

Wood probe: 'We know the players'

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SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Two years ago today John Wood, a hard-nosed federal judge called "Maximum John" by drug dealers, stepped from his fashionable town home and was felled by a sniper's bullet.

It was the first assassination of a federal judge in modern times and the most massive U.S. investigation since the killing of John F. Kennedy immediately was thrown into gear.

But 174,970 manhours and more than \$7 million later, the bottom line is — no indictments.

Yet government sources have pronounced for seven months that the case was near solution. FBI agent-in-charge Jack Lawn and prosecutors recently approved a statement by the Committee for Justice which announced that "one or more persons" had qualified for the \$100,000 reward

it is giving for information leading to a conviction and that no one else need apply.

FBI Director William Webster said on March 26 in Washington, "I don't think it's wise for me to project indictments, but we are very close to a solution. We intend to solve this. We already know the players."

Attorneys for these "players" have practically invited the grand jury to indict their clients, contending the Justice Department does not have a case that would hold up in court.

Prosecutors — apparently relying heavily on wire taps and electronic surveillance of the key suspects — have operated in almost complete secrecy since direction of the investigation was taken over by the Justice Department in Washington last December.

Since that time news reporters have gathered most of their information from witnesses called by the grand jury and pronouncements of their attorneys.

However, reporters have been told by their attorneys that these five persons are the major "targets" of the investigation:

— Jamel "Jimmy" Chagra, 35, convicted narcotics trafficker and high-stakes gambler now serving a 30-year no-parole term for continuing criminal enterprise. He was scheduled for trial before Wood at the time the judge was shot in the back with a .243-caliber bullet. Chagra had unsuccessfully attempted to have Wood removed as the judge in his case on grounds Wood, 63, was biased against him.

— Charles Voyde Harrelson, 42, the convicted "hit man" held without bond at Houston on three unrelated state charges. Harrelson was acquitted of one kill-for-hire murder and convicted of another hired killing. Government sources said several witnesses identified Harrelson in a December police lineup as being at the apartment complex the day Wood was killed.

— Joe Chagra, 41, an El Paso attorney who represents both his brother and Harrelson. He has said he expects to be indicted, but says he has

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Two bees coated with pollen visit a cluster of hollyhocks in the yard of Happy Bond, 1600 Gulf Ave.

TI's testimony somewhat flighty

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The battle between two airlines for control of one air carrier is being fought not only before the Civil Aeronautics Board in Washington, D.C., but in various cities throughout the country, including Midland.

Texas International Airlines, headed by Frank Lorenzo, is trying to purchase controlling stock in Continental Airlines. Employees of Continental, however, are pushing for court approval of their Employee Stock Option Plan to purchase those controlling shares. If approved, their plan will shove TI out of the picture. Texas International and Continental Airlines both serve Midland Regional Airport. To uncover what plans TI had for serving the Regional Airport if it took over Continental, the

city retained Washington attorney Robert Beckman to question Lorenzo at the CAB hearing last week. Beckman specializes in CAB matters. Midland had heard that TI might take Continental's 727s out of Midland and replace them with the smaller

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DC-9. If so, that would reduce cargo space used for shipping oil field materials and passenger space. The resulting testimony revealed that TI is considering such a move.

The CAB hearing is continuing, and TI issued a statement this week that it will accept the CAB's "imposed Labor Protective Provisions when it gains control of Continental Airlines. These are the same Labor Protective Provisions recently adopted in the

Continental/Western merger case."

THAT PROPOSED merger of Continental and Western was shelved when TI attempted to purchase the controlling stock. It already had been approved by the CAB, and a local Continental spokesman said the employees weren't opposed to it. However, the TI move is another matter, according to Russ Carlson of Continental. And Continental employees had been concerned over their labor protection.

John G. Carlson, vice president of public affairs for Texas Air Corp., continued that "TI is prepared to make this guarantee in an effort to demonstrate to all affected employees — union or non-union — Texas International's good faith intentions in its acquisition of Continental." Texas Air Corp. is the parent com-

pany of Texas International.

TI was to have its annual shareholders meeting Thursday in Houston. Meanwhile, Continental employees had planned to gather in Tranquility Park in Houston for a rally, which would include testimony from recent CAB hearings. Part of that testimony could have included the section dealing with TI's plans for Midland.

According to a Continental representative at the CAB hearings, James Benfield, "Midland got its money's worth out of Beckman."

Following are some excerpts of that conversation between Beckman and Lorenzo:

BECKMAN: "Would you tell us, sir, what, in your opinion, are the public

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Israel claims destruction of Libyan missiles

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Seaborne Israeli commandos made a brief raid south of Beirut during the night after a series of earlier air strikes in which Israel claimed destruction of four Libyan missile batteries at Palestinian bases on the Lebanese coast.

The Palestinians said the air strikes killed 25 people, including 18 civilians and seven guerrillas.

A communique from the Palestine Liberation Organization said a squad of Israeli commandos came ashore in landing craft just before midnight Thursday at Khalde, destroyed a truck and clashed with guerrillas before withdrawing 20 minutes later.

Israeli military authorities confirmed the raid, saying a guerrilla base was attacked and a vehicle destroyed. They said all the raiders returned safely.

Earlier Thursday, Israeli jets made three attacks on Palestinian mountain strongholds in the Damour area, about 15 miles south of Beirut, and a fourth against Palestinian positions in the foothills of Mount Hermon in southeast Lebanon, Beirut Radio said. The PLO reported a fifth strike at Naameh, 2½ miles north of Damour.

The Israeli military command said its warplanes were on a reconnaissance mission near Damour when SAM-9 anti-aircraft missiles "operated by Libyan forces" were fired at them.

