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Council votes to apply for federal funds

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For the first time since 1977, the Midland City Council voted Tuesday to apply for federal government aid under the Community Development Block Grant Funds after at least seven Midlanders appealed to the council to accept the money.

Previously, the HUD funds had been voted down because of a clause in the application known as Section 8, which calls for the city to subsidize apartment and housing rentals for citizens unable to pay.

However, in a 4-2 vote Tuesday, the long-standing boycott of the CD funds was reversed.

Voting against the CD funds were Mayor G. Thane Akins and Councilman Carroll Thomas.

Akins voiced his reservations about the funds when he announced the agenda item. "I still believe it's bad legislation and something I feel we ought not to be involved in in Midland," he said. However, he added he was concerned about the situation of the handicapped and elderly finding affordable housing in Midland.

Akins said, however, he felt Sena-

tors Edward Kennedy and Birch Bayh were working to pass federal legislation allowing "the federal government to have control over state and local zoning" with the stipulations on the CD funds.

Midlanders objected to the thumbs-down attitude about the funds.

Charlene Roseberry, president of the League of Women Voters, said Midland's "thriftiness and efficiency" has cost the city's taxpayers "over \$3 million in Community Development Funds... to nearby and not-so-nearby communities."

Ms. Roseberry said area towns have "benefited greatly from Midland's funds." She said since Midlanders had such a healthy economy, they were paying high taxes to benefit other people.

"Midland tax dollars must return to Midland," she said.

Lynn Durham of the Midland Housing Association said to refuse an application for the funds on the basis that some of the funds would be used to satisfy the section 8 clause "would be a tragic mistake." He continued to say he would "urge the council very strongly to work on the application."

Attorney Gerald Lopez said he

thought certain city efforts already under way could now satisfy the federal government's section 8 clause. He asked the council to at least apply for the funds, even if they may be rejected.

Mary Hinkle, director of the Casa de Amigos, said Midland had an urgent need for housing and could not afford to reject funds. "Midland is not even able to keep up with the housing needs of the affluent," she said, "let alone the poor." Ms. Hinkle told the council members she knew of people living in pickups, tents and motor homes in Midland. She told of a woman with three children who had to

pay \$350 for rent, plus her electricity on a salary of \$3.10 an hour.

"I think if the city can be involved with homeless airplanes," Ms. Hinkle said, "I think they can be concerned with homeless people."

Michael Williams of the Chamber of Commerce, said he was not speaking for the Chamber but thought "the acceptance of Community Development Funds in Midland... is in the best interest of the City of Midland." Williams said, "It's not the only strategy (to clear up the housing problem in Midland), but it's one. And, at this point, it's one that we cannot afford to do without."

Neighbors still loyal to Myers, despite incriminating tape

NEW YORK (AP) — Grainy video tapes of ousted congressman Michael Myers accepting a \$50,000 bribe topped all three TV network news programs, but his Philadelphia neighbors' loyalty was unshaken.

Myers on Tuesday became the first U.S. congressman to appear on national television on tapes made in the FBI's covert Abscam inquiry. He is unlikely to be the last.

Audio and video tapes of meetings with agents posing as aides to a bogus Arab sheik willing to pay for favors are key to the prosecution of Abscam defendants, and the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to overturn a ruling allowing their broadcast is expected to set a precedent.

Myers was convicted of bribery and conspiracy Aug. 30, and has since been expelled from Congress. He is seeking re-election as the Democratic nominee.

After watching the tapes themselves Tuesday night, Myers went out and campaigned. Today he appeared on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" program and professed his innocence, as he has done all along. "I never made an attempt to do anything wrong," Myers said. "I did not introduce any legislation."

Myers took exception to the networks' handling of the Abscam tape material, contending the news organizations only "pick out the stuff that is most damaging." However, Myers admitted under questioning that nowhere on the tapes does he refuse the money.

Some 25 of Myers' south Philadelphia neighbors interviewed after the tapes were televised expressed faith in the two-term congressman.

"He did take the money, but that doesn't bother me," said bartender Rich Francolino, who said he had twice voted for Myers. "If someone



An undercover FBI agent discusses a payoff with Congressman Michael Myers, second from left, on videotape played at the first Abscam trial and broadcast on national television Tuesday. (AP Laserphoto)

offered you \$50,000 it would be awful hard to refuse, too. I can't blame Ozzie (Myers) for being human."

Myers said he was optimistic about voter reaction in the 1st Congressional District, where 80 percent of registered voters are Democrats. "I have confidence in the voters of Philadelphia because they know a railroad job when they see one," said Myers, who had tried to block showing of the tapes in court.

Meanwhile, in South Carolina, Rep. John Jenrette and his wife, Rita, watched the broadcasts, which Mrs. Jenrette said gave her a feeling of "deja vu."

Jenrette was convicted on charges of taking a \$50,000 bribe in a trial that featured video tapes made secretly by the FBI. Four other congressmen face similar trials.

Watching was like "reliving what happened a week ago," Mrs. Jenrette told WOLO-TV of Columbia, S.C., calling it "traumatic." She said her husband, who is seeking re-election, was not worried about voter reaction. "He is never seen taking any money," she said. "He did not take any money."

The TV networks went to court in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday seeking the tapes from Jenrette's trial.

Iran may mine Persian Gulf, Strait of Hormuz

BASRA, Iraq (AP) — Iran bombed Baghdad and other cities in Iraq today and threatened to mine the Persian Gulf and the Strait of Hormuz. Iraqi warplanes retaliated by bombing the oil refinery in Iran's northern city of Tabriz, the Baghdad command said.

Meanwhile, Iraqi forces extended their siege ring north and east of Abadan, leaving only one highway open into the Iranian oil refinery city. An Iraqi field commander said his advancing troops and armor were only three or four miles from the city overlooking the Shatt al-Arab estuary.

The Iraqi military command claimed 52 Iranian and nine Iraqi soldiers were killed in 12 hours of fighting Tuesday night and today near that highway.

Tehran Radio said Iranian defenders of Abadan shot down four Iraqi fighter-bombers in a mid-morning attack on the city.

A communique broadcast by Baghdad Radio said 14 civilians, including seven children, were killed and 25 wounded in the Iranian air strikes in the Iraqi capital and four other cities in northern and central Iraq.

It was the second straight day of air raids on Baghdad after a 10-day pause. The communique claimed two Iranian jets were shot down near Baghdad, and said Iraqi jets struck back, setting afire the oil refinery in Tabriz, only 70 miles from Iran's border with the Soviet Union.

