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Fooled the Experts

Midland fooled the economic experts during 1979, growing upward and outward at a record pace. Permorama '80 in Sunday's Reporter-Telegram will illustrate in photos and stories the changes that resulted from that record growth.

Working and Alcohol

An estimated 15,370 Permian Basin workers are suffering from alcohol abuse. Read in Sunday's Lifestyle section how employers can help troubled workers "dry out" and keep their jobs.

Field of Mary

While Midland was still a dusty spot in the road, the town of Stanton, or Marienfeld, as it was known, boasted a monastery and later a convent and academy. Read the story of a shattered dream in Sunday's West Texas Life.

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Iranian demonstrators burn an effigy of the former Shah of Iran as they celebrate the first anniversary of the shah's departure from Iran. The shah said in a television interview that he has not renounced his claim to the Iranian throne. (AP Laserphoto)

Shah says greed of oil companies caused downfall

NEW YORK (AP) — The deposed Shah of Iran says he has not renounced his claim to Iran's Peacock Throne and that the greed of U.S. oil companies brought about his downfall one year ago.

"Abdicating in the vocabulary of a king does not exist unless it's very, very special circumstances," Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi said Thursday in a televised interview with British journalist David Frost.

"Does a king have to agree...to abdicate?" Frost asked. "Yes...Unless he is decapitated," replied the 60-year-old shah, who is under a death sentence from a revolutionary court in Iran.

The hour-long interview on the ABC newsmagazine "20/20" was the shah's most extensive public statement since he left Iran for exile one year ago Wednesday.

He charged his regime had been sacrificed by profit-hungry American oil companies and rejected as "preposterous" claims by the regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini that he was responsible for the massacre of tens of thousands of Iranians during his reign.

He labeled the United Nations, which has been proposed as a forum for airing grievances against his monarchy, "impotent" except in its dealings with "defenseless individuals."

ABC paid Frost an undisclosed sum for the interview, part of a 10-hour conversation Frost had with the shah last week at the shah's refuge on an island off Panama. ABC said the shah was not paid.

Frost said the shah conceded "errors of his own making" encouraged his overthrow, but that the conversation with the ailing monarch had a "continuing theme of either betrayal or...conspiracy."

Two years before the revolution, the shah said, "we heard from two different sources connected with the oil companies that the regime within Iran will change...."

"...If just in imagination, we believed that there was a plan that there must be less oil offered to the world market in order to make the price of oil go up, one country should have been the one chosen for this sacrifice."

Iran was producing 5.6 million barrels per day, the shah said, but in the final year before his ouster, the consortium of oil companies that bought Iranian oil did not seriously "talk about placing an order to buy our oil, so it seems that chosen country to drop its production of oil would have been mine."

The shah did not name the two companies, but said they were both American. Iran's oil consortium included Gulf Oil, Mobil, Exxon, Standard Oil of California and Texaco.

"I'm flabbergasted," said Nancy Arvay, spokeswoman for Socal. "Certainly there was no conspiracy."

"The only thing I can say is we were lifting quite a bit of oil from Iran, buying it, that is," she said. "At the end of 1978, the shah was still in power and many companies were doing so and Iran was considered quite an important source of oil. I can't see where anyone wasn't buying oil. People had long-term contracts."

There was no immediate comment from the other companies.

Soviet troops force rebels into Afghanistan mountains

By The Associated Press

Soviet troops using helicopter gunships and tanks have forced Afghanistan's Moslem rebels to retreat to remote mountain villages, according to reports reaching Kabul, the Afghan capital city.

The Spanish news agency EFE, reporting from Kabul, said Soviet helicopters were "controlling" guerrilla movements in the interior and near the Pakistani border. The dispatch was carried in Madrid.

EFE correspondent Jose Luis Vidal quoted journalists returning from southern Afghanistan near the border with Iran as saying the rebels appeared "frightened" by the Soviet armor being used against them. The journalists, who were not identified, said the rebels had no automatic weapons and had fallen back to mountain villages hidden in the snow, EFE said.

The report said the Afghan army was patrolling Kabul and the only visible Soviet troops were those seen shopping in the capital's bazaar.

The EFE report could not be confirmed.

Meanwhile, American reporters were leaving Afghanistan today under an expulsion order from the pro-Soviet government, and the Soviets were reported replacing regular troops with reservists in their occupation army.

In Pakistan, President Mohammed Zia ul-Haq derided the reported U.S. offer of \$400 million in aid.

"That is peanuts," Zia told American reporters in Rawalpindi Thursday when asked his opinion of President Carter's reported offer of \$200 million in military equipment and \$200 million in economic aid over the next two years to offset the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

"If this is true — I have not heard it officially — this is terribly disappointing," Zia continued. "Pakistan will not buy its security with \$400 million. (That sum) will buy far greater animosity from the Soviet Union, which is now more influential in this region than the United States."

He refused to say how much aid would satisfy him. But he said he needs warplanes, anti-aircraft missiles, anti-tank weapons and communications systems to strengthen defenses along Pakistan's 1,200-mile western border with Afghanistan.

Zia also urged upgrading the 1959 U.S.-Pakistan agreement which calls for consultations in case of attack

from a communist-ruled country. "We are looking for a bilateral treaty in which the integrity and freedom of Pakistan is guaranteed," he said. But he added: "I do not expect the

United States to send troops to Pakistan, (and) it would be foolish on my part to expect that the Americans or Chinese would fight for the freedom of Pakistan."

Carter wants grain loaded for Soviets

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter is urging longshoremen to abandon their boycott and load 3 million tons of grain destined for the Soviet Union to relieve a backlog he says is clogging the nation's transportation system.

The action is calculated not to help the Soviets, but to relieve pressure on American farmers.

The administration continues to press forward on other fronts for punitive measures against the Soviet Union in reprisal for that country's military intervention in Afghanistan.

A high administration official said Thursday, for example, that the United States and its European allies may try to have the Moscow Olympic Games postponed, shifted or broken into parts in retaliation for the Soviet action.

The top two officials of the U.S. Olympic Committee were scheduled to meet at the White House later today with Carter aides.

The grain the president wants loaded is not part of the 17 million metric tons Carter has ordered embargoed from the Soviet Union, but is a portion of some 8 million tons the Soviets are to be shipped under previous agreements.

Thomas Gleason, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, said Thursday he would check with his union and report back to the president.

He did not promise that the 80,000 ILA members would end their nine-day refusal to load grain on ships bound for the Soviet Union.

An administration official, who declined to be named, said Thursday that Carter, "speaking as president and commander-in-chief," said "that the abrupt stoppage of all grain shipments was contrary to our national interests, that it was clogging the pipeline, interfering with normal commerce and was unfair to the farmer."

Administration officials said the

ILA boycott, affecting ports on the East and Gulf coasts, has resulted in barges, railroad cars and grain elevators being chock-full.

As a result, the officials said, American farmers are reaching the point of being unable to ship other products.

On the Olympic question, a ranking administration official declared that detente with the Soviets is "wounded and bleeding," and said Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher found "an increasing tide of opinion" against holding the summer games in Moscow when he consulted European allies this week.

However, the official, who refused to be identified, said Christopher did not ask the allies to boycott the Olympics and that in each country, as in the United States, "there is a strong body of opinion that believes in the Olympics."

The official told reporters Thursday at the State Department that Christopher found stronger opposition on this trip to staging the games in Moscow in July than he did on a similar survey trip to West Europe two weeks ago.

"I have a sense the allies are prepared to take strong punitive measures," the official said after Christopher reported to the White House and to Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance.

Of all the economic reprisals backed by Carter, only the grain embargo seems to have unqualified support. Christopher was informed that the West Europeans would not act to compromise Carter's partial boycott by expanding their own grain sales, the official said.

And there was guarded response to Carter's call for economic sanctions against Iran to try to force the release of the 50 American hostages held in Tehran for nearly 11 weeks.

The United States is going ahead with its own boycott, barring shipment of any goods except food and medical supplies to Iran.

China reportedly pouring forces into Pakistan

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — China is pouring arms into Pakistan over the rugged Karakoram Pass and Pakistan has moved armored forces to the border with Soviet-occupied Afghanistan and alerted its forward air bases, Indian press reports said today.

"Karakoram highway, the little known road across the roof of the world, has achieved instant strategic importance" following Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, the Press Trust of India said.

PTI quoted unidentified sources as saying that civilian traffic has been banned on the Pakistan side of the Chinese-built mountain highway linking Pakistan and China.

There was no immediate confirmation from Pakistan but a Western expert here noted that the Karakoram road is normally closed by snow from December through February. An Indian correspondent back from Afghanistan reported meanwhile that about seven divisions of Pakistani troops are at the Afghanistan border, that Pakistan has moved a large armored force to the frontier region south of Peshawar, and that all Pakistan forward air bases have been alerted. Military observers in Kabul were quoted in the dispatch by United News of India correspondent Virendra Mohan.

Mohan also reported that on a road trip from Kabul, the Afghan capital, to Ghazni, 100 miles to the south, he found that "Soviet troops have almost completely disarmed the Afghan army, from which many have defected in the last few months, along with their weapons."