The Israeli planes attacked, destroying four truck-mounted Libyan anti-aircraft missile batteries, guerrilla vehicles, anti-aircraft guns, armored cars and a bunker, before returning safely to base, the command said.

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin renewed Israel's claim that Col. Moammar Khadafi, Libya's radical leader, has sent missiles and advisers to Palestinian forces in Lebanon, a claim that was confirmed privately by a State Department official in Washington earlier this week.

"There are Libyans in Lebanon," Begin said in an interview with the Israeli Armed Forces Radio. "Their purpose as far as we know is to defend the terrorists against our planes that come to photograph or attack the terrorists as we have to do to stop the murderers who kill our children....

"If they fire their missiles, they are asking to be destroyed as they were destroyed today."

This reporter saw neither Libyans nor the Soviet-made missiles when he toured parts of the Damour area Sunday and Thursday. The guerrillas barred reporters from the smoke-sheathed upper reaches of Damour after Thursday's attack, but insisted there were no Libyans or SAM-9s in Lebanon.

The PLO commander at Damour said his forces fired 37mm anti-aircraft guns and shoulder-mounted missiles at Israel's U.S.-built Phantom and F-16 jets.

Thursday's air strikes shifted concentration from the month-old crisis over Syrian surface-to-air missile batteries in eastern Lebanon. Syria moved in the missiles April 29, after Israeli jets knocked down two Syrian helicopter gunships it said were attacking its Christian militia allies. Israel demanded Syria withdraw the missiles and threatened to knock them out.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Dean Fisher said the Israeli air strikes apparently were not directed at Syrian installations and thus did not signal a worsening of Israeli-Syrian tensions.

"We do not believe that the Israeli action today is necessarily related to our efforts to defuse the tension brought about by the crisis," Fisher said, referring to U.S. envoy Philip C. Habib's three-week-old mission to avert a Syrian-Israeli war.

President Reagan recalled Habib to Washington Wednesday and was to discuss the future course of the mission when he meets with the veteran diplomat today. Habib is due back in the Middle East next week.

Meanwhile, Begin announced that Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has accepted his invitation to meet him next Thursday at the Israeli settlement of Ofira, at the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula. The meeting, the first between the two old foes in 17 months, is expected to focus on the missile crisis and on the stalemated peace process between the two countries.

Former Midlander dies in crash of small plane

From Staff and Wire Reports

SHREVEPORT, La. — A former Midland man was among three people killed when a single-engine plane en route to Midland crashed near the Shreveport downtown airport Thursday as the pilot tried an emergency landing when a door came open shortly after takeoff, officials said.

Doug Fuller, 30, a former Mid-

lander now living in Shreveport, was one of three oil men killed in the crash. A fourth man was hospitalized in undetermined condition.

Names of the other two victims were not available.

Federal Aviation Administration officials in Fort Worth, Texas, said the plane took off from the small airport about 10 a.m. and a few minutes later the pilot radioed that a door was open.

He was cleared for an emergency landing, but as the plane approached the airport, it suddenly lost altitude and plummeted to the ground about a mile from the airport.

Fuller, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence L. Fuller of Midland, was a 1968 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School in Midland and a 1973 graduate of Texas Tech University. He was an officer in the Air Force for six years.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Fuller of Shreveport; a son, Jay Fuller of Shreveport; a brother, Gary Fuller of Baton Rouge, La.; and a sister, Trish Fuller of Midland. Funeral services are pending.



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Tax cut effort could prompt another coalition, Hance says

By CHARLES RICHARDS
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Another coalition of Republicans and conservative Democrats could develop behind President Reagan's proposal for a multi-year, across-the-board tax cut, Rep. Kent Hance, D-Texas, says.

"I don't know what will happen. It's still too early to say," Hance said after an unproductive two-hour caucus with other Democrats on the House Ways and Means Committee.

"I was hoping we could finalize something we could take to the president that he could accept or that Danny had something from the president we could accept," an obviously disappointed Hance said. "But it looks like it will be a long, drawn-out thing."

Instead of a compromise that accepted most of the president's proposal, as had been widely speculated, things ended up back at square one.

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., the committee chairman, emerged from the meeting to say Democrats can't

go along with the president's proposals.

"A multi-year tax cut is not acceptable at this time," Rostenkowski told newsmen. The Democrats on his committee are solidly behind a tax cut of no longer than a year and for a bigger tax cut to those who make from \$20,000 to \$50,000 a year, he said.

Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, had hinted earlier that Republicans would seek another coalition with conservative Democrats if Rostenkowski didn't agree soon to a compromise.

Hance, a leader in that earlier coalition — which gave the president an overwhelming victory in his first major legislative test — has been trying to work within the party on the tax cut issue.

Hance said, "But I felt all week that the speculation in the press was too optimistic (about chances for a compromise). I've never been that optimistic about it, from the word go."

"I'm still going to wait a while.

Danny's going to continue to talk to the White House, and I'm going to wait and see what happens."

The second-term congressman from Lubbock was one of four conservative Democrats who met with administration officials in the White House last week and won concessions from the tax cut bill Reagan had been assisting on.

The four then went to Rostenkowski with the grounds for possible compromise, rather than pushing the proposal as their own.

Others accompanying Hance to the White House meeting were Rep. Charles Stenholm and Rep. Phil Gramm of Texas and Rep. Sonny Montgomery of Mississippi. Gramm was the spearhead for the bipartisan budget effort.

Republicans could live with the recommended compromise, Dole said Wednesday. Rostenkowski had added after meeting with Dole and Treasury Secretary Donald Regan Thursday morning that they found more things to agree about than to disagree about.

