



Thrill, Peace and Freedom

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U.S. hostages may be moved from embassy

By The Associated Press

The American hostages probably will be transferred from the U.S. Embassy in Tehran to a new location Saturday in hopes "they will be treated better," and as soon as they are moved the U.N. commission will be allowed to see all of them, Iranian Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh said today.

He also said the three American diplomats held at the Foreign Ministry will be allowed to rejoin the other hostages if they wish, and that the U.N. panel had already visited the three — Charge d'Affaires L. Bruce Laingen, political officer Victor Tomseth and security chief Michael Holland.

Asked by The Canadian Press correspondent in Tehran whether the hostages would be moved from the 27-acre embassy compound seized Nov. 4 he replied, "Most probably yes." Asked how soon he responded, "Probably tomorrow."

"As soon as the hostages are transferred, the meeting (with the U.N. commission) will be held," he said.

But he declined to say where the hostages would continue to be held by the Iranian government. "Let's do it first and then we'll announce it," he said.

"I hope they will be treated better," he added, without giving any indication of their current living conditions.

Ghotbzadeh added that he is heading a special commission set up by the ruling Revolutionary Council to take over responsibility for the approximately 50 Americans, who began their 125th day in captivity today.

Ghotbzadeh said the special commission began meeting today to arrange for the council to take custody of the hostages. He said the captives had not been told of the new arrangement but they would be informed soon. But he also indicated the conditions for their release were un-

changed.

The militants, in a telephone call placed by The Associated Press in Bonn, West Germany, said they had not been contacted yet by the Revolutionary Council and new nothing of the council's plans.

The militants announced Thursday they would deliver them to the ruling council because of pressure put on them by the Iranian government.

The announcement was critical of the ruling body and brought a crowd of 2,000 to the embassy gates Thursday night. The demonstrators burned an American flag, shouted slogans in support of the militants and called on the government not to compromise with the United States.

There was no indication that the ruling council, after taking control of the hostages, would speed up the mechanics of their release prescribed by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the leader of the revolutionary regime.

Khomeini said the new Parliament elected next month would decide their fate, and the secretary-general of the Revolutionary Council said the legislators wouldn't get around to the matter before mid-May.

After two weeks in Tehran, the members of the U.N. panel were preparing to leave for New York Thursday when the militants made their announcement. They unpacked their bags to stay for two or three more days.

The Carter administration reacted cautiously to the promised change in the status of the hostages. "We're watching," said National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski. Other officials in Washington refused to comment, saying they didn't want to "blow the whole thing."

Relatives of the hostages also were wary. "All I can say is 'Praise the Lord,' but we've had our hopes up before," said Grace Nasci of Caruthersville, Mo., mother-in-law of captive Marine Staff Sgt. Michael E. Moeller.

Hobby dislikes use of 'plain wrappers,' but DPS defends it

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. William Hobby says the Department of Public Safety should stop using unmarked patrol cars to snare speeding drivers. But the new commander of the state police agency says the practice is an effective technique and he vows to keep it in force unless the Legislature acts to stop him.

"Our goal is to save lives and to try to conserve gasoline. I think what we're doing is reasonable. It's not illegal, it's not unlawful and it has proper goals," said Col. James B. Adams.

Hobby, who found out about the new procedure Wednesday, said Adams overstepped his authority by not getting formal approval from the Legislature or the three-member Public Safety Commission that sets DPS policy.

Adams, who resigned as the No. 2 man in the FBI and took command of the DPS Jan. 2, instituted the policy Feb. 12 — changing a long-standing internal policy prohibiting the use of unmarked patrol cars.

The DPS director said he implemented the procedure after discussing it with the three commissioners, who took no formal action but concurred that unmarked cars would improve enforcement of the widely-ignored 55 mph speed limit.

The DPS commander said he has received few complaints and has not been in contact with Hobby or any other legislative spokesman.

"I do not think what I'm doing is unreasonable," said Adams. "My decision was based on a firm consideration of the issue that we have a spiraling increase in traffic deaths.... The question I kept getting was 'Do we really want to get serious about speeders?'"



Big Spring firemen spray water on the loading dock Thursday afternoon. No animals were injured in the blaze, which started about 1:30 p.m. (Staff Photo by Bruce Hartain)

Firemen put out Big Spring fire

Creosote-fueled blaze threatens nearby range

By ED TODD Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — A fire, fueled by creosote-treated railroad ties and posts made into a cattle ramp, dock and fencing billowed heavy smoke and charred the dock and fence line along the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. track in northeast Big Spring Thursday afternoon before firemen could extinguish the blaze and curtail a threatened range fire.

"We just got here, and that thing (dock and fence) was burning from one end to the other," said Capt. Pete Anderson of the Big Spring Fire Department.

Telegraph lines were felled by the heat of the fire, which also heavily charred some telegraph poles.

No cattle or horses, held by steel pens adjoining the vacant wood pens and the dock, were injured or destroyed.

"It could have been a lot worse," said David Poe, who manages the Big Spring Livestock Auction Co., where the two-hour fire of undetermined origin struck. C.A. Rees is owner of the auction company, where a sale of some 400 head of cattle had been held the day before.

"It would have been a helluva lot worse had it been on Wednesday," Poe said.

John Borchardt, a state meat inspector, was at the nearby Hubbard Packing Co. plant when he first noticed the heavy, dark smoke around 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

"That old stuff (ties and telegraph poles) is soaked with creosote, and it's just like gasoline," he said.

The dock, which belongs to the railroad, hasn't been used since the early 1970s, when cattle started being shipped by truck instead of railroad car, Poe said.

Fire Marshal Jim Ryals, on hand at

the fire fought by Big Spring Fire Department and the rural Jonesboro Volunteer Fire Department firefighters using two pumps and a booster, said cause of the fire had not been pinned down.

Speculation was the blaze may have been triggered by a welding torch or by cinder and/or sparks from a passing freight train.

"Somebody said they were doing some welding somewhere around here," Ryals said. And he noted an hour or two hours had passed since the train, a 105-car freight train pulled by three diesel locomotives en route from El Paso to Fort Worth, had steamed by the livestock dock.

Although the hint of a train-started fire was present, Missouri Pacific Trainmaster L.W. Henley said the fire was not set off by a passing

train. The train "has gone by a hot-box detector," which cleared the train of any connection with the fire, "and I cannot believe that the train started the fire," Henley said. He said the freight train, which was inspected prior to its departure from Big Spring, had passed by the livestock dock at 11:55 a.m., and the fire was not reported until 1 1/2 hours later.

The trains are equipped with spark arresters to prevent train-caused fires, Henley said.

While firemen were extinguishing the blaze, two Mo Pac freight trains flanking the fire were stopped.

"We won't let the trains come through while we've got fire department trucks" along the tracks, Henley said.

He said the idle trains were costing Mo Pac a "helluva lot" of money.

Grocery chains announce move to help in Carter's inflation fight

By The Associated Press

Safeway Stores Inc. and the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. Inc. — two of the nation's largest supermarket chains — say they are freezing prices on some products in response to a plea from the Carter administration for help in fighting inflation.

About 50 of the nation's largest food chains were asked to participate, but few had announced their decisions by Thursday.

Company officials said prices on private label products were frozen for 30 days, effective immediately at the 2,500 Safeway stores and 1,500 A&P groceries nationwide.

"This action is in response to a request by the Carter administration that food retailers consider voluntary approaches to control food prices to halt inflation," said David R. Morrow, president of A&P, based in Montvale, N.J.

"This is the strongest move we could think of," he said.

Peter A. Magowan, chairman and chief executive of the Oakland, Calif.-based Safeway, said the action was taken "at the suggestion of Esther Peterson, President Carter's special assistant for consumer affairs."

"The president has asked me to determine what more we can do to keep the cost of food from rising so rapidly," Mrs. Peterson said.

She said she had written to about 50 supermarket chains across the country proposing they begin a voluntary ceiling plan to "ease the inflationary pressures that are causing such hardships to all consumers."

She said Giant Food Inc. was the first to respond, promising a 21-week freeze on its private brand food and household items as well as a freeze on its generic prescription drugs and notions.

"We hope volume (of sales) will increase as a result of this program," said Barry Scher, spokesman for the

Washington-based chain. He would not comment on how much the proposal might cost.

The Giant freeze covers about 375 items, while the number of Safeway products affected — Scotch Buy brands ranging from detergent to peanut butter — will vary from area to area, officials said.

Ford says he still needs a push before entering campaign waters

By The Associated Press

Former President Gerald R. Ford says he still needs a push from his friends before taking another plunge in the Republican presidential campaign waters, but old foe Ronald Reagan thinks the former president is already wading in the wings.

"He really has more than his toes in the water," Reagan chided after a day that saw the unveiling of a national draft-Ford committee and a

welling of other activity pointing to an almost inexorable if not imminent declaration of candidacy.

Ford himself was virtually begging to be begged. Winding up a golfing and speechmaking visit to Florida, he allowed that if enough people "put their names up front" and ask him publicly, "I'd have a hard time saying no."

Still, on Thursday night, Ford reminded an audience at St. Petersburg, Fla., that he said last October

he would not be a candidate barring "unforeseen developments."