The Shatt al-Arab on the southern front leads to the Persian Gulf and the Strait of Hormuz, through which much of the oil to the West flows, and the commander of the Iranian navy

was quoted by Tehran Radio as saying, "If it becomes necessary, we will mine the Strait of Hormuz and the Gulf."

He did not say how Iran would determine the conditions that might necessitate mining, a relatively complex operation for Tehran's armed forces, which have been greatly weakened by defections and problems with supplies, maintenance and spare parts since the revolution 20 months ago.

The Iraqi news agency said President Saddam Hussein had told U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim that Iraq had begun evacuating foreign-flag ships from the harbor of Iran's big oil port, Khorramshahr. The report amounted to an Iraqi rejection of Waldheim's request for a limited cease-fire so foreign ships stranded in the Shatt al-Arab could leave. Iran said earlier it would go along with such a cease-fire.

A lieutenant colonel commanding the Iraqi troops north of Abadan told Western reporters touring the front Tuesday the infantry and armored forces that crossed the Karun River last weekend had advanced 11 to 15 miles, pushing a siege arc to the north and east of Abadan and cutting its highways, railroads and pipelines to most of oil-rich Khuzistan Province and to Tehran, the Iranian capital 360 miles to the northwest.

From the Iranian side, a spokesman for the Abadan governor's office said the Iraqis had been stopped less than five miles from the city and the battle was continuing. Iran's official Pars news agency reported. It said its correspondent in Abadan reported the Iraqi forces "are now in a trap with no way of escaping."

Only one road was reported still open into Abadan, the highway on the east to the oil fields on the northeast coast of the Persian Gulf.

Relief for royalty owners hinted at by Democrats

Small royalty oil owners, many of them dependent on their royalty checks to supplement their incomes, may get some relief from the Carter Administration soon, according to President Jimmy Carter's re-election campaign headquarters.

The campaign headquarters issued a press release Tuesday regarding the windfall profits tax and the proposed tax credit to help counteract adverse impacts of the earlier tax. "There has been great concern about the unintended, unfortunate impact of the Windfall Profits Tax on small royalty oil owners," the press release stated. "The Carter Administration favors providing relief to them."

The press release went on to note that the small royalty owners did not get a huge windfall benefit from the decontrol of oil. And the cumulative effects of the Windfall Profits Tax created an "inequitable situation for people with small incomes, some of whom are dependent on royalty payments."

According to the Carter news release, "This administration will

therefore support the efforts of Senators Bentsen and Long and others to provide a tax credit for the small royalty owners when the Congress reconvenes after the election."

That tax credit could range as high as \$1,000 for each royalty owner. Although a pending amendment to the budget reconciliation bill would establish the exemption for only one year, the press release further notes that "we will support similar legislation to make this credit permanent."

If the tax credit is included in the budget reconciliation bill, as is expected, it will be in effect for all royalty payments that have been taxed since the Windfall Profits Tax was enacted, according to the news release.

The Windfall Profits Tax has been extremely unpopular in Texas, particularly among oilmen and royalty owners. The announcement of President Carter's support for the tax credit for royalty owners apparently was timed to take advantage of the political benefits in Texas, an important state in the presidential election Nov. 4.

State won't ask tax hikes

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements says Texas' top state officials have agreed not to seek an increase in gasoline or oil production taxes during the 1981 legislative session.

Increases had been considered to ease the financial pressure on the Legislature for major spending items such as teacher pay raises and higher welfare costs.

Clements said Tuesday after "extensive discussions" with Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Speaker Bill Clayton and House and Senate leaders, "it has been decided that it would not be

appropriate to increase either of these taxes."

In July the governor raised the possibility of increasing oil production taxes by about \$2.6 billion a year and blaming it on Congress for enacting the Windfall Profits Tax.

He said in a letter to Attorney General Mark White the federal tax would "invade the sovereign power of the state by coercing Texas" to increase its own oil tax from 4.6 percent to 15 percent of market value.

The Windfall Profits Tax allows oilmen to deduct up to 15 percent for

state taxes before computing what they owe the federal government.

"By not raising the rate in Texas to 15, the state would deprive its citizens of tax dollars which would otherwise go to the federal government for distribution to the other states," he told White.

Clements said in a statement Tuesday the federal tax would siphon off \$13 billion a year in Texas for the next 10 years, but he added:

"All options were explored to find a method by which these funds could be kept in Texas, but an acceptable and

reasonable program could not be finalized."

Earlier this month, Clements' budget director, Paul Wrotenbery, suggested a "floating" gasoline tax that would rise from five cents a gallon now to eight cents next year and 10 cents in 1983.

On Tuesday, Clements said the doubling of gasoline prices and more fuel-efficient cars had reduced gasoline tax revenue, and he added:

"This has created a \$300 million deficit in the highway construction and maintenance program."

Hobbs man dies in accident in oil field in Andrews County

ANDREWS — A 29-year-old Hobbs, N.M., man was crushed to death about 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, when a chain hoisting a pump-jack balance "gave way" and pinned the man, Israel U. Ornelas, between the balance and the float trailer hauling the pump-jack's gear box and balance.

He was pronounced dead at the scene on the Exxon Fullerton Clear

Fork Well north of Frankel City in northeast Andrews County by Peace Justice Jay Williams.

Ornelas was a helper for Carl Stroup Pump Service in moving the unit to the well site, according to Andrews County Chief Deputy Sheriff Morris Brown, who investigated the mishap. He said the man's chest was crushed.

Newton Mobley of Hobbs was driver of the truck, Brown said.

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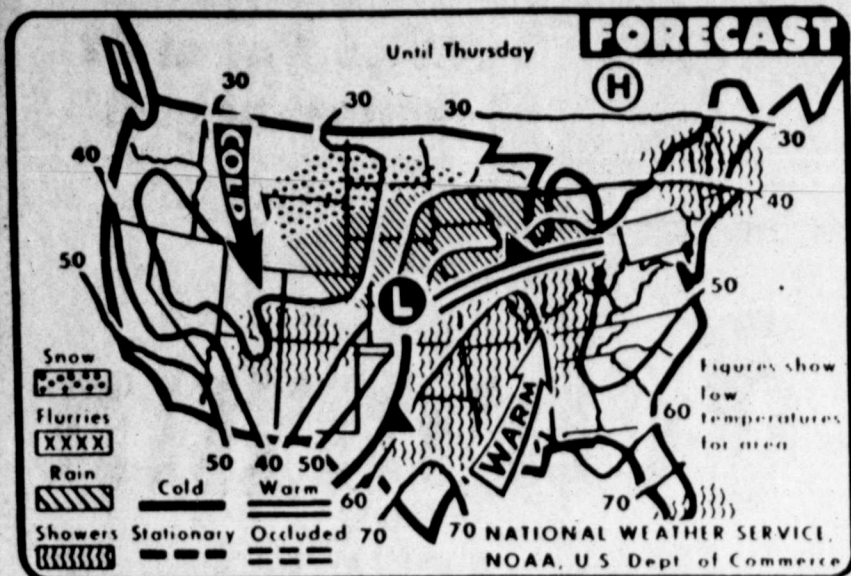
United Way campaign reaches 32 percent of its 1980 goal

Midland's United Way campaign for 1981 has reached \$368,725, or 32.06 percent of the \$1,150,000 goal, campaign chairman Donald Evans said today at a noon meeting of volunteers.

