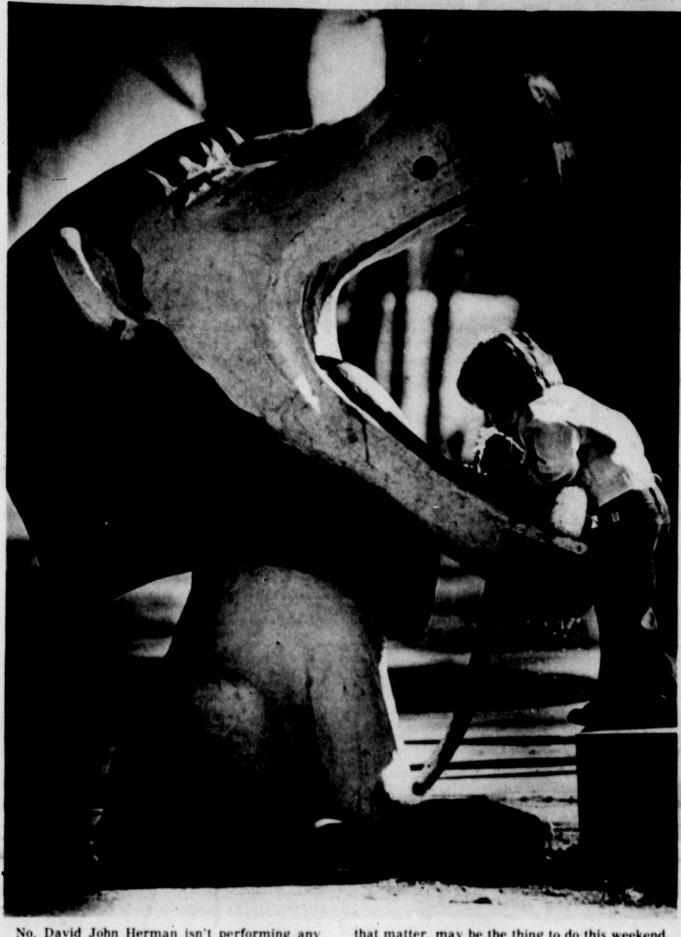
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No, David John Herman isn't performing any death-defying stunts for the circus. The Midland youngster is taking a break from his playtime for a drink of water at a fountain in Dennis the Menace Park. A visit to the park, or any outdoor activity for

that matter, may be the thing to do this weekend, with the weatherman predicting fair skies and un-January-like temperatures in the mid-70s, (Staff photo by Paul Gilbert)

Sunday they'll be homeward bound

WIESBADEN, West Germany (AP) — The freed American hostages are scheduled to fly to the United States on Sunday for reunions with their families, U.S. officials said today. And the chief of the medical team examining them said some show guilt feelings and other signs of temporary psychiatric illness.

Announcement of their impending return to a "private location" for the reunions followed a \$15,000 shopping spree today by 51 of the 52 Ameri-

State Department spokesman Jack Cannon did not say where they would meet their families, but Pentagon officials indicated Thursday it might be the U.S. Military academy at West Point.

Dr. Jerome Korcak, head of the State Department medical team examining the former hostages in Wiesbaden, said they were "generally very happy" at the news. But he also spoke of psychiatric symptoms and physical ailments following their 1415-month ordeal in Iran.

Korcak said some hostages feel guilty about statements they made to the Iranians during the 444 days of

captivity. The Iranians, meanwhile, denied reports that the hostages were treat-

ed brutally by their captors. Korcak said the psychiatric symptoms include episodes of flashbacks and disrupted sleep, part of what he called post-traumatic stress syndrome." Asked whether he thought they will recover, he said: "It's variable, but it passes with time and proper treatment.

'As might be expected, the 52 Americans are in varying states of mental and physical health," Korcak

"A number of those released are showing signs of transient psychiatric illness, including post-traumatic stress syndrome which is directly related to their captivity in Iran."

Korcak refused to discuss individual cases, saying that would violate the patients' rights to privacy. He said the treatment begun here would con-

tinue in the United States. He said "some feel guilty," men tioning that one hostage had made anti-American statements- on condition some of his colleagues would be

Abuses unreported

TORONTO (AP) - Canada's ex-foreign minister denied a claim by diplomat Kenneth Taylor that he told their government of Russian roulette and other abuses suffered by the American hostages in Iran.

Flora MacDonald, former external affairs minister, said she was never informed of any brutality and was baffled by the claim by Taylor, Canada's exambassador to Iran who helped six Americans escape from Tehran a year ago by using false Canadian passports.

MacDonald said she knew nothing about the allegations of torture until the hostages were released this week. She also said the external affairs department told her it had not been informed of the allegations.

When I heard the story I was shocked," she said. "If I had been informed about it at the time I would have reacted. I would have been just as shocked."

MacDonald served as minister in the government when Taylor said he first informed Ottawa of the hostage situation.

Korcak said another hostage made a television statement after being told his mother had died and that if he made the statement he would be allowed to return to the United States for the funeral

He apparently was referring to U.S. Marine Sgt. Johnny McKeel of Balch told his mother was dead and finding out when the hostages were freed that she was alive

Iran on Thursday denied that the hostages had undergone brutal treatment at the hands of their captors. Iran's chief hostage negotiator, Behzad Nabavi, called the Americans 'comfort-seeking diplomats' who were "ungrateful" and who did "not understand the meaning of kind-

Korcak said weight losses by the former hostages ranged from 10 to 80 pounds, and some were so depressed they are not leaving their rooms or participating in activities at the hos-

"Many of the hostages have de-scribed beatings to us," Korcak said, adding that the beatings were admin-istered in ways that would not leave

marks on the body.
One hostage who was beaten into unconsciousness continues to suffer from a ringing in the ears, he said.

The beatings were administered at times during interrogations to obtain safe combinations and other information, Korcak said, and others were beaten as punishment for escape at-

"We're seeing about what we expected, but you can't tell from looking at a person," Korcak said of the psychological toll of the hostages' captivity.

"Some of them have been more severely affected by the experience than others.

"We feel these people will not be permanently disabled by their illnesses," Korcak said.

Barry Rosen, former press attache at the Tehran embassy, told reporters he is getting "better and better every day." Asked about reports of physical abuse, Rosen said, "Everybody must speak for themselves on that.'

He said he doesn't hate the Iranians, "they're just going through a weird period."

Korcak predicted the hostages will face more stress from both family. reunions and pressure from news media when they return to the United States. He said government doctors warned families that each hostage will feel a need to recount his experi-

ences sometimes over and over. 'The best advice we can give the

them," he said. One of today's shoppers, Bruce German, 43, of Rockville, Md., former finance officer for the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, said the excursion "was like every Christmas I've ever had."

"There was a big run on underwear," said a spokesman for the Hainerburg Base Exchange.

Leaders breakfast with Reagan

President focusing on economic program

WASHINGTON (AP) - After issuing a round of orders aimed at putting the brakes on government spending. President Reagan is meeting with the Republican allies who will have to provide the push if he is to get his economic program through Con-

He invited GOP congressional leaders to breakfast today for his first working session with them since he was sworn in Tuesday. He was having lunch later with Paul Volcker, the Carter administration appointee who is chairman of the Federal Reserve

Reagan, whose advisers have said they hope to have the economic program ready for submission to Congress in three or four weeks, also planned his second Cabinet meeting in three days.

When Reagan first visited Washington after the November election, he spent much of his time courting Democrats in the House and Senate, seeking to avoid many of the problems Jimmy Carter encountered in his thorny relations with Congress during

his early years in office. Reagan's early sessions were billed

as get-acquainted meetings Now that he is in the White House and preparing his legislative program, consultation with the Republican leaders in Congress can be crucial to the reception his program will

While Reagan's first three days in office focused on economic matters. the agreements negotiated by Carter for release of the hostages held in Iran, and their treatment there, were getting a large share of attention.

Reagan sent a message to the former hostages, telling them: "Our most immediate concern is to ensure that you are quickly reunited with your families and that you are once again able to enjoy the precious blessings of freedom.

His press secretary, James Brady, said reports of brutal treatment against the hostages will not stop the administration from implementing the agreement that secured their release if all of its details comply with domestic and international law

The president held a series of backto-back. 15-minute conferences Thursday with several key House committee chairmen - all Democrats - whose panels deal with economic issues: Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, of the Ways and Means Committee; Rep. Jim Jones, of the Budget Committee, and Rep. Jack Brooks, of the Government Operations Commit-

In what has become a steady stream of executive orders and other announcements intended to focus attention on the economy, the president made a surprise visit to the White House press room - his first trip there - and said Vice President George Bush would direct a presidential task force to provide "regulatory

The panel's goal will be to review the cost and effectiveness of government regulations and, in Reagan's words, seek to "cut away the thicket of irrational and senseless regula-

The president also personally an-

nounced one of his efforts to chip away at the \$27.5 billion deficit in Jimmy Carter's proposed fiscal 1982 budget. He ordered government bureaucrats to reduce equipment and furniture purchases, forgo office redecorating and hold down travel actions that the Office of Management and Budget says could save more than \$300 million

Not included in the order were first lady Nancy Reagan's plans to refurbish the family quarters on the second and third floors of the White House.

"There's a difference between where you live as a dwelling and where you work," Brady explained. He said he was told the General Services Administration thought the White House maintenance plan was behind schedule anyway.

In announcing his latest government economy move, Reagan said, "No single action as far as I know will get our economy back on the road to full recovery, but we must begin."

Panel favors new elementary school

By RICHARD ORR Staff Writer

Rapidly rising enrollment and a deteriorating physical plant at De Zavala Elementary School on the city's east side necessitate construction of a new school in the area.

That's the consensus of the Mexican-American Advisory Committee. Its members met for a luncheon Thursday at De Zavala to discuss the situation and form committees to seek citywide support for a proposed bond issue election on the matter this spring.

Citing "dilapidated conditions" and a record 400 students at the oldest of Midland's schools, Manuel Carrasco, director of elementary education for the school system, outlined two sites being considered for construc-

The first would be on property owned by Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church north of the present De Zavala building. The alternate location would be near the intersection of Fairgrounds Road and Cuthbert, property already owned by the school district.