"As of tonight, no unforeseen developments have taken place to change my mind, but we'll wait and see."

Among the seen so far:

— Former Air Force Secretary Thomas C. Reed announced the creation of the draft-Ford group, saying the former president "offers the best alternatives to the bankrupt policies" of the Carter administration.

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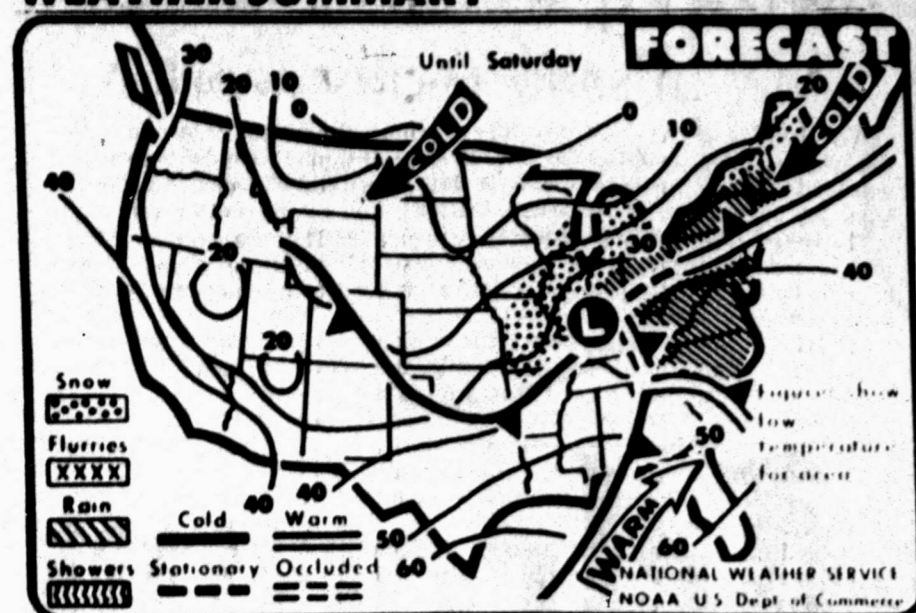
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WEATHER SUMMARY



Rain is expected until Saturday morning from the Carolinas into the Midwest and north to New England. Snow is forecast for the eastern Plains, Midwest, Great Lakes, St. Lawrence Valley and northern New England. Mild temperatures are forecast from southern California to the central Gulf. Warm weather is forecast for Florida. (AP Laserphoto Map)

Midland statistics

Table with 2 columns: WEATHER FORECAST and LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Includes data for various times of day and locations like Dallas, Fort Worth, and Houston.

The weather elsewhere

Table with 2 columns: Thursday and Fri La Pre (thk). Lists weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, and Los Angeles.

Texas thermometer

Table with 2 columns: High, Low, and Precip. Lists weather data for various Texas cities such as Abilene, Alice, and Amarillo.

Extended forecasts

West Texas: Partly cloudy and warm Sunday and Monday. Partly cloudy and warm Sunday and Monday. Partly cloudy and warm Sunday and Monday.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Partly cloudy through Saturday. Highs 60s north to mid 70s south except low 60s Big Bend. Highs Saturday near 60 north to low 70s south.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms central and east this afternoon and early tonight. Risk of a few severe thunderstorms east.



Jeanette Alvarado, 8, of San Antonio, waits for President Carter to sign an autograph in the Oval Office Thursday. Jeanette is the 1980 National Easter Seal poster child. (AP Laserphoto)

Soviets begin massive air, road supply caravans to Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The Soviet Union has begun a massive air and road supply caravan to support its estimated 80,000 troops in their long awaited spring offensive against Moslem rebels in Afghanistan.

troops entered Afghanistan in late December to help the Marxist government in its 23-month battle against anti-communist Afghan insurgents.

the start of an anticipated spring offensive but agreed if it did not, the strike would come soon.

stani border, and about 1,000 wounded since the intervention. Most casualties are believed the result of sniping and other hit-and-run attacks.

THE WHITE AND BLUE PLANES

line up, often as many as four at a time, along an auxiliary runway to disgorge their cargoes down ramps from their wide rear doors.

U.S. armed forces in desert exercise

FORT IRWIN, Calif. (AP) — For two weeks, U.S. armed forces troops have been in a "friendly desert nation," preparing for the invasion of a sophisticated enemy force.

Six persons indicted by Midland grand jury

The Midland County grand jury Wednesday returned seven indictments against six people, including charges of murder and attempted murder against a man accused of shooting his mother and stepbrother Feb. 29.

Tito unchanged

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Yugoslav officials said publicly for the first time today that President Josip Broz Tito's declining health might have reached a lengthy period of stabilization.

Arafat reportedly due invitation from Giscard

KUWAIT (AP) — French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has promised Kuwaiti leaders he will give full recognition to the Palestine Liberation Organization and invite PLO leader Yasser Arafat to Paris, a Kuwait newspaper reported today.

port of Palestinian demands for self-determination in a communique issued last Monday at the end of his visit to Kuwait.

CONVOYS OF HUNDREDS OF TRUCKS

presumably carrying food, fuel and ammunition, were escorted by Soviet tanks and armored cars, the reporters said. Some of the Soviet trucks in the long convoys bore battle scars, their cabins and bodies pierced by bullet holes.

Odessan reports holdup

Billy Ray Digby of Odessa found the beer in Midland a little expensive Thursday night. In fact, according to reports, it cost him \$560.

Worthy Gilbert Jr. files for school board post

Worthy G. Gilbert Jr. beat the 5 p.m. Wednesday deadline as he filed for Place 2 on the school board in the April 5 election.

Four killed in airplane crash that went unnoticed 5 hours

OCALA, Fla. (AP) — Four persons were killed and a fifth was critically injured in the crash of a light airplane, an accident that went unnoticed for more than five hours, authorities say.

SOVIET SOLDIERS WERE SEEN

at several sprawling army camps along the northern highway unloading the truck convoys.

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'Nightmare odyssey' ends for Stayner, but not for Parnell

By JOHN HOWARD
Associated Press Writer

He roamed the West in a nightmare odyssey, bitterly lonely and tortured by a past of imprisonment, masochism and homosexual rape. When Kenneth Parnell sought the love of children to warm his home, authorities say, he kidnapped them.

Parnell has been accused in two abductions seven years apart — the kidnapping of 5-year-old Timmy White on Feb. 14 in Ukiah, Calif., and the 1972 Merced, Calif., abduction of then-7-year-old Steven Stayner.

The balding 5-foot-7 Parnell pleaded innocent Tuesday to kidnapping White and was held on \$12,000 bond. Authorities said they would file charges against Parnell in Stayner's abduction. They also said a second man was being sought in the abductions.

Sandwiched between official records — medical reports, court reports and hospital documents — are the still-mysterious gaps in Parnell's life that investigators are trying to piece together.

But the records show Kenneth Eugene Parnell — abandoned by his father at the age of 5 in Amarillo, Texas — lived a twilight existence for much of his 48 years, an existence that saw a journey through mental institutions and prisons.

"HE HAS SHOWN A PECULIAR TENDENCY to search for trouble and punishment," reported Dr. Richard D. Lowenberg, a psychiatrist who examined Parnell in 1951 at the behest of the Kern County Superior Court.

Lowenberg, now deceased, was appointed to paint a psychological profile of the then-19-year-old Parnell, who was sent to San Quentin Prison for three years for the one-day abduction and sexual molestation of an 8-year-old Bakersfield boy.

The attack on the youngster occurred only four days after the birth of Parnell's only daughter by a teen-age girl he had married two years earlier. The marriage ended in divorce four years later, said his mother, Mary Parnell, because his wife "found someone else."

Parnell's life was a litany of tragedy and self-hatred, extending from his years as a Texas waif through his adolescent bouts with the law and beyond, according to Lowenberg.

At the age of four, Parnell tried to yank out four of his own teeth with his fingers although they were not loose, Lowenberg said. At 8, after he came to California and three years after his father, a cook, deserted him and his mother, the youth shined a bright light into his eyes for so long he required treatment. At 9, Lowenberg reported, the boy was "considering suicide monthly."

ONCE, THE BOY SHOT HIMSELF in the abdomen in an apparent suicide attempt, Lowenberg reported, while in another incident he jumped off the roof of a barn onto a large plank with nails jutting up.

"The end is only a step away," the report says Parnell yelled before jumping. He escaped, however, with only a single nail wound.

At 13, in an incident still clouded in mystery, Parnell was the victim of a homosexual rape. Two years later, he was accused in an arson fire, allegedly torching some grass on the outskirts of town.

Parnell, a registered sex offender who lived in various parts of Northern and Southern California, escaped twice from a state mental hospital.

Lowenberg said Parnell had developed "an attachment to a younger boy with whom he had no affair, but for whom he felt a real liking." Following one of his escapes, that attachment drove Parnell to seek out the boy and enabled authorities to apprehend him.

DURING THE MID-1960S, PARNELL served six years in Utah State Prison on robbery and grand larceny convictions. When he was released from the Utah penitentiary on March 21, 1967, he was given 24 hours to leave the state in what authorities there said is routine procedure for inmates who come from outside Utah.