"Our campaign volunteers are doing an excellent job and I am confident we will reach our campaign goal," Evans said.

An objective of 55 percent has been set for the next report meeting, to be held at noon Oct. 22, at Midland Center. The Midland United Way campaign is scheduled to end Nov. 13.

WEATHER SUMMARY



Rain, mixed with snow and showers, is forecast today through early Thursday over the central portion of the country. Showers also are expected over the desert states and New England.

Midland statistics

The weather elsewhere

Table with weather forecast data for Midland, including temperature readings for various times of day and local temperatures.

Table with weather forecast data for other cities, listing high, low, and precipitation probability.

Texas temperatures

Table listing temperatures for various Texas cities like Abilene, Alice, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Brownsville, Childress, College Station, Corpus Christi, Dalhart, Dallas, Del Rio, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Junction, Lampasas, Lubbock, Lufkin, McAllen, Midland, Mineral Wells, Palestine, Pampa, San Angelo, San Antonio, Shreveport-La., Stephenville, Texarkana, Tyler, Victoria, Waco, Wichita Falls, and Wink.

Border state forecast

OKLAHOMA: Considerable cloudiness with scattered showers and thunderstorms through tonight...

Slight chance for rainfall is forecast

Midland may be in for another of nature's rainfall acts...if the weatherman's 20 percent prediction of thunderstorms today comes through.



Enthusiastic Democrats gathered Tuesday night to celebrate the opening of the new Democratic headquarters in Midland. The headquarters is located at 117 W. Wall Ave., across from the Main Post Office. (Staff Photo)

Hostage families given tax relief

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter has signed bills providing special tax relief and benefits for American hostages in Iran and their families as well as a "death gratuity" for dependents of U.S. intelligence officers murdered overseas.

The president said the bill was "crucial" to promote competition and hold down inflation. However, it was widely believed that the step actually will drive consumer prices up with increased rail rates.

It is the third part of an administration-supported transportation deregulation package. Airlines were deregulated in 1978 and a trucking industry deregulation bill was signed earlier this year.

reason to believe that the person who has the material sought by police committed a crime, when immediate seizure is needed to prevent death or serious injury, when the material would be destroyed or altered if advance notice were given or when further delay would threaten the interests of justice.

Supreme Court agrees to study residential search warrant issue

By RICHARD CARELLI WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court already is on record in ruling that police officers authorized to search a public place may not search all persons who happen to be there.

In other matters Tuesday, the court took these actions: —Refused to bar women whose cancer may have been caused by their mothers using DES, a synthetic female hormone used by some 3 million pregnant women who believed it helped prevent miscarriages.

ic manufacturer cannot be determined. —Agreed to decide in a Flint, Mich., case if employers can sue individual union members who violate a labor contract without union approval.

Commerce Department sets higher 'trigger price' for steel

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Commerce Department today announced new minimum prices at which imported steel can be sold in this country.

The higher price, promised by President Carter as part of his effort to help the ailing U.S. steel industry, is based on increased costs of Japanese steel production—the benchmark for the trigger price mechanism.

to the price of such imports. The trigger price mechanism is being reinstated for the first time since March. It was abandoned after U.S. Steel Corp. charged in a suit that producers in seven European countries were selling steel in the United States for less than it was being sold where it was produced.

Pennsylvania professor awarded Nobel; Americans share five

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Lawrence R. Klein of the University of Pennsylvania won the 1980 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics today for creating computer-based models to show how such events as skyrocketing oil prices affect world economic trends.

The noted economist Paul Samuelson also said of today's laureate, "After World War II, we come to the age of Klein."

beginning of the 1960s he became the leader of an extensive research project, "The Brookings-SSRC project," the academy release stated.

Nobel committee makes an error in its citation

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — For the first time in memory, the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences made an error in its citation of a winner in the Nobel Prize series.

"Thanks to Klein's contributions, the building of econometric models has attained widespread, not to say universal use. It is now to be found all through the world, not only at scientific institutions, but also in public administration, political organizations and large enterprises," the Swedish Academy said.

Seven Americans, a Briton, a Frenchman and an Argentine were awarded the five other 1980 prizes for achievements in medicine, physics, chemistry, literature, and fostering world peace.

Candidates Forum slated

The League of Women Voters, along with the Midland Jaycees, the Midland County Republican Women and the Midland County Democratic Party, will hold a Candidates Forum Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Midland Center.

Mary Tyler Moore's son, 24, dies of shotgun blast

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The 24-year-old son of actress Mary Tyler Moore, Richard Carlton Meeker Jr., died of a self-inflicted shotgun blast near the University of Southern California campus, police said today.

Ms. Moore, who rose to fame as Dick Van Dyke's television wife and later starred in her own highly successful comedy series "The Mary Tyler Moore Show," recently separated from Tinker.

Police Detective Jerry Ferrin said, "He was loading and unloading the short-barreled gun when it went off, the blast striking him in the head."

She has a leading role in the current motion picture "Ordinary People."

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Police investigate \$7,000 burglary

Two men reportedly stole \$7,000 at gunpoint from a Midland man Tuesday night.

Ronny Smith told police that, as he left his music store at 3401 W. Industrial Ave. about 7 p.m. Tuesday, a man with a blue steel revolver stole his billfold. In the wallet were a Texaco credit card and \$7,000, police records showed.

The robber then fled through a door on the east side of the building. He and another man left in a 1974 white over blue Buick Century. The car was last seen heading south on Industrial Loop.

Police are investigating a forgery, in which an M-System store paid out \$182.92 for a bogus check.

A store employee told officers a man approached her check stand and cashed what appeared to be a payroll check. He was given \$182.92. On later examination, however, the check turned out to be a photocopy of a payroll check.

Tuesday afternoon and evening were filled with the sounds of sirens as police and ambulances responded to three accidents with injuries.