WEATHER SUMMARY

Midland statistics

WEATHER FORECAST	
Continued cloudy through Saturday. Chance of thunderstorms through Saturday. Some locally heavy thunderstorms tonight. Temperatures not as warm on Saturday. Low tonight to near 60. High Saturday in low 80s. Southeast winds 5-15 mph tonight and Saturday. Chance of rain 60 percent tonight, decreasing to 30 percent on Saturday.	
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE	
Yesterday's high	82 degrees
Overnight low	61 degrees
Sunrise today	6:46 a.m.
Sunset tomorrow	8:44 p.m.
Precipitation	0.00 inches
Wind this month to date	2.50 inches
Wind to date	5.50 inches
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DEATHS



Lula Wilmoth

Lula Wilmoth, 99, of 2800 N. Midland Drive, died Wednesday. Services were to be at 11 a.m. Friday in the Chapel of the First United Methodist Church with Dr. Charles Lutrick officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wilmoth was born July 20, 1881, in Hill County, Texas. She spent her early life in Hillsboro, moving to Claude where she lived for five years. She married F.H. "Jack" Wilmoth in Hill County in 1902. They moved to Reagan County in 1905 where they farmed until moving to Midland in 1910. Her husband died in 1954. She was a charter member of the First United Methodist Church and of the Wesley Bible Class. She was an active member of Golden Agers.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Othell Whitson and Laurie Mae Selby, both of Midland; six grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Webb infant

Graveside services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Webb were to be at 1 p.m. today at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. T.H. Chapman of the First United Pentecostal Church officiating. Services were to be directed by Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

The baby died Thursday in a Midland hospital.

Survivors include the parents; a sister, Stephanie Lynn Webb of Midland; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Blue of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. John Webb of Stanton; and great-grandparents, J.G. West of Midland and Mrs. John Webb Sr. of Ackerly.

Cecil W. Ward

STANTON—Cecil Wayne Ward, 30, of Kilgore and formerly of Stanton, died Wednesday at Kilgore after a

short illness. Services are pending at Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

He was born Aug. 5, 1950, in Big Spring. He was a welder and had lived in Stanton for 18 years.

Survivors include a son, Bradley Ryan Ward of Goldthwaite; his mother, Charlene Crittenden Ship of Stanton; a brother, Kenneth Stroup of Skellytown, Texas; a sister, Mrs. Gary Lamb of Sheffield, Texas; his stepfather, Herbert Ship of Stanton; a stepbrother, Bobby Ship of Dumas; and a stepsister, Mrs. Conrad McKaskie of Andrews.

Lucy G. Barber

STANTON—Lucy Garrett Barber, 81, of Stanton died Tuesday in an Andrews hospital after a short illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at First Baptist Church in Stanton with the Rev. Johnny Mitchell of Midland officiating. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

She was born March 2, 1900, at St. Augustine, Texas. She moved to Stanton in 1930 from DeKalb. She was married to Ernest Barber in 1919 at DeKalb. He died in 1945.

Survivors include eight sons, Jack Barber and Robert L. Barber, both of Stanton, Tim Barber, James Willie Barber, Curtis Barber and Troy Lee Barber, all of Midland, Willie Barber of Luling and O.D. Barber of Plante City, Fla.; four daughters, Imo Gene DeVhorns of Council City, Mo., Rachel Runnels of Corcoran, Calif., and Hazel Barber and Ethel Daugherty, both of Hobbs, N.M.; 15 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

R.L. O'Neil Jr.

Services for R.L. O'Neil Jr., 55, of Odessa were Thursday in the Newbie W. Ellis chapel with Rev. Ross Payne, pastor of Cottonflat Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

O'Neil died Wednesday morning in an Odessa hospital.

He was born and grew up in Patricia. He moved to Midland in 1940 and married Vivian Clark in 1944. He moved to Odessa in 1970 where he was employed by Blakely Construction as a foreman.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian O'Neil of Odessa; a son, Russell Lealand "Rusty" O'Neil of Houston; two daughters, Lequetta Reeves of Midland and Brenda Runyan of Odessa; his mother, Mrs. R.L. O'Neil of Midland; five brothers, O.C. "Sonny" O'Neil of Jal, N.M., Jimmy O'Neil, W.R. "Hoot" O'Neil, Delbert O'Neil and Elbert O'Neil, all of Midland; a sister, Nita Faubion of Midland; five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Lynn O'Neil, Wendell O'Neil, Raymond Bryant, Lonnie Faubion, Tommy Clark and Monty O'Neil.

Arthur Martinez Sr.

Arthur Martinez Sr., 34, of 701 S. Fort Worth St., died Monday in a Midland hospital after a long illness.

Rosary was recited Thursday at the Thomas Funeral Home chapel. Funeral Mass was to be said at 10 a.m. today at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial was to be in Fairview Cemetery.

Marion Riggs

Services for Marion Riggs, 91, of Big Spring were to be at 3 p.m. today in the First Assembly of God Church in Midland with the Rev. J.W. Farmer officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were to be Billy Pruitt, Robert Pruitt, Carl Tedder, Eddie Riggs, Kenneth Pruitt and David Pruitt.

Minnie Anne Neel

ANDREWS—Services for Minnie Anne Neel, 81, of Andrews were to be at 11 a.m. today at Singleton Funeral Home Chapel of the Chimes with burial in Andrews Cemetery.

Mrs. Neel died Tuesday in an Andrews nursing home.

Before moving to Andrews in 1965, she lived in Bertram where she spent most of her life. Mrs. Neel was a housewife, but worked in an Austin hospital from 1950 until about 1965. She was a member of the Second Baptist Church of Andrews.

Mrs. Neel married Raby C. Neel in Gatesville on August 14, 1925.