Since the Merced abduction, Parnell and Stayner lived in various parts

of Northern California, according to authorities.

Their whereabouts from 1972 to 1975 are unclear, but on Sept. 2, 1975, Stayner — renamed Dennis Parnell — was registered in a Fort Bragg elementary school where he attended the fourth grade.

Authorities said the youth's parents were listed as Kenneth Parnell and Barbara Parnell. The latter name was apparently fictitious, investigators said.

Later, the two moved on to Comptche, Calif., where Stayner took the bus to a middle school in nearby Mendocino to attend the fifth and sixth grades.

IN 1978 AND 1979, THE BOY went to upper level school in Mendocino, then transferred to high school in Point Arena. From there, the pair moved to Manchester near Ukiah.

It was at a sheep ranch 11 miles east of Manchester that Parnell lived with Steven Stayner and Timmy White when the abductions were discovered.

Authorities said Parnell did not mistreat or molest the boys. Some people who knew Steven as "Dennis" said the boy who called Parnell "Dad" never gave a hint of being held against his will or wanting to leave.

"I thought it was a father and son all the time," said Leslie Stornetta, who owns the sheep ranch. "They came in here as father and son and got along well."

"It seemed he (Parnell) wanted to build a family for himself without going to the trouble of getting married," said Mendocino County District Attorney Joe Allen.

And Timmy's mother, Angela White, said she believed that Parnell had no malicious intent, that he just "wanted a little boy."

Veterans proposing Vietnam memorial

WASHINGTON (AP) — A group of Vietnam War veterans, backed by congressional support, is proposing construction of a "rustic" memorial to honor the 57,661 Americans who died in Vietnam.

The memorial would be located in a grove of trees within easy sight of the Lincoln Memorial — where thousands of demonstrators gathered often during the 1960s to protest U.S. involvement in Indochina.

The proposed memorial, described by proponents as more of a landscaped park than a traditional monument, would be the first in Washington to specifically honor those who died in Vietnam.

"We are planning it as a rustic garden retreat," said John P. Wheeler, one of four Vietnam veterans serving as directors of the effort to raise money and seek support for the project.

"It is not going to be a big block of granite," said Wheeler, a lawyer and West Point graduate.

At a news conference, Wheeler said the memorial would include a listing of the names of all 57,661 who died in Vietnam.

Jan C. Scruggs, director of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, estimated the memorial would cost \$2 million, all of it to be raised through private contributions.

Scruggs said it would be appropriate to locate the memorial near the Lincoln Memorial because it was Lincoln's goal as president to encourage a spirit of reconciliation after the Civil War.

Congressional approval would be required to set aside land now under control of the Park Service.

About 100 House members and 56 members of the Senate have agreed to sponsor a resolution setting aside two acres along the Mall next to the Constitution Gardens.

Supporters cross a broad political spectrum from Sen. George McGovern, D-S.D., who vigorously opposed the war, to Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., who at one point urged strong military action against North Vietnam.

"This will begin the process of healing and reunification," said Rep. Morris Udall, D-Ariz., a principal House supporter of the project.

The authors of legislation setting aside the land are Rep. John P. Hammerschmidt, R-Ark. and Sen. Charles Mathias, R-Md.

Among non-congressional members of a sponsoring committee are comedian Bob Hope, Veterans Administration chief Max Cleland, Rocky Bleier, who was wounded in Vietnam but returned to become a star running back for the Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers, sports commentator Howard Cosell, and James Webb, author of the Vietnam novel "Fields of Fire."

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN
AND OMAR SHARIF
1980 by Chicago Tribune

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Don't double for the sake of increasing the penalty by 50 or 100 points. The information you give away could prove costly if an experienced declarer is at the helm.

West's double was excessively greedy, for he certainly couldn't expect more than a one-trick set. Sitting South was Gabriel Chagas of Brazil, one of the world's great players. He realized that West's double had to be based on the expectation of making two trump tricks, so he planned the play on that assumption.

If clubs were 5-0, or if West held the king of spades as well as a trump stack, there was little hope for the contract. Therefore, declarer ruffed the opening lead, entered dummy with a heart to the nine and immediately took the spade finesse. When that succeeded, things began to look up!

Declarer cashed the ace of spades and ruffed a spade low. He returned to his hand with a diamond ruff and ruffed his last spade with the eight of trumps. His card reading was vindicated when East discarded on this trick. Only one more hurdle had to be cleared — guessing West's red suit distribution. Chagas guessed right by cashing two heart tricks, ending in dummy. That reduced his hand and West's to nothing but trumps. Now he simply led a red card from the table and took care to ruff with the jack of trumps. Whether West overruffed or not, he could score only one trump trick.

Had West abstained from doubling and been satisfied to collect only a small profit, Chagas would certainly have gone down. With three discards available on dummy's red winners, the slam would have been safe if he lost only one trump trick.

Whether he won the opening lead in dummy and finessed in trumps or simply led a club to his ace, he would have had to lose two trump tricks for down one.

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DEATHS

C.C. Sides

C.C. Sides, 81, 1509 W. Francis Ave., died Thursday in a Midland hospital following an extended illness.

Services were at 3 p.m. today in St. Mark's United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bob Ford officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Sides was born July 2, 1898, in Van Zandt County and was reared there. He moved to Lubbock in 1937 and to Midland in 1947. He owned and operated the Kirby distributorship for 35 years. When he retired in 1976, he was the distributor in the United States that had the longest tenure with that company. He raised and showed Apaloosa horses and won a number of trophies in shows throughout the country. He was a member of the St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Eddie Sides of El Campo and T. Paul Sides of San Antonio; a daughter, Mrs. John J. (Lue) Chauncey of Lubbock; a brother, J.R. Sides of Midland; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mrs. W.W. West

Mrs. W.W. West, 79, 1206 Harvard Ave., died Wednesday following an illness.

Services were to be at 11 a.m. today in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Man Rankin officiating.

Mrs. West was born Dec. 23, 1900, in Wichita, Kansas. She lived her early life in Wichita, where she met and was married to Ward West in 1926. They later moved to San Angelo and then to southeastern New Mexico, where Mr. West was employed by Shell Oil Co. In 1937, they moved to Midland. Mrs. West was a charter member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, where she was a past first reader. She was a former board member of Midland Symphony.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Lois West Carpenter of Midland; a sister, Mrs. Burton Moulton of Bellingham, W. Va.; an aunt, a niece, and two grandchildren. The family requests memorials be made to the First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Edna M. Miller

IRAAN — Services for Edna Mabel Miller will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Iraan Church of Christ with burial in Restland Cemetery directed by Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home of Cfae.

She died Wednesday in a Weslaco nursing home.

Mrs. Miller was formerly of Iraan. Her husband, Robert Lee Miller Sr., died in 1972. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter, June LaRue O'Bannon, and a son, Lt. Col. Robert C. Miller Jr.

Laura L. Tuttle

Services for Laura LaVerne Tuttle, 64, of Odessa, a former Midlander, were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Harold Quarles of the Nazarene Church officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mrs. Tuttle died Wednesday in an Andrews hospital.

Pallbearers were to be J.P. Nichols, Claude Nichols, Donald Nichols, Ken Maxwell, Bill Filler and Michael Cain.

Mary Skeen

Services for Mary "Mackie" Skeen, 70, 2000 N. Main St., were to be at 4 p.m. today in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with Alfred Page of the Hughes Street Church of Christ officiating. Burial was to be in Fairview Cemetery.

Miss Skeen died unexpectedly early Wednesday morning.

She was born Feb. 2, 1910, in Midland. She lived in Midland all her life. Miss Skeen was preceded in death by her brother, Charlie Skeen, in 1975 and her sister, Josephine Skeen, in 1969. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Lucy Skeen of Midland, and a cousin, Isabel Rea of Vienna, Va.

Pallbearers were to be Herb Bloomer, A.B. Taylor, J.W. Baze, Art Oestmann, Tommy Lewis and Tony Taylor.

Mrs. B. Baker

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. Bernie Baker, 73, of Big Spring were to be at 3 p.m. today in the Sheppard Chapel of Memories. Burial was to be in Mount Olive Memorial Park directed by Larry Sheppard Funeral Home.

Mrs. Baker died Wednesday morning in a Big Spring hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born Oct. 3, 1906, in Big Spring. She was married to Bernie Baker Aug. 8, 1906, in Reno, Nev. Mrs. Baker was a retired beauty operator. She was a member of the Church of Christ. She was also an Army photographer in the Women's Army Corps.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Veita Alcorn of Midway City, Okla.; two sisters, Judy Farmer of Clyde and Stella Proctor of Wichita Falls; three brothers, W.E. Davis of Sacramento, Calif., and Joe C. Davis and Howard Davis, both of Midland; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Lannie Lawson

Services for Lannie Bell Lawson, 85, of Seminole, were Thursday in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Gordon Garlington III of Grace Presbyterian Church officiating.

Mrs. Lawson died Tuesday night in a Seminole nursing home.