At 12:52 p.m., a car driven by Darla Wiseman, 2910 W. Michigan Ave., struck a utility pole at

the intersection of Illinois Avenue and D Street. Police reported that Ms. Wiseman was injured; however, hospital records show she was not treated. A passenger in the vehicle was also hurt. Terri Davidson, 17, of 3803 Thomason Drive, was treated at Midland Memorial Hospital emergency room and released.

One person was injured in a one-vehicle accident at 4:19 p.m. Richard W. Matthews was riding his motorcycle north on Culpepper Drive when he lost control at the intersection of

Police Roundup

Culpepper and Dartmouth Drive. The motorcycle's front tire struck the north curb, throwing Matthews from the motorcycle. He was treated at Midland Memorial emergency room and released.

A two-vehicle accident at 6:55 p.m. Tuesday resulted in minor injuries to an Odessa man.

Marcel Pemberton Russell of Odessa was eastbound on Florida Avenue. Victor Madrid, 203 Nobles Ave., was southbound on Marienfield Street. The two vehicles collided at the intersection. Russell received minor injuries but refused medical care at the scene.

School board studies testing routines

By DAVID CAMPBELL Staff Writer

Standardized testing by the school district was examined by administration officials and trustees Tuesday to see if there might be a less time consuming and cheaper method of checking the performance of Midland students and teachers.

Although school superintendent James Malley noted the district's standardized testing program was performing well, administration officials presented trustees with alternatives to the district's three testing programs — California Achievement Test, Midland Assessment Program and the Texas Assessment of Basic Skills.

Assistant superintendent of instruction Joseph Baressi suggested that two criterion tests in Alternative A — Prescriptive Reading Inventory and Diagnostic Mathematics Inventory — could replace the CAT, MAP and the Short Form Test of Academic Aptitude which is given in the fall and spring to second through tenth grade students.

In Alternative B, Baressi suggested to keep the MAP and include CAT mastery objectives materials. This would replace the Science Research Associates materials, he noted.

Lower costs and less time were seen as the benefits

of the two alternative testing programs which appealed to trustees. Alternative A would save the school district about \$31,318 and six hours in preparing and presenting the testing materials.

Alternative B could save as much as \$37,382 and would eliminate the six hours testing time required to take the SRA tests.

Presently, the school district spends nearly \$100,000 in its testing programs.

Trustee Joyce Sherrod said she feared the district's third grade students were being "tested to death." Third grade students are required to take the CAT, TABS and MAP tests.

But, she also noted that it was unfair to teachers to hold them responsible for a child's slow progress as shown by the tests.

"We may be beating a horse that can't be going faster," she said of some children's ability to progress within a school year.

This year third, fifth and ninth grade students will be required to take the TABS programs which was first administered last year to fifth and ninth grade students.

Trustees agreed to allow the administration to study alternatives to the testing program and present their findings before the school budget is adopted.

In another action, specifications for portable buildings to be used as additional classroom space for some schools met trustee approval.

Several elementary schools, particularly Bowie Elementary, are facing crowded conditions according to a district report presented at September's board meeting.

The buildings would be skid-mounted to allow for transportation from one school to another. Trustees are considering purchasing five buildings within a couple of years.

Bids for 15 mobile radios, an exit door for the Midland High School Band room and five vehicles met trustee approval.

School district business manager Don Furgeson presented an audit of the district's activities funds for 1979-80. He noted that about three-quarters of a million dollars usually flows through these accounts.

Football continues to be a money-maker for the district. In the Midland High School-Monterrey game, the school took a victory as well as \$4,208. Although Lee High School lost to Odessa High, they were able to take in \$8,657.

Trustees approved the use of Sam Houston Elementary Cafeteria for Pat Baskin's campaign committee and the YMCA's use of the district's basketball courts for the Y's basketball program.

Most wastes dumped off Maryland-Delaware coast

DOVER, Del. (AP) — The most radioactive hazardous wastes dumped into the ocean by the U.S. government lie within 200 miles of the Maryland-Delaware coast, says a federal Environmental Protection Agency official.

Robert S. Dyer, a senior staff oceanographer for the EPA's Office of Radiation Programs, said Tuesday that 90 percent to 98 percent of all radioactive wastes dumped into the ocean during 1950s and 1960s is located at four sites. Two areas are in the Pacific Ocean off the Farallon Islands and the other two are off the Maryland-Delaware coast in the Hudson Canyon, between Bethany Beach, Del., and Ocean City, Md.

The most radioactive of the four sites is 120 miles off the Delmarva Peninsula, Dyer said in a telephone interview from Arlington, Va.

The site — 100 square miles and 9,300 feet deep — contains about 14,300 55-gallon drums containing low-level radioactive wastes and waste from the nuclear submarine Seawolf, which partly accounts for the higher inventory of radioactive units at the site.

But he stressed, "There's no danger to the public's health."

The waste was mixed with concrete and then put in the drums, he said.

"I looked at about 35 or 40 of the drums and didn't find anything to show there was a danger. But then again, you could say that out of over 14,000 drums, we haven't looked at enough. But we plan to take more samples," he said.

Dyer added that traces of radioactive material — cesium-137 — were found in the sediment within the 100-square mile area, but not outside the area specified for the dump.

At the second Atlantic site, about 200 miles off the coast and 13,000 feet deep, the analysis has not been completed.

But traces of cesium-137 and plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240 were found in the sediment there, he said.

In addition at the deeper site, Dyer said fish were taken from the area for analysis and one showed traces of contamination.

"I don't know how many fish were taken for analysis, but one showed contamination of americium-240. I don't know if it was an analytical error or a real situation, but we will have to analyze more fish," he said.

Dyer was uncertain when scientists will return to any of the dumping sites.

Witnesses at a hearing held by the House subcommittee on the environment, energy and natural resources last week in San Francisco said strict standards should be set before any more wastes are dumped in the ocean. Dyer said dumping now is prohibited at all of the sites.

"The problem is that this stuff was dumped before the EPA was even formed. And now, we're trying to go through the government's records to see what was dumped and where," he said.

El Salvador celebrates Romero's overthrow

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — El Salvador today celebrated the first anniversary of the overthrow of rightist President Carlos Humberto Romero with a national holiday amid reports of 74 more deaths in the political warfare between leftists and ultra-rightists that has killed more than 7,000 people since the bloodless coup.

Soldiers parachuted Tuesday into a 40-mile-square leftist guerrilla zone in the central part of the country and in a day-long battle killed 50 guerrillas, the army said. It said four soldiers were killed.

Highest jobless rate in auto-depressed cities

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cities hit by the slump in U.S. auto production continued to lead the nation in unemployment in August, the government reports.