Cancer center staff hunt to begin

By DAVID CAMPBELL
Staff Writer

Midland County Hospital District board of directors agreed Thursday afternoon to "go out and search" for qualified medical personnel to staff the Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center.

They also agreed to purchase \$73,593 of hospital equipment, to transfer \$130,000 from the hospital tax district to Midland Memorial and accepted the fact that \$88,973 would have to be dropped because of bad debts and indigent care.

Ed Magruder, president of the district directors, reported that efforts should be directed toward the hiring of a qualified director and medical staff for the \$3.5 million Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center.

Director John Mast, M.D., was chosen to represent the directors on a steering committee whose purpose was to investigate methods used in other cancer centers to recruit medical and administrative personnel.

Magruder reported on a noon meeting with Dr. Nylene Eckles of M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston. Dr. Eckles explained what approach the cancer center should take in the treatment of cancer.

"The concern of the MMH medical staff (and the committee) regarding the cancer therapy center," Magruder said, "was to do it right so it is

a blessing to the patients and not a burden."

The directors authorized the purchase of 19 items of hospital equipment worth \$73,593. Items which would be purchased by the hospital include seven portable monitors and recorders to be used in recovery and operating rooms, a floor scrubber, seven constant care stretchers and four anesthesia machines.

The directors also recognized the efforts of the Women's Hospital Auxiliary in the purchasing of \$390,000 worth of equipment since the organization started 30 years ago.

A request to transfer \$130,000 from the hospital district tax funds was approved by the directors. The funds would be used to help pay off deficits which occurred during 1979.

The directors examined and approved the writing off of \$88,973 from the hospital's books. This "write off" was the result of services offered to indigent patients and bad debts owed to the hospital.

According to Robert Abernethy, MMH assistant administrator for finance, bad debts account for \$65,637 of the \$88,973 written off. Indigent care services accounted for \$23,336 of the write-off.

Write-off or charge-off accounts are those accounts where the hospital is not able to collect revenue for services offered by MMH.

Several charge-off accounts in-

volved cases where several indigents were admitted to the emergency room for treatment of drug overdoses, according to Wayne Ulrich, MMH administrator.

In other business, the directors learned the hospital was awarded for holding patient costs below 1977 levels.

The Texas Hospital Association established a goal where hospitals would try to hold down the average cost of patient care to \$1,348. Patients who stayed in Midland Memorial dur-

ing 1979 were charged an average of \$1,293, according to Ulrich.

Four new trustees were also approved by the directors to serve four-year terms. Dr. Brent Blonkist, John C. Dorn, Mrs. James H. Purvis and Robert Bledsoe were chosen by the Midland Memorial Foundation's board of governors. Dorn, chairman of the hospital's building committee, was re-elected.

The trustees' building committee is responsible for the present construction projects at the hospital.

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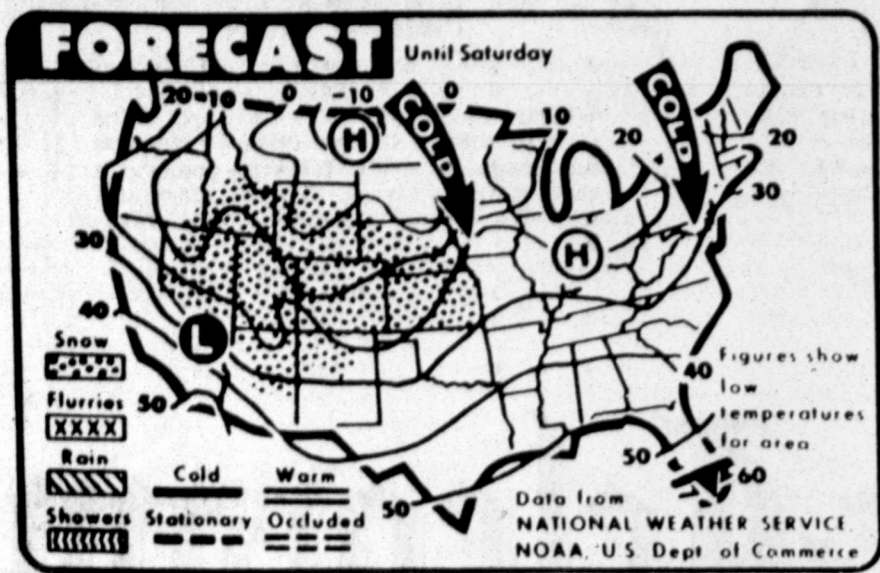
Outside

Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers tonight and Saturday. Details on Page 2A.

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WEATHER SUMMARY



Snow is expected from the central and southern Rockies to the eastern Plains until Saturday morning. Except for the southern tier of states cold weather is forecast across the nation.

Midland statistics

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The weather elsewhere

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West Texas oil workers join strike

HOUSTON (AP) — Oil field workers in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico rejected a "Me Too" agreement and are expected Sunday to join the 60,000 striking members of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers union.

Earl E. Morris, division production manager for Amoco Production Co., said Thursday the firm had been advised by about 750 hourly workers who operate wells and handle maintenance that they will strike at 12:01 a.m. Sunday.

"We must proceed with plans to continue to operate our wells and facilities without these workers," Morris said as he expressed regret over the employees' decision.

The workers have rejected a "Me Too" clause offered by the company which would have allowed them to continue work and receive any wage settlement eventually reached by the OCAW at other Amoco facilities.

"In their absence," Morris said, "our operations will be conducted in a safe and orderly manner by supervisory and certain non-represented personnel."

The walkout, which began Jan. 8, has resulted in several incidents of violence and vandalism, one mass arrest and a court injunction.

In Beaumont, a restraining order was granted Thursday after Texaco, Inc., alleged pickets had created disturbances along picket lines.

About 150 strikers demonstrated Wednesday night outside City Hall in Texas City, demanding the removal of Police Chief Joe Standley after 48 strikers were arrested near Amoco's refinery Friday and Saturday.

Standley, a 23-year law enforcement veteran, said his officers have complied with the law in making the arrests.

"I have taken the oath of office to enforce the laws of our nation, our state and our city ordinances," he said. "I have complied with the law and with this oath and once again, we (the police) are the victims."



Reviewing projects undertaken by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce during a banquet Thursday in the Midland Center are, from left, Joe Kloesel of Midland, vice president of District 6, and Bob Corkins of Alpine, WTCC president.

Photo by Brian Hendershot

WTCC holds premiere Midland Center function

By LANA CUNNINGHAM Staff Writer

About 125 persons heard an update on projects undertaken by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce during a banquet Thursday night — the first official function to be held in Midland Center.

Joe Kloesel of Midland, vice president for WTCC district 6, outlined the steps it took for Midland Center to become a reality, saying it was the people of Midland who pushed through the idea.

Bob Corkins of Alpine, WTCC president, reviewed work undertaken by the organization which had its beginnings in 1918.

"It (WTCC) is dedicated to the economic well-being of the 132 counties it represents and has operated as a voice of West Texas business," Corkins said.

Another aspect of the chamber is how it exerts itself on state and national legislation, he said.

"We look at issues important to West Texas and then form a position on them."

Some of those stands include favoring pay-as-you-go government, no new taxes, strong national defense and right-to-work laws.

WTCC opposes national health insurance and government interference in business.

Corkins described the oil and gas industry as the top factor in West Texas. The next largest industry is agriculture, and WTCC has taken stands on issues affecting both areas.

Development of water resources for West Texas is one area that WTCC has been working on continuously for several years, the president said.

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In concluding his talk, Corkins said, "WTCC stands for principles this country was founded on."

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Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Increasing cloudiness and mild today. Considerable cloudiness north, partly cloudy south tonight and Saturday with scattered showers.

North Texas: Partly cloudy today, increasing cloudiness west today and over entire area tonight.

South Texas: Partly cloudy today and Saturday, mostly cloudy tonight.

Port Arthur to Port O'Connor: East and northeast winds near 10 knots today and 10 to 15 knots Saturday.

Port O'Connor to Brownsville: Winds becoming south east near 10 knots today and 10 to 15 knots Saturday.

Extended forecasts

Sunday Through Tuesday: West Texas: Scattered showers and cold Sunday and Monday becoming fair and not as cold Tuesday.

North Texas: Possible rain and turning colder Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness and cool Monday and Tuesday.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Mostly cloudy through Saturday. Scattered showers Panhandle. Occasional rain developing late tonight and Saturday.

New Mexico: Mostly cloudy through Saturday. Scattered showers west and north today and tonight.

Louisiana: Partly cloudy through Saturday with a few showers west Saturday. Highs 90s. Lows 40s. Highs Saturday 60s.

Texas thermometer

Table listing high and low temperatures for various Texas cities including Abilene, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Brownsville, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Houston, Lubbock, Marfa, Midland, Mineral Wells, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, San Antonio, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane, St. Louis, St. Paul, Tampa, Tallahassee, Victoria, Waco, Wichita Falls, Wink.

Cloudy skies to remain

Cloudy skies will continue through Saturday, the weatherman said today, and they may hold a hint of rain.

The forecasters at the National Weather Service office at Midland Regional Airport put the probability of rain at 20 percent for tonight and Saturday.

High Saturday should be near 60 after an overnight low in the low 40s.

Winds should be from the southeast at 10-15 mph tonight.