Pallbearers were Billy Stovall, Roy Wheaton, Jerry Ford, Ben Shattuck, Eddie Lawson and David Lawson.

White Rhodesians urged to stay

SALISBURY, Rhodesia (AP) — Former Prime Minister Ian D. Smith today urged white Rhodesians not to flee the country because of the election of Robert Mugabe as prime minister. He said there is "some hope" as long as Mugabe lives up to pledges made during the campaign.

"You never solve a problem by running away from it," said Smith, who led Rhodesia's unilateral break from Britain 15 years ago to avoid black majority rule. "Therefore, I urge you to resist hasty action without

careful and mature consideration."

In his first public statement since Mugabe's landslide victory in the country's independence elections was announced Tuesday, Smith said Mugabe had been "forthright and responsible" during a meeting between the two men.

Referring to Mugabe's pledge during a nationwide television address not to seize white property or fire white government employees, Smith said:

"Providing he and his party live up to those commitments, then clearly there is hope."

Smith said Mugabe had not offered him a Cabinet post despite published reports to that effect. Smith said he would prefer to retire from politics, but would accept a Cabinet post if Mugabe asked.

A spokesman for Mugabe said Thursday he would submit his Cabinet choices soon to British Governor.

Lord Soames, in Salisbury since December to oversee the campaign and a Jan. 4 cease-fire which ended the seven-year guerrilla war.

In a remark apparently directed at Mugabe, Smith said participation by whites in the Cabinet "would have the effect of giving confidence to white people," especially because Mugabe's avowed Marxism has scared many whites.

"Everybody has accepted, including the prime minister-elect... That it was vital to retain the white man in this country... We all know in many other parts of the world where the white man has left prematurely those countries have descended into chaos and bankruptcy," Smith added.

After Smith declared Rhodesia independent, Britain and the United Nations imposed strict economic sanctions on the rebel colony.

The guerrilla war, which began in 1972 and cost an estimated 21,000 lives, eventually forced Smith and his Rhodesian Front Party to agree to majority rule by the country's seven million blacks. Rhodesia has a quarter million white population, which has ruled the country for 90 years.

In balloting Feb. 14, Smith's party won all 20 of the seats in the 100-member Parliament reserved for whites under the Rhodesia peace agreement.

Mugabe captured 57 seats. His Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance co-leader, Joshua Nkomo, won 20 seats and has accepted Mugabe's invitation to join in a coalition government.

Former Prime Minister Bishop Abel Muzorewa, who was elected last year in a campaign which excluded Mugabe and Nkomo, won three seats.

Chicago fire strike talk resumed

CHICAGO (AP) — As four young children died in a fire, negotiators for the city and striking firefighters sat down together for the first time in 13 days in talks mediated by the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

The deaths in the Thursday blaze on the city's South Side brought to 22 the number killed in fires since the strike began 22 days ago.

Meanwhile, the Chicago Sun-Times reported that Mayor Jane Byrne "has virtually decided not to grant striking firemen a full collective bargaining contract" because she is "convinced that binding arbitration of unresolved economic issues could prove too expensive to the city in the future."

The newspaper said Mrs. Byrne acknowledged her position even as negotiators met to discuss the strike, but added, "I don't want to undercut their efforts."

A mayoral aide was quoted as saying, "It is up to the union now to decide when the men will come back

to work. She doesn't want to give them a contract."

The strike began Feb. 14 as the union pressed for a written contract to replace traditional handshake agreements with the 4,350 firemen in the nation's second-largest city.

"I think the period of no talk obviously created some strain but we are beyond that," Jackson told reporters Thursday after talks recessed for the night.

Jackson, head of Operation PUSH, a black self-help group, served as a messenger between two rooms occupied by union and city officials. Federal and state mediators later joined Jackson in shuttling messages between the rooms, and as the session ran into the evening, negotiators for the city and union moved from room to room for their first face-to-face meetings since Feb. 22.

Jackson said "black and poor people are being burned up. We cannot allow issues of political debate to be

more basic than fire protection."

It also was reported Thursday that 18 firefighters have been subpoenaed for questioning about a fire believed to have been caused by arson in an abandoned building. Officials stressed that the arson fire did not cause death or any injuries.

The latest fire Thursday killed four children in a basement apartment. The victims ranged in age from 11 months to 12 years, authorities said.

In other developments, a \$100,000 surety bond for release of jailed union President Frank J. Muscare was deposited with the clerk of the Appellate Court. The court had ruled Wednesday that Muscare, sentenced to five months for contempt for defying a back-to-work order, could be released on a full \$100,000 bond.

The court, which must approve the bond, was expected to decide on the bond today. The city has appealed Wednesday's ruling to the Illinois Supreme Court.

Corruption investigated in London police department

LONDON (AP) — Eighty London police officers are being investigated and as many as 25, including some up to the rank of divisional commander, could be charged with corruption, a retired police chief says.

Suspect in murders at mental hospital

EL RENO, Okla. (AP) — One of two men charged in the fatal shootings of an Okarche minister and his wife is under observation at the state mental hospital in Vinita, officials say.

Glenn Burton Ake arrived at Eastern State Hospital on Thursday, Canadian County Undersheriff Jerry Russell said.

A court order signed by Canadian County District Judge Floyd L. Martin recommended Ake be returned to El Reno by April 10. Martin issued the mental observation order after Ake made an emotional outburst during a court arraignment last month.

Arthur Hambleton, who until his retirement last week was in charge of Operation Countryman, the biggest investigation into police corruption in British police history, was interviewed Thursday by the BBC. He said he was "absolutely staggered" by the extent of police corruption, and that 80 officers "up to very high rank" in London's 22,000-strong Metropolitan Police and the tiny City of London force which covers the capital's financial district are being investigated.

Hambleton's disclosures were the first public statement by a Countryman officer on the probe since it began 18 months ago and underlined growing concern about why it's taking so long to produce results.

One source hinted that Hambleton is seeking to put authorities on the spot by publicly indicating the scale of the investigation. "If nothing happens the people at the top know that there will inevitably be allegations of whitewash and cover-up," the source explained.

So far action has only been taken against a handful of officers. Seven have been suspended, five charged and none convicted.

Hotel in Rome burns

ROME (AP) — A fire destroyed a small hotel near the Vatican. Police said one of the 80 guests, an Italian, broke a leg while fleeing the blaze.

All the guests fled to safety before the flames engulfed the Hostellum Hotel and its roof collapsed Thursday night, police reported.

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Judge apologizes for remark on Spanish

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge who said in court that he had never seen anything of world-wide importance published in Spanish has apologized for his remark, saying "it was dreadful and I am exceedingly sorry."

The quotes... do not reflect my opinion about the Hispanic people, the Spanish language or the culture," U.S. District Judge Woodrow Seals said in a letter to Rice University professor James A. Castaneda.

Seals, who is presiding over a suit challenging the constitutionality of a Texas law forbidding the use of public funds for the education of illegal

alien children, read the letter before court began after conferring with attorneys for both sides.

"It was a most senseless statement for me to make," Seals said. "I simply do not know how I could say that. It was dreadful and I am exceedingly sorry."

Castaneda had written the judge protesting statements Seals made during the trial in which Seals questioned the need for the teaching of Spanish in public schools because most major scientific work is published in English, German, Japanese, Russian or Chinese.

Seals said he had no defense for his remarks.

"Sometimes when you're tired, there's a possibility you might make such statements," he said.

Media law expert Harvey Zuckman of the Catholic University School of Law in Washington, called Seals' apology unusual.

"Judges, like umpires, normally don't like to admit their mistakes even if they've really blown it," he said.

Seals' apology came at the beginning of the final day of the plaintiff's testimony. A child psychologist took the stand and told the court undocumented children are being harmed by not going to school.

The final witness for

the 17 groups that filed suit to have the law changed was Texas Education Commissioner Alton Bowen, who said the state could come up with the money to educate children of illegal aliens if they were admitted into public schools.

Currently, some districts do allow illegal alien children to enroll, but require their parents to pay tuition for the service.

The state opened its case by calling Raul Vesteyro, superintendent of the Brownsville Independent School District. Vesteyro testified his school had trouble keeping up with about 1,200

legal immigrants who came to Brownsville each year and said the state law benefited the school district.