Survivors include three sons, E.D. Neel of Lakeside, Calif., C.D. Neel and Jack Neel, both of Dallas; three daughters, Mary Cox of Odessa, JoAnn Hill of Fort Worth and Doris Schooley of Andrews; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Jews evicted

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Israeli soldiers today evicted Jewish settlers from a shrine in the West Bank town of Hebron where they were conducting a prayer service during hours set aside for Moslem observances, the military said.

The settlers continued their prayers outside the shrine, a cave worshiped by Jews and Moslems as the traditional burial place of the patriarch Abraham.

Bodies of two climbers recovered

LONGMIRE, Wash. (AP) — The bodies of two climbers from Tacoma have been recovered by helicopter from the steep north face of Mount Rainier, the National Park Service reported.

The bodies of Doug Fowler, 21, and Bruce Mooney, 20, were taken off the mountain Thursday afternoon by a U.S. Army helicopter, said Larry Henderson, park spokesman.

The two apparently had fallen about 2,000 feet.

They were spotted from a helicopter earlier Thursday, but the area was too steep for the craft to land.

Two park rangers were then flown to the 8,500-foot level of the Carbon Glacier. They climbed up Rainier's precipitous Liberty Wall and found the two bodies at an elevation of 9,600 feet, Henderson said.

Fowler and Mooney had left White River campground last Saturday to climb Liberty Ridge. They were due to return Monday.

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TI head hears complaints, draws shareholders' support

By JAMES R. KING
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — They lined up by the dozens for a chance to give the president of their company a piece of their minds. They booed and hooted as he spoke, they accused him of breaking his word and spreading "out and out lies" — and challenged his ability to run a major airline.

But Frank A. Lorenzo resisted any temptation he may have felt to fire the lot of disgruntled Texas International Airlines pilots and stewardesses. Instead, the president of Texas Air Corp., TIA's holding company, stood calmly and allowed the dissenters to speak their peace at TAC's annual shareholders meeting Thursday.

For Lorenzo, the victory came when the votes were counted. One resolution proposed by the unhappy employees drew about 35,000 votes but did not come close to passing — ballots against it totaled more than 5 million.

The results were generally the same on every issue pitting Lorenzo and shareholders sympathetic to him against the rowdy group of about 200 pilots and stewardesses among about 1,000 persons attending the meeting.

The dissenters, mostly union-covered workers angry about TIA's unsuccessful efforts to take over Continental Airlines and other "fiscal manipulations," nominated to TIA's board of directors five pilots suspended earlier this month after they wore lapel buttons critical of the company. Lorenzo's slate

of officers soundly defeated them, but it did not quell their anger.

"I'm concerned about the out-and-out lies that our employees are being told, an example being your statement that TI pilots are being paid \$100,000," said Mike Wood, one of the suspended pilots. Wood said the actual salary is about half that.

Lorenzo, who wants the pilots to fly more hours per month, said the \$100,000 he mentioned referred to the cost to the company of pay and benefits for senior captains, and he insisted it was correct.

TIA also announced at the meeting that it has asked a U.S. district court in Los Angeles to halt a move by Continental employees to buy stock and take over their own company.

TIA owns 48.5 percent of Continental and has been trying, without success, to gain controlling interest of the West Coast company.

The attempt to take over Continental is one of the complaints pilots and stewardesses have. But their main complaint centers on last year's creation of Texas Air Corp. as TIA's holding company and the later birth of a sister airline, New York Air.

Stewardess Sheila Hammond complained to Lorenzo at the meeting that TIA employees were kept in the dark about New York Air's creation.

"We found out about it by reading the newspaper," she said. "Our aircraft were repainted and the stars were replaced with apples. The pilots and flight attendants found themselves with worsening working conditions and not enough equipment."

Several resolutions proposed by the dissent group were voted down or overruled, including one that would have put all of Texas Air Corp.'s assets back into TIA.

TIA and its pilots have been trying to agree on a labor contract since February 1979.

High enrollment likely for MC summer session

Students will register Monday for Midland College's first summer term, with another record enrollment likely.

Pre-registration ended Thursday afternoon with more than 660 students already signed up for classes. At the same period last year, the pre-registration count was 635. Last year's first summer term enrollment totaled 1017.

Registration is slated from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. in the Physical Education Building. Those students who pre-registered have received time permits that assign them a specific time to report to registration.

Students who have not pre-registered, but wish to take summer classes, should visit the Physical

Education Building Monday from 6 to 8 p.m. They will be processed as quickly as possible.

Midland College's first summer session course offerings include almost all the academic and vocational courses which are available during the regular semester. A few of the vocational courses will not be offered during the second summer term and a few are not offered at all during the summer.

Classes start on Tuesday and late registering students may sign up for classes until Monday, June 8. The first summer session ends on July 7. The second summer term registration is July 8 with classes beginning July 9 and will continue until August 13.

PEOPLE

Jane Pauley shares favorite fantasies

BOSTON (AP) — "Today" show co-host Jane Pauley says she likes television news, but fantasizes about being a rock star.

"I do see myself in a smoky blue light sometimes as a torch singer," says Miss Pauley, 30. "Other times, I'm backed up by a five-piece band at Madison Square Garden, wailing my heart out."

"But that's strictly fantasy, and I don't really want to be a rock 'n' roll singer," said Miss Pauley, who has been with "Today" for 5½ years. "What I really want to do is television news."

Miss Pauley, in an interview published in the June issue of City Limits, a Boston-based magazine, says the highlight of her career may be the July wedding of Prince Charles.

"It's abroad, it's broadcasting a foreign story home, it's a story that is both news and romance, it's both headlines and fairy tales and I only recently got over my broken heart figuring out that I was at least 10 years too old for Prince Charles."