People in the neighborhood are opposed to the Fairgrounds Road site and want to keep De Zavala in the immediate area," said Carrasco. The reason for such opposition is that the church property is readily

accessible to residents of the neighborhood. Another reason, according to Carrasco, is that the Fairgrounds Road site lacks adequate streets and new ones would have to be built. Carrasco and others at the meeting pointed out that De Zavala is part of

the city's desegregation plan that "clusters" students in various schools

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HOSTAGES: Varied homecoming festivities with diverse menus and game plans set for freed hostages; Reagan's actions on hostage agreement could damage relations with Al-

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Funding applications approved

By ED TODD Staff Writer

The need for projects such as hous-ing rehabilitation and sewage-water system improvements in low-income areas in Midland County, Big Spring. Lamesa, Pecos, Seagraves and Seminole was ascertained Thursday, when the Permian Basin Regional Commission's development review committee reviewed and approved the applications for federal funding by the governing bodies.

Midland County and the five cities and towns are competing for funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Communi-ty Development programs.

The pre-applications will now be reviewed by the PBRPC's board of

directors at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 4 at PBRPC headquarters at Midland Re-gional Airport before they are sub-

Only five of the 15-member review committee showed up for the session, moderated by PBRPC's Planning Director Jerry Tschauner.

All seemed to agree on validity of the pre-applications, but committee member Alvey Bryant of Midland expressed concern over the percentage - up to 20 percent - of funds to be used for administering the programs.

Bryant said that "personally" he thought more of the funds should be used to help the needy and to upgrade their housing and services and that the federal fundings would "go further by (Midland County's and the other cities') keeping their own

He submitted that city and county inspectors and administrators already on payrolls could supervise

much of the programs.
"They could use the money to help more people instead of helping the

cities," Bryant said. "I understand the cities need assistance.

Bryant, a farmer and former Midland County commissioner, reviewed Big Spring's \$1.8 million application to "undertake a neighborhood revitalization" program that would include street paying of 25 blocks and rehabilitation of 33 substandard houses in north Big Spring. Overall, 20 percent of the proposed funds would be used for administration (\$180,000), contingency (\$90,000) to assure completion of the project, and code enforcement

(\$90,000) "They've got employees already that could do most of that," Bryant surmised. "If they were on my payroll, they would (enforce the codes). But he almost relented: "I guess I'm just too conservative.'

Notwithstanding, Bryant did concede that the northern sector of Big Spring is in dire need of upgrading. "I would say," Bryant said, "I'm

familiar with Big Spring, and they do need the help in their low-income area.

The pre-applications propose:

- Midland County: The Midland County Commissioners' Court is seeking \$1.67 million "to undertake the revitalization" of a so-called "window pane" area in south central Midland. That area, though surround-ed by the city, is outside the city limits and falls within the jurisdiction of Midland County.

The approximately half-square-mile area, just north of the Permian Basin Petroleum Muscum, has some "substandard" and "dilapidated" houses that are with water and sewer systems and such conditions "present some health hazards," said

Some houses are without bathroom

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WEATHER SUMMARY

Midland statistics WEATHER FORECAST

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Perfect weekend on tap here

Pull out the tennis rackets and jog-ging clothes. Mother Nature has on tap one of her perfect weekends.

The National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport has one of those forecasts that is short and to the point. It calls for fair and warmer through Saturday.

After an expected overnight low in the middle 30s, the mercury should rise into the middle 70s on Saturday.

MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Jan. 20, 1981 Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Campbell

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Madrid Jr., 1214

Mr. and Mrs. Willian Gene Drum-

Dr. and Mrs. Prem Parkash Gupta,

Jan. 21, 1918

Mr. and Mrs. Mark David Petri-

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facilities, are frequented by rats and

exposed to the elements. Restroom

relief spots include "pit toilets" or

tely have problems," he said.

don't want to pay the bill.

Some residents over there defini-

Tschauner said the city of Midland

likely will annex that area once it is

upgraded. However, he noted that

some relatively affluent residents

who have running water, sewage-dis-

posal facilities and other services do

not want annexation and the taxes

associated with the city government.

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vised northern part of the city.

"They like the benefits, but they

-Big Spring: The city is seeking

Planning panel approves

federal funding applications

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Winds should blow through at 5 to 10 mph tonight and increase to 10 to 15 mph on Saturday

High on Thursday was 55 degrees, far short of the record 83 degrees set on this date in 1950. Overnight low was 28 degrees, four times warmer than the record 7 degrees set in 1966. Monthly precipitation stands at 49

of an inch. Area towns reported clear skies and cool temperatures.

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-Lamesa: Lamesa is asking for

\$2.25 million for housing rehabilita-

tion, voluntary relocation of resi-

dents in dilapidated houses, and mov-

ing for people from the flood-prone

\$600,000 for housing rehabilitation.

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Seminole: Seminole is looking for

-Seagraves: Seagraves wants

-Pecos: Pecos wants \$295,470 to

extend the city sewer service ser-

Those at the Thursday session in

ciuded Judy Miller, Odessa's plan-

ning director; Jose Garcia, Fort

Stockton's community development

director; Carroll Taylor, Lamesa's

Spring's assistant city manager;

Bryant and Tschauner.

Pownall, 4503 Anetta Drive, a girl.



Donald L. Evans, left in above photo, received the Distinguished Service Award during the Midland Jaycees' 24th annual DSA and Bosses Night Banquet held Thursday night in

Midland Center. Charles Duncan Fraser, above right, was named Boss of the Year. Featured speaker at the banquet was Mack

Wallace, right, a current member and former chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission. (Staff photos by Brian Hendershot)

Evans gets Jaycee service award Rep. Kent Hance of Lubbock for his

By RICHARD ORR Staff Writer

Donald L. Evans received the prestigious Distinguished Service Award from the Midland Jaycees during ceremonies at the 24th annual DSA and Bosses Night Banquet in Midland Center Thursday evening

Named "Boss of the Year" was 46-year-old Charles Duncan Fraser, president and board chairman of the First National Bank of Midland. Evans, 34, is president of Tom Brown. Inc., an independent oil company headquartered in Midland Tower.

The coveted DSA honor goes to young men in recognition of their contributions to the community and their professions, while the "Boss" award is given to Jaycee employers in honor of their service to family, church, community and nation.

IN PRESENTING Evans with the DSA plaque, the Rev. Steve Edwards, last year's recipient, cited the Houston native's work as campaign chairman for the recent United Way drive,

Their goal of \$1,150,000 was not reached \$1,171,000. This award calls attention to young men who work for the betterment of the community. It's a deep honor and tradition for Jay-

city manager; Paul Feazelle, Big "I'm honored and shocked," said Evans. "My thanks go the people of Midland and their can-do attitude With it, we can produce our way out of the energy crisis - like we produced our way out of World Wars I and II. It's a great honor to receive this."

Jaycee President Alan Hale made the "Boss" presentation to Fraser, calling him "a most deserving candidate" and recounting Fraser's numerous contributions to civic projects, along with his "strong and sure leadership.

FRASER THANKED the group. which included such local dignitaries as State District Judge Vann Culp, School Superintendent Dr. James Mailey, City Manager James Brown and Jaycee International Senator Bill Collyns, who served as emcee for the two-hour event. Prior to introducing guest speaker

Mack Wallace - a current member and former chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission - Collyns recognized the many past DSA and 'Boss of the Year" winners in attendance and noted the role Jaycees play in community life:

Midland would not be the Tall City it is today without the Jaycees. They just donated \$6,000 for a tot lot in Midland Park and will do most of the work on the project themselves."

Wallace is a lawyer and a longtime, unabashed advocate of the oil industry who was named to the RRC in 1973. "His home city is Athens, which is noted for Mack Wallace and black eyed peas," quipped Collyns, ad-

"He spoke to the Jaycees six years ago and was such a hit we invited him back He's the only speaker we've ever invited back. We're most fortunate to get him.

WALLACE OPENED his often humorous remarks by praising U.S.

efforts at freeing the oil industry from government restrictions and gaining in such a short time" a seat on the

House Ways and Means Committee. "He introduced a bill calling for the elimination of all environmental restraints and promoting the Midland-Long Beach pipeline," said Wallace, who also cited state legislators Tom Craddick and Pete Snelson for a "fantastic job as outstanding statesmen in

Calling attention to the government's involvement in "our business," Wallace said it dates back to the 1930s and recounted an incident at Conroe during that period:

They had a blowout that was the worst in history at that time. It was a dangerous situation and they spent days trying to control it. Finally, a telegram arrived from the Department of the Interior, ordering the flow to stop immediately

"THE MAN IN charge of controlling the well threw his hat on the ground and told someone to 'Get that fella on the phone.' When he reached the guy, he said, 'I read your telegram to the well and the damn thing is still flowing. Any further instruc tions?

"In a more serious vein, we must build an energy base in America. We were losing World War II because we couldn't get Texas oil to the front. We wound up building a 1,400 mile pipeline in 11 months.

If the Environmental Protection Agency had been around, we wouldn't have that pipeline 'cause they'd still be studying the navigation habits of

They complained about what the Alaskan pipeline would do to caribou. Now there are more caribou up there than ever because the pipeline is warm and they gather around it and grin at each other.

Turning to the subject of communist involvement in world economics, Wallace said, "They don't go to Antarctica. Their occupation is wherever there's oil and minerals. You can see it on a map.

QUOTING FROM an Interior Department document that expressed concern for sage grouse at a drilling site in Carbon County, Wyo., Wallace said the drilling was ordered to stop.

We can't afford that kind of priority." he added. "There's horror story after horror story. The recent election didn't surprise me. The people revolted and said, 'Give us America back. Give us jobs and we'll rebuild it.'

"In the midst of an energy shortage, Congress didn't promote drilling. Instead, they enacted the windfall profits tax. We need to shift direction to remain free. Wallace went on to report a large

gap between America and Russia in the production of engineers, geologists and other oilfield personnel. And to a standing ovation, he concluded his remarks by saying:

We need to decontrol prices and get the government out of the way. We need to open up federal land for drilling so we can rebuild this country. Only Americans can solve our energy problems. Our emblem is the eagle, not the sparrow.