Pope fights flu, cancels audiences

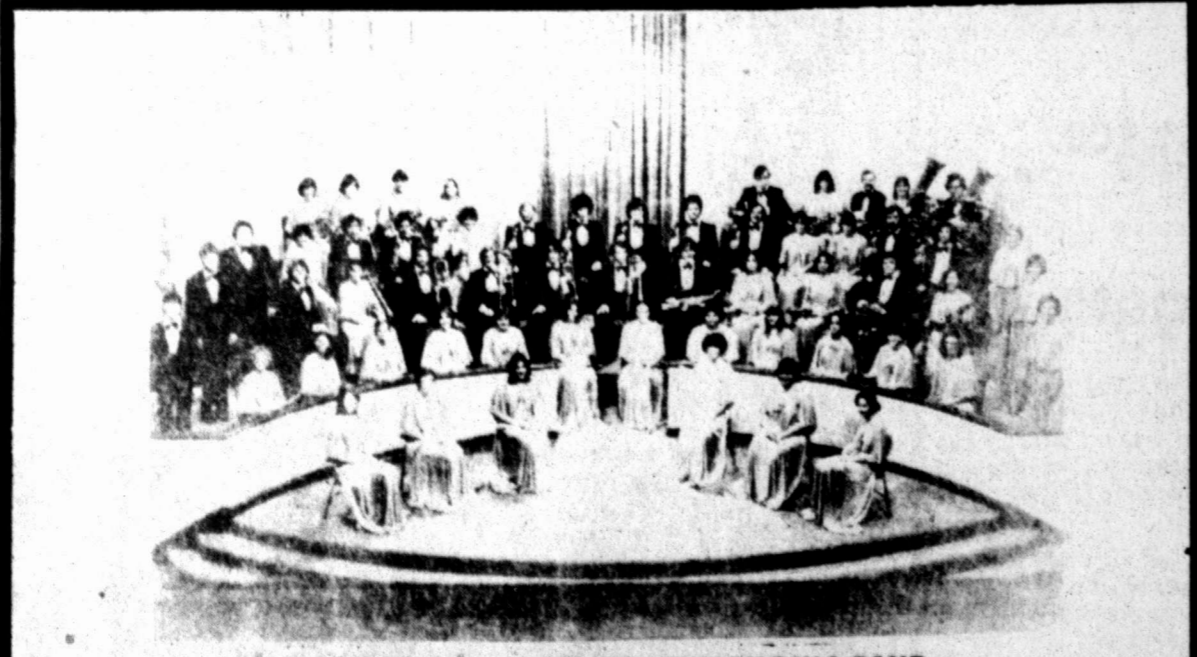
VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II is suffering from the flu and canceled his private audiences today on the advice of doctors, the Vatican announced.

The brief statement did not say if the robust, 59-year-old pontiff was bedridden, but cancellation of his audiences led observers to believe he was compelled to rest.

The announcement said a visit by the pope to a parish church in Rome on Sunday also was canceled.

It was the first time since his election as pope in October 1978 that John Paul was reported ill.

The pontiff was expected to be back at work Monday. He is scheduled to preside at a memorial Mass on the first anniversary of the death of Cardinal Jean Villot, the Vatican's former secretary of state, and to receive Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere.



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Expenses turning 'boat people' into 'land people'

KHAO I DANG, Thailand (AP) — They are called the "land people" — those who make a dangerous escape across Cambodia from Vietnam on foot, bicycle, ox cart and even horseback. Sometimes they stow away on trucks among sacks of rice, sometimes disguised as soldiers.

About 1,650 have reached Thailand, and one recent group of 950 was moved from this Cambodian refugee camp near the border to the Si Kew camp 110 miles northeast of Bangkok, the Thai capital.

The refugees, about half of whom are ethnic Chinese, say many refugees died, lost their way or were caught by Cambodian and Vietnamese soldiers during the trek.

In a series of interviews before their departure from Khao I Dang, the refugees said it has become prohibitively expensive and difficult to escape by boat — as so many Vietnamese did before — since the government cut off legal departures last June.

Most said they spent about two ounces of gold to hitch rides and bribe checkpoint controllers during their land journeys. The boat trip can cost five times as much.

The new wave of land refugees began with a trickle at the end of last year, when a group of seven Vietnamese who spoke Cambodian escaped by bicycle. In the last month the numbers reaching Thailand have swelled, while the

numbers of "boat people" escaping by sea has remained relatively low.

As few as 3,000 Vietnamese have arrived in Thailand by sea this year, a small fraction of the rate at this time last year.

Most of the refugees in Khao I Dang came from southern Vietnam, their Vietnamese organizers in the camp said. They included some deserters from the Vietnamese armed forces deployed throughout Cambodia.

Nguyen Manh Tri, 39, a former South Vietnamese army major, said he left his wife and two children behind on Feb. 1 when he dressed in the uniform of a Vietnamese soldier and paid his way aboard a troop transport truck that took him through dozens of checkpoints as far as Battambang, more than 200 miles away.

After being sheltered by a friendly Cambodian for one night, he paid a guide to take him through the last dangerous miles of war-torn western Cambodia to the Thai border.

Nguyen Thanh Thoi, 37, a former South Vietnamese first lieutenant, paid for passage for himself, his wife and two children under sacks of rice on a truck that took him to Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capital.

He said he saw many refugees, without the cash to bribe their way, arrested at the checkpoints. "With gold you can go everywhere," he said.

He added that some of those with gold hired cars, bicycles, motorcycles and

even small boats that took them up the Mekong River.

Le Dinh Thiem, a former Boeing 747 pilot for Air Vietnam, said he fled by car, bicycle and on foot after being caught and imprisoned for six months for attempting to escape by sea.

Nguyen Cong Hiep, 29, of Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon), said he traveled by truck, by bicycle, by ox cart, by horse and by foot on a seven-day journey across Cambodia to the Thai border, where he was captured by the "Free Khmer," beaten, robbed, tied to a tree and finally escaped into Thailand.

The "Free Khmer," a non-communist group, are one of the factions opposed to the Vietnamese-backed communist regime now in control in Phnom Penh.

The Vietnamese are moving from the border to Khao I Dang, seven miles inside Thailand as fast as they arrive, although the border has now been closed to most Cambodians, and then are sent to begin processing for resettlement in the West. Very few Cambodians have begun to move from Khao I Dang to the West.

"People ask why only Vietnamese can come into the camp, but nobody can answer," one Cambodian refugee said. "People ask why Vietnamese can go to another camp and go to the West, but nobody answers, so they do not ask again."

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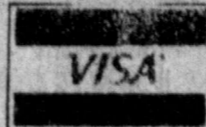
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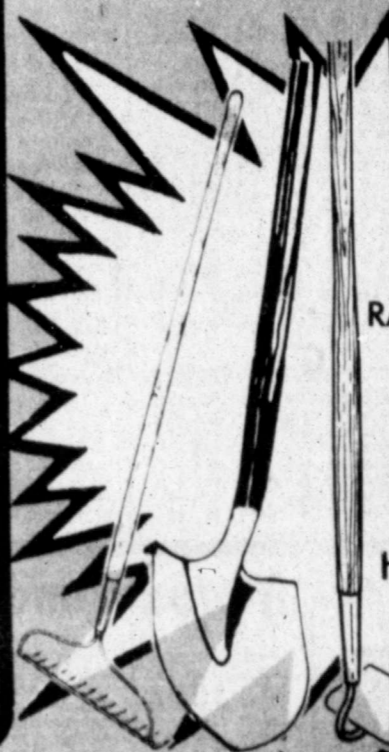
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Lario spots 9,500-foot explorer

Lario Oil & Gas Co. of Odessa will drill the No. 1 O'Daniel as a 9,000-foot oil or gas wildcat in Howard County, eight miles southeast of Coahoma.

Drill site is 467 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 40, block 30, T-1-S, T&P survey.

The site is 3/8 mile northwest of the firm's No. 1 Edwards, scheduled 9,000-foot wildcat.

PECOS GAS TEST

John H. Hendrix Corp. of Midland staked location for the No. 1-A Monroe as a 3/4-mile southeast stepout to the one-well Thigpin (Devonian) field of Pecos County, four miles northwest of Sheffield.

Location is 467 from north and 660 from west lines of section 9, block 193, TM&R survey.

Contracted depth is 8,200 feet.

MIDLAND PRODUCER

Lacy & Byrd Inc. finalized the No. 1-34 Midkiff as a Clear Fork producer in the Sprabery Trend Area field of Midland County, 22 miles south of Midkiff.

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 3.9 barrels of 36.8-gravity oil and no water, with gas-oil ratio of 48,718-1.

Production was through open hole section from 7,248 feet, where 5.5-inch casing is set, and 7,267 feet, total depth.

Location is 1,200 from south and west lines of section 34, block 39, T-4-S, T&P survey.

ANDREWS OILER

Sanchez-O'Brien Minerals Corp. of Laredo finalized the No. 1 Warren T. Anderson and others as a 1.5-mile southeast extension to the Wemac (Wolfcamp) field of Andrews County, three miles east of Andrews.

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 57 barrels of 39-gravity oil and three barrels of water, through perforations from 8,990 to 9,078 feet, which were acidized with 2,700 gallons and fractured with 13,000 gallons.

Gas-oil ratio is too small to measure.

Scheduled as a 10,600-foot wildcat, it drilled to 9,600 feet, with 4.5-inch casing set at 9,573 feet. Plugged back depth is 9,200 feet.

Location is 660 from south and east lines of section 2, block A-44, PSL survey.

GAINES OILER FINALS

Wood, McShane & Thams completed the No. 2 Simpson as a Yates oiler in the Gaines County portion of the Block A-34 (Yates) field, 15 miles north of Andrews.

Operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 25

barrels of 43.4-gravity oil and six barrels of water, through a 12/64-inch choke, with a gas-oil ratio of 1,920-1.

Production was through perforations from 3,036 to 3,079 feet, which were acidized with 1,000 gallons and fractured with 30,000 gallons.