Thursday's high was a pleasant 68 degrees with the overnight low of 43 recorded exactly at midnight.

Record temperatures for the dates, for comparison, are 84 degrees set in 1974 and seven degrees set in 1949.

The rain hinted in the forecast could up the monthly rainfall total from the .05 inch level, the weatherman said.

High clouds began moving over all of Texas from the west today as unseasonably mild temperatures continued over all of the state.

Dense fog prompted the National Weather Service to issue travelers advisories for the Coastal Plains, Rio Grande Valley and the Pecos Valley.

Forecasters called for the high clouds to spread over all of the state by evening.

Highs were expected to be mostly in the 60s with extremes ranging from the upper 50s in the Panhandle to the 70s along the coast.

The clouds began moving in over West Texas during the night, but skies in North Central Texas remained mostly clear.

Early morning temperatures were mostly in the 40s and 50s with extremes ranging from 28 at Marfa to 68 at Brownsville.

Heavy snow blanketed the Rockies today, as a winter storm developed in the Southwest.

Heavy snow warnings were issued for the Colorado mountains, where at least a foot of new snow was expected.

Winter storm watches also were issued for parts of Wyoming and Nebraska.

Rain dampened parts of Arizona today, and mixed with snow across southern sections of Nevada and Utah.

Drizzle to Michigan

Drizzle was reported parts of Michigan, which also reported some snow flurries.

Freezing drizzle plagued parts of Massachusetts and most of Maine, making driving hazardous throughout the state.

Some pre-dawn temperatures and weather conditions:

Eastern United States — Atlanta not available, Boston 30 freezing drizzle, Cincinnati 30 clear, Cleveland 37 cloudy, Detroit 35 cloudy, Miami 69 clear, New York 36 showers, Philadelphia 37 cloudy, Pittsburgh 42 cloudy, Washington 43 cloudy.

Central United States — Chicago not available, Denver 30 clear, Des Moines 26 foggy, Fort Worth 44 clear, Indianapolis 31 clear, Kansas City 30 clear, Louisville 37 partly cloudy, Minneapolis-St. Paul 27 cloudy, Nashville 48 rain, New Orleans 56 foggy, St. Louis 29 foggy.

Western United States — Anchorage not available, Los Angeles 58 rain, Phoenix 60 rain, Salt Lake City 41 cloudy, San Diego not available, San Francisco 49 clear, Seattle 31 clear.

Final livestock auction total exceeds \$56,000

The auction of 126 head of livestock Tuesday at the Midland County Livestock Show totaled \$56,948.45.

The sale included 23 calves, which brought an average price of \$1.12 per pound and a total of \$28,933.75; 50 hogs, which averaged \$1.21 a pound and totaled \$13,169.35; and 53 lambs, which averaged \$2.63 per pound and totaled \$14,845.35.

Initially, 127 head had been in the livestock sale.

The grand champion calf, exhibited by Paul Perry, was auctioned to The First National Bank of Midland for \$3,087.50 at \$2.50 per pound.

And the reserve champion calf, exhibited by Paula McBryde, was auctioned to The Midland National Bank for \$1,775 at \$1.25 per pound.

Billy Rodriguez's grand champion hog went to The Midland National Bank for \$735 at \$3 a pound.

And the reserve champion swine, shown by Randy Taylor, was auctioned to Albertson's for \$547.50 at \$2.50 a pound.

Champion lambs were sold for \$4.05 to \$6 a pound. Tommy White Supply bought Tedo Boyce's lamb for \$726 at \$6 a pound.

Jane Schweitzer purchased Tracy Logan's lamb for \$582.40 at \$4.55 a pound, and Commercial Bank & Trust Co. bought Robby McBryde's lamb for \$538.65 at \$4.05 a pound.

Police sergeant files as candidate for sheriff

Joe W. Carr, 40, a narcotics sergeant with the Midland Police Department, said today he is a candidate for sheriff in the May Democratic primary election.

Citing the rising crime rate in Midland County, Carr said he believes crime can be reduced by a concentrated effort and a coordinated approach involving all law enforcement agencies.

"We must do a better job if Midland is to remain a fine, decent place to live and rear our children," he said in a prepared statement.

Carr joined the Midland Police Department in 1965 and has served in the detective and narcotics divisions for the last several years.

Before coming to Midland he was employed by the Quannah and Snyder police departments.

Pointing out that turnover in personnel has increased in the sheriff's office in the past three years, Carr said he would restore stability to the office if elected.

"I can work well with people, and believe I have the ability to motivate those who work for me to give their best," the statement said.

Carr said he will be "fair and impartial, but vigorous and efficient in attacking the causes of crime" in Midland County.



Joe W. Carr

"I believe my experience, my dedication to good, clean law enforcement and my determination to work hard for all the people will enable me to be an effective sheriff," Carr said.

Midland County Sheriff Dallas Smith announced his intention to run in the Republican primary for a second term Wednesday.

Supervisor killed by striker

CHALMETTE, La. (AP) — A striking employee drove up to a Tenneco Oil Co. refinery early today and fatally shot a supervisor who was working at the facility, state police said.

Officers said the striker was later arrested at his home and was taken to the St. Bernard Parish jail.

The refinery has been operated by supervisors since Jan. 8, when the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union called a nationwide strike in a wage dispute.

was being handled by the St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's office, but deputies refused to talk to reporters about it.

Tenneco officials confirmed the death in a strike-related shooting, but refused to give names or other details.

"One of the strikers in a car drove up to one of the supervisors out at the Tenneco refinery," a state police spokesman said. "The striker shot one of the supervisors and killed him."

"He was later apprehended at his residence."

Dr. Eckles outlines tumor study program for MMH

Dr. Nylene Eckles, a renowned pioneer in the treatment of cancer, spoke to the Midland Memorial Hospital medical staff Wednesday and Thursday regarding the establishment of an effective tumor study program.

Eckles is associated with the M.D. Anderson Tumor Institute and Hospital in Houston.

"The credentials of Dr. Eckles reflect her varied and colorful career, as she has the distinction of acquiring her Ph.D., MD and first baby in the same year," said Dr. Martha E. Madsen, Midland pathologist.

Madsen was instrumental in arranging Dr. Eckles' visit to Midland.

Eckles attended the University of Minnesota and then worked with the Illinois Cancer Research and Education Hospital in Chicago.

She was one of the first four physicians to become involved in medical oncology where her specialty became the treatment of breast cancer with emphasis on endocrine-related therapy.

In 1955, she inaugurated the medical oncology service at M.D. Anderson. Eckles was instrumental in establishing an overall treatment program for cancer patients there.

"She is appearing in Midland at the invitation of the MMH Cancer Program in order to provide medical-ly oriented expertise in the future development of the oncology program here at the Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center," said Dr. Madsen.



Dr. Nylene Eckles

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DEATHS

N.W. Harvick

LAMESA — Services for N.W. "Walt" Harvick, 91, of Lamesa were to be at 2 p.m. today in Branon Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Jack Thompson, retired Methodist minister, officiating.

Burial was to be in Lamesa Memorial Park.

Harvick died Wednesday in a Hamlin hospital after an illness.

A native of Hillsboro, he moved to Hancock community in Dawson County in 1921 where he owned and operated Hancock Store for many years.

He was married to the former J.C. Beard Dec. 20, 1911, in Jones County. The couple moved to Lamesa in 1961.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Juanita Williams of Lamesa; two sons, H.B. Harvick of Throckmorton and Delbert Harvick of Andrews; two sisters, Quata Ferguson of Wichita Falls and Espher Sims of Grandford; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Walter Guy

ODESSA — Walter Guy, 64, of Odessa and formerly of Midland died Tuesday in an Odessa hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in St. John's Baptist Church with burial in Odessa Cemetery directed by Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Guy was born Feb. 16, 1915, in Lott. He was a retired porter for Alexander Corp. He came to Odessa in 1946 from Lott and had lived in Midland about 12 years. He was an Army veteran of World War II and a member of St. John's Baptist Church in Odessa. He was married to Nellie Lee Sperling July 11, 1946, in Odessa.

Survivors include his wife; a son, James Ellis Guy of Oxnard, Calif.; two daughters, Leana Taylor of Corpus Christi and Ola B. Guy of Houston; a brother, Wash B. Guy of Waco; two sisters, Leana Guy of Lott and Ida Tompkins of El Paso; and four grandchildren.

Jerry Monje

BIG SPRING — Rosary for Jerry Monje, 19, of Big Spring will be said at 7:30 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with burial in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He died Wednesday.

Monje was born Nov. 12, 1960, in Carlsbad, N.M. He was a 1979 graduate of Big Spring High School and was employed by Joe Hernandez Construction Company. He was a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Monje of Big Spring; two brothers, Roy Monje of Midland and Joe Monje of Big Spring; and his maternal grandmother, Gierma Hernandez of Big Spring.

Tiney Simmons

Tiney Simmons, 78, of Wichita Falls died Wednesday in an Odessa hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services were to be at 11:30 a.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with Ray White, pastor of the Main Street Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was to be Saturday in the Lena Cemetery in Lena, Okla., directed by Kelly Funeral Home of Eufaula, Okla.