Rev. Claypool conducting one-day seminar for clergy

A one-day seminar for the clergy of this area was to be held today from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., conducted by the Rev. John R. Claypool and sponsored by the West Texas Patoral Counseling

minister Baptist Church in Jackson,

Claypool has served on a number of

The seminar, held at the Center's new facilities at 202 Pilot Road at Terminal, featured Claypool in three sessions during the morning, followed by lunch and then two sessions in the

Advisory panel says

new school needed

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throughout the district. Sixty percent of De Zavala's sixth-grade class

comes from Jane Long and Sam Houston - schools which lie in gen-

erally white, middle-class neighborhoods on the west and near west sides.

'De Zavala is not simply an eastside school," said one member of the

Another argument for keeping the proposed new school near its present

'Keeping it here would also spark improvements and redevelopment

location is the proximity it shares with Hidalgo Park, which is bounded

on the east side," said Oralia Corrales, who chairs the advisory

At a school board meeting last week, trustees noted that it would be

cheaper to build a new school than it would be to renovate the old one.

Figures presented to the board by school Superintendent Dr. James

Mailey showed it would cost \$2.5 million for a new building, while the cost

would be converted to a storage building for the school district. The

structure could also be used as a "community service facility," accord-

ing to Ms, Carrasco, which would include a nursery that area residents could use for a nominal fee.

"That's what was done to Bunche Elementary when it closed down a

In addition to a new east side school, voters would be asked to ap-

prove construction of another new school on the far north side. Trustees

would like to see it built on a 10-acre tract already owned by the district in

The rationale for its construction is — again — escalating school enrollment at the elementary level due to a period of high growth the city cur-

rently is enjoying.

Members of the Mexican-American Advisory Committee gave their blessing to that proposal also, noting that the issue involves the entire community, not just a particular ethnic or economic group.

Should voters approve construction of a new De Zavala, the old one

by Mulberry, Orchard, Tyler and Jackson Streets.

of rebuilding the old one would come to \$2.9 million.

few years ago," said Carrasco.

the Bluebird Lane-Ward Street area.

Dr. Claypool, pastor of the North-

Miss., was to discuss "Pastoral Preaching During Lent." He is recognized as one of the 10 outstanding ministers in the nation and is equally well-known as a lecturer and teacher. His degrees include a bachelor of arts from Baylor University, a bachelor of divinity and a doctor of theology from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Honorary degrees include the doctor of divinity from Georgetown College in Kentucky, and the doctor of laws degree from Baylor.

respectively.

advisory committee.

denominational and community boards including chairman and member of the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, member of the Human Welfare Commission of the Texas Baptist Convention, member of the board of directors of Lena Pope Home and a member of the board of trustees of Texas Christian University.

Among his many published articles and books are "Tracks of a Fellow Struggler" in 1974 and "Stages" in

The board of directors for the Midland County Hospital District approved a proposal to increase nurses wages by 11 percent Thursday, while other employees will receive a flat 6 percent increase. However, the board

also voted to adopt new room rates to cover the expenses. All RNs, LVNs and X-ray technicians will received the 11 percent increase designed to increase employee morale and encourage the hiring of additional nurses in the understaffed

departments. The new wages for all employees will go into effect Sunday at the beginning of the hospital's next pay

period. Market conditions that exist in

Midland require us to be responsive to the economic needs of all our employees if we are to be able to hire and

retain qualified individuals," administrator Ray Branson told the board members Branson continued to stress Midland Memorial Hospital must take

those measures neccessary to staff in all areas of the hospital for the number of beds needed by the communi-He further stated the hospital intends to pay for its leadership posi-

tions through its wage and salary program. The board unanimously encouraged his position. The increased wages are expected to cost the hospital an additional \$419. 670 for the remaining months of the

fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30. Directors also approved the in-

crease in employee insurance benefits proposed and approved by trust-

Officers check several thefts

Several reported thefts were investigated Thursday by Midland police officers. Jimmy Dike reported the theft of

\$1,239 worth of restaurant equipment from 105 N. Main St. Jack Hankins of Abilene reported

Police, Fire Roundup

the theft of eight "boomers" and 10 chains from Odom Truck Yard on the Rankin Highway. Hankins said the boomers were valued at \$200 and the chains were worth \$400. The theft of painting equipment val-

ued at \$300 was reported to police by Lou Turpin of 1903 Texas Avenue. Clyde White Construction Co. offi-

cials reported the theft of two temporary electrical service poles from a construction site at 3004 Phillips Place. The poles were worth \$200, company officials said.

Midland firemen responded to a reported house fire at 1004 Boyd about 4:12 p.m. Thursday, but when they arrived they found the fire had already been extinguished The fire caused moderate damage

to the roof at the David Baker resi-dence before being extinguished by

neighbors, according to fire department reports. Cause of the blaze was not immediately released.

Firemen also responded to a fire at H&H Pit Barbecue, 4324 Andrews Highway, about 8:05 a.m. Thursday and used 20 gallons of water to extin-

guish a fire on the grill. The fire, apparently caused by an overheated grill, was blazing when firemen arrived. It damaged meat on the grill and caused minor smoke damage to the interior of the building. according to fire department re-

Six firemen responded to that fire. In all, emergency vehicles responded to a total of 16 calls Thursday.

Jackie Onassis plans to remarry LONDON (AP) - A British tabloid

speculated today that Jacqueline Onassis plans to marry again in the

The Daily Star named her suitor as "international diamond tycoon Maurice Templesman, 53," and said he has been Jackie's financial adviser since the death of her second husband, Aristotle Onassis, in 1975.

ees Wednesday.

MMH board OKs salary increases

The new insurance will be free to all employees and will fully cover their hospital expenses and doctor fees so long as they are treated at MMH. If an accident occurs elsewhere and the employee cannot be treated at MMH. there will also be no deductible charged. However, if the employee opts to take treatment elsewhere. there will be a \$200 deductible charge and the employee will pay only 20 percent of the remaining fees.

The new insurance plan, called selffunding insurance, will go into effect March 1 and is expected to actually save the hospital some \$100,000 annually. All employees will become eligible for the insurance after one month's employment and dependents will cost \$25 to be placed on the employee's insurance plan.

Branson, who at the beginning of his tenure with the hospital stressed the importance of employee morale, has added both increased insurance benefits and wages in his first 90 days as administrator.

In addition, Branson has worked with the Midland Memorial Foundation's board of governors to come up with a cash incentive program to hire additional nurses for the hospital. He told the governors Tuesday the hospital was short some 15 RNs for the current patient load. However, he told trustees Wednesday that under the incentive program at least seven new nurses had been hired that probably would not otherwise have applied to the hospital.

The increased room rates, scheduled to take effect Feb. 1, will increase the cost of the 13 semi-private rooms from \$94 to \$104 and 145 of the 169 private rooms from \$104 to \$114. The 24 rooms not affected by the change are in the critical care unit (remaining at \$205 a day) and the post critical care unit (remaining at \$140 a

"I realize this is both good news and bad news," Branson said. "We regret that it is neccessary to raise rates, but it would be worse if we were unable to admit patients for lack of staff - particularly nurses. Our overriding need is to increase utilization of existing services - including our beds - and this is the best way to limit rate increases in the future," he

Branson said the nurses' increase was 5 percent larger because their wages were so far behind the econom-

In other board news, directors opted to charge off \$130,539 in bad debts for December, November's charge-offs have not yet been figured as directors are still removing names from that list.

Indigent care costs for December amounted to \$17,625 - a drop from the November cost of \$19,729.

The board also approved the audit report for the fiscal year 1979-80 from the Arthur Young & Company showing a \$430,000 deficit compared to an expected deficit of \$797,000 for the year. Arthur Young & Company was also approved to do next year's audit. Election of new directors was set

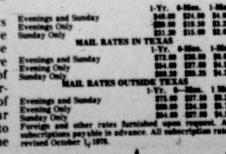
for April 4, in conjunction with the city elections. Three members of the board will be up for re-election at that time: president Ed Magruder, Dr. Henrie Mast and Thomas P. Ingram. The directors also approved a ser-

vice contract with ServiceMaster for plant operations and preventive maintainence of such items as boilers and generators at the hospital.

Directors also voted to rescind final approval of trustees appointed by the board of governors and later approved by the current board of trustees. This move allows the governors' recommendation and the trustees approval stand as the final say in the

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Howard Chapman

Services for Howard Chapman, 39, of 2513 Garland, were to be at 3:30 p.m. today in Grace Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Ralph Parks of Fannin Terrace Baptist Church officiating. Burial was to follow in a Midland cemetery under the direction of Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Chapman died early Thursday in a Midland hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was born May 9, 1941, in Hobbs, N.M., and grew up in Lamesa, where he graduated from high school. He was a graduate of New Mexico State University at Las Cruces

He was married to Shari Addison on March 27, 1968, in Lamesa. They moved to Midland in 1974. He was an oilfield worker and a member of the Civil Air Patrol.

Survivors include his wife, Shari Chapman of Midland; two daughters, Lara and Lin Chapman of Midland; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Chapman of Kingsland.

Walter Emmons

BRECKENRIDGE - Walter M. 'Ox" Emmons, 72, brother of Rufus Emmons of Midland, died Wednesday in a Breckenridge hospital after suffering a heart attack.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church of Breckenridge with the Rev. Jim Chandler, minister, officiating. Burial will follow in a Breckenridge ceme-

Emmons was born Oct. 9, 1908, in Chillicothe. He was married to Merle Walker June 12, 1934. She died April 5, 1977. He taught school in Post, Hereford and Breckenridge and was also a football coach. He was county agent in Stephens and Shackelford counties. He grdauted from Clarendon High School in 1926 where he was named the outstanding athlete in the school.

He was a past president of the Lions Club and a member of the Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce and the Texas A&M Club. He owned and operated Emmons feed store. He retired in 1973 and was a member of the Texas Retired Teachers. He was a member of the United Methodist

Other survivors include a daughter. two brothers and two grandchildren

Dee Wheeler

Services for Dee Wheeler, 50, of 4902 Thomason Drive, were to be at 1:30 p.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Wayne Snyder of Christian Life Center officiating. Burial was to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Wheeler died Wednesday in a Midland hospital after a lengthy illness. He was born Mar. 21, 1930, in Brownwood, where he grew up. He was an Army veteran and served during the Korean War for 1½ years. He moved to Midland in 1957, where was employed by the Postal Service until his retirement in July, 1980. He was a member of the Assembly of God

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Wheeler of Micland; two sons, Ronnie Wheeler and Dale Wheeler, both of Midland; one brother, Frenchie Lee Wheeler of May; two sisters, Joyce Wells of Brownwood and Virginia Jones of Joshua; a grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

James T. Harris

Services for James T. Harris, 64, of 2407 W. Francis, are pending at Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home. Harris died Thursday at Midland Memorial Hospital

Former President Jimmy Carter trips on the curb behind the barricade into the Carter compound in Plains today while

jogging with his wife Rosalynn. Carter immediately returned to his feet and jogged the rest of the way home.