The highest jobless rate was 20.7 percent in Flint, Mich., while other auto-depressed cities that had some of the largest unemployment were Anderson, Ind., at 20 percent, and Saginaw, Mich., at 16.6 percent, according to figures released Tuesday.

The Labor Department also said the August unemployment rate of 3.3 percent in Lincoln, Neb., was the lowest of the 214 metropolitan areas surveyed.

Meanwhile, the Carter administration on Tuesday unveiled a \$1.3 million program to assist laid-off auto workers who've exhausted their regular unemployment benefits.

The money will be awarded to the United Auto Workers to set up "crisis centers" in Flint, Anderson, Saginaw and five other cities that have been particularly hard-hit by the 250,000 indefinite layoffs in the auto industry.

The crisis centers will help the unemployed obtain additional welfare benefits to which they may be entitled, food stamps, veterans benefits, legal aid and employment assistance, Labor Secretary Ray Marshall said.

Other centers are tentatively scheduled to be set up in Detroit and Pontiac, Mich.; Indianapolis and Kokomo, Ind.; and Cleveland.

Although Flint continued to have the worst unemployment picture, the city's jobless rate was down slightly from the 22.2 percent rate in July, the Labor Department said.

The government said that among the states, Michigan had the highest unemployment rate at 12.5 percent, while Wyoming had the lowest at 3.3 percent.

Other cities with the lowest unemployment rates were Lafayette, La., at 3.4 percent, and Stamford, Conn. at 3.6.

The state and metropolitan area jobless rates are not seasonally adjusted and thus cannot be compared directly with the national jobless rate, which is adjusted.

The U.S. figure stood at 7.6 percent in August, declining to 7.5 percent in September.

September state and metropolitan area jobless figures are not yet available.

American assails UNESCO

BELGRADE (AP) — An American member of a commission studying global communications told UNESCO to stop meddling in the media with a plan to protect journalists.

"Allow me as one who has spent 25 years of his working life in active journalism to share a secret with you," journalist and educator Elie Abel told the 21st general conference of the U.N. Educational and Cultural Organization on Tuesday.

"I have yet to meet a working journalist who has beseeched UNESCO for protection. Why, one may ask, does UNESCO persist in the role of international nanny, a role for which it is poorly equipped?"

The UNESCO budget for 1981-1983 calls for "assistance to organizations and other appropriate bodies interested in devising measures to protect journalists in their work."

Many Western governments say the plan would amount to a form of licensing that could be used by governments to censor or intimidate individual reporters or their news organizations.

Twelve of the 153 delegations, including the United States and Britain, met behind closed doors to discuss alternative proposals.

Abel, Dean of Stanford University's journalism school and a former correspondent for CBS news, is a member of the MacBride Commission studying problems of world journalism and a U.S. delegate to the conference.

"The problem is real. Journalism remains a dangerous profession in some parts of this world," Abel said.

"But I find it inconceivable that regimes which show little respect for the human rights of their own citizens will make an exception for journalists, if only to please UNESCO."

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The sources said Stus, a member of the Ukrainian "Helsinki" human rights group, was also ordered to pay the equivalent of \$3,000 in court costs involved in bringing witnesses to his four-day trial, which ended Oct. 2 in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev.

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A recent study by the state Revenue Department said that by 1982 Proposition 2 1/2 would reduce city and town revenues statewide by about 40 percent, or \$1.5 billion, from anticipated levels. But backers of the tax-cutting measure say those figures are "either incredibly naive or deliberately misleading," because they assume no growth in property values over the next two years.

Gov. Edward J. King, a conservative Democrat who won election promising a \$900 million property tax rollback over two years, opposes Proposition 2 1/2. But spokesman Gerard Morris said King still favors tax limitation and will file his own proposal next year.

Although opinion polls earlier in the year indicated the measure would win by a wide margin, opposition has become more organized and the vote has apparently tightened. A Boston Globe survey published Monday found 44 percent favored the measure, 35 were opposed, and 21 percent didn't know.

Neither side says it plans a big media blitz. Citizens for Limited Taxation, a pro-tax cut coalition, says its projected budget is only \$20,000.

Opponents say they are prepared to spend 10 times that amount, but have only advertised in newspapers, posters, billboards and bumper stickers.

One committee of the state AFL-CIO, municipal officials and other advocacy groups have concentrated on having union members spread the word to vote no.

They say passage would require tax rollbacks by virtually every city and large suburb. Property tax levies would have to be cut by 15 percent a year until annual tax collections amount to no more than 2 1/2 percent of their property's full value.

Once that tax level is achieved, taxes could only go above 2 1/2 percent if two-thirds of the local voters approve in a referendum.

Proposition 2 1/2, which will appear on the ballot as "Question 2," also would:

Cut auto excise taxes from \$66 per \$1,000 of value to \$25 per \$1,000; allow renters to deduct 50 percent of the rent that renters pay each year from state income tax; and make school budgets subject to amendment and approval by city councils or town meetings.

Property taxes have been a hot issue in Massachusetts for years. Taxes currently average 3.4 percent of property values, or about \$491 in taxes per person. That compares with a national average of 1.9 percent, or about \$289 per person.

It's not uncommon, for instance, for a homeowner with a \$50,000 house to be taxed \$2,000 or more per year.

"That's just not a rational plan. This is being promoted by people who would rather see cities shut down than pay taxes," says Michael Ventresca who

heads to anti-Proposition 13 coalition.

But Proposition 2 1/2 backers charge that opponents are using scare tactics.

"Other states tax far less than we do and still provide adequate services," says Barbara Anderson, director of Citizens for Limited Taxation. "Why can't Massachusetts?"

A rival tax-related proposition on the ballot is Question Three, sponsored by the Massachusetts Teachers Association. It would urge the Legislature to increase state aid for schools from the present 30 percent of costs to 50 percent, thereby easing the burden on property owners. However, the state would have to raise its own taxes by \$500 million to accomplish this.

Proposition 2 1/2 backers are worried that Question 3 will act as a "spoiler" for their own proposal. Since both are aimed at limiting taxes, voters might vote for both. If both are approved, there would likely be a court battle over which should take effect.

Houston fires two policemen

HOUSTON (AP) — Two narcotics officers have been fired for allegedly mishandling a prisoner, a spokesman for the Houston Police Department said.

Liborio Correa Jr., 31, and Juan Martinez, 27, were dismissed Tuesday by Police Chief B.K. Johnson following an investigation by the department's internal affairs division.

Spokesman Larry Trout said Correa and Martinez, five-year veterans of the force, were accused of "violating department rules and regulations in mishandling a prisoner."