Mrs. Simmons was born Nov. 13, 1901, in Arkansas. She came to Midland for a visit Sunday from Wichita Falls where she had lived four months. She had moved to Packwood, Wash., two years before from Monahans where she had lived since 1955. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include six sons, Paul Simmons of Midland, Bill Fowler of Big Lake, Earnest Fowler of Ponca City, Okla., Harry Fowler of Missouri, Herschel Fowler of Guadalupe Park and Clyde Fowler of McMinnville, Ore.; three daughters, Stella Davidson of Wichita Falls, Thelma Snyder of Monahans and Mary Hagedorn of Packwood, Wash.; a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Two Southern Illinois men claim UFO night sightings

TEXICO, Ill. (AP) — Although unexplained, two Southern Illinois men say they won't forget the strange, bright lights that lit up the skies over Jefferson and Franklin counties.

Police, Air Force and local airport spokesmen had no explanations Thursday, but one man said he was awakened and the other scared by the bright lights.

Don Wall said he saw them near his rural Jefferson County home about midnight Wednesday. Don Taylor saw them as he was driving near Rend Lake on his way to Old Ben No. 26 mine in Franklin County. Other miners on the midnight shift said they had seen them.

Wall said he saw two bright, green lights in the middle of an object that was possibly 100 feet wide. Two dimmer lights burned at the ends of the object, he added.

"They were twice as bright as a car headlight and woke me up when they shined through the windows," he said Thursday.

Taylor saw a 50-foot-wide object with a light something like that on the front of a helicopter. As it came toward him it seemed to explode "like a big jet airliner blowing up," he said.

Mount Vernon Police said they had one call about the object. The sheriff's departments in the two counties had no reports.

Scott Air Force Base officials near Belleville said their 60-and 200-mile radar scans showed nothing unusual in the sky all night. A Scott spokeswoman said one airplane was landing at the base about the time of the UFO report, but pointed out the base is miles from the Texico-Benton areas.

Duty Officer Benjamin Herr of the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Division in Kansas City said a control center near Olathe, Kan., reported a "brilliant light from the north-northwest" at about 8:35 p.m. The light, Herr said, was seen from Salina, Kan., to Ft. Worth, Texas, but could not be explained.

Charles Good

BIG SPRING — Services for Charles Good, 16-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Good of New London, Conn., are pending with Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home here.

The youth died Tuesday in New London.

He was born Aug. 20, 1978, in San Diego, Calif.

Survivors include his parents; a brother, Nathan Good of New London; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chappell of Big Spring; his paternal grandmother, Dorothy Good of Big Spring; and his maternal great-grandmother, Nanny Chappell of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Nemmie Parrott

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Services for Mrs. Emory B. (Nemmie Ligon) Parrott, 86, of Charlottesville, Va., mother of Emory W. Parrott of Midland, were to be at 1 p.m. today in Charlottesville directed by Hill and Wood Funeral Home. Burial was to be in Monticello Cemetery.

She died Monday in an Alexandria, Va., hospital.

Mrs. Parrott was born Jan. 12, 1894, in Cumberland County, Va. She was married to Emory B. Parrott March 5, 1919, and had lived in Charlottesville ever since.

She attended Sangwood College in Farmville, Va., and taught school before her marriage.

Other survivors include her husband, a daughter, a brother, a sister, six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorial be made to the Midland Association for Retarded Citizens, 2701 N. A. St., Midland.

Gwen Pierce

Services for Gwen Pierce, 52, 3309 Stewart St., were to be at 10 a.m. today in the First Baptist Church chapel with Dr. Daniel Vestal, pastor, officiating.

Burial was to be at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Mount Vernon Cemetery in Mount Vernon directed by the Harvey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Pierce died Wednesday in a Midland hospital.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the Allison Permain Basin Cancer Therapy Center in care of Midland Memorial Hospital.

Clyde Presley

Services for Clyde Presley, 53, of rural Midland, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Alamo Heights Baptist Church. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Presley died Tuesday of an apparent heart attack.

Survivors include his wife, Darlene; a son, David Presley of Midland; a daughter, Mrs. Dianne Pool of Odessa; his mother, Mrs. Ana Presley of Cushing, Okla.; two brothers, Claude Presley and Jimmy Lee Presley, both of Stillwater, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Aubrey Pool, Morris Bingham, Harold James, Don Forsyth, Howard Thomas and Owen Mobley.

Mrs. Hughes

Mrs. George E. (Easter) Hughes, 74, 3203 Princeton Ave., died Wednesday in a Midland hospital following an illness.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Friday in the First Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Harold L. Quarries, pastor, officiating. He will be assisted by the Rev. Ralph Buffington, pastor of the North Side Church of the Nazarene. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park, directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hughes was born April 23, 1905, in Upshur County, was reared in Upshur and Camp counties in the Pittsburgh area, and was married to George E. Hughes on Aug. 18, 1927, in Gilmer. She had lived in San Angelo, Sweetwater, Abilene, Lamesa and Stephenville prior to moving to Midland in 1951. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include her husband, George E. Hughes; a son, James Kenneth Hughes of Bartlesville, Okla.; a sister, Vonna Pearl Johnson of Odessa; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Witness characterizes Nichopoulos as 'very compassionate physician'

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Elvis Presley's physician was characterized before the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners as a caring man whose compassion may have gotten him in trouble.

"He has a unique quality that may serve him in poor stead," said Dr. Walter Hoffman, testifying Thursday before the board considering malpractice charges against Dr. George Nichopoulos.

"He's very empathetic. He sees patients that I wouldn't see — and he takes good care of them," said Hoffman, one of Nichopoulos' partners for 17 years.

Nichopoulos, Presley's physician for 11 years before the singer died at his mansion in 1977, is charged with overprescribing dangerous drugs for 16 patients, including Presley.

The cause of Presley's death was officially ruled heart disease, but there have been reports that it was drug-related.

If found guilty, Nichopoulos could lose his medical license. Lawyers for both sides said testimony will probably end today. The board's consideration of the charges will be conducted in public, probably Saturday.

The doctor's attorneys spent most of Thursday calling Nichopoulos' colleagues and members of the Presley entourage who testified about the medication given the singer.

Letitia Henley, a nurse who lived with her husband at Presley's mansion, told the board she administered drugs to the singer under Nichopoulos' direction. But she said many of the pills and injections contained harmless placebos in place of drugs.

Part of the state's case against Nichopoulos is based on his dispensing of addictive or dangerous drugs to some patients without checking to see when he last prescribed the medication.

Hoffman's testimony supported Nichopoulos' claim that he frequently was unable to obtain patient charts to check on previous medication.

Hoffman said for many months, the charting system was in disarray and many entries were not made because of a shortage of personnel and construction that forced storage of records away from the office.

Two of the physicians who testified Thursday for Nichopoulos had consulted with him in the treatment of Presley, and one said he and Nichopoulos once had a spirited discussion with the singer about his drug dependence.

Dr. Lawrence D. Ruble, a gastroenterologist and medical professor at the University of Tennessee, said, however, that he never saw the singer when he appeared to be under the influence of drugs.

"We knew he was being overtreated by doctors out west," Ruble said, adding that he and Nichopoulos had discussed Presley's intake of medication received from other sources.

Ruble, who said he avoided prescribing drugs whenever possible, said Presley demanded mood elevators to prepare him for his shows and sedatives to help him rest afterward.

Doctors place young harbor seal into makeshift intensive care unit

BOSTON (AP) — Doctors have placed a young male seal in a makeshift intensive care unit to learn more about the quick-killing pneumonia blamed for the mysterious deaths of nearly 100 seals.

New England Aquarium officials on Thursday blamed pneumonia for the deaths of the mammals, found on beaches along the inner shore of Cape Cod since Dec. 27.

"In each animal we have examined the constant factor is pneumonia," said aquarium director John Prescott. "We have indications that at least one of the agents in this disease is a bacteria."

Prescott called the disease, a particularly acute type of pneumonia. "Once the organism invades the lungs it is a matter of hours to days till the animal dies," he said.

Prescott said there was no indication that the disease was an immediate threat to humans. "Until it's identified, that would be sheer speculation," he said. "There are many bacteria that don't affect humans but do have an impact on other animals."

Microbiologists at the Ontario Veterinary College in Guelph, and at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston were trying to isolate the bacteria, he said.

The aquarium placed the young male seal captured on Wednesday near Sandwich in a homemade oxygen tent and treated it with fluids and a wide-ranging antibiotic in hopes of finding a cure for the malady. Two other ailing seals caught in the area had to be destroyed.

"We are not waiting until the bacteria is identified," Prescott said. "We're trying to find an effective antibiotic and will begin a program of rehabilitation on any animal found suffering from the disease."

Prescott said attempts were being made to survey the seal rookeries off the Cape Cod coast to determine the impact of the disease on the seal colony. But he discounted any attempt to stifle the sickness at its source.

"It's not conceivable to catch all of them and put them on antibiotic therapy," he said.

An estimated 12,000 to 17,000 harbor seals live along the Atlantic coast, from the Bay of Fundy to Long Island. There have been no reports of seal deaths outside the Cape Cod area.