Jogging Jimmy pulls a Jerry

PLAINS, Ga. (AP) - Former President Jimmy Carter, relaxing at his home after a whirlwind trip to Europe to greet the former hostages, tripped while jogging today and fell to his knees but was apparently unhurt.

Witnesses said the incident occurred while Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, accompanied by two Secret Service agents, were returning to their home after an early morning run on roads

The former president apparently caught his

foot on the curbing and "fell to all fours," one witness said.

There was no immediate evidence of whether it might have disturbed Carter's healing collar bone which he broke during a cross-country skiing accident about three weeks ago at Camp David, the presidential retreat in Maryland.

Carter returned to Plains from Wiesbaden, West Germany, early Thursday morning.

Report delivered on bus fatalities

WASHINGTON (AP) - Driver fatigue and shoddy maintenance caused a bus accident last summer near Jasper, Ark., in which 20 persons were killed and 13 injured during a sightseeing trip of the Ozarks.

Federal safety offi-

combination of circumstances" that caused the driver to lose control of the bus as it came down a steep mountain, left the road and plunged into a 40-foot ravine.

The group, mostly se-nior citizens, had trav-eled from Dallas, Texas.

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Schweiker promises new policy to 50,000

WASHINGTON (AP) Women's Rights Day. - About 50,000 abortion opponents demonstrated in the nation's capital on the eighth anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision allowing abortions, and they received a promise that the Health and Human Services Department would 'implement a pro-life

The opponents, styling enue was closed between the "March for Life," hiked from near the White House to the Capitol on Thursday to lobby for passage of a constitutional amendment to reverse the court's decision and ban

abortion. Some of them later met with President Reagan, who is on record favoring such an amendment, and received a promise from Health, and Human Services Secretary Richard S. Schweiker.

"I will work for you to implement a pro-life policy in the Department of Health and Human Services. You know very well that you have a friend in the Health and Human Services Department of the Reagan administration. Schweiker told the

Looming ahead is a struggle, likely to be long and bitter, over the proposed constitutional amen/iment, which was introduced in Congress earlier in the day by Sen. Jesse Helms, R.N.C., and Rep. Robert K. Dorna'a, R-Calif.

If passed by Congress, t'ne amendment would have to be approved by three-quarters of the state legislatures before it could become part of the Constitution.

Although outnumbered, there were plenty of people on hand from the other side, announcing their plans to fight approval of the amendment by intense lobbying of both federal and state legislators.

"It took the Supreme Court to make abortion legal, it will take the legislators in Congress and the states to keep it legal," said Karen Mulhauser, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League.

She denounced the proposed amendment as an intrusion into individual and family rights and said her group is launching a national organizing campaign in an "Impact 80s" program to defeat the amendment.

The National Organization for Women said it was distributing leaflets and running neighborhood information campaigns in 42 cities Thursday in support of the right to abortions. That group plans a pro-abor-tion lobbying effort in Congress Feb. 4

Opposition to the amendment also was an-

nounced by the American Civil Liberties

The March for Life group, many of them carrying red roses, was estimated at 50,000 strong by Washington police. Pennsylvania Av-

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"The taking of an innocent infant from the womb of a mother is murder." Other demonstrations were held in New Haven and New

pleads guilty

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BELLEVILLE, III. (AP) - A county judge, ruling that Virginia Williams had suffered enough from the fiery deaths of her 11 children, sentenced the 28-year-old

woman to a year's pro-

bation on a charge of ne-

Miss Williams was also ordered to sign a \$5,000 recognizance bond after her negotiated guilty plea was accepted Thursday by St. Clair County Associate Judge Kenneth Juen.

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Earlier Thursday, a

DPS fingerprint expert

testified that prints

found on the gun were

also testified Thursday

that Davis died from a

single gunshot wound

that entered just below

his right eye and exited

behind the left ear.

Pathologist John Ray

Alexander's.

Four accidentally shot by Rome police

clothes police, lying in wait at kidnap ransom drop south of Rome, acunderbrush, he told Rome newspapers. cidentally shot and Police said they wounded four people who opened fire when Sastopped their car nearby, while a Naples Jeweler shot and killed a plainmarelli ran. clothes man who was pursing a band of thieves who robbed the jeweler's

shop moments earlier.

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were to pick up a ransom that was to be left at

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The driver was quoted as saying he fled when he saw the men, fearing they were bandits. He and his three passengers were wounded and two of them, a child and a woman, were reported in

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Alexander's companions testify in murder trial

(AP) - Billy Wayne Alexander Jr., charged with capital murder in the shooting death of a DPS officer, told friends, "I just shot a goddamn cop, let's get outta here,' seconds after the trooper was gunned down, ac-

cording to a witness. Ronald Dale Phillips, an 18-year-old cousin of Alexander, and Michael Don Ware, 23, both riding in the car the night trooper Jerry Don Davis, 25, was killed, testifed Thursday at Alexander's

Phillips said Davis stopped the three men and Alexander's younger brother, James, 18, shortly before midnight Oct. 5 near Slaton.

He said the officer spoke to his dispatcher by two-way radio and discovered the the car the four men were riding in, its license plates and a .357-caliber Magnum pistol he found in the car Alexander and Davis by a .357 magnum pistol

were sitting in the front later recovered in the seat of the patrol car for stolen car; 'about 30 seconds, Phillips testified, when "I heard a boom. I recognized it as a gun-Ware testified that

'about three seconds after that (the noise). Billy was jumping in the car and he took off

Alexander said "I just shot a goddamn cop, let's get outta here," according to Phillips

Phillips said he and James Alexander asked to be let out of the car about a mile from where the shooting occurred.

He said they walked about 20 miles to the home of Alexander's mother, where officers arrested them. Alexander and Ware

were arrested later in Kansas. DPS ballistics expert

Fred Rymer testified Thursday that a copper were reported to police jacket found on the floor

Jurors convict Williams

DENTON, Texas (AP) - After deliberating two full days and reporting they were deadlocked, jurors convicted Terry Wayne Williams in the Sept. 12 shooting death of a North Texas State University football player.

The jury returned its verdict Thursday shortly before 6 p.m. at the end of its second full day of deliberation. The punishment phase of the trial was scheduled for today.

Williams, 21, was convicted of killing running back Bernard Jackson, 22, outside the "Mean Green Inn," a popular nightspot near the NTSU campus. Jackson died after being shot once in the chest with a .38-cali-



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Markets at a glance

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Corn: lower. Oats: lower. Soybeans: lower Over-The-Counter 371 advances 787 declines Most active: Centennial Peti 1 1-32 unch NASDAQ composite: 197.12—0.97

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Bond averages

Stock market loses

NEW YORK (AP) - Stock prices edged lower today, continuing a three-day

The market has been dropping amid investor concern about the high level of interest rates and uncertainty over how quickly the Reagan administration will make a mark on the econ-

Analysts said the market may have been dampened slightly by a prediction from Solomon Brothers' chief economist Henry Kaufman that the prime lending rate would climb above its 1980 peak of 21.5 percent in coming months

Investors had been wait ing for a signal from President Reagan that he would redeem his campaign pledge to reduce government spending, analysts said. Today in Washington, Reagan ordered a 15 percent reduction in government travel and named a task force to examine government spend-

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials fell 5.81 to 940.44.

Losers outnumbered gainers by a 5-2 margin on the New York Stock Exchange. Big Board volume totaled 39.88 million shares, against 39.19 million in the previous

The NYSE's composite index fell .63 to 74.76. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was off 2.75 at 340.78.

Mechanical bull rests with jury

HOUSTON (AP) - A jury must now decide whether three Houston manufacturers are rustling the mechanical bull from Gilley's Enterprises Inc.

Gilley's - which operates the Pasadena, Texas nightclub where the movie "Urban Cowboy" was filmed claims the trio infringed on the patent rights to the lifeless bucking beast that ignited a nationwide craze in western clubs and bars.

But attorneys for Buck N Broncos Inc., Southwest Rodeo Enterprises Inc., and Texas Rodeo Bulls Inc., contend the patent was obtained by fraud and accuse Gilley's of trying to monopolize sales of the mechanical bucker.

Attorneys for both sides wrapped up the legal bucking Thursday, and the jury recessed after deliberating one hour without reaching a verdict.

U.S. District Judge Woodrow Seals instructed the panel to resume deliberations today.

Seals asked jurors to decide if the patent is invalid because it lacks novelty, if the bucking marvel is superior to similar devices and if the patent was fraudulently obtained. They also must rule whether Gilley's is entitled to damages.

During closing arguments, defense attorney Ned Conley said the patent Gilley's purchased from Joe D. Turner in 1979 is invalid because many of the parts "have been around for 100 vears

But Gilley's attorney. Wayne Harding, compared the argument to 'a combination lock. It doesn't do you any good to know the numbers if you don't know the combination.

Harding also dismissed the notion that country-western singer Mickey Gilley, partowner and namesake of the honky tonk, attended the 10-day trial to impress jurors

Gilleys bought the rights to market Turner's "El Toro" model in 1979 after the Corrales, N.M., inventor became ill and was advised to give up his lucrative TODAY'S ANSWER

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BUSINESS MIRROR

The basics of life need clarification

By JOHN CUNNIFF AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — To reduce public confusion, aid decision making and improve government, one thing the new administration can do is clarify the statistics that have become so basic to everyday

Statistics rule. If you doubt that just consider the turmoil in stock markets when money supply figures are released, the increases in Social Security benefits when the Consumer Price Index is applied to them, the depressing mood engendered when the savings rate falls. Now consider that nobody really knows if the

weekly money supply figures are significant or even accurate; that the CPI is known to distort reality; that some of the expenses measured by it do not apply to retirees; that last year's statistics on personal savings consistently misstated the savings rates through most of the year.