Drilled to 3,145 feet, 5.5-inch casing is set at 3,123 feet. Plugged back depth is 3,106 feet.

Location is 1/2 mile southeast of Yates production, 2,310 from north and 1,980 from west lines of section 23, block A-22, PSL survey.

Yates Petroleum Corp. of Artesia, N.M., will drill the No. 1-NL Smerhoff State as a 4,300-foot wildcat in Chaves County, 26 miles northwest of Boaz.

Drill site is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 2-5S-24E. Ground elevation is 3,974 feet.

It is 11 miles north of Pennsylvania gas discovery in an unnamed field.

Cola Petroleum Inc. of Midland finalized the No. 1 Lario-State as a Pennsylvanian producer in the Bar-U field of Chaves County, 16 miles southwest of Milnesand.

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 20 barrels of oil and 100 barrels of water, through perforations from 9,069 to 9,163 feet, which were acidized with 200 gallons.

Gravity and gas-oil ratio is unreported.

Drilled to 9,220 feet, 4.5-inch casing is set on bottom. Plugged back depth is 9,171 feet.

Location is 1,980 from north and west lines of section 31-8S-33E.

EDDY SITES

Amoco Production Co. announced plans to drill three 11,500-foot undesignated Morrow tests in Eddy County, four miles southwest of Carlsbad.

The No. 1-IE State Communized is 2,170 from south and 990 from west lines of section 16-22S-26E. It is one mile southeast of the firm's No. 1-AA Federal, an unnamed Morrow gas well.

Amoco will drill the No. 1-IC State Communized 660 from north and 1,980 from west lines of section 7-24S-25E.

The site is 3/4 mile southeast of the firm's No. 1-HK State Comm., active wildcat bottomed at 10,825 feet.

Amoco staked location for the No. 1-IB State Communized 660 from south and 1,980 from west lines of section 31-23S-25E.

It is 3/4 mile northeast of the operator's No. 1-HK State Comm., active wildcat.

13,000-foot wildcat staked in Pecos

Borden Exploration Co. of Midland staked location for the No. 1 Covington and others as a 13,000-foot gas wildcat in Reeves County, 10 miles west of Toyah.

Drill site is 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 33, block 58, PSL survey.

There is no nearby production in the area, it is one and three-eighths miles southeast of a 13,152-foot failure.

PECOS GAS TEST

Sun Oil Co. of Oklahoma City will drill the No. 8 Jasper County School Land as a 5/8-mile southwest stepout to Wolfcamp gas production in the Hokit, North field of Pecos County, 24 miles southeast of Fort Stockton.

Location is 3,891 from north and 7,350 from west lines of block 104, Jasper County School Land survey.

Contracted depth is 7,600 feet.

MARTIN WELL FINALS

RK Petroleum Corp. of Midland finalized the No. 2 RK-Union as a 3.5-mile northeast confiner to the Breedlove, South (Strawn) oil field of Martin County, eight miles north of Tarzan.

Operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 80 barrels of 41-gravity oil and no water, through a 10/64-inch choke and perforations from 10,868 to 10,872 feet, which were acidized with 2,500 gallons.

Gas-oil ratio is 2,500-1.

Location is 12,044 feet, 7-inch casing is set at 12,034 feet. Plugged back depth is 12,010 feet.

Location is 6,395 from north and 1,530 from east lines of league 251, Ward County School Land survey.

ECTOR PROJECT

Amoco Production Co. staked location for the No. 5-AJ Midland Farms as a 10,700-foot test in an attempt to reopen Atoka 10,300 production, and as a 1/4-mile southwest offset to Wolfcamp, North production in the Fasken field of Ector County, 17 miles north of Odessa.

Drill site is 1,980 from north and 660 from west lines of section 37, block 42, T-1-N, G&MMB&A survey.

When the Ixtoc 1 well in the Bay of Campeche on Mexico's east coast pushed out of control June 3, scientists and engineers estimated its flow at between 30,000 and 50,000 barrels a day.

Hinson said the head of offshore exploration for Pemex, the Mexican national oil company, told the Coast Guard Thursday the output has been lowered to 400 barrels a day.

"Pemex is very optimistic that favorable weather for three days in a row will allow them to complete the (capping) operation," he said.

Crews are pouring salt water and drilling mud into the well before cementing it.

In January, Hinson said there would be a good chance oil would return to Texas beaches if the well were not capped by March. However, he said Thursday his earlier prediction was based on a larger daily flow.

"If they (Pemex) are successful in the next few days, any new oil coming out now wouldn't be any real threat" at only 400 barrels a day, he said.

"The only thing of relative concern now is the oil near our waters. We don't know the current structure enough to know where that oil is going to go. It should be going offshore," he said.

Hinson said the Coast Guard, if invited by Pemex, was ready to go to the well site and help in clean-up operations if the latest capping effort fails.

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Fight expected in Congress over coal conversion plans

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER

WASHINGTON (AP) — A \$10 billion program to convert oil- and natural-gas-burning utilities to coal was sent to Congress Thursday by President Carter, who called the proposal a critical part of his drive to cut this country's dependence on foreign oil.

However, supporters of the measure predicted a tough fight to get the measure passed, particularly because it does not include pollution

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safeguards that environmentalists argue are necessary to keep from greatly increasing the "acid rain" problem in the Northeast.

The measure would require 50 powerplants in 16 states, primarily in the Northeast, to convert to coal by 1985. It would supply \$3.6 billion in federal funds to help them make the switch-over. An additional \$6 billion in federal grant money would be provided for the voluntary coal conversion of other powerplants in the Southeast, Southwest and California by 1990.

Introduction of the bill was held up a month as an intense debate raged inside the administration over what types of environmental safeguards should accompany the program.

The Environmental Protection Agency warned that unless the utilities converting to coal were required to meet more stringent federal clean air standards, sulfur dioxide emissions would be increased by 25 percent in the Northeast.

It predicted that the new coal utilities would spew an additional 450,000

tons of sulfur dioxide annually and nitrogen oxide emissions would increase by 200,000 tons. The pollutants combine with moisture in the atmosphere to form a weak acid that falls as precipitation—the acid rain that is killing fish in lakes both in the United States and Canada.

However, the Energy Department argued successfully that the coal conversion program should require utilities to meet less stringent state air standards already in effect. They argued that the tight controls sought by the EPA would discourage utilities from taking advantage of the program.

Deputy Energy Secretary John Sawhill said Thursday the administration realized that the acid rain problem "has not been resolved" by the administration bill. However, he said as a first step the proposal did include \$400 million to help utilities purchase better pollution control equipment. Sawhill said the president was also calling on Congress to investigate the acid rain problem and come up with its own solutions.

"We feel this represents a good

balance between the need to move toward coal and at the same time protect the environment," Sawhill said.

But even supporters of the measure predicted an uphill battle in Congress.

"It is not going to be an easy fight. There will be many who will oppose this," said West Virginia Gov. Jay Rockefeller.

The administration said the conversion bill would save 1 million barrels of oil and natural gas daily by 1990, contributing a significant part in Carter's goal of cutting foreign oil imports by 5 million barrels a day by then.

The \$9.6 billion in federal grants would be available to pay up to 50 percent of a utility's conversion costs, administration officials said.

States with utilities earmarked for mandatory conversion by 1985 include Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New York, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Michigan and Arkansas.

Clements makes suggestion

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas Gov. Bill Clements says the Interstate Oil Compact Commission has something to offer all states, not just those with significant oil and natural gas production.

Clements suggested to the commission's executive committee Wednesday the IOCC could be a "forum, a platform" for establishing national policy for all energy sources — not just oil and gas.

As an example, Clements said, "Arizona has little production, as such, but is certainly interested in our energy problems."

Clements, commission chairman, said states "should recognize" the commission "is a springboard from

which can emerge policy and direction on energy as a national issue." Thirty states are commission members.

Clements said two "polling sources" show 80 percent of the American public "does perceive there is an energy crisis." Previously, he said, only 40-44 percent felt there was a crisis.

The public, Clements added, ranks the energy crisis as the No. 2 priority issue behind inflation, "and we realize that the energy problem and inflation are linked."

Clements noted Secretary of the Energy Charles Duncan would attend the commission's June 15 meeting in Vail, Colo.

Flow cut to 400 barrels

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Mexican crews have cut the flow from a blown-out offshore oil well to 400 barrels a day and, at that rate, the United States will probably escape a repeat of last summer's blackened beaches, Coast Guard officials said Thursday.

At the same time, Coast Guard Capt. Gerald Hinson said reconnaissance flights this week spotted a 40-mile long ribbon of brown oil, 200 yards wide, about 78 miles south of U.S. waters.

The sighting caused concern, but "I don't view it as an immediate threat to the coast because we still have a fairly strong southerly current offshore," Hinson, the coordinator of an oil spill team, said at a news conference.

When the Ixtoc 1 well in the Bay of Campeche on Mexico's east coast pushed out of control June 3, scientists and engineers estimated its flow at between 30,000 and 50,000 barrels a day.

Hinson said the head of offshore exploration for Pemex, the Mexican national oil company, told the Coast Guard Thursday the output has been lowered to 400 barrels a day.