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SHEINWOLD ON BRIDGE Irrelevant Finesse

By Alfred Sheinwold

Study, but don't imitate, today's "irrelevant finesse," a play that gives your opponents an extra chance to defeat the contract but does nothing to help your cause.

South took an irrelevant finesse at the first trick, losing to the king of diamonds. South won the spade return, drew trumps, took the ace of hearts and continued with the jack of hearts for a finesse.

South continued hearts, discarding a club on dummy's king. He then cashed the ace of clubs and led two more trumps, but no squeeze developed and there were no miracles. Down one.

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South should put up the ace of diamonds, draw trumps and try for four heart tricks. If the attempt succeeds, declarer can discard a diamond on the fourth heart. He gives up one club, making the slam.

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Partner bids one notrump (16 to 18 points), and the next player passes. You hold: ♠ 5 ♥ Q 8 7 2 ♦ 10 8 5 2 ♣ K J 6 4. What do you say?

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North-South vulnerable

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

SOUTH
♠ A K J 9 2
♥ A J 4
♦ 7 3
♣ Q 9 8

North East South West
1 NT Pass 3 ♦ Pass
4 ♠ Pass 6 ♣ All Pass

Opening lead — ♦ 2

ANSWER: Pass. You don't enjoy passing partner in no-trump when you have a singleton, but you have no safe alternative. Don't try to rescue your partner in a four-card suit, particularly when you're not sure that he needs to be rescued.

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Hearings 'baffle' ex-NTSU prexy

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Former North Texas State University President C.C. Nolen, who sat silently as House committee investigators produced damaging evidence against him, says he is "baffled" by the hearings and has never stolen state money.

Nolen, who invoked the Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination 109 times this week, broke his silence Thursday after the House General Investigating Committee hearings concluded.

The four days of testimony included evidence that complicated financial transactions resulted in state money being misspent — with some of it winding up in Nolan's salary supplement.

"I have absolutely nothing to hide," said Nolen, reading a prepared statement and refusing to answer report-

ers' questions.

"I have done nothing wrong. I have not received any money for anything at any time other than that which was authorized," he said. "Not a dime."

The investigators, however, submitted evidence alleging Nolen misused private foundation money for personal political donations, allowed state money to be used for attorney's fees for a Denton group seeking to start a television station, and was involved in other financial misdeeds.

Committee counsel Bob Shults said financial records show some of Nolen's political donations were reimbursed by the private NTSU Educational Foundation, which is barred from political activity. Nolen's income tax returns indicated he listed the donations as deductions.

The donations included gifts to former Gov. Dolph Briscoe, Sen. Betty

Andujar, R-Fort Worth, and Rep. Charles Evans, D-Hurst.

Nolen also refused to answer questions about funds raised for a student choir trip. Some \$8,000 raised for the trip was transferred to the educational foundation for Nolen's salary supplement, according to records produced by investigator Bob Shults.

A Nolen memo to another NTSU official carried the hand-written message, "Since (NTSU vice president John) Carter can find a way to cover most of this we will be able to use the funds ... for the salary supplement."

The former president said he had cooperated with investigators throughout the inquiry that began in April. Nolen left his NTSU post shortly after the inquiry began.

"This has been a very difficult few days for me," he said.

Just three hours before the hearings began Monday, I was advised

that I was apparently going to be the focal point of the hearings," he said.

Nolen complained he was barred from the hearing room, while other witnesses were allowed to stay. Shults, who presented much of the damaging evidence, was on the committee staff and was allowed to remain in the room.

"It didn't take long after I testified for the first time for my attorneys to determine that I was in the position of being an accused," he said. "I'm really baffled by these proceedings. I'm hurt that allegations are being implied about me personally. And I'm saddened that a cloud is being cast over the fine reputation of North Texas State University."

Committee Chairman Richard Slack, D-Pecos, said a report will be issued after the transcripts have been reviewed.

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San Antonio officer killed as car hits truck

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Live Oak police today attempted to determine if shots were fired at a fellow officer shortly before he died in a fiery collision with a tractor-trailer rig.

Meanwhile, the Bexar County Sheriff's Department prepared to file capital murder charges against two men arrested in connection with the death of Alfredo F. Araza, 25.

The victim died Thursday after the patrol car collided with the rig during a high-speed chase with another vehicle. Shots reportedly were fired during the chase, authorities said.

Department of Public Safety troopers arrested two men at a nearby house shortly after the crash. Officials said a 9mm pistol and a revolver of undetermined caliber were found in the seat of the suspects' car.

Officer Pat Dunn of nearby Selma said Araza, who had been on the

force one year, radioed to other law enforcement officials in the area that he was chasing two men in a white car through northern Bexar County.

"He called in again and said shots were fired," Dunn said.

Dunn said the officer did not give a reason for the chase when he radioed for assistance. "It was apparently a traffic violation," said Dunn.

Raul Garza, driver of the truck, said the two cars appeared to be going about 100 miles per hour as they approached. Garza said the patrol car appeared to lose control before it crashed into his truck.

Garza was not seriously injured.

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Northern Tier pipeline three years away

By FRANK CORMIER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter's decision to back a \$1.23 billion all-American oil pipeline from Port Angeles, Wash., to the upper Middle West won't bear fruit for at least three years. If the pipeline project gets needed private financing and government clearances, however, crude oil from Alaska, California and other western points could begin flowing to refineries in the Plains States and upper Midwest by 1983. Carter gave Northern Tier Pipeline Co., a private consortium, one year to arrange financing for the two-year construction project that would string 1,491 miles of pipe from Port Angeles to Clearbrook, Minn. If Northern Tier is unable to obtain financing within 12 months, a White House announcement said, Carter will give his support to a \$574 million alternative proposed by Trans Mountain Oil Pipeline Corp. Trans Mountain would build a line from Low Point, Wash., to Edmonton, Alberta, where it would link up with existing pipelines to the U.S. Midwest.

Carter's decision Thursday followed recommendations by Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus, who told reporters the move has "met with a great deal of acceptance" in all the states along the Canadian border from Washington to Minnesota. Ayked if Northern Tier would have difficulty raising the needed money, Andrus replied: "I would not even speculate on that. It would be up to the company and its bankers." Rejected were two rival pipeline plans: one for an overland route across Canada from Alaska, which was strongly favored by the Canadian government, and a second for a pipeline from a Canadian port to Edmonton. The importance of the pipeline project to Midwestern states has been underscored by Interior Department estimates that refineries in Montana, North Dakota and Minnesota will begin to run out of crude supplies by 1985 unless the line is built. Carter was said to favor the Northern Tier route because: —It would be situated entirely within the United States, providing Americans with more than 5,500 pipeline jobs and expanding local tax

bases. —Since pipeline operations would be wholly under U.S. control, there would be no national security problems. —No Canadian permits would be needed, which would eliminate a potential cause for delay. —The Northern Tier line would carry more oil than its proposed rivals and, in addition, could take supplies from California and from the Williston Basin and Overthrust Belt in the Rockies as well as from Alaska. "Notwithstanding approval by the president," the announcement said, "Northern Tier must comply with the state and local laws and procedures of the jurisdictions in which the pipeline is located." The Northern Tier route would have an initial capacity of 700,000 barrels a day, which could be expanded to 933,000 barrels. The Trans Mountain line would involve 721 miles of new pipe carrying 500,000 barrels a day, expandable to 630,000 barrels. Technically, Carter declared the Northern Tier project to be in the national interest, making it eligible for accelerated regulatory handling.

Conferees may junk work on 'windfall profit' legislation

By JIM LUTHER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate and House conferees are debating whether to junk several months of work and start from scratch on a new, simpler "windfall" tax on the oil industry. The aim and price tag of the new tax would be the same: to take from the industry about \$227 billion of the extra \$1 trillion consumers will pay for fuel over the 1980s as a result of President Carter's decision to phase out controls on the price of U.S. crude oil. But instead of a separate tax rate

for nine or more different types of oil, the new proposal would have only one — perhaps two — tax rates. The new plan is being developed by Reps. James Jones, D-Okla., and Henson Moore, R-La., who still are awaiting computer estimates on just how it would work. The broad outline of the idea was greeted with enthusiasm Thursday by the Senate-House panel that is considering the windfall tax. Because the windfall bills passed by the House and the Senate are so complex, Moore said, the oil industry will have to pay lawyers and accountants handsomely to figure just how much tax is owed. "Those dollars would be better spent on finding oil," Moore said. The Carter administration's initial reaction to the proposal was unenthusiastic. Donald Lubick, assistant treasury secretary, noted that if there were only one rate of tax on oil price increases — whether from new fields or old — the industry would be denied the incentive it says is necessary to discover more oil in the future. But if there is more than one rate, Lubick added, "we'll be right back where we started."

could be the "swing" vote on whatever tax is finally approved. Moore and Jones estimated that to pick up the same \$227 billion in revenue over the next 11 years, their tax would have to be at a rate of around 20 percent. That is, it would take 20 cents out of each dollar of crude-oil price increases above current levels. Staff aides also were working on another version, which would have a tax rate of 10 percent on oil to be found in the future but perhaps 30 percent on other production. Before the Jones-Moore idea was discussed, the conferees made three tentative and relatively minor decisions on the windfall tax: —Old oil (discovered before 1973) and new oil (found between 1973 and 1978) would be taxed at a rate between 65 and 70 percent. The Senate had voted a 75 percent rate and the House opted for 60 percent. —The tax on new oil would be com-

Wildcats, field projects announced in West Texas

McMahon-Bullington Drilling Co. of Wichita Falls spotted location for a 6,100-foot wildcat in King County, 3/8 mile south of a 3,025-foot failure, four miles east of depleted production in the Masterson Ranch (Bunger sand) field, which produces at 4,015 feet. Operator staked the No. 1 Ross Ranch, 2,310 feet from north and 990 feet from east lines of block A, R.M. Thompson survey, abstract 531, 13 miles east of Guthrie.