"We were all in love with him, you know," she said.

SANTA ROSA, Calif. (AP) — Country-western singer Willie Nelson has canceled a July 29 appearance at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds because the 20 fair directors bought up all 1,400 reserved seats before the public got a chance to purchase any.

Mark Rothbaum, Nelson's manager, said Thursday the singer "has been touring for over 20 years to play for the public that supports him and is not interested in performing at any public facility where his fans can't buy tickets in an equitable manner."

Fair manager Ignazio Vella claimed the directors bought up the \$11 reserved-seat tickets because they "panicked" when they learned the singer had scheduled another performance June 27 in San Francisco.

Directors wanted to ensure enough tickets would be sold to cover Nelson's \$51,000 fee, Vella said.

But other directors said they knew the concert at the 4,700-seat rodeo arena would be a sellout and wanted to ensure they would be able to get all the reserve seats.

NEW YORK (AP) — Former Sen. Jacob Javits says he's checked into New York Hospital for some lessons on how to use a machine that will force air into his lungs "and help me breathe better."

"I'm feeling fine, there's nothing wrong with me," Javits, 77, said Thursday.

Javits said he suffers from motor neuron disease, a progressive muscle and nerve disorder that limits his walking. But the New York Republican said he did not believe the condition was related to his breathing problems.

Javits entered the hospital Tuesday night and expected to leave Saturday.

Javits was defeated for re-election last year.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The 1981 Ohio State Fair has canceled the appearance of country singer George Jones because of a fracas that occurred when he failed to appear at another Ohio engagement.

Jones' failure to give an outdoor concert at Possum Holler Music Park near Logan, Ohio, Sunday ended in a small riot in which a deputy sheriff was seriously hurt. Seven people were arrested.

"We try to run a family affair, and we can't take the chance on something happening," said State Fair General Manager John Evans. Jones, winner of the 1980 Country Music Association award as male vocalist of the year, failed to appear for a February concert with Tammy Wynette, his former wife, in Columbus.

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Three men wounded in the assassination attempt on President Reagan will receive the Marine Corps League's highest honor here this summer, a local spokesman for the league says.

Presidential Press Secretary James Brady, Secret Service Agent Timothy J. McCarthy and District of Columbia police officer Thomas Delahanty will receive the league's "Iron Mike" award, Thomas Price, chairman of the local league detachment's convention committee, said Thursday.

The three were wounded outside a Washington hotel when a gunman attacked Reagan. Brady, shot in the head, remains hospitalized.

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Michael Reagan says mentioning that President Reagan is his father has caused him more problems than if he tried to hide the fact.

The president's son resigned from Dana Ingalls Profile Inc. after he wrote a letter to a military base soliciting business for the firm. In the letter, he mentioned that his father was president, a fact was reported by journalists.

The younger Reagan claims journalists made much ado about nothing.

"My God," he said, "I was representing a 35-man machine shop, and they (the press) acted as if I was soliciting business for Boeing aircraft!"



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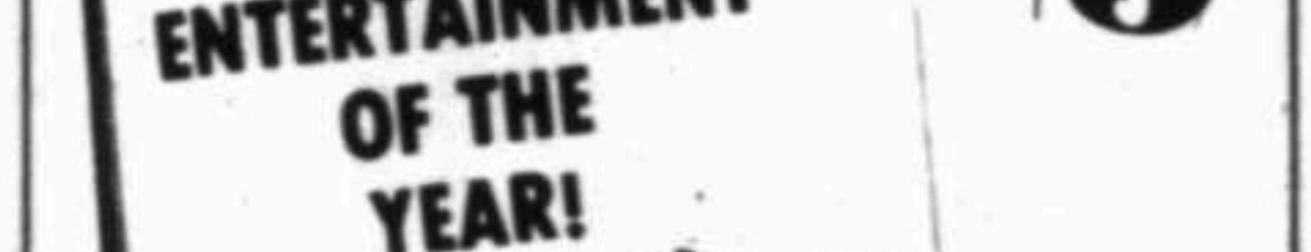
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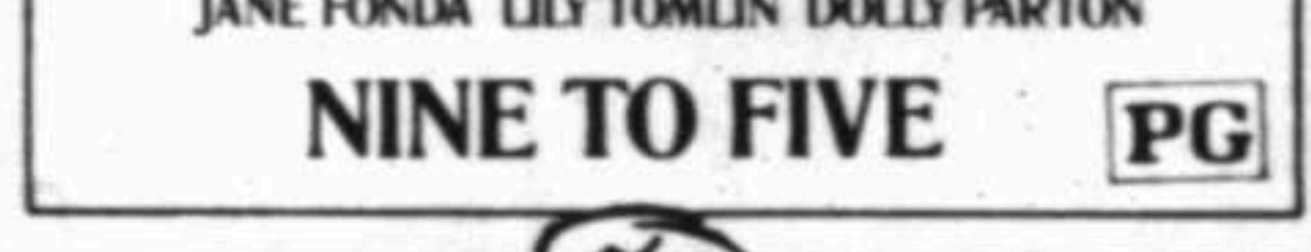
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'ABC Theater' to air life, times of Paige

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — After nearly a year of production problems, the gangling figure of Leroy "Satchel" Paige strides out of legend and onto

millions of American television screens.

"Don't Look Back," an "ABC Theater" production Sunday night, chronicles the life and times of the Negro League star considered by many baseball historians to be the greatest pitcher who ever lived. Certainly, he was one of the most durable, with a career that spanned four decades — from the late 1920s to the mid-'60s.

Paige's beanpole body and "them size-15 feet" inspired riotous laughter from his teammates. But the laughter always stopped when Paige's blazing fastball zipped past opposing batters.