But Mike Ramsey, attorney for the policemen, argued the two men were involved in a fight he described as a "fight among (nightclub) patrons."

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Volcano releasing pressure

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — The recent series of small tremors and steam plumes on Mount St. Helens may be signs the volcano is releasing pressure rather than building for another eruption, geologists say.

The "seismic bursts" also could be caused by ground water exploding into steam when it hits the intense heat within the volcano, they speculate.

The cloud-covered mountain registered two of the small "class B" quakes Tuesday and sent a steam plume drifting 600 feet above the lip of the volcano's crater, said Joyce Routson, a spokeswoman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Heavy clouds obscuring the volcano prompted the U.S. Forest Service to close the restricted access "red zone" around the mountain to all air traffic except the spotter plane, Ms. Routson said. The area also was closed Monday.

More than a dozen small earthquakes have been recorded since Sunday, and several theories about them and the steam plumes have been advanced.

Firing of officer upheld

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A police officer whose 21-year-old criminal record cost him his job lost his appeal today in the Texas Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court affirmed the rulings of lower courts, which dismissed Alford Bush's appeal for want of jurisdiction.

The courts maintained they had no jurisdiction because Bush had failed to post an appeals bond.

Bush and his employer, the city of Ranger in Eastland County, sought to block an order of the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education on Feb. 7, 1980, that revoked Bush's certification.

Bush had been hired the previous year.

The commission acted after learning that Bush had been sentenced to three years in prison after being convicted in Upton County in 1959 of the theft of more than \$50.

Texas law requires the commission to revoke certification of any law enforcement officer convicted of a felony.

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—Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution requires that excise taxes be levied uniformly. This has been held by the courts to require geographic uniformity, that is, the thing taxed must be taxed in the same manner wherever it occurs.

Four West Texas counties gain locations for wildcats

Wildcat operations have been staked in Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Pecos counties.

Widcat. No information as to whether that project was ever started is not available.

potential of 65 barrels of 37.1-gravity oil and 90 barrels of water, through perforations from 7,568 to 7,723 feet after a 2,000-gallon acid treatment and a 12,000-gallon fracture job.

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ANDREWS COUNTY
Clabberhill (Permian): Gulf Oil Corp. No. 3 State "FR," 1,900 feet from south and east lines section 30, block 9, University Lands survey, 11 miles southwest Andrews, abandoned location.

lines of section 1029, block 1, H&OP survey, 7.5 miles southeast Robertson, id 8,478 Ellenburger, junked and abandoned.

HOWARD PROJECTS
Estoril Producing Co. of midland No. 1 Ray is to be drilled as a 10,500-foot wildcat in Howard County, three miles northeast of Big Spring.

McCann Corp. of Big Spring No. 1-39 Oldham is a re-entry project in Howard County, 9 1/2 miles north of Coahoma.

MITCHELL WILDCATS
Sun Oil Co. of Midland No. 36 V. T. McCabe has been spotted as a wildcat in the Jameson, North (Odom and Ellenburger) field of Mitchell County, four miles north of Silver.

PECOS EXPLORERS
Argee Oil Co. of Midland No. 1 San Pedro Ranch is to be drilled as a 5,700-foot wildcat in Pecos County, 16 miles northeast of Fort Stockton.

MIDLAND TEST
Tamarack Petroleum Co., Inc., of Midland No. 1-26 Parks is to be drilled as a 10,000-foot project in the Parks (Spraberry) area 10 miles southwest of Midland in Midland County.

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Meadco Properties of Midland reported potential tests on two wells in Irion County. Each of the producers started out as wildcats, but probably will be assigned to a nearby field.

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WILDCATS
Meadco No. 1-26 Farmer, id 7,550 feet; swabbing, no gauges, through perforations at 7,443-7,459 feet.

FIELD TESTS
CROCKETT COUNTY
Anderson Petroleum No. 10-55 Bill Clegg "B", Osma (Canyon sand); drilling 530 feet to lime and shale.

WINKLER COUNTY
Getty Oil No. 1-33-21 University; Little Joe (Ellenburger); id 12,000 feet; running casing.

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A recent study by the state Revenue Department said that by 1982 Proposition 2½ would reduce city and town revenues statewide by about 40 percent, or \$1.5 billion, from anticipated levels. But backers of the tax-cutting measure say those figures are "either incredibly naive or deliberately misleading," because they assume no growth in property values over the next two years.

Gov. Edward J. King, a conservative Democrat who won election promising a \$900 million property tax rollback over two years, opposes Proposition 2½. But spokesman Gerard Morris said King still favors tax limitation and will file his own proposal next year.

Although opinion polls earlier in the year indicated the measure would win by a wide margin, opposition has become more organized and the vote has apparently tightened. A Boston Globe survey published Monday found 44 percent favored the measure, 35 were opposed, and 21 percent didn't know.

Neither side says it plans a big media blitz. Citizens for Limited Taxation, a pro-tax cut coalition, says its projected budget is only \$20,000.

Opponents say they are prepared to spend 10 times that amount, but have only advertised in newspapers, posters, billboards and bumper stickers.

One committee of the state AFL-CIO, municipal officials and other advocacy groups have concentrated on having union members spread the word to vote no.

They say passage would require tax rollbacks by virtually every city and large suburb. Property tax levies would have to be cut by 15 percent a year until annual tax collections amount to no more than 2½ percent of their property's full value.

Once that tax level is achieved, taxes could only go above 2½ percent if two-thirds of the local voters approve in a referendum.

Proposition 2½, which will appear on the ballot as "Question 2," also would:

- Cut auto excise taxes from \$66 per \$1,000 of value to \$25 per \$1,000; allow renters to deduct 50 percent of the rent that renters pay each year from state income tax; and make school budgets subject to amendment and approval by city councils or town meetings.

Property taxes have been a hot issue in Massachusetts for years. Taxes currently average 3.4 percent of property values, or about \$491 in taxes per person. That compares with a national average of 1.9 percent, or about \$289 per person.

It's not uncommon, for instance, for a homeowner with a \$50,000 house to be taxed \$2,000 or more per year.

"That's just not a rational plan. This is being promoted by people who would rather see cities shut down than pay taxes," says Michael Ventresca who

heads to anti-Proposition 13 coalition.

But Proposition 2½ backers charge that opponents are using scare tactics.

"Other states tax far less than we do and still provide adequate services," says Barbara Anderson, director of Citizens for Limited Taxation. "Why can't Massachusetts?"

A rival tax-related proposition on the ballot is Question Three, sponsored by the Massachusetts Teachers Association. It would urge the Legislature to increase state aid for schools from the present 30 percent of costs to 50 percent, thereby easing the burden on property owners. However, the state would have to raise its own taxes by \$500 million to accomplish this.