Pay scales are adjusted on the basis of cost-of-liv-ing numbers subject to revision. The sense of job security may depend on oft-revised unemployment rates. A false sense of security and pride might evolve from a Gross National Product puffed with

Presidential elections are affected by them. And though the numbers might be revised after the elections, the political results are not. Ask Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford, both of whom may have lost votes because the economic numbers at election time looked worse than those in the post-election revi-

It isn't, so far as is known, that anyone manipu-lates the numbers. In fact, even critics acknowledge that U.S. statistical workers are the top of the

Instead, it could be the fault of the users. Numbers are considered efficient little capsules of condensed information that save time, space and thinking. In

one tiny pill they offer the whole story.

The trouble is that the weekly, monthly and quarterly statistics have none of the permanence of numbers chiseled on granite in the graveyard. They are resurrected and changed rather regularly after the impact.

That this should be simply is the nature of economic statistics. As more data become available, researchers are able to refine results, even though the results might have mainly historical value by the time final revisions are made. Ironically, the criticism also applies to some "leading indicators" used mainly as forecasting tools.

There always will be revisions and corrections.
There always will be errors in current data; it
always has been so. There always will be misunderstandings about how data should be applied; it's human nature to disagree.

With such deficiencies inherent, it is a wonder the numbers have come to be used so popularly and with such tremendous impact on short-term decisions affecting so many people.

A classic situation is the indexing of Social Securi-

ty benefits to the consumer price index. First, the CPI is known to distort current living expenses by assuming all families are buying houses at current prices and paying current interest rates. Then the CPI is applied to retiree benefits, even though retirees are relatively free of many CPI expenses.

The popularity of the CPI submerges other inflation indexes economists insist are far more accurate. Those other measures, such as the Gross National Product deflator, are now about 2 points lower than the CPI. The CPI is the more popular and more inflationary index.

If we have to march to the beat of the numbers, why not at least get them to beat in unison?

As it is, you can pick almost whatever beat suits you best, and that's confusing in a nation of 226 million. The confusion compounds when revisions result in two steps forward and one back, or vice

Why must we march to the beat of the numbers? They're too entrenched now. Too much tradition behind them. Too many pay raises depend on them. Too many departments of government rely on them.

Too many computers spray them out. Face it: The numbers rule. Think about it.

Appeals court affirms sentence for murder

Austin Bureau

AUSTIN - The Court of Criminal Appeals Wednesday affirmed the 25-year sentence for murder with malice assessed Manuel Galindo Suchil in the stabbing death of Jose Pablo Bejarano Vazquez in Midland on April 17, 1970.

Court records indicate Vazquez was stabbed fol-lowing a fight between him and Suchil, with the body being taken to another location in the county, where it was found in November, 1974. Suchil was indicted March 14, 1974.

He appealed the conviction on grounds the trial court erred in failing to grant his motion for an instructed verdict of "not guilty" after the state rested its case, contending the only testimony connecting him with the offense was that of an "accom-The trial court refused to grant the motion, and the

appeals court noted that Suchil "subsequently...testified in his own behalf and admitted his participa-tion in the death."

He also contended that the trial court erred in failing to include a charge on murder without malice 'over objection.

The appeals court, however, said it could not find anything in the record to show that such a charge had been requested.

In another matter, the Court of Criminal Appeals ordered a reduction in bail from \$185,000 to \$65,000 for Carlos Mayola Medellin, charged in Ector County with aggravated rape, two counts of burglary of a habitation, aggravated sexual abuse and burgla-

Bail had been set at \$50,000 in each case but was reduced by the trial court to total \$185,000.

The appeals court ordered the bail reduced further, concluding it was excessive.

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Folks say thanks with flowers

PLAINS, Ga. (AP) - Americans grateful to Jimmy Carter for his efforts to win the hostages' freedom from Iran are saying it with flowers.

Local florist Faye Chappell says her Plains Flower and Gift Shop has been inundated with flower orders from across the country this week, mostly from people expressing gratitude to Carter for the successful negotiations leading to the release Tuesday of the 52 Americans held in

"We are just overrun with flowers for Jimmy," Mrs. Chappell said. "We had a couple from people who usually order flowers for them when he comes home, but these are from all over the country ... it's unbelievable. I don't know if we'll ever catch up.'

Mrs. Chappell said a few orders trickled in Monday, but the brunt of the 50 or so flower orders came on Tuesday when Carter returned to Plains for a tumultuous welcome home celebration

Carter was home only 14 hours, however,

before jetting to Germany to greet the newly reed hostages.

Virtually all the orders came with messages of gratitude to the former president, and most were for yellow flowers or arrangements with a yellow ribbon attached to the sprays. Yellow ribbons had come to symbolize American unity with

the captives during their 14 months in Iran. "Thank you from the Whitefish Bay Home of David Roder. He is one of the hostages. God bless you, and our prayers are with you," said a message from Milwaukee, Mrs. Chappell said.

'Welcome back to being a citizen and congratulations on the release of the hostages. Glad you did something no other president has ever done, getting them out without force," said a message from Chicago, according to Mrs. Chappell.

The flowers were delivered to the Carters' home, which remains under tight Secret Service security, by Rosalynn Carter's 75-year-old mother, Allie Smith. Mrs. Smith works at the flower shop on weekends and normally makes flower deliveries to the Carter home.

Students have stars in their eyes

- The lure of show business has put stars in the eyes of students in Santa Clara and San Mateo

counties About 29,000 students were given questionnaires and asked to indicate their career preferences. Performing artist came out the winner.

"This area has turned out a Mery Griffin, Fleetwood Mac and a Suzanne Sommers in recent years," said Regional Occupational Program coordinator Sheryl Pomerenk. "But the odds of making it big are extremely poor.

The survey results indicate many pupils don't think seriously about the

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) future, Ms. Pomerenk ing artist, doctor, airline The top 10 jobs selected by those in Santa Clara

pilot, lawyer, professional athlete, business executive, forester, veteri narian, computer pro-County were: performgrammer and architect.





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DR. NEIL SOLOMON 45 good age to do surgery

Dear Dr. Solomon: As I grow older, the idea of having plastic surgery to remove some of the wrinkles from my face and neck becomes increasingly appealing to me. Is there any age at which it is best to have this kind of surgery done?-Mrs. D.V.

Dear Mrs. V.: It has been suggested that from a biological standpoint, the period from 45 to 55 years of age probably is the best time for plastic surgery to be performed. Before the age of 40, the full relaxation of facial tissue has not been completed; after 55, the facial tissues may no longer be pliant and workable.

My comments should not be taken as a recommendation either for or against cosmetic surgery. But I would say that I see many women in their 50s, 60s, and older, who simply have let nature take its course, and whom I consider beautiful.

Dear Dr. Solomon: I've hesitated a long time before writing this letter, but finally decided it should not be put off any longer. To be blunt about it, ever since my husband's heart attack, our sex life has been zero. He claims he is too sick to engage in sex, even though his doctor has told him repeatedly that there is no such restriction on him. We are both in our early 40s, but if I thought for a moment that sexual relations would be harmful for him, I would willingly adjust to that set of circumstances. But that is not the case, and it is having an adverse effect on our marriage. Since he reads your column religiously, I'd appreciate your comments.-Mrs.

Dear Mrs. R.: While your husband's concern about engaging in sexual relations after having had a heart attack may be understandable - and, in fact, is shared by many other cardiac patients - the fact that his doctor has told him he need not restrict himself in this area indicates that his concern is not

A number of research studies have shown that there are few, if any, medical reasons for a patient who has recovered from a heart attack to limit his sexual activities. Dr. J. Mehta and his associates at the Veterans Administration Medical Center and the University of Florida at Gainesville have pointed out that the average energy expenditure during sexual activities appears to be well within the capacity of most recovered cardiac patients. The same holds true for the average heart rate of 115 to 120 beats per minute, which is reached during sexual intercourse.

You do not indicate in your letter whether you and your husband experienced any sexual difficulties prior to his illness. If that were the case, obviously these difficulties would still exist and might account for your husband's behavior. But if your sexual relations were satisfactory before his heart attack. there is no reason why they should not continue to be satisfactory today.

You might want to suggest to your husband that you both discuss with his doctor his reluctance to resume sexual activities. If his physician cannot be helpful or if he does not feel qualified to help, you might then want to consier sexual counseling.

Ex-hostage's wife denies him being investigated

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The wife of ex-hostage Jerry Plotkin has criticized a newspaper story that reported Plotkin was being investigated by Los Angeles police for possible drug dealings just before he was taken captive in Iran.

"The shock of this ridiculous story has overshadowed and interferred with the joy and relief that I shared with all of you for the past three days," said Plotkin's wife Deborah, wiping tears from her eyes, as she read a statement Wednesday at the office of the Plotkins' attorney, Steven Klein.

The story was published Wednesday by the Daily News of Van Nuys, Calif. Daily News City Editor Sandi Gibbons said the newspaper stands behind its

It quoted Lt. Clark Wardle as saying Plotkin was suspected of being a "heavyweight in cocaine and some heroin dealing" in the Los Angeles area.

Los Angeles police officials, in a statement they issued after the story was published, said the department "does not have and has not had an active narcotics investigation involving Jerry Plotkin." "Any statements attributed to a narcotics lieuten-

ant of this department are not accurate and are denied by the lieutenant," police spokesman Dan Wardle was not available for comment. Police said he had some injured ribs from an auto accident last

week, and was taking vacation days prior to retiring from the department The Daily News also said a State Department debriefing team was expected to question Plotkin about whether he had a contact in the embassy, and

if so, the nature of that association. An official of the Los Angeles office of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration said, however, that his was the only federal agency that would conduct such an investigation, and denied that there was any federal narcotics investigation concerning

Plotkin, 47, a private businessman, happened to be visiting the embassy when he was taken hostage.

Forest fire out of control

ASHLAND, Ore. (AP) — A wind-whipped forest fire believed started by a downed power line was burning out of control early today in southern

Oregon, authorities said.
"The fire is burning like it's July, not January," said Lee Oman, a spokesman for the state Department of Forestry.

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Larry Nelson overcomes putting woes for Phoenix lead

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) - A brief recovery from some putting woes helped stake Larry Nelson to a share of the first round lead in the \$300,000 Phoenix Open golf tournament.

But a return to his erratic behavior on the greens - he missed three short putts coming home - cost him sole control of the top spot and dropped him back into a tie with Australian David Graham. "Kind of a strange day," Nelson mused Thursday after his 6-under-par

65 on the 6,762-yard Phoenix Country Club course. "I didn't birdie No. 1 or 18 (both par-5 holes) and they're critical on this golf course," Nelson said. "For a while I couldn't make a threefooter, then I felt like I could make everything, and then I missed a lot of short putts coming home.