His exploits meant a decent living and a measure of fame. But for most of his career, one thing stood between Paige and the major leagues.

Paige came along in an era when blacks were barred from baseball's upper strata simply because of their color. To survive, blacks formed their own teams, their own league — and played their own style of ball. The Negro National League flourished, and teams barnstormed from town to town, playing ballgames throughout the United States and Latin America.

But in "Don't Look Back," Paige, as portrayed by Emmy-winning actor Louis Gossett Jr., never loses sight of his ultimate ambition — an ambition he fulfilled in 1948 with the Cleveland Indians.

By that time, Paige was 42. He was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1971.

"I wasn't trying to do a polemic on black-white relations," said the movie's executive producer, Danny Arnold, whose credits include the long-running "Barney Miller." "I was just trying to give insight into the feelings of an individual. It's a strong personal story."



Staff Photo by Brian Henderson

Ethel (Pat Griffith) consoles her husband Norman (Glen Thomason) in Ernest Thompson's "On Golden Pond" opening today in Theatre I at Theatre Midland, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. The play, directed by Don

Bachmann, Midland Community Theatre's executive director, is slated for nine performances. Reservations may be made by calling the theater's box office at 682-4111.

Vallee sticks to show business

By JAY SHARBUTT
AP Arts Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — His time may not be your time, his era as a vagabond lover ended long ago and there was nary a live whiff or poof from the old Yalie as he trotted out "The Whiffenpoof Song" he made famous.

But Rudy Vallee, 80 in July, refuses to sing "Toodle-oo, So Long, Goodbye" to show business after nearly 60 years in it. And Wednesday night he began a four-night stand here in a half-empty club.

The setting was Les Mouches, a West Side cabaret and disco emporium 26 blocks south of and 53 years from where he first hit the big time on a local radio show that began with his familiar cry:

"Heigh-ho, everybody, this is Rudy Vallee announcing and directing the Yale Collegians from the Heigh-Ho Club at Thirty-Five East Fifty-Third Street in New York City."

His one-man, no-band show, his first here since 1976, proved resolutely derriere-garde, firmly rooted in the past, an eccentric, puzzling mix of 200 slides, snatches of elderly songs (both recorded and live), bawdy limericks, a flood of drunk jokes, and one obscene, ancient ditty.

It perhaps was the only club act extant that began with an off-stage announcer welcoming the patrons and adding: "Mr. Vallee suggests if you must visit the powder room you do so now."

Ten minutes later, Vallee, clad in an open silk shirt and a black coat, entered, took to a podium and — operating both his slides of yesteryear and tape recordings of his old hits — began the night.

It was as much a lecture as a show, flitting back and forth in time for nearly two hours. It ranged, in no particular order, from his days as an under-age Navy enlistee to current events, the early 1960s when he co-starred in the Broadway hit, "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Among other things, the veteran performer: Played his 40-year-old recording of "The Whiffenpoof Song," noting that although always associated with Yale the tune didn't originate there, but rather in "Little Nemo," a 1904 musical.

Explained how he came to use the famous sawed-off red megaphone that became his trademark as America's first real crooner.

Recalled when he fronted a 53-piece Coast Guard band during World War II (during this segment he sang a passage from "Besame Mucho" backed by a wartime recording of the band).

Sang, backed by taped piano accompaniment, "my Vagabond Lover" medley of early hits, which didn't include "My Time Is Your Time" but did serve up "Kitty From Kansas City," about a girl so dumb "she thinks a goblet is a sailor's little boy."

Readily admitted his first film, "Vagabond Lover" in 1929, is a turkey now "only shown in penitentiaries and comfort stations."

Rendered a 1936 obscurity, "All Points West," about a train station announcer who daydreams about all the places the trains go (it must be said the song went on so long two of the 40 patrons present fled before he reached the Continental Divide).

Offered a 16-song Jerome Kern medley — but only a few bars of each tune — before wrapping the night up with a different tunesmith's work, an encore song called "Let's Put Out the Lights."

During all this, Vallee, who occasionally shut his eyes and conducted various way-back-when orchestras preserved on tape, mildly berated the audience for failing to laugh at his drunk jokes.

He also warned any critics present they should remember that the jokes usually "convulse a full audience."

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Three finals, tests filed in District 8

Three completions, six wildcats and two field tests have been filed in the District 8 counties of Howard, Ward, Ector, Presidio, Crane and Pecos.

Petroleum Exploration & Development Funds, Inc. of Midland has completed the No. 1 Flanagan "A" as a Fusselman discovery in Howard County, five miles southeast of Big Spring.

The well was potentially to flow 122 barrels of 48 gravity oil through a 10/64 inch choke from perforations at 9,486 to 9,509 feet which had been acidized with 5,000 gallons.

Drilled to 9,649 feet with a 5 1/2 inch casing set at 9,636 feet it was plugged back to 9,550 feet. Ground level elevation is 2,470 feet.

Location is 660 feet from the north line and 860 feet from the east line of section 24, block 32, T-1-S, of the T&P survey.

Well site is 3/4 mile south of 9,564-foot Fusselman production in the Red Draw field.

McCann Corp. of Big Spring will drill the No. 1 Earl Hull, a 9,400-foot, in Howard County, 3 miles north of Coahoma.

Location is 1,320 feet from the north line and 1,961 feet from the west line of section 23, block 31, T-1-N, of the T&P survey.

The site is 1 1/2 miles east of the 9,390-foot Maralo Miller abandoned Nov. 21, 1980.

WARD COUNTY

Florida Exploration Co. of Midland has completed the No. 1 University 16 as a Yates discovery in Ward County, five southeast of Wickett.