"Pemex is very optimistic that favorable weather for three days in a row will allow them to complete the (capping) operation," he said.

Crews are pouring salt water and drilling mud into the well before cementing it.

In January, Hinson said there would be a good chance oil would return to Texas beaches if the well were not capped by March. However, he said Thursday his earlier prediction was based on a larger daily flow.

"If they (Pemex) are successful in the next few days, any new oil coming out now wouldn't be any real threat" at only 400 barrels a day, he said.

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DRILLING REPORT

BORDEN COUNTY

Lama Petroleum No. 1 Wells; id 5277 well, on operations.

Mitchell Energy Corp. No. 276-2 Marris Miller, drilling 566 feet in line, set 13 1/2 inch casing at 318 feet, set 8 1/2 inch casing at 2507 feet.

The Superior Oil Co. No. 17 WJH Jones, drilled 1748 feet in shale.

COKE COUNTY

NRM Petroleum Corp. No. 2 Harris; id 5800 feet, temporarily abandoned.

NRM Petroleum Corp. No. 3 Harris; drilled 1675 feet in shale and anhydrite.

CRANE COUNTY

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1150 Waddell; drilled 920 feet in line and sand.

CHICKETTS COUNTY

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1-AKA State; id 829 feet, pumped 18 barrels of oil and 3 barrels of water in 24 hours through perforations from 6191 to 6497 feet.

DAWSON COUNTY

RK Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Mary Wilson, drilling 12,062 feet.

EDDY COUNTY

Aminol State No. 1-8 Aminol State Communized; drilling 5522 feet.

Britton Management No. 1 Lucy Pearl State; id 2801 feet, waiting on completion unit.

FEDERAL COUNTY

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1 Sinking Draw Durham Inc.; drilled 9133 feet in shale.

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1-1L Eddy State; id 11,366 feet in line and shale, setting test logs.

GULF COUNTY

Gulf No. 1-G Ruster Bluffs; id 13,227 feet in line and shale, ran swab, swabbed 1/2 barrels of water with slight gas blow, left open overnight on 16 1/2 inch choke through perforations from 13,277 to 13,292 feet.

The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 Delta Federal, drilled 3074 feet in sand and shale, set 10 1/2 inch casing at 1700 feet.

FISHER COUNTY

Grand Banks Energy No. 1 Aiken; drilled 6717 feet in line and shale.

GAINES COUNTY

Amadarko No. 1 Hammond; id 6649 feet, fishing.

Federal Oil Co. No. 1 Maxey; drilling 13,131 feet in line, shale and chert.

GARZA COUNTY

McMendrick Assoc. Ltd. No. 1 Miller; drilling 4740 feet.

GLASSBORO COUNTY

Getty Oil & Gas No. 1-32 McDowell; drilling 8614 feet.

Tamarack Petroleum No. 1-B; id 11,415 feet installing sucker rods in pumping unit.

HOCKLEY COUNTY

South Ranch Oil Inc. No. 1 Williams; id 11,115 feet installing sucker rods in pumping unit.

HOWARD COUNTY

Adobe Oil & Gas No. 1 Langley; id 9560 feet, flowed 20 barrels of oil and 20 barrels of water in 24 hours on 11/64-inch choke through perforations from 9388 to 9418 feet.

Cola No. 1-S Moss-Powell completed as a 3/8-mile southeast extension for 44 barrels of 35.6-gravity oil and four barrels of water, through perforations from 1,160 to 1,170 feet, which were acidized with 250 gallons.

Location 2,310 from south and 430 from west lines of section 21, block 20, H&TC survey.

IRION COUNTY

G.H. Berry No. 1-A FAWN; id 7464 feet, testing, no gas, through perforations from 7178 to 7279 feet.

G.H. Berry No. 2-A FAWN; drilling 2217 feet in shale.

Cola Petroleum No. 2-S Tankersley; id 1465 feet, logged, waiting on orders.

MEADO PROPERTIES

No. 2-19 Ela C. SUGR; id 7756 feet, swabbing log through perforations from 7392 to 7497 feet.

Meado No. 4-13 E. SUGR; id 7400 feet, testing, no gas, through perforations from 7213 to 7257 feet.

JACK COUNTY

Jack G. Elam No. 1-SA-D Wallace; id 3900 feet, shut down for rig repairs.

KEO COUNTY

Ard Drilling Co. No. 9 Ben & Tom Masterson; id 6196 feet, set 5 1/2 inch casing at 312 feet, set 5 1/2 inch casing at 6185 feet.

LEA COUNTY

The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 Bon-durant-Federal; drilling 1,825 feet in line, shale and sand.

The Superior Oil Co. No. 1-12-17 State; id 13,099 feet, plugged and abandoned.

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Gulf No. 4-VII Lea State, drilling 5,976 feet in line.

Adobe No. 1-35 Gray, drilling 11,610 feet in line and shale.

Natoma North America No. 1-14 State, drilling 2,220 feet.

Getty No. 2-35 Getty State, drilling 4,270 feet.

Getty No. 5-N Hobbs, drilling 8,965 feet.

LOVING COUNTY

Getty No. 1 Malcolm Maders, drilling 21,370 feet.

Getty No. 1-12-26 Glenn Brunson, drilling 15,783 feet.

Clayton Williams Jr. No. 3-A Gataga Gas Unit, drilling 21,173 feet in dolomite.

FOREST COUNTY

Forest Oil No. 1-44-K Anna, id 16,200 feet, plugged back to 15,929 feet, perforated from 15,474 to 15,724 feet, open with a slight blow, preparing to jet.

LUBBOCK COUNTY

Hunt Energy No. 1-L Daugherty, drilled 5,582 feet in shale.

Natoma North America No. 1 Neale Harmon, drilling 8,566 feet.

MARTIN COUNTY

RK Petroleum No. 3 Paisano Wolcott, drilling 19,745 feet in line and shale.

MIDLAND COUNTY

Getty No. 2-K Jack Edwards, id 5,400 feet in line, going in hole.

Getty No. 1-13B Barstow, drilling 4,806 feet in line, salt and anhydrite, from 4,807 to 4,262 feet with 15,000 gallons, open to test tank and flowing back log, flowed 23 barrels of oil and 2 barrels of water.

PECOS COUNTY

Getty No. 1-18 Slaughter-Pik, drilling 14,840 feet.

Getty No. 1 Miriam Ratcliff, drilling side tract at 13,840 feet.

Hunt Energy No. 1-5 Cerf Ranch, drilling 17,096 feet in sand and shale.

Gulf No. 2-1 Emma Low, id 29,622 feet in dolomite, cleaning pits.

Getty No. 2-D J. Weatherly, id 18,350 feet in line and chert, circulating for logs.

PERMITS

Getty No. 1-G D.C. Wilson Jr., id 1,600 feet in line and anhydrite, moving in and cleaning location, preparing to complete.

REGAN COUNTY

Cola Petro. No. 1-130 Holt, drilling 5,900 feet.

Cola No. 1-138 Roach, id 8,100 feet, set packer at 6,817 feet, acidized perforations from 7,284 to 8,021 feet with 15,000 gallons.

Cola No. 1-136-2 Roach, drilling 3,350 feet.

Cola No. 1-130-1, id 8,000 feet, fractured perforations from 5,537 to 6,700 feet with 83,000 gallons and 128,000 pounds sand, fractured perforations from 7,061 to 7,295 feet with 72,000 gallons and 112,000 pounds sand.

Cola No. 3-3 Walters Estate, drilling 5,450 feet.

REEVES COUNTY

John L. Cox No. 1 Weinacht, id 2,117 feet, set 8 1/2 inch casing at total depth, waiting on cement.

SCURRY COUNTY

Laguna Petroleum No. 1 J.E. Beaver, drilling 2,275 feet, set 8 1/2 inch casing at 2,275 feet.

TERRILL COUNTY

Getty No. 1-D Ruth White, id 9,600 11,247 feet.

feet in dolomite, taking drillstem test from 4,659 to 5,200 feet, open on 15 minute perf with a weak blow, on 60 minute final flow with a weak blow and increasing to good at end of test, pulling out of hole.

Getty No. 2-Foster, drilling 14,100 feet in line and shale.

Getty No. 1-A B.F. Foster, id 17,900 feet, acidized perforations from 4,126 to 4,208 feet with 1,800 gallons, flowed 12 hours, varied choke sizes from 1/4 to 1/2 inch to 1 inch, flowed 3 barrels of sand water and gas, increasing from fair to good blow, last 12 hours flowed on 1-inch choke holding 100 psi at separator, flowed no fluid and 100 mcf gas per day.

Getty No. 3-Brown-McNinch Unit, id 6,200 feet, shut in for pressure below, pumped no oil or water in 24 hours, gas volume 35 mcf, through perforations from 5,772 to 5,786 feet.

TERRY COUNTY

Getty No. 2-E.A. Tapp, drilling 8,832 feet.

Union Texas No. 6-Phippo, id 11,344 feet, pumped 500 barrels of water with a trace of oil in 24 hours.

UPTON COUNTY

Covina Oil No. 1 Hallif, id 8,980 feet, went in hole and caught fish, preparing to continue jarring.