Proposition 2½ backers are worried that Question 3 will act as a "spoiler" for their own proposal. Since both are aimed at limiting taxes, voters might vote for both. If both are approved, there would likely be a court battle over which should take effect.

Volcano releasing pressure

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — The recent series of small tremors and steam plumes on Mount St. Helens may be signs the volcano is releasing pressure rather than building for another eruption, geologists say.

The "seismic bursts" also could be caused by ground water exploding into steam when it hits the intense heat within the volcano, they speculate.

The cloud-covered mountain registered two of the small "class B" quakes Tuesday and sent a steam plume drifting 600 feet above the lip of the volcano's crater, said Joyce Routson, a spokeswoman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Heavy clouds obscuring the volcano prompted the U.S. Forest Service to close the restricted access "red zone" around the mountain to all air traffic except the spotter plane, Ms. Routson said. The area also was closed Monday.

More than a dozen small earthquakes have been recorded since Sunday, and several theories about them and the steam plumes have been advanced.

Firing of officer upheld

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A police officer whose 21-year-old criminal record cost him his job lost his appeal today in the Texas Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court affirmed the rulings of lower courts, which dismissed Alford Bush's appeal for want of jurisdiction.

The courts maintained they had no jurisdiction because Bush had failed to post an appeals bond.

Bush and his employer, the city of Ranger in Eastland County, sought to block an order of the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education on Feb. 7, 1980, that revoked Bush's certification.

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Houston fires two policemen

HOUSTON (AP) — Two narcotics officers have been fired for allegedly mishandling a prisoner, a spokesman for the Houston Police Department said.

Liborio Correa Jr., 31, and Juan Martinez, 27, were dismissed Tuesday by Police Chief B.K. Johnson following an investigation by the department's internal affairs division.

Spokesman Larry Trout said Correa and Martinez, five-year veterans of the force, were accused of "violating department rules and regulations in mishandling a prisoner."

But Mike Ramsey, attorney for the policemen, argued the two men were involved in a fight he described as a "fight among (nightclub) patrons."

Witnesses said the policemen, while off duty and out of uniform last month, got into a fist fight with a patron at a north Houston club. The two men failed to act as peace officers during the incident, witnesses said.

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'Pete' Harrington

Services for W.A. "Pete" Harrington, 66, of San Angelo and formerly of Midland were at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Johnson's Funeral Home chapel in San Angelo with the Rev. Wayne Oglesby, pastor of the Hilcrest Baptist Church in San Angelo, officiating.

Wendy Farmer

Wendy Farmer, 12, of 3701 Thomason Drive, died Monday in an Odessa hospital following a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Curtis Hollis, minister of Temple Baptist Church, officiating.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Farmer Jr. of Midland; two brothers, Richmond A. Farmer III and Corey D. Farmer, both of Midland; her grandparents, R.A. Farmer Sr. and Nellie Fisher, both of Midland; and her great-grandfather, W.G. Thrasher of Turkey, Texas.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Leukemia Society of America.

'Corbett' Clanton

BIG SPRING — Services for J.C. "Corbett" Clanton, 85, of Snyder, father of Billy Clanton of Midland, were Tuesday in the Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with the Rev. Elvis O. Bishop of Kerrville officiating, assisted by the Rev. Allen Bushman of the Apostolic Faith Church of Big Spring and the Rev. Elra Phillips, retired Methodist minister from Big Spring.

Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Clanton died Sunday in a Snyder nursing home.

He was born May 10, 1895, in White County, Ark. He was married to Pearl Lee Heath Oct. 1, 1916, in Polar. He had lived in Howard County since Jan. 26, 1926, coming here from Kent County. Clanton was chairman of the board of elders of the Apostolic

Security review ordered in Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — Prime Minister Michael Manley ordered a review of security for candidates in the Oct. 30 parliamentary election and vowed not to bow to "terrorism from any quarter" after a leading government candidate was shot and killed.

Manley's People's National Party and the opposition Jamaica Labor Party blamed each other for the slaying early Tuesday of Roy McGann, parliamentary secretary in the ministry of national security, who was killed with his bodyguard at a roadblock manned by police and Labor Party supporters.

Manley said in a nationally broadcast speech that he was calling an emergency Cabinet meeting and ordering a review of the candidates' security. He also canceled a political rally but said McGann's death would not affect Nomination Day, when all candidates are officially declared.

"While I call on all Jamaicans and all comrades (of the People's National Party) in particular to be disciplined and calm, I wish to make it clear that we do not intend to be intimidated. We will not bow to terrorism from any quarter," Manley said.

"We grieve for Jamaica; this country of ours that has been so battered in recent times. We grieve for all the other victims of violence and terrorism whose names are less well known."

Government statistics show 380 people were shot to death in Jamaica in the first nine months of the year — 125 of them in July. But Manley said McGann's slaying marked "the first time in our history that a candidate for political office had been killed."

The People's National Party said McGann was taking party members home after a public meeting when he was stopped at a roadblock in Gordon Town, 15 miles north of Kingston, manned by Labor Party supporters and police.

"Even though he and his security officer, Corporal White, identified themselves, they were both killed. Roy McGann was murdered," the PNP statement said.

But opposition leader Edward Seaga issued a statement branding the PNP report as false. According to Seaga, a car roadblock past a Labor Party crowd in Gordon Town and opened fire.

"Two JLP supporters were injured. The vehicle turned back and more shots were fired. The police returned the fire and the car stopped. In it were Roy McGann and his supporters. Roy McGann was injured and subsequently died," Seaga said.

Faith Church for 20 years. He was chairman of Gay Hill School Board for several years. He was in oilfield water transportation with his son, Morris Clanton, for 14 years prior to retiring. He was a member of the Apostolic Faith Church.

Other survivors include his wife, three daughters, a son, 24 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

Angela Dinsmore

Angela Christine Dinsmore, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dinsmore of 3607 Tanner Drive, died Sunday in a Midland hospital.

Graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Resthaven Babyland Cemetery under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. Kenneth Hall of Crestview Baptist Church officiating.

Angela was born Oct. 12, 1980, in Midland.

Survivors include her parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wimberly of Midland and Gloria Lou Jordan of Midland.

Mrs. William Grace

Mrs. William M.H. Grace of 1002 Boyd Ave. died Friday following a lengthy illness.

Services were Tuesday in Birmingham, Ala.

Survivors include a son, Robert M. Grace of Midland; a daughter, Mrs. S.J. Bowles Jr. of Birmingham, Ala.; 11 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be directed to the First United Methodist Church of Midland.