Potential to flow five barrels of 32.3 gravity oil per day plus five barrels of water through a 3/4 inch choke from perforations at 2,798 to 2,862 which had been acidized with 1,400 gallons and fractured with 28 barrels.

Total depth of the well is 15,500 feet with a 10 3/4 inch casing set at 9,500 feet and plugged back to 4,932 feet.

Location is 2,850 feet from the north line and 2,500 feet from the east line of section 15, block 16 of the University Lands survey.

Gulf Oil Corp. of Monahans will drill the No. 1220 G.W. O'Brien et al, a 9,600-foot wildcat, in Ward County, one mile northeast of Wickett.

Location is 660 feet from the south line and 560 feet from the east line of section 19, block F of the G&MMB&A survey.

The site is 4 1/4 miles west of the 8,646-foot Sealy Smith, abandoned Jan. 17, 1966.

Cities Service Co. of Midland will drill the No. 1 University 13-17, a 21,000-foot wildcat in Ward County, seven miles northwest of Poyte.

Location is 1,320 feet from the north line and 2,500 feet from the west line of section 13, block 17 of the University Lands survey.

Drill site is 3 1/4 miles west of the 19,500-foot BTA No. 7417 JVS Winkler abandoned Nov. 29, 1976.

ECTOR COUNTY

Santa Fe Energy Co. of Amarillo will drill the No. 2 Southwest in Ector

County, three miles east of Penwell.

The project will test the Harper, Southeast (Ellenburger) field at 12,700 feet, the Harper, Southeast (Cisco) field at 8,500 feet and a wildcat in the Simpson zone at 12,225 feet and Devonian at 12,200 feet.

Location is 933 feet from the north line and 1,595 feet from the east line of section 2, block 44, T-3-S of the T&P survey.

The site is just south of the Harper, Southeast field which produces in the Ellenburger, Fusselman and Cisco.

CRANE COUNTY

Robert M. Wynne of Midland will drill the No. 1 Lester 42, a 3,700-foot wildcat, in Crane County, 12 miles south of Crane.

Location is 467 feet from the north line and 1,980 feet from the west line of section 42, block 35 of the H&TC survey.

The location is 1/2 mile northwest of the 3,450-foot No. 1 Lester abandoned Aug. 5, 1971 and is 1/2 mile east of the Roblaw field.

PECOS COUNTY

Bough Oil & Gas Co. of Loving, N.M. has completed the No. 17 Jackson Oil Unit in the Pecos Valley (Low Gravity) field of Pecos County, seven miles northwest of Imperial.

The well was potentially to pump 10 barrels of 36 gravity oil per day plus four barrels of water from Yates perforations at 1,503 to 1,668 which had been fractured with 15,000 gallons and 22,000 pounds of sand. Ground level elevation was 2,426 feet.

The gas to oil ratio is 1,800 to 1. Location is 990 feet from the north and west lines of section 28, block 3 of the H&TC survey.

Well site is 2,000 feet southwest of the abandoned 1,596-foot No. 1 D. Owens et al.

Challenger Minerals Inc. of Midland will test the Double T (Abo) field with the No. 1 Frank A. Perry Jr., a 4,600-foot field test, in Pecos County, eight miles southwest of Iraan.

Location is 660 feet from the north line and 660 feet from the west line of section 26, block 178 of the TCRS survey.

The site is 2,500 feet northeast of an Abo discovery.

PRESIDIO COUNTY

Union Texas Petroleum Corp. of Midland will drill the No. 1 UTP-HOM Frenchman Hills, a 15,500-foot wildcat in Presidio County, 17 miles southwest of Marfa.

Location is 979 feet from the south line and 1,254 feet from the west line of section 38, block 8 of the GS&SA survey.

Drill site is five miles southwest of the 10,132-foot No. 1 Hubbard abandoned Feb. 12, 1961.

WINKLER COUNTY

Wm. E. Hendon Jr. of Midland will test the GPM (Pennsylvanian) field with the No. 1 Hogg, a 9,200-foot field test in Winkler County, 4.5 miles southeast of Kermit.

Location is 1,980 feet from the north line and 467 feet from the west line of section 14, block B-10 of the Public School Lands survey.

The site is 3,500 feet west of the abandoned 8,800-foot No. 1 Hunter-Hogg and 4,000 feet southwest of a 10,303-foot Pennsylvanian discovery.

Watt considering longer oil exploration leases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interior Secretary James G. Watt says an extension of the initial five-year offshore oil lease period may be in order for some Outer Continental Shelf exploration and development.

Watt expressed that sentiment in a letter to Rep. William Hughes, D-N.J., who had expressed his reservations about a planned offshore oil lease sale in the Mid-Atlantic region last year. The congressman made a copy of the letter available Wednesday.

The secretary told Hughes he was considering using "an initial lease term of up to 10 years when necessary to encourage exploration and development in areas because of unusually deep water or other unusually adverse conditions."

He noted that he has proposed 10-year leases for tracts that lie in water depths of 400 to 2,100 meters — roughly 1,600 feet to 7,000 feet — in a sale in the South Atlantic.

"While technology doesn't currently exist to produce in the very deep water, it is our belief, based on testimony from industry, that the offering and leasing of deep-water tracts will stimulate and accelerate the development of appropriate technology," Watt said.

Hughes, whose district includes the southern New Jersey coast, had told Watt earlier this year that the proposed December sale in the Baltimore Canyon Trough off the coasts of New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia would "only encourage speculative bidding by the industry."

He said about 20 percent of the 253 tracts involved are in depths of water 6,000 feet or more. That is 1,600 feet beyond the reach of current technology, the congressman said.