"Kind of strange 'But I'm delighted with the score. I've always wanted to win in the West. I'd really like to play well this week.

Nelson and Graham shared a 1-stroke lead over John Schroeder, who scored eagle-3 on consecutive holes, veteran Bobby Nichols and Canadian

Bill Kratzert and George Burns headed a bulky group of 13 who shot 67's in the warm desert sunshine. Among those at 67 was Midland's John Adams, who had a 34 on the front side and a 33 on the back nine. Bruce Lietzke, a winner last week, had a 69. Arnold Palmer, as usual

trailed by the largest gallery of the day, also was 2 under par. Johnny Miller, a winner at Tucson two weeks ago, was 1 over par at 72. As usual, the flat little course yielded some extremely low scores. Well

over half the field, 85 players, shot par or better. "You expect low scores this week," said Graham, a former PGA champion who didn't make a bogey in his first competitive round of the

"The course is in excellent condition. It's a short golf course. If you keep it in the fairway, you can shoot some very low numbers.' And Graham had a very low number, 5-under-par 31, on his front side He scored four birdies on putts in the six-eight foot range and flipped a wedge to within three feet of the flag for the other one.

His best shot, however, failed to produce a bird. He hit the bottom of the flagstick on the fifth hole, tearing up the cup. But the ball bounced out, rolled some four feet away and he missed the putt.

His only birdie on the back nine came on the 13th, where he holed a

short bunker shot. Nelson, a soft-spoken man who won the Atlanta Classic last year, said

he'd been putting very poorly in the first two tournaments of the year, missed a short one on the second hole and "I thought, well, here we go But he got his approaches very close on the third and fourth, birdied

both and then holed out a wedge shot for an eagle-3 on the seventh. And Nelson's putting turned around on the 10th. He birdied three holes in a row and "I suddenly felt like I could make everything.

But the putting touch left him as quickly as it had returned With sole control of the lead, he made his only bogey of the day, missing a five-foot par-saving putt on the 14th and then failed on a couple of six-eight foot birdie putts on the 16th and 17th.

Super Bowl gives timeout

By WILL GRIMSLEY AP Special Correspondent

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - It will be seen by more people than watched the walk on the moon, more than the entire populations of all but nine countries in the world.

It will slow down crime and highway fatalities, virtually paralyze trade, disrupt family harmony and turn a large hunk of humanity into a

Hostage upset over Reitz, Simmons trades

KRAKOW, Mo. (AP) - Former American hostage Rodney V "Rocky" Sickmann somehow kept up with recent off-season baseball trades which occurred during his captivity in Iran, but he didn't care for one of

In a telephone conversation with his younger brother only hours after he was freed, the Marine sergeant asked why the St. Louis Cardinals had trad-

ed Ken Reitz and Ted Simmons. Kurt Sickmann, a student at Washington High School, said Ropky was particularly upset that Reitz had been itraded to the Chicago Cubs. In July. on his 23rd birthday, the serviceman had received a card from Reitz and

'How neat," said Kathy Reitz when told in St. Luis of Sickmann's remarks. "When Kenny heard that Rocky was invited to throw out the first ball of the season, he said, 'Darn - I'm not going to be there.' But we'll be there in spirit."

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For a country wrung out by the emotion of the sudden freedom of America's hostages in Iran and the changing of the guard at the White House, Super Bowl XV is a welcome timeout, an opiate for months of agonizing and tension.

IT IS more than a football game. more than the climax of a five-month season, the deciding of the National

Football League championship The football game becomes almost secondary to the massive buildup that spews for two weeks like a lighted fuse and then suddenly explodes into

a mad, colorful kaleidoscope. Actually, it isn't purely a sports contest at all. It is a happening, touching almost every facet of

A few years ago Prof. Michael A. Real of the Univerity of California in San Diego called it "a minuscule portrayal of life itself, stressing th key elements of modern society, emphasizing control of territory, efficient use of male domination, disciplined personnel management; financial motivation, even slick packaging."

Just think: Rival coaches Dick Vermeil of the Philadephia Eagles and Tom Flores of the Oakland Raiders have figured it to be a simple exercise in "Xs" and "Os.

For the host city of New Orleans, it means a windfall of \$60 million to \$100 million that will be poured into the economy of this old river town with its quaint French heritage.

SOME 60,000 outsiders, most of them well-heeled, are pouring in by commercial airways, private jets, \$50 million yachts, train and car.

They are counted on to spend \$200 each - man, woman and child plucking souvenirs, gouging themselves on the delicacies of such famous eateries as Antoine's and Galatoire's, paying \$40 a ticket unless they

are compelled to depend on scalpers. The Super Bowl is the scalpers' heaven. They can easily demand \$300 per pasteboard. If they can find a desperate and wealthy sucker, they

may get \$1,000. A New Orleans TV reporter said he

witnessed such a transaction. The National Football League is embarrassed by reports of successful scalping schemes. It has failed to find

Some people have been known to offer mink coats and Cadillacs for the precious tickets, which have become status symbols.

NBC-TV estimates that the game will be witnessed by 105 million in the United States and scores of other

ADVERTISERS PAY a phenomenal \$550,000 per minute for commer-

More than 75,000 will jam into the vast Superdome, which looks like one of the plump nuclear chimneys at Three Mile Island, for the live ac-

In New York, producers of the longrunning nudie show, "Oh! Calcutta! are writing periodic reports on the game into the script rather than lose its Sunday night audience.

NFL players seek pay hike

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The National Football League won't have to worry about the free agent issue anymore if it buys a proposal being prepared by Ed Garvey, executive director of the NFL Players Association. All it will cost is a doubling of

player salaries. Garvey said when negotations begin next year on a new collective bargaining agreement, the union will ask for 55 percent share of gross

revenue "The free agent system doesn't work in the NFL," Garvey said. "No free agent system would work even if you eliminate compensation and the right of first refusal (which gives clubs a chance to match contract offers and retain players).

Since free agency was introduced in the NFL in 1977, precious few players have switched teams. Garvey says he knows why

"The NFL smartly decided that each team receive one twenty-eighth of its television revenue," he said. 'The owners share the revenue equally. There is no economic incentive for management to win.'

For that reason, said Garvey. teams see no need to bid for free agents who might improve their clubs. That being the case, Garvey is prepared to scrap the free agent concept for football players. But it will

"The NFLPA will negotiate for a percentage of gross revenue," he said. "As the league grows, we'll be happy and grow with them."

Wake Forest tumbles from unbeaten ranks

You can't put the knock on Wood, certainly not after North Carolina triple-threat forward Al Wood knocked thirdranked Wake Forest from the unbeaten ranks with his scoring, rebounding and passing Thursday night.

Wood scored 25 points, including all seven in a 7-2 burst in the second half that gave No. 17 Carolina a comfortable 74-60 victory, its 13th in 17 games. Wake Forest had won its first 14

With the Demon Deacons' demise, the only two unbeaten major college basketball teams are top-rated Oregon State and runnerup Virginia. Oregon State (14-0) continued its winning ways with a 66-53 Pacific-10 Conference victory over Washington State

ranked Iowa won on Big EXERCISE fen rival Indiana's court for the first time in 10 years, edging the Hoosiers 56-53; No. 11 South Alabama's 14-game win-

ning streak, the nation's for the eighth time in 14 second longest, was games. snapped 86-70 by Virgin-

ia Commonwealth; No. 16 Michigan needed two overtimes to down No. 15 Illinois 80-76 in a Big Ten contest and defending national champion Louisville, struggling to

reach the .500 mark, lost

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40 oil companies start DOE fight

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Lawyers for 40 oil companies fighting millions of dollars in government fines and penalties have begun a federal court battle with a lawsuit challenging U.S. Department of Energy regula-tions governing injection wells in 15 states.

About 24 lawyers jammed into the front of U.S. District Judge Frank Theis' courtroom on Monday to participate in the opening day of the trial. The judge consolidated numerous separate cases on the same issues on May 26, 1977. Joseph W. Kennedy, who represents the oil compan-

ies, delivered an opening statement claiming DOE officials exceeded their statutory authority when they issued a rule excluding water injection wells from the calculations of stripper well production.

Theis ruled in January 1978 that the then-Federal Energy Administration failed to follow the Administrative Procedures Act when it implemented the injection well exemption and he struck it down.

But the U.S. Court of Emergency Appeals, a panel formed in Washington, D.C., to hear energy cases, reversed Theis' opinion in November 1978 and sent the case back to Wichita for trial.

Marginal oil wells are sometimes removed from production and used to inject water into underground oil-bearing rock formations in hopes of creating pressure that will produce better flows at other nearby The oil companies in the case want to be able to count

the injection wells as producing oil wells when calculating average daily production."Old oil" wells that produce 10 barrels or less a day are considered stripper wells and qualify for higher decontrolled crude prices. When water injection wells are removed from the calucations, many wells wouldn't be eligible for stripper prices and would instead be covered by the ceiling

Kennedy said besides exceeding its statutory author-

ity, the DOE acted in an arbitrary and capricious manner by eliminating a practice that had been accepted industry-wide for 40 years.

He said injection wells still are counted as producers by state regulators in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and New Mexico.

"The man who wrote this regulation didn't even know what an injection well is," Kennedy said.

The states where wells involved in the litigation are located are Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, Montana, New Mexico, California, Colorado, Michigan, Nebraska, Utah, and Wyoming.

Producers in Kansas were the first to become involved in the litigation and have a great deal at stake since Kansas has proportionately more stripper wells than any other state in the U.S.

Many of the companies involved in the lawsuit have been fined or ordered to pay back hundreds of thousands of dollars in alleged overcharges because they calculated stripper production using water injection wells in the producing well total.

Independent oil men who tried to determine whether injection wells could be counted in production averages got conflicting answers from federal agencies, Kennedy said.

The use of injection wells in stripper calculations isn't a dodge to avoid federal regulation, but instead it is a bona fide production practice, he said.

'The agency made an error in 1973 and 1974 and they have been desperately trying to justify it ever since. Kennedy said.

The plaintiffs began presenting witnesses Monday afternoon, with most of the initial testimony dealing with the geological mechanisms by which oil is formed and trapped underground.