3/8 mile south of production, 10 miles northwest of Lamesa. On 24-hour pumping potential it made 87 barrels of 38.5-gravity oil and two barrels of water, through perforations from 7,707 to 7,749 feet. The producing zone was treated with 2,500 gallons acid. Gas-liquid ratio is too small to measure. Total depth is 7,850 feet, where 7-inch casing is set. Location is 2,310 from south and 1,650 from east lines of section 2, block 4, D.L. Cunningham survey.

location northwest of production in the Jenkins, North (Devonian) field of Gaines County. On 24-hour test, it pumped 30 barrels of 45-gravity oil and five barrels of water, through Devonian perforations from 8,910 and 9,028 feet. The producing zone was acidized with 250 gallons. Gas-liquid ratio is 200-1.

Amarello spotted location for the No. 1-16 Jack Dulaney as a 5,600-foot test in the Edmission, Northwest (Clear Fork) field of Lubbock County, 3/4 mile northwest of Clear Fork production, five miles southeast of Shallowater. Location is 1,980 from south and 660 from east lines of section 16, block D-2, HE&WT survey.

Drilled to 9,065 feet, operator landed 4.5-inch casing on bottom. Location is 1,980 from north and west lines of section 10, block AX, PSL survey.

DRILLING REPORT

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 125 barrels of 37-gravity oil and 172 barrels of water, through perforations from 7,398 to 7,405 feet. The producing zone was acidized with 1,000 gallons and fractured with 30,000 gallons. Gas-oil ratio is 336-1. Drilled to 7,500 feet, 5.5-inch casing is set on bottom. Location is 1,700 from north and 1,707 from east lines of section 39, H&OB survey, 10 miles northwest of Gail.

Discovery Oil Corp. of Midland has completed the No. 1 Jones Estate one location west of the San Andres discovery well and 1/2 mile north of other San Andres production in the Jones Ranch, South field of Gaines County, 10 miles west of Denver City. Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 22 barrels of 34-gravity oil and one barrel of water, through perforations between 5,067 and 5,144 feet, after being acidized with 4,000 gallons. Total depth was reached at 5,214 feet and 5.5-inch casing is set at 5,210 feet. Location is 660 from south and 730 from west lines of section 1, block A-6, PSL survey.

Drilled to 8,950 feet, operator set 4.5-inch casing at that depth. Plugged back depth is 8,910 feet. Grouse elevation is 2,394 feet. Location is 660 from south and 1,980 from east lines of section 32, block 30, T-1-N, T&P survey.

Threshold Development Co. of Midland filed application to drill the No. 1 Lucille Richardson as an 8,300-foot test to reopen production in the Trabow (Ellenburger) field of Garza County, 1.25 miles east of Strawn production, 11 miles southeast of Post. Drillsite is 467 from north and west lines of section 8, block 2, T&NO survey, abstract 1057.

Operator reported a calculated absolute open flow of 2,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 3,286 to 3,453 feet. The producing pay was acidized with 2,000 gallons and fractured with 30,000 gallons. Total depth was reached at 4,100 feet, with 4.5-inch casing set at 3,957 feet. Plugged back depth is 3,736 feet. Location is 1,559 from south and 759 from east lines of section 1, block 16, GC&SF survey.

Drilled to 10,550 feet, operator set 7-inch casing at 10,549 feet. Plugged back depth is 10,400 feet. Location is 660 from south and west lines of section 39, block 42, T-1-N, T&P survey.

BTA Oil Producers of Midland filed potential test on the No. 2 Welch as a producer in the Welch, Southeast (Spraberry) field of Dawson County, 10 miles northwest of Gail.

Operator reported a calculated absolute open flow of 2,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 3,286 to 3,453 feet. The producing pay was acidized with 2,000 gallons and fractured with 30,000 gallons. Total depth was reached at 4,100 feet, with 4.5-inch casing set at 3,957 feet. Plugged back depth is 3,736 feet. Location is 1,559 from south and 759 from east lines of section 1, block 16, GC&SF survey.

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Cola completes producer in Coahoma, North field

Rankin Oil Co. of Midland filed the No. 1-AW Midland Farms as a two mile north extension to the Fasken (Pennsylvanian) field of Andrews County, 15 miles north of Andrews. On 24-hour flowing potential it made 128 barrels of 40.5-gravity oil and three barrels of water, through a 14/64-inch choke and perforations from 10,216 to 10,221 feet. Gas-liquid ratio is 1,554-1. Drilled to 10,550 feet, operator set 7-inch casing at 10,549 feet. Plugged back depth is 10,400 feet. Location is 660 from south and west lines of section 39, block 42, T-1-N, T&P survey.

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Tom Green areas gain five wildcats

Honcho International Corp. of Houston filed application to drill five Tom Green wildcats and two field tests, eight miles west of Christoval. The wildcats will all test various Permian zones and are in the vicinity of the opener and lone production of the Victor-Lawson (Lower Strawn oil) field. The firm's Permian wildcats are being drilled "tight". The No. 3-WA Moss-Powell is a 3,500-foot Wichita-Albany wildcat approximately 1,500 feet north of the discovery well, 2,037 feet from south and 1,941 feet from west lines of section 19, block 20, H&TC survey. The No. 4-WA Moss-Powell is also a 3,500-foot Wichita-Albany wildcat and a west offset to the discovery well, 660 from south and 1,750 from west lines of section 19, block 20, H&TC survey. The No. 5-WA Moss-Powell is a 2,000-foot Permian wildcat, 1,500 feet north of the discovery well, 2,037 from south and 2,166 from west lines of section 19, block 20, H&TC survey. The No. 6-WA Moss-Powell is a 2,000-foot Permian wildcat, 1,500 feet north of the discovery well, 2,037 from south and 2,166 from west lines of section 19, block 20, H&TC survey. The No. 7-WA Moss-Powell is scheduled to 2,500 feet for Clear Fork test, approximately 1,500 feet from the discovery well, 2,037 from south and 2,091 from west lines of section 19, block 20, H&TC survey. Ground elevation is 2,351 feet. The No. 4-S Moss-Powell is contracted to 1,200 feet, located 1,500 feet north of the discovery well, 2,037 from

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CONCHO VENTURE The Desana Corp. of Midland filed application to drill the No. 1 Henderson as a 4,000-foot wildcat in Concho County, 1.75 miles northeast of the opener and lone producer of the Royce (Strawn) field, 8.5 miles southwest of Eden. Drillsite is 1,780 from south and 1,980 from west lines of section 69, block 8, H&TC survey.

REAGAN EXPLORER Way & Mills of Midland spotted location for the No. 1-S-10 University as a 1,570-foot wildcat, also scheduled as a southwest twin to oil production in the Farmer (San Andres) field of Reagan County, 3/4 mile northwest of the Amigo (San Andres) field, eight miles southeast of Big Spring. Wellsite is 467 from south and east lines of section 10, block 49, University Lands survey. Ground elevation is 2,662 feet. The site is 2 1/4 miles southeast of the Priscilla (Grayburg oil) field.

SUTTON TEST STAKED Lively Energy Co. of Houston will drill the No. 1-81 Morris Ranch, 1/2 mile west of the Sawyer multiphase in the Sutton County portion of the field, 13 miles south of Sonora. Drillsite is 933 from south and east lines of section 81, block C, HE&WT survey. Scheduled depth is 7,000 feet, with ground elevation of 2,111 feet.

RUNNELS ACTIVITY E.B. Fletcher of Dallas spotted location for a 4,900-foot Runnels County wildcat, 3/4 mile northwest of Goen oil production and one location southwest of Fry production in the Deike field. The No. 2-334 Ralph Burns Unit is located three miles south of Wingate, 4,190 feet from northeast and 5,564 feet from northwest lines of Henry L. Bays survey No. 44.

EDDY EXTENDER Southland Royalty Co. of Midland completed the No. 1 SRG (amended from the No. -DB State Comm.), as a 1.25-mile southeast extension to the Winchester, West (Morrow gas) field of Eddy County, 3/8 mile south of Morrow gas production in the Winchester, North field, 19 miles south-east of Loco Hills. The well finished for a calculated absolute open flow of 892,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 10,618 to 10,930 feet, which was acidized with 250 gallons. Originally scheduled as a Morrow test, it drilled to 11,136 feet, with 4.5-inch casing set at 11,135 feet. Plugged back depth is 11,030 feet. Location is 660 from north and 1,960 from east lines of section 32-19s-28e.