In reply to Watt's letter, Hughes wrote a second time.

He said the proposed lease sale would be "highly unlikely to attract much in the way of bonus bidding or oil industry interests."

The leasing of tracts which cannot

be developed under current technology "will not lead to any increase in our nation's oil supplies, but such leasing will mislead people into a false sense of security or a belief that we are making progress when the contrary is true."

He said if it turns out that there are substantial reserves of oil or natural gas in the deep-water tracts of the sale area, "the oil industry will undoubtedly and justifiably view the sale as the bargain of the century."

NEW YORK (AP) — Two years after Americans fumed in gasoline lines, the outlook for the summer for supplies of gasoline so ample that price wars could break out.

For the oil industry the irony is that although they have plenty of gasoline to sell, American drivers may not want to buy it.

"This summer may be a severe disappointment" for the oil companies, says Dan Lundberg, whose Los Angeles-based newsletter follows the gasoline industry.

Until 1979, a big increase in summer driving was taken for granted as families climbed into their cars to visit relatives and see America. But the pattern was disrupted by gas lines during the summer of 1979 and failed to return last year, when supplies were adequate.

In 1978, for example, sales during the summer months were 6 percent to 10 percent greater than average monthly sales. By 1980, they were up 3 percent to 4 percent in July and August, and actually a little lower than average in June.

The industry isn't acting like a surge in gasoline sales is expected. In previous years, one way to tell that Memorial Day was approaching was

Dist. 7-C announces two finals, wildcats

Two completions and two wildcats have been filed in the District 7-C counties of Concho, Menard and Crockett.

CONCHO COUNTY

North American Exploration Co. of Abilene has completed the No. 2 Morris Miller as a Goen oil discovery 11 miles southwest of Eden in Concho County.

The well was calculated to flow 720 barrels of 44 gravity oil on a six hour potential test with no water through 14/64 inch choke from perforations at 4,052 to 4,062 feet.

Drilled to 4,250 feet with a 4 1/2 inch casing set at 4,233 feet, it was plugged back to 4,133 feet.

Location is 467 feet from the south and east lines of section 34, block 8 of the H&TC survey.

Well site is 3,697 feet southeast of the same company's No. 1 Miller, opener and lone producer in the LWG (Morris) field.

MENARD COUNTY

Terra Resources Inc. of Houston has completed the No. 1 Madlyn Pfleger "A" as a Strawn III sand discovery in Menard County 13.4 miles northwest of Menard.

Potential to pump 14 barrels of 26.4 gravity oil per day plus nine barrels of water, production was gained from perforations at 2,941 to 2,950 feet which had been acidized with 3,000 gallons and fractured with 22,000 pounds of sand.

It was drilled to 3,147 feet with a 5 1/2 inch casing set at 3,146 feet and plugged back to 3,106 feet.

Location is 2,000 feet from the north and west lines of section 6 of the F. Rau survey.

The discovery is 1 3/4 miles south of the Celery multipay Strawn field.

CROCKETT COUNTY

Getty Oil Co. will drill the No. 1 University 22-5, an 11,770-foot wildcat in Crockett County, 12 miles southeast of Rankin.

Location is 660 feet from the south line and 1,540 feet from the east lines of section 22, block 5 of the University Lands survey.

The site is 2 5/8 miles east-southeast of the 11,801-foot Upton County Vickers Petroleum No. 1 University abandoned Aug. 24, 1953.

Michaelson Production Co. of Midland will drill the No. 1 University 15, a 2,000-foot wildcat in Crockett County, 17 miles north of Ozona.

Location is 467 feet from the south line and 2,286 feet from the west lines of section 15, block 45 of the University Lands survey.

Ten wildcats planned for District 8-A counties

Ten wildcats have been filed for the District 8-A counties of Cottle, Garza, King, Kent, Scurry and Crosby.

COTTLE COUNTY

Taylor Operating Co. of Bridgeport will drill two 7,300-foot wildcats in Cottle County seven miles northwest of Swearingin.

The No. 1 Portwood is located 1,400 feet from the north line and 600 feet from the west line of section 60 of the B.A. Forsythe survey abstract 442.

The site is 1 1/4 miles southeast of a 7,714-foot failure and eight miles east-northeast of the Cee Vee (Canyon) field.

The No. 2 Portwood is located 1,900 feet from the south line and 2,000 feet from the east lines of section 58 of the B.A. Forsythe survey abstract 442.

The location is 7/8 mile southwest of a 7,723-foot failure and nine miles northeast of the Cee Vee field.

KING COUNTY

Taylor Operating Co. of Bridgeport will drill two 6,500-foot wildcats in King County, 16 miles northeast of Guthrie.

Both projects are in the section 55 of the F.P. Knott survey, abstract 941.

The No. 1 Masterson Ranch is located 660 feet from the south and west lines of the section and is 1/2-mile east-northeast of Prudence (Atoka) field and one mile east of the 6,200-foot Gus Edwards No. 1 Gibson Estate abandoned Nov. 7, 1975.

The No. 2 Masterson Ranch is located 1,500 feet from the north line and 800 feet from the east line of the section and is 1 3/8 miles northeast of the Prudence field and 1 1/8 miles southeast of the 6,310-foot Bass Enterprises Production Co. No. 1 Masterson Estate, abandoned August 24, 1977.

GARZA COUNTY

Stringer Oil & Gas of San Antonio will drill the No. 1 J.D. McCampbell, a 3,800-foot wildcat in Garza County, seven miles north of Post.

Location is 700 feet from the north line and 1,737 feet from the west line of subdivision H of the Isaac Scott survey, abstract 454.

The site is 3/8-mile east of the 3,850-

foot SKM Oil & Gas Co. Ltd. No