Federal government lawyers said Monday theywould reserve their opening statement until the plaintiffs have completed their case.

Officials testify for stripper wells

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) - Oil production regulations employed by the U.S Department of the Interior and the Texas Railroad Commission allow water injection wells to be classified as producing oil wells, longtime employees of those agencies testified

Wednesday. John Duletsky, an Interior Department field supervisor, appeared as a witness in a U.S. District Court trial

involving 40 oil companies. The plaintiff companies are challenging Department of Energy regulations that exclude water injection wells from calculations of oil field

production averages. More than \$1 billion is at stake because the inclusion of injection wells in the calculations often brings the daily output averages down enough to qualify the crude oil produced for sale at higher stripper well

Water injection wells are used to pump water into oil-bearing rock formations in fields where production has fallen off. The water creates pressure that forces the remaining oil to recovery wells.

"It's more than an aid," Duletsky said on cross-examination. "It's a producing well when you look at the whole system.

When asked if the classification of injection wells as producing wells is "a Department of Interior concept." the witness said the practice is widely accepted in the oil business.

"It's a petroleum engineering practice when you're looking at a producing system," Duletsky said.

He agreed with a DOE lawyer who. suggested the Interior Department regulations were not adopted as price controls or inflation fighting mea-

Mac L. Coker of Austin, Texas, followed Duletsky on the witness stand. He is a petroleum geologist who worked for the Texas Railroad Commission for 28 years and is now an oil and gas consultant.

Coker testified that the commission; which regulates the oil and gas industry in Texas, allows producers to transfer production allowances from water injection wells to oil recovery wells when water flooding efforts begin.

He said Texas considers water injection wells to be producing oil

UMW opens contract negotiations

By MERRILL HARTSON.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Three years after the nation's longest coal strike, the United Mine Workers union is opening negotiations on a new

contract with the soft coal industry. The UMW's 41-member bargaining council was sitting down today with representatives of the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association here to discuss the goals of the union's 170,000

Union sources indicated the UMW will seek better wages, cost-of-living protection and a reduction in a \$200-ayear deductible that miners must pay

on medical benefits. The current three-year contract, which expires March 27, covers miners employed by some 130 coal producers in the East and Midwest.

In December 1977, UMW members struck the soft coal industry. The walkout lasted a record 109 days despite a Carter administration effort to force a return to work under provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act.

The \$200 deductible was among the items accepted by the UMW in the strike settlement of March 1978. The miners got an hourly raise amounting to \$2.40. At the time of the previous contract negotiations, rank-and-file miners were earning an average of \$7.80 an hour.

The UMW bargaining council finalized its proposals for the new contract in meetings held in the nation's

capital in mid-January. Sam Church, union president, gave no indication what the economic demands would involve but said "we must carry a policy to the bargaining table to ensure that the rank-and-file coal miner can afford to support a family, to ensure that he or she has adequate insurance coverage, and to ensure that he or she shares in the profit from their labors."

He said the UMW also would stress improved safety.

I hope that the majority of coal operators in this country and Canada will come to the realization that safe coal mines are productive coal mines

WTGS slates Tuesday meet

Dr. John A. Grow of Woods Hole, Mass., research geophysicist with the U.S. Geological Survey, will be the speaker for the Tuesday meeting of the West Texas Geological society.

The meeting will begin at 11: 30 a.m. in the Midland Hilton. Persons planning to attend should contact the West Texas Geological Society office in Midland for reservations by 5 p.m.

Dr. Grow holds a B.S. degree from Cincinnati University, an M.A. degree from Columbia University and a Ph.D. from Scripps Institute.

His topic will be "Deep Structure and Evolution of the U.S. Atlantic

and Evolution of the U.S. Atlantic Continental Margin."

Dr. Grow is a replacement for Dr.

Henry William Nenard of Rustin, Va.,
who also is with the U.S. Geological

and that they will begin to act accordingly," he said.

The Labor Department reported last week that preliminary information for 1980 shows a record-low number of accidental deaths in the mining industry

Fatal accidents in coal mining dropped to 126, down from 144 the previous year, the department's Mine Safety and Health Administration

It also said the reduction occurred in a year in which "coal production reached its highest annual total in U.S. history, more than 835 million . tons, according to U.S. Department of

Energy estimates. "We believe these reductions are the result of the cooperative efforts of labor, industry and government both federal and state," said Robert B. Lagather, assistant secretary for mine safety and health.

Judge asks money data

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - A state district judge today gave the city of Daisetta 10 days to find out if it will get federal money needed to repair the city's leaky natural gas system.

City Attorney Zeke Zbranek told Judge Harley Clark the city is "diligently pursuing a U.S. government loan and grant and has reason to believe some positive results (are expected) in the next two to four weeks.

Clark extended a temporary restraining order which bars the Texas Railroad Commission from forcing the city to turn off the gas. On Jan. 2 the commission, citing an immediate danger, ordered the system shut down.

The city went to court and got a temporary restraining order against the commission.

Daisetta Mayor Harold McCann, city councilmen and city residents tried to make repairs to the system to satisfy the Railroad Commission.

However, commission engineers have said the repairs are inadequate.

At a Wednesday night public hearing in Daisetta a TRC engineer said the entire gas system should be replaced.

Yett Hibler told about 50 persons attending the hearing the system is in violation of existing rules and safety During the legal maneuvering, city

officials have replaced segments of the leaking system but Hibler said non-standard plastic pipe was used on some major distribution lines. Hibler was asked why the commis-

sion wanted to shut down the system in the middle of winter when it knew the problem of leaks existed three years ago.

The engineer said Daisetta also knew of the problem three years ago but failed to resolve the matter. Besides, he said, the potential danger is increased during the winter heavy

State official waiting

BOSTON (AP) - Massachusetts' energy secretary has recommended that three suppliers of natural gas not be granted any rate increases until the state can determine whether the companies mismanaged their fuel reserves and contributed to a current

Joseph S. Fitzpatrick said Tuesday he believed that Boston Gas Co., the state's largest supplier, had sold gas last summer to businesses that did not really need it.

He urged a Department of Public Utilities panel to check on how much profit Boston Gas made last summer by selling pipeline gas to "interruptible customers" - large industrial and commercial users that have alternative heating systems but use gas

when it is plentiful. Fitzpatrick said it was his "early conclusion" that the company had chosen to pump gas to the interruptible market during the warm weather rather than save it to cushion residential customers through the heating

The state is under an energy emergency declared last week by Gov. Edward King after it appeared that some areas might run out of natural gas if strict conservation measures were not taken.

season.

The shortages are being experienced by Boston Gas, Lowell Gas Co.

and Cape Cod Gas Co. Fitzpatrick called on the DPU to

appoint a special outside panel to help it investigate the management of the three companies. While the inquiry is under way, Fitzpatrick said, the DPU should not permit any rate increases for the three suppliers or allow them to continue converting oil heating systems to gas.

Utility officials attended the DPU session but declined comment on Fitzpatrick's statement.

of Boston Gas, said the supply probblamed the crisis on an unusual cold natural gas from Algeria.

ond week of its "energy emergency," spring-like temperatures and conservation measures slashed statewide gas consumption by 20 percent within a 24-hour period. Gas consumption, which had totalled 932 million cubic feet from 8 a.m. Sunday to 8 a.m. Monday, fell to 742.6 million the following day.

to 292. However, state officials urged Bos-

Lehman.

However, John J. Bacon, president lem could not have been foreseen. He wave that coincided with a storm which delayed a shipment of liquefied

As Massachusetts entered the sec-

Within the Boston Gas service territory, usage plummeted from 382 mcf

ton-area gas users to leave thermostats set on 63 in homes and 55 in businesses, saying reserves would remain dangerously low until a tanker from Georgia delivers a liquefied natural gas shipment to Boston on in 14 West Texas counties The project is the former Klabuba, Rector & Schumacher No. 1 Darthul la Hale, 1/2 mile west of the depleted Half Moon (upper Hope lime) fieldd. Abandoned in April 1971, the project

Hunt Energy Corp. of Dallas No. 1

Glen F. Brunson is to be drilled as a 22,800-foot wildcat 231/2 miles northwest of Wink in Loving County. Operator staked location 1,980 feet from south and west lines of section

22, block C-25, psl survey. It is 2% miles northeast of the lone Ellenburger will in the Brunson

Operators have announced 27 wildcat operations in 14 West Texas coun-

ties, including a 22,800-foot prospector

in Loving County.

LOVING WILDCAT

ENERGY OIL & GAS

Ranch field and two miles northeast of lower Pennsylvanian production in the same field.

BORDEN COUNTY

Four wildcat projects were announced for Borden County

Petroleum Exploration & Development Funds, Inc., of Midland No. 1 Acosta will be drilled as a 9,100-foot prospector four miles east of Acker-

Drillsite is 1,444 feet from north and 2.177 feet from east lines of section 8, block 33, T-3-N, T&P survey.

Henderson & Erickson of Midland announced drillsite for a 9,100-foot wildcat in Borden County, four miles south of Gail.

It is No. 1 Clayton, 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 12, block 31, T-4-N, T&P sur-

Sanchez-O'Brien Oil & Gas Corp., operating from Midland, spotted location for an 8,800-foot wildcat 13 miles northeast of Gail in Borden

Scheduled as No. 1 John F. Lott and others, it is 1,000 feet from south and 1.220 feet from west lines of section 4. block 30, T-6-N, B&B survey. Ground elevation is 2,631 feet.

Robert E. Landreth of Midland Nol 1 Daugherty will be dug as an 8,400foot exploration 15 miles northeast of Gail in Borden County.

Operator staked location 467 feet from south and 2,173 feet from east lines of section 533; block 97, H&TC

FLOYD PROSPECTOR

Argonaut Energy Corp. of Amarillo No. 1 Collins will be drilled as a 7,000-foot wildcat in Floyd County, eight miles south of Floydada. Operator staked location 467 feet from south and east lines of W. S.

Adams survey, abstract 982. BAILEY EXPLORER

The Townsend Co. of Tye reported location for a 6,000-foot wildcat in Bailey County, 15 miles south of Muleshoe.

The project, No. 1 B. J. St. Clair, is 467 feet from north and east lines of labor 14, league 195, Ford County School Land survey, abstract 332.