LEA REPLACEMENT Coquina Oil Corp. of Midland filed application for a replacement test to be drilled in the Lusk, Northwest (Morrow) field of Lea County, nine miles northwest of Halfway. The No. 1-Y-B Llano Federal is scheduled to replace the No. 1-B Llano Federal, which is temporarily abandoned at 485 feet. The replacement well is 330 feet east of the original location. It spots 660 from south and 1,960 from east lines of section 7-19s-32e. Contract depth is 12,500 feet.

IRON COUNTY C&K No. 1 Noelke, 4,504 feet, acidized Fuselman perforations from 8,694 to 8,671 feet with 1,500 gallons. C&K No. 1 Scott, drilling 8,500 feet in lime and shale. Energy Reserve Group No. 3-71 Elm Sugg, 4,582 feet, pumped 75 barrels of load oil and 16 barrels of load water in 24 hours, through perforations from 4,985 to 5,812 feet. O.H. Berry No. 1-A PAVN, 452 feet, set 7/8-inch casing at total depth, waiting on cement after drilling and completing water well.

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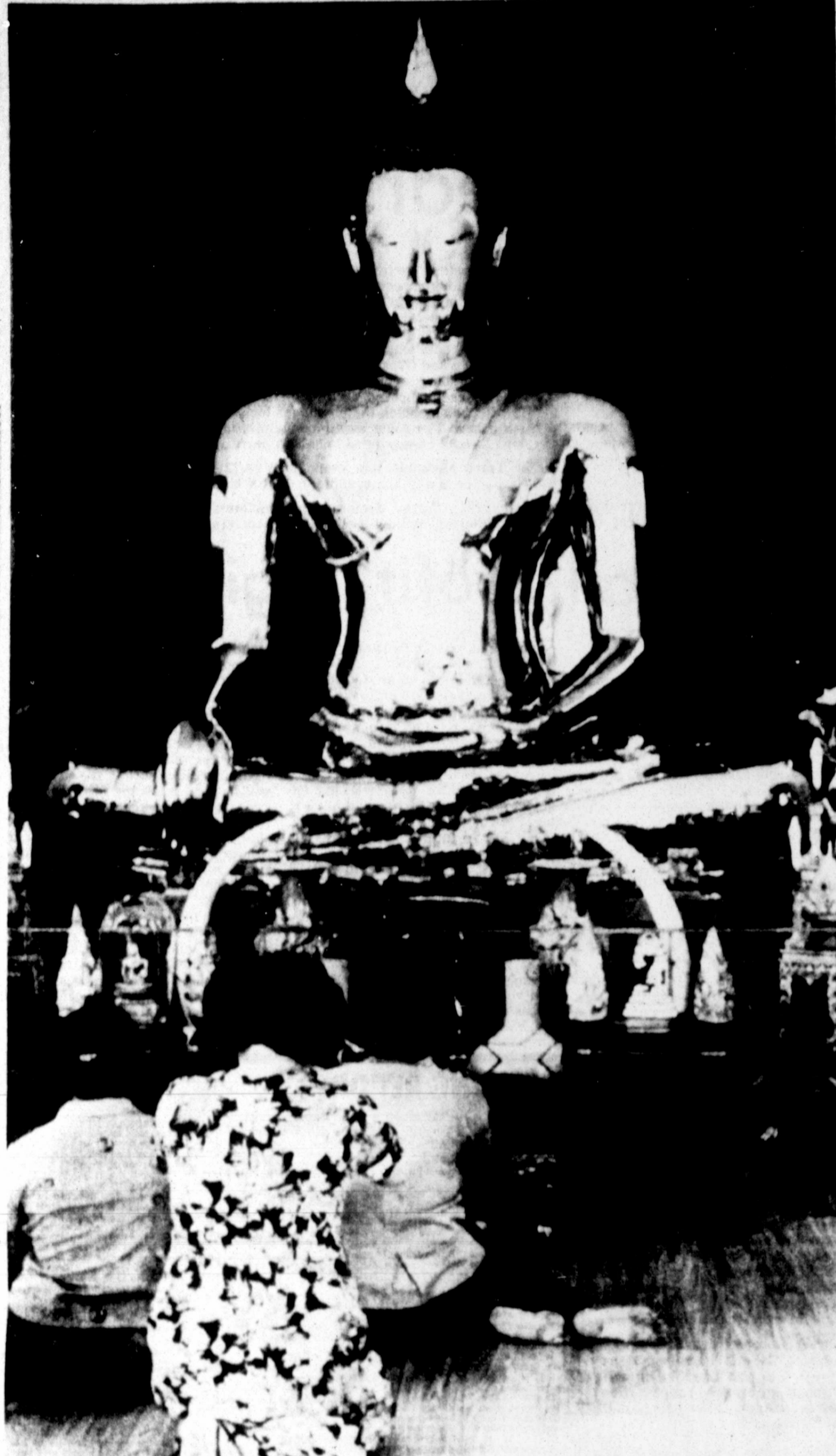
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Gold fever may be sweeping the world, but pious meditation goes on in the Bangkok temple of this golden Buddha, 5.5 tons of 18-carat — 75 percent pure — gold fashioned seven centuries ago. A revered religious image, the golden Buddha was encased in concrete until 1955, when the true nature

of the statue was discovered. Though Thailand's deeply religious Buddhists wouldn't think of selling the image, the gold alone would be worth more than \$100 million at Friday's price of more than \$800 an ounce. (AP Laserphoto)

Witches' trial delayed

PLAINVIEW, Texas (AP) — The absence of a juror has caused an unexpected delay in the Loy Dean Stone murder trial.

After nine days and 64 interviews, attorneys finally had selected a panel of 32 — plus an additional prospective juror as insurance against unforeseen crisis.

But Thursday afternoon court employees notifying potential jurors to appear today discovered one of them was in Oklahoma and would not return until tonight.

State District Judge John T. Boyd, who had planned to add another "emergency" juror or two and then begin opening arguments today, was forced to postpone the start of testimony until Monday.

He said attorneys still would pick some additional panelists today.

Stone and his wife Louise, both high priests in a witches church, are charged in the shooting death of a 15-year-old Dimmit girl on Halloween 1977.

Roxanne Casas was in a pickup that

was hit by two shotgun blasts after it pulled into the Stone's driveway near the Panhandle town of Dimmitt.

Miss Casas was killed and two of the other four teenagers in the truck were injured.

The Stones, both 49, said they never heard the shots and have pleaded innocent to the charge. Boyd granted a motion to separate Mrs. Stone's trial last week.

The slaying raised a furor in the town's Hispanic community that forced the trial to be moved to Plainview, 45 miles away.

If convicted, Stone could serve five to 99 years, or life, in prison.

Although Boyd had told the potential jurors to be available, he did not tell them to remain in town.

"I'm going to give him the benefit of the doubt," the judge said of the missing juror. "I don't think he's trying to run off and hide."

"For the juror to be excused both state and defense attorneys would have to agree to dismiss him," said Boyd. He said lawyers have not con-

sented to dismiss the juror.

To make matter worse, he said, a member of another juror's family is seriously ill and the juror may be dismissed.

"I'd like to have 34 or 35 (jurors) just in case," Boyd said.

"There's nobody more anxious to begin the trial than I am, and I think the lawyers on both sides would like to begin the trial at this point."

He said consent of the state and defense is required to excuse jurors expect in illness and hardship cases.

Each side will strike 10 names from the panel, leaving a jury of 12 and at least one alternate.

Because of the sensitive nature of the case, attorneys questioned the prospective jurors closely, some for more than an hour. Their questions were designed to detect bias for or against witchcraft, Hispanics or law enforcement officers — whose testimony will comprise much of the evidence of the trial.

Of the 33 panelists, 16 are men and 17 are women.

Gold goes over \$800

LONDON (AP) — Gold opened in Europe above \$800 an ounce for the first time in history today after spectacular new rises in New York and Hong Kong.

Trading opened in Zurich at \$810 an ounce, and the price quickly moved up to \$820.50, a \$90 advance on Thursday's closing price.

The opening price in London was \$815, and by midmorning the price had risen to \$825, a record for Europe and \$65 above Thursday's high.

In Hong Kong, meanwhile, the price soared to a world record of \$832.97 an ounce, then settled back to close at \$810.85.

Only two days ago, the price of gold hit \$700 for the first time after breaking through \$600 on Jan. 3. The metal has more than doubled in value since the siege of the U.S. Embassy in

Tehran began on Nov. 4, when gold was worth \$381 an ounce.

The Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan at the end of December added to the upward pressure.

One dealer in New York described trading there Thursday as "absolutely nuts." The price rose \$100 an ounce, from \$715 to \$815, before closing at a record \$802. Some dealers attributed the jump to rumors of a Soviet invasion of Iran.

The effect of the New York price was immediately apparent when trading opened today in Hong Kong, the Far East's chief gold market. The opening price was \$798.62 an ounce, up \$70.20 from Thursday's close. The price rose steadily until the last hour of trading, when profit-taking set in.

"They've gone crazy," said one Hong Kong dealer. "If this goes on,

gold will reach the \$1,000 mark in no time."

The Hong Kong Gold and Silver Exchange announced that beginning Monday it would close half an hour early, apparently to try to put a brake on gold speculation.