VAL VERDE COUNTY

Gilles Service No. 1-A West, drilling 321 feet in line and sand.

WARD COUNTY

Adobe No. 1-31 Barstow, drilling 4,806 feet in line, salt and anhydrite, from 4,807 to 4,262 feet with 15,000 gallons, open to test tank and flowing back log, flowed 23 barrels of oil and 2 barrels of water.

Getty No. 1066 Hutchings Stock Assn., drilling 8,514 feet in line, shale and chert.

Getty No. 1068 Hutchings Stock Assn., id 8,300 feet in line and shale, rigged up and ran swab, unseated packer and pulled out of hole, picked up cement retainer, going in hole to 8,446 feet.

Getty No. 1070 Hutchings Stock Assn., id 8,110 feet in line, milling on junk.

Getty No. 6-SV State, id 5,400 feet in sand, open well, swabbed 32 barrels of oil and 3 barrels of water in 8 hours, through perforations from 5,108 to 5,124 feet.

Cola No. 3-WZ State, id 6,500 feet, pumped 2 barrels of oil and 80 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations from 5,048 to 5,058 feet.

Union Texas No. 1-501 State, id 16,253 feet, finished laying down drill pipe, running tubing.

WINKLER COUNTY

Gulf No. 1-M Sealy Smith Foundation, id 2,408 feet, swabbed 60 barrels of oil and 10 barrels of water in 10 hours, flowing overnight on 20/64-inch choke, through perforations from 8,430 to 8,522 feet.

Getty No. 1-32-21 University, drilling 14,080 feet.

Getty No. 1-2-21 University, drilling 13,838 feet.

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Getty No. 1-D Melba Webb, drilling 11,247 feet.

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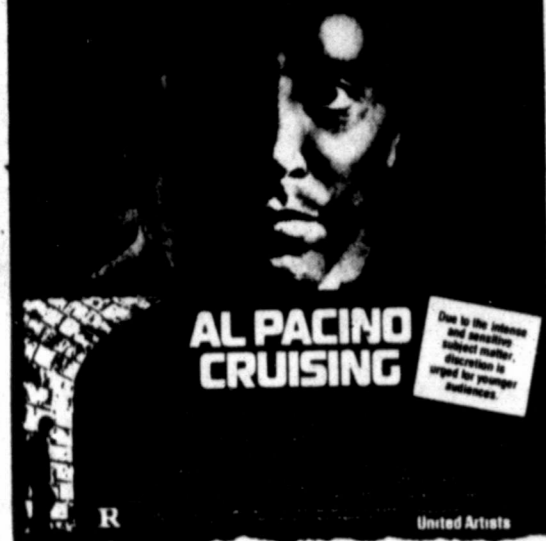
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By JEFFREY ULBRICH

48 Iranian students arrested in Louisiana

MONROE, La. (AP) — Forty-eight persons were arrested Thursday night at Northeast Louisiana University when demonstrators, identified by authorities as Iranian students, tried to break up a speech by the former Iranian ambassador to the United Nations, school officials said.

The disturbance occurred as Fereydoon Hoveyda was speaking to about 400 persons at Brown Auditorium, police said. Hoveyda was ambassador during the regime of the deposed Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi.

The first sign of protest came when a member in the audience challenged Hoveyda's claim that Iran's gross national product grew from \$2 billion in 1972 to \$56 billion in 1977.

When the student began shouting, "That man is a murderer. His brother killed my father," about 25 police officers standing outside the auditorium entered the room, police said.

Campus authorities were reinforced by Monroe city police, state police and Ouachita Parish deputies.

After a second interruption, police escorted Hoveyda out of the auditorium where some 40 protesters stood, demanding the release of the demonstrator arrested during the speech.

When the demonstrators refused to disperse, more arrests were made, police said. Tom Murphy, dean of students at Northeast, said only nine Iranians are enrolled at Northeast.

Captain A.L. Moore of the Monroe Police Department said 35 students were taken into custody.

"When they wouldn't disperse, we had to take some of them into custody," he said. "We arrested 35 of them. They aren't students at Northeast; they're from different places."

Officials later revised the arrest figure and said 48 persons had been taken into custody.

Moore said all were being charged with trespass, but that additional charges of resisting arrest were lodged against a number of them who refused to give any information to officers.

Last month, an address by Hoveyda was interrupted at Columbia College in Columbia, Mo. There were no arrests and no injuries reported in that incident.

point where we don't think in distance any more, we think in time," said Albertini.

The move toward high-speed trains in Europe is not unique to France. British rail has 32 high-speed passenger trains, with top speeds of 125 mph, most of them linking London with other major cities.

In West Germany, where some lines already permit speeds of 125 mph, two routes are being built to carry trains at speeds of 155 mph.

After 10 years of steady increase, the number of riders on French trains was stagnant in 1979 in spite of another oil crunch, according to Pierre Gentil, SNCF director-general.

That contrasts with Britain, West Germany and Sweden, all of which report ridership increases. Officials of the West German federal railway estimate that 10 percent of their ridership increase was due to people leaving their cars at home in favor of taking the train.

RAILROADS throughout Europe can haul more passengers than they do now, particularly in non-peak hours and during the week. These are the periods officials are trying to fill by using fare reduction schemes.

In spite of the fare increases, British rail has launched a huge advertising campaign, urging people to "Let the Train Take the Strain."

SNCF officials say oil problems so far have played a relatively small role in the growth of passenger service. With 17 million cars on French roads, there's still no evidence the crunch has reached crisis proportions.

"People are still attached to their cars," said Albertini. "The cost of gasoline (now \$3.10 per gallon for premium) is still not dissuasive. It's beginning to be... If rationing ever comes, we'll certainly benefit from it. But we are not there yet."

IN FACT, France spends as much on the railroads as it does on building and maintaining its highways.

"When a Frenchman thinks of going somewhere, particularly if it is more than 300 kilometers, it is sure he will think of the train," said Jean Albertini, an SNCF official. "In each town there is a station, and the railroad is something that is always there, with precise schedules."

Apart from a reputation for serving the worst food to be had in this land of gastronomes, French trains are comfortable and nearly always on time and offer a wide range of services and fare reductions.

The trains have a computerized ticket and reservation system hooked into most major travel agencies, facilities to rent a hotel room, a car or even a bicycle. Some lines can carry cars. The SNCF will pick up baggage at home and deliver it to a destination. It offers special help to the handicapped and even provides companions for children traveling alone.

The list of special fares is almost endless, some reductions ranging up to 75 percent and including price cuts for soldiers, retirees, veterans, large families, families traveling together, even couples in some cases.

THERE ARE special weekly and monthly rates for people who travel often, once-a-year reductions for vacationers and low income people and special prices for very long trips.

The trains even welcome dogs and cats — if owners are willing to buy their pets second-class tickets at half price.

Most major European nations have some sort of fare reduction plan. In West Germany and Sweden, almost everyone qualifies in some way or another for special fares. In Britain, where fares were raised by 20 percent last month, pensioners and families still get price breaks.

Contrary to the United States, where the railroad was a part of the conquest of the West, rail transport in France developed to connect established towns inside existing borders. It thus became an integral part of French life early on. By 1900, the 21,875-mile system was essentially complete.

Emphasis now is on speed. The SNCF is laying 1,000 yards of track a day for what will be the country's "train of the future," a 165-mph run between Paris and Lyon, France's second-largest city. The new line will cut traveling time almost in half, from three hours and 45 minutes to about two hours.

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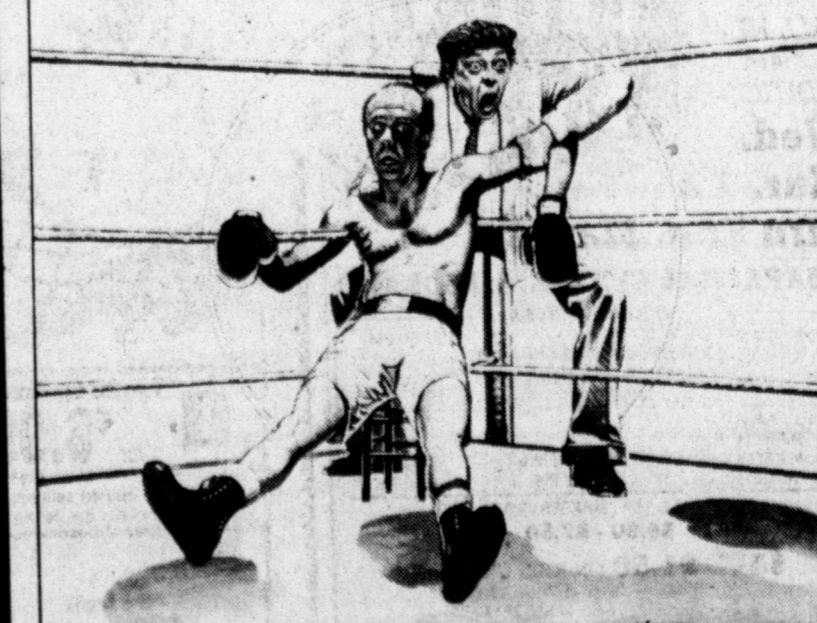


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