gas Trend of South Louisiana."

The speaker earned his geology degree at Oberline College and his master's degree from Stanford University.

He joined Standard as a geologist in 1948 in the Gulf Coast area. He became division exploration superintendent for The California Co., and vice president — Exploration of Standard Oil Co. of Texas. In 1966, he was appointed vice president — Exploration for Standard Oil Co. of California, Western Operations, Inc.

Funkhouser assumed the corporate position of vice president — Exploration in 1973. He is a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Society of Exploration Geophysicists.

Reservations should be made for the meeting by contacting the West Texas Geological Society office in Midland by 5 p.m. Friday.

## DRILLING REPORT

### WILDCATS

CHAVES COUNTY No. 121 Montgomery, id 4,816 feet, still shut-in for evaluation.

CHAVES COUNTY Harper Oil No. 1 Newlin, id 8,325 feet, preparing to log.

CULBERSON COUNTY Texas No. 1 Culberson "V" Free, id 4,100 feet, fishing; still testing, no gauges, flowed 386,000 cubic feet of gas per day, 19 barrels of fluid, through a 20/64-inch choke and unreported perforations.

DAWSON COUNTY Earl M. Craig No. 1 Barron, drilling, id 3,272 feet in lime and shale.

EDDY COUNTY Eddy No. 1 Pure Gold, drilling, id 13,173 feet in shale and lime.

EDDY COUNTY Eddy No. 1-24 Getty-Federal, id 14,385 feet, fishing.

EDDY COUNTY Eddy No. 1-25 SRC-State, id 12,262 feet, preparing to perforate a shallow zone, flowed 386,000 cubic feet of gas per day, 19 barrels of fluid, through a 20/64-inch choke and unreported perforations.

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EDDY COUNTY Eddy No. 1-27 SRC-State, id 12,262 feet, preparing to perforate a shallow zone, flowed 386,000 cubic feet of gas per day, 19 barrels of fluid, through a 20/64-inch choke and unreported perforations.

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EDDY COUNTY Eddy No. 1-35 SRC-State, id 12,262 feet, preparing to perforate a shallow zone, flowed 386,000 cubic feet of gas per day, 1