Silver prices also continued to rise, opening in London at a record \$49.50 a Troy ounce, up \$3.50 from the price late Thursday. The previous record was \$48, set on Wednesday.

The U.S. dollar continued to hold firm, with only slight gains and losses, despite the gold boom. In past years, a rush into precious metals usually meant a lack of confidence in the dollar, the world's benchmark currency for international trade. But this time the panic is caused not by the state of the American economy but by the crises over Afghanistan and Iran and their effect on Soviet-American detente and international political stability.

Morning dollar rates in Europe were: Frankfurt — 1.7338 marks, up from 1.7235 at the close of trading Thursday.

Zurich — 1.5936 Swiss francs, down from 1.5952.

Paris — 4.0375 French francs, down from 4.038.

Amsterdam — 1.9015 guilders, up from 1.901.

Milan — 805.05 Italian lire, up from 804.65.

In London, the pound sterling sold at \$2.28, up slightly from \$2.2745.

The dollar closed in Tokyo at 239.45 yen, up from 238.675.

'Mysterious disappearance' of 80 ounces of gold probed

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. (AP) — The FBI is investigating what it calls the "mysterious disappearance" of 80 ounces of gold from the government's Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Agent-in-charge Lawrence Sarhatt said several FBI agents were sent to the lab Thursday after the Department of Energy reported the \$60,000 in gold missing.

FBI and Energy Department officials refused to say when or how the loss was discovered or from where or how long the gold has been missing.

"We're not saying anything more than that we asked them to investigate for possible theft," DOE spokesman Wayne Range said. "We don't want to tear up their investigation."

Sarhatt said the FBI was called into the case under statutes involving the theft of government property. The statutes call for a prison sentence of up to 10 years and/or a fine of up to \$10,000 upon conviction, he said.

Range said the laboratory uses small amounts of gold and other precious metals in its research and development programs, particularly in the nuclear energy field.

\$40 million in heroin found at airport

NEW YORK (AP) — Federal narcotics agents say whoever failed to pick up some \$40 million worth of heroin at Kennedy Airport is probably "in a lot of trouble" with New York area hoods.

The heroin, contained in two suitcases, was found abandoned on an airline baggage carousel at Kennedy Airport and seized by customs agents Wednesday.

James Judge, a spokesman for the Drug Enforcement Administration, said Thursday that agents from his office are checking the possibility that the courier may have been an airline employee who either got cold feet or confused the pickup time and place.

The luggage apparently arrived on a Trans World Airlines flight from Rome at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday. The suitcases were turned over to customs agents, who opened them and found that each contained blankets covered with dried hot peppers — presumably to cover the scent that might be detected by a heroin-sniffing dog.

Under the blankets in each suitcase were 12 packages, each containing a kilogram of heroin. The plastic packages had been sprayed with a strong-smelling aluminum paint, Judge said, again in an apparent effort to mask the heroin odor.

He said the heroin had a wholesale value of \$8.4 million, but would be worth about \$40 million when cut and sold on the street.

Judge said the heroin was believed to have traveled from Palermo to Rome by Alitalia, the Italian airline, and to have been put aboard the TWA flight from Rome. He said it was the seventh seizure in two years believed to have traveled that route, but was far larger than previous shipments, which totaled 30 kilograms.

The investigation follows the arrest of four men last week in the theft of 40 ounces of gold from a government uranium enrichment plant in Paducah, Ky., that is under the jurisdiction of DOE's Oak Ridge operations.

Two of those arrested were employees of Union Carbide Corp., which operates the plants under a contract with the government.

Officials said there is nothing to indicate that the Paducah and Oak Ridge cases are connected.

Armstrong quits post as teacher

CINCINNATI (AP) — Former astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon, has resigned from his teaching post at the University of Cincinnati for "personal reasons."

Armstrong's resignation became effective on Jan. 1 but was not made known to the school's public relations department until Thursday, university spokesman Ken Service said.

Service said Armstrong "apparently told the (university's) president (Dr. Henry Winkler) that he was contemplating resigning."

Millions watched on television as Armstrong made his famous walk in July 1969 and said as he planted his first footstep on lunar soil that he was taking "one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

Armstrong, who later left the astronaut program after further space trips were shelved, has shunned publicity since coming to the university as a professor of aerospace engineering in 1971.

Armstrong joined the school's faculty in August 1971 after resigning from his position as deputy associate administrator of aeronautics for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

He also worked as an associate director of the Institute for Applied Interdisciplinary Research, which is headed by chest surgeon Dr. Henry Heimlich, developer of a widely used method of treating persons who are choking.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed proposals, addressed to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, for the furnishing and installation of approximately 6862 lineal feet of 18" VCP sewer line and install approximately 215 lineal feet of 18" VCP sewer line with all necessary appurtenances will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 2:30 p.m. on the 18th day of February, 1980, and publicly opened and read aloud at 3:00 p.m. on the same day. Any bid received after closing time as stated above will be returned unopened. Bid envelopes shall be plainly marked "Proposal for Project S-130". Complete copies of plans, specifications and contract documents may be examined and/or obtained at the office of the City Engineer, City Hall, Midland, Texas. A bid bond or proposal guaranty is to accompany the bid, thereby guaranteeing the good faith of the bidder and that the bidder will enter into the written contract. The guaranty is to amount to five percent (5%) of the total bid and must be in the form of cash or certified check. It is hereby expressly understood and agreed that the City of Midland reserves the right to retain such as liquidated damages if such bidder withdraws its bid anytime after such bid is opened and before official rejection of such bid or, if successful in securing the award thereof, such bidder fails to execute the contract documents by a corporate surety authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and acceptable to the City of Midland, Texas, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals or bids, to waive technicalities, to make any investigation deemed necessary concerning the bidder's ability to perform the work covered by the plans and specifications, and to accept what in the judgment of the Mayor and City Council is the most advantageous bid.
City of Midland
By: J. W. McCullough, City Secretary
(Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 1980)

LEGAL NOTICE
Sealed bids will be accepted at the office of the Auditor, Second floor of the Midland County Courthouse, P.O. Box 421, Midland, Texas until 4:30 o'clock P.M., Friday, February 8, 1980 to be opened by the Commissioners Court Monday, February 11, 1980 at 1:30 o'clock P.M. for the following:
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Specifications and bid information may be obtained from the Auditor's office.
The County of Midland reserves the right to reject all bids or any part of the bid and to work covered by the plans and specifications, and to accept what in the judgment of the Mayor and City Council is the most advantageous bid.
ERMA WHITE, COUNTY AUDITOR OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS
(January 18, 25, 1980)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCORPORATE
Notice is hereby given that Charles J. Jones, whose principal business is at 3334 West Dengar Street, Midland, Midland County, Texas, intends, on or before February 1, 1980, to become incorporated with a change of firm name to Jones Oilfield Inventory, Inc.
Dated January 11, 1980.
Charles J. Jones, Incorporator
(Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 1980)

Four of five don't understand First Amendment

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Nearly four of five Americans don't know what the First Amendment is all about, according to a special Gallup poll measuring public attitudes toward the press.

George Gallup Jr. told 285 delegates to a two-day First Amendment Congress here Thursday that 76 percent of a national sample of 1,523 adults drew a blank when asked to define the amendment. It guarantees freedoms of religion, speech and assembly; the right to petition the government for a redress of grievances and a free press.

The congress, sponsored by 12 national news organizations, was held at the First Bank of the United States, near Independence Hall, where Congress adopted the 10 amendments known as the Bill of Rights 189 years ago.

Gallup said 37 percent of those interviewed feel present curbs on the press are not strict enough, while 17 percent felt they are too strict. Thirty-two percent felt they are about right and 14 percent had no opinion.

In a similar study in 1958, 58 percent disapproved tighter reins on the press, Gallup said.

A further erosion of the public's faith in the press is indicated by a 23 percent drop in those who believe their newspapers are accurate, compared to the 1958 study, Gallup said. A third of those polled in December felt their newspapers were inaccurate, Gallup said.

"The First Amendment is a citizen's right, not a journalist's right," said CBS correspondent Dan Rather in a keynote address Thursday. "It (journalism) is a watchdog role — not the role of an attack dog, and certainly not the role of a lap dog. But to bark at everything suspicious," Rather said. "And no, we're not always right."

Rather charged that since the early '70s, a pattern of court decisions has narrowed journalists' watchdog role. On the heels of Watergate, the attack on press freedoms is "one of the more astounding historical ironies," he said.

"This is not to say the Supreme Court is the root of all our problems," Rather said, pointing to rulings

allowing searches of newsrooms for confidential information, the subpoenaing of telephone records to determine sources and the questioning of reporters' thoughts and intent in libel cases.

"If someone's life or freedom is on the line, the doors have to be open," Rather said.

But Washington University Law School Dean Jerome Barron said the post-Watergate press is "seeking new legal advantages."

The Supreme Court's recent actions have been a "judicial effort to reconcile competing but weighty claims of media freedom versus individual freedom," Barron said.

Trying to resolve the divergent views expressed, approximately 150 delegates will attend a second congress March 16-18 in Williamsburg, Va.

"The fate of journalism will be determined less by sympathetic judges than by the thought and care of journalists," said New York Times writer Anthony Lewis, twice winner of the Pulitzer Prize, in his concluding remarks.