HOWARD DRILLSITE

Blanks Energy Corp. of Midland No. 1 Leonard is to be drilled as a 10,200-foot wildcat in Howard County, 11 miles north of Big Spring.

It is 660 feet from south and 1,320 feet from east lines of section 21, block 32, T-2-N, T&P survey. The site is 5/8 mile west of the Luther, Southeast (Siluro-Devonian)

field which produces at 9,855 feet.

PECOS EXPLORER George H. Mitchell of Kermit announced location for a 6,100-foot new pay wildcat in the Dameron (San Andres) field of Pecos County, one mile north of Imperial

The fill lists only one well, and it is shut-in.

The new project, No. 5 Sidlo, is 660 feet from southeast and 3,300 feet from southwest lines of section 18. block 3, H&TC survey.

YOAKUM COUNTY

Threshold-Blocker Venture, operating from Midland, spotted No. 1 Morley-Hudson as a 12,000-foot wildcat in Yoakum County, 12 miles southeast of

Location is 467 feet from south and east lines of section 11, block P, psl

LYNN EXPLORER

Tenneco Oil Co., operating from San Antonio, announced plans to reenter an 11,040-foot dry hole in Lynn County and clean it out to 9,500 feet for tests as a wildcat. The project, No. 1 B. R. Tate, five

miles northwest of Wells, originally was completed as the discovery well of the Lynn (Fusselman) field. Location is 2,200 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of sec-

STONEWALL LOCATION

tion 26, block 1, L&SV survey.

Penrock Energy of Abilene No. 1 Dan Hill is a new 6,500-foot Ellenburger wildcat eight miles north of Asperment in Stonewall County. Location is 467 feet from north and

west lines of section 115, block D, H&TC survey. The project also will attempt to reopen Bend conglomerate dproduction in the Gloria Gay (Caddo) field.

FISHER RE-ENTRY

SRI Production, Inc., of Midland will re-enter a 3,705-foot failure in Fisher County, four miles northeast of Rotan, and test it as a wildcat. Hole will be cleaned out to total

is 330 feet from north and east lines of section 177, block 2, H&TC survey.

CONCHO WILDCAT

27 wildcat tests reported

Ark Energy, Inc., of Houston No. 1 M. Schulz is a new 4,000-foot wildcat in Concho County, 11/2 miles southwest Location is 934 feet from north and

766 feet from east lines of section 170,

F. S. Millard survey, abstract 1748.

Ground elevation is 2,076 feet. The drillsite is one location south of a 2,101-foot dry hole and 11/2 miles sout of the depleted Eden (Marble Falls gas) field.

RUNNLES PROJECTS

James K. Anderson, Inc., of Dallas No. 1 Don Davis is to be drilled as a 4,300-foot wildcat in Runnels County, three miles southeast of Winters.

It is 139 feet from noth and 1,968 feet from the most northerly west line of Elisha Mather survey No. 535. Donald G. Holland of Midland an-

nounced plans to re-enter a 4,069-foot failure in Runnels County and test it as a wildcat and as the second well in the Freeman (Palo Pinto) field, six

miles southeast of Winters. The project, the former Paine Producton Co. No. 1 J. E. Talley, was abandoned at 4,069 feet.

IIt will be cleaned out to total depth by Hollad as the No. 1 Dubose. Location is 16,000 feet from north and 467 feet from east lines of W. J. Smith survey No. 601/2, abstract 1135. Original location was listed as 16,600 feet from north and 467 from east lines of the survey.

Robert W. Awe of Bandero will re-enter a 4,069-foot dry hole in Runnels County, three miles northeast of Winters, and clean out to total depth and test the project as a wildcat.

It is the former Sunray Mid-Continent Oil Co. (now Sun Oil) No. 1 H. F. Mills, 330 feet from north and 990 feet from east lines of Thomas Green survey No. 496.

Ground elevation is 1,847 feet.

It was abandoned in June 1958.

SCHLEICHER AREA Three of the new wildcats were announced for Schleicher County, all by Transcontinental Oil Corp. of San Angelo. Each is contracted to 8,250 feet, approximately 23 miles north-

west of Eldorado. No. 1-52-26 University is 660 feet from south and east lines of section 16, blovck 52, University Lands survey. Ground elevation is 2,570 feet.

No. 1-55-22 University will be drilled 660 feet from north and east lines of

Transcontinental No. 1-52-25 Universty was spotted 660 feet from north and east lines of section 25, block 52, University Lands survey. Ground ele-

section 22, block 55, University Lands

Transcontinental also staked location for No. 1-54-16 University as a

vation is 2,567 feet.

southeast offset to production in the University 54 (Canyon gas) field. Scheduled to 8,250 feet, it is 790 feet from north and 662 feet from east lines of section 16, block 54, University Lands survey. Ground elevation is

IRION EXPLORERS

Meadco Properties of Midland

staked a pair of 7,500-foot wildcats in Irion County, and Mayco Exploration Co. of Dallas spotted location for a 7,100-foot prospector in the same

county. Meadco No. 1-10 E. Sugg will be drilled as one of the 7,500-foot prospectors. It is 26 miles north of Barnhart and 990 feet from north and west lines of section 10, block H, TCRR survey. Ground elevation is 2,471 feet.

Meadgo No. 3-11 E. Sugg will be dug 660 feet from south and 1,765 feet from east lines of section 11, block H. TCRR survey. Ground elevation is 2,428

The two Meadco tests also are stepouts to Canyon production in the Taos multipay field.

Mayco Expiroation Co. will drill No. 1-C Tullos as the 7,100-foot Irion Coun-

ty wildcat. It is 12 miles northeast of Mertzon and 660 feet from west and 7,000 feet from south lines of section 840, H. Jordan survey

NOLAN WILDCATS Five of the 27 wildcats were announced in Nolan County, all staked by Resource Technology Corp. of Dallas. Each is contracted to 6,100 feet. They are approximately five miles

north of Hylton. No. 2 Moore is 780 feet from northand 467 feet from west lines of sectidon 217, block 64, H&TC survey.

No. 3 Moore is 1,980 feet from north and 1,667 feet from west lines of section 217, block 64, H&TC survey.

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west lines of section 217, block 64,

Resourch Technology No. 4 Moore

H&TC survey. The firm spotted No. 3 Ensminger 0467 feet from south and west lines of

section 217, block 64, H&TC survey.

IRION TESTER Meadco Properties of Midland No. 1-25 UT has been staked as a 3/4-mile west stepout to one of the five wells in the Acker (Canyon oil) pool of Irion County, 27 miles northeast of Barn-

It is 60 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 25, block 6, H&TC survey. Contract depth is 8,000 feet and ground elevation is 2,358

CROCKETT COUNTY Southland Royalty Co. of Midland No. 1 Todd "M" has been staked 1,500 feet south of one of the two Strawn wells in the Todd multipay area of Crockett County, 20 miles northwest

Scheduled to 6,700 feet, it is 660 feet from north and 1.980 feet from east lines of section 6, block WX, GC&SF

Monsanto Co. of Midland No. 1-44-21 University is to be drilled as a fourmile southwest outpost to the six-well Block 44 (shallow) field of Crockett County, 13 miles southwest of Barn-

The 2,600-foot test is 2,310 feet from north and 1,650 feet from east lines of sectidon 21, block 44, University

Lands survey.

Carter's papers moved to Atlanta

ATLANTA (AP) - Nineteen tractor-trailer loads of papers from the Carter presidency have been shipped from Washington to Fort McPherson

here for temporary storage. The 18-wheel trucks left Washingbefore Carter left office, according to Russ Wieskircher, a civilian worker at the Army base.

Four of the trucks were later taken

to the Richard B. Russell federal

office building in Atlanta, where

Undersignated (Devonian): td 13,800 feet; preparing to acidized open hole 13,800 feet.
V.F. No. 1 Sawyer. Crossroads (Situro-Devonian); drilling 10,365 feet in lime and shale.
Linion Oil of California No. 1-31 Federal "G". Gem (Morrow), drilling 5,801 feet in lime and shale.

LOVING COUNTY Claston Williams Jr. No. 6 Gataga: Vermejo (Fusselman): drilling 11,720

REEVES COUNTY
Texas West Oil & Gas No. 1 Caldwell: San Martin (Fusselman); drilling 7,142 feet in sand, shale and lime.

STERLING COUNTY
Wagner & Brown No. 3-38 Glass:
Conger (Bennsylvanian); td' 8,400
feet; pb 8,325 feet; waiting on completion unit; set 415-inch casing at 8,336

TERRY COUNTY
Tri-Service No. 1 Hinson: Moun
Lake (Pennsylvanian); td 9,570 feet
has been plugged and abandoned.

ton about 8 a.m. Tuesday, four hours Carter will have office space. **DRILLING REPORT**

WILDCATS CROCKETT COUNTY M. C. Vinson No. 1-28-29 University: td 1,572 feet; has been plugged and

GAINES COUNTY J. C. Williamson No. 2 Dempsey Creek: id 4,600 feet, drilling out ce-ment; set 415-inch casing at id. HOCKLEY COUNTY

Petroleum Exploration and Devel-opment Funds No. 1 Shirley: drilling 1,886 feet in lime MIDLAND COUNTY Texas American No. 1 Baumann, td 11,946 feet, shut-in waiting on pipe-line. flowed 472,000 cubic feet of gas and 13.92 barrels of condensate in 24 hours, through at 12/54-inch choke and perforations at 11,827-11,835 feet.

PECUS COUNTY

WARD COUNTY Adobe Oil & Gas No. 1 Leiby; drill-CABLE TOOL

DRILLING

lop-To-Battom

ing 3,719 feet in anhydrite and sait.

FIELD TESTS CROCKETT COUNTY
Wagner & Brown No. 1-7 Roy. Thomason (Strawn), id 10,001 feet, ph
(5,003 feet, waiting on completion unit,
set 1½-inch casing at 8,831 feet.

DAWSON COUNTY

V-F Petroleum No. 1 Phipps: Ad-cock (Spraberry); Id 7,871 feet; still testing; pumped 18 barrels of oil and 18 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 7,884.5-7,886.5 feet. HOCKLEY COUNTY Texas Crude No. 1-16 McMillian Anita (Clear Fork); td 7,125 feet

KENT COUNTY West Texas Oil & Gas No. 1 Wallach

LEA COUNTY
V-F Petroleum No. 1 ARCO-State

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