Edith S. Coates

PLAINVIEW — Services for Edith Shirley Coates, 81, of Plainview, sister of Meadie Goodson of Midland, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in College Heights Baptist Church with the Rev. Dr. Tody Irwin, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Parklawn Memorial Park directed by Lemons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Coates died Tuesday morning in a Lubbock hospital following an illness.

The Comanche native moved to Haskell. She married Jess Coates on Nov. 2, 1924, in Knox City. She came to Plainview in 1950. She was a member of College Heights Baptist Church.

Other survivors include her husband, three brothers and a sister.

'K.P.' Looney

CRANE — Services for Kirk Perry "K.P." Looney, 83, of Crane, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Crane Christian Church. Burial will follow in Crane County Cemetery directed by Richard W. Box Funeral Home.

Looney died Tuesday in a Crane hospital following a short illness.

He was born Nov. 30, 1895, in Tyler. Looney was married to Treva Pearl Kidd Oct. 14, 1922, in Lorraine. He lived in Crane 51 years and was a retired rancher and oilman. Looney was a World War I veteran and a member of the Christian Church. He was a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association and the American Cattleman Association. He had been a Crane School Board trustee for 14 years.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Gloria Jean Williams of Crane; a son, Kirksey Otis Looney of Crane; three grandsons and three great-grandchildren.

Honeymoon spent on captive tanker

BASRA, Iraq (AP) — Maggie Mealing spent the last 24 days of her honeymoon captive on a tanker in the Shatt al-Arab waterway, just opposite the raging oil fires and artillery duels of the Iraq-Iran war.

"It was a honeymoon I'm not going to forget soon," said the weary, 22-year-old redhead from Taunton, England. At 4 a.m. today, she, her husband and 22 other people — crewmen and their families — slipped into a lifeboat that took them to the Iraqi side of the estuary where they were met by friendly Iraqi frogmen.

Meeting reporters at the Hamdan Hotel a few hours later, the evacuees, most of them Filipinos, would not give the name of the ship because the captain and a skeleton crew were still aboard.

It was understood that the escape had been organized by a British TV reporter who became acquainted with the ship owners during his reporting on the Iraq-Iran war.

Maggie, wife of engineer John Mealing, said the ship sailed from Philadelphia, Pa., on June 2 and made stops in the United States, Canada and Brazil before coming to the Iranian port of Khorramshahr.

"It was very enjoyable up to that point — super," she said. "It was an interesting trip up the river too — seeing the mud hut villages and the big oil refineries."

They had come to their mooring in the Shatt at the beginning of September, about 20 days before the war started.

Maggie said she spent most of the days before the war at the pool on the ship's bridge, in the pleasant hot sunshine of the palm tree-lined Shatt. But after the war began Sept. 22, and the big oil refinery at Abadan began

burning, they all became captives.

"We weren't allowed out, but we had parties, organized games and things like that," she said. "I've learned so many new card games and so many new Scrabble words. We would get up about midday, then do the wash and then watch video tapes or something like that."

"I could see the fires and hear the artillery, but I wasn't frightened really. The morale on the ship was high. We could hear the war but it didn't really threaten us."

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She said that at a hat-and-T-shirt party, where everyone must wear a costume, many of the themes were sarcastic comments on the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Maggie said she slept like a log and rose in the morning to see new fires burning several hundred yards away on the Iranian side of the Shatt. "We could see Khorramshahr burning and of course the Abadan refinery."

Maggie said the captain told her and her husband Tuesday night to

pack a small bag and get some rest. At 4 a.m. today, their lifeboat pushed off and minutes later they were in a hotel on the Iraqi side and free.

"I'm tired," said Maggie. She said she is going to return to England, visit her parents and John's parents and then just get some rest — a kind of second honeymoon.

"I will go back to sea, but not to Iran or Iraq," she said. "To the Caribbean or the Mediterranean."

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Although details of the three plans were withheld, sources disclosed that Israel had offered to share authority over public lands with Palestinian residents of the occupied West Bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip.

U.S. officials were encouraged by what they called the "constructive"

Israeli gesture, as well as a reaffirmation by Israel that only four more settlements will be constructed on the West Bank.

It was the first time Israel had offered to share control with the Palestinians, who so far have boycotted the peace efforts and are demanding statehood.

'My Friend Flicka' author dies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mary O'Hara Alsop, author of the classic young people's book "My Friend Flicka," died of arteriosclerosis Tuesday at her home in suburban Maryland. She was 95.

"My Friend Flicka" is the story of a 10-year-old Wyoming boy who tames a wild horse and learns about growing up in the process.

The book first appeared in 1941, and was later turned into a movie starring Roddy McDowall and was made into a television series in the 1950s.

Miss Alsop, who wrote under the name Mary O'Hara, also was the

author of several other books, including "Thunderhead," a sequel to "Flicka," "Green Grass of Wyoming," and "The Son of Adam Wymgate."

"Flicka" has been translated into a number of foreign languages, and to the end of her life Miss Alsop received fan mail about it.

She was married and divorced twice and had lived in Chevy Chase, Md., since 1968.

Miss Alsop's survivors include a son by her first marriage. Funeral arrangements were incomplete.

Wife of U.S. drug agent shot

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A Thai gunman kidnapped the wife and 3-year-old daughter of a U.S. narcotics agent in the northern city of Chiang Mai Tuesday and shot and killed the woman, apparently accidentally, during negotiations, police reported.

The police said they killed the gunman, Narong Pomsiri, a few moments after he killed the American woman, Joyce Powers of Staten Island, New York.

Mrs. Powers was the wife of Michael Powers, who heads the Chiang Mai unit of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency.

The police gave this account of the shooting: Mrs. Powers was shopping with her daughter Nicole and 10-month-old son David Michael when the gunman threatened them with a .38-caliber revolver and ordered the woman and her daughter into her car, which was parked on the street.

Mrs. Powers was apparently too unnerved to get the car started, and the gunman dragged her and her daughter out, commandeered a van and forced them into it.

Witnesses called the police, who traded shots with the gunman, and one officer was wounded. But the police managed to surround the vehicle and began negotiating with the man. Powers had been called to the scene and joined in the negotiations.

The gunman released the child but became increasingly nervous, sweating profusely and shifting his revolver from one hand to the other. The gun went off, killing Mrs. Powers instantly, and the man

began firing at the police, who returned his fire and killed him.

Police sources said they believed the motive for the kidnapping was robbery or ransom.

Powers has been involved in the capture of several major heroin traders operating along the Thai-Burmese border and is reputed to be a tough, highly effective narcotics agent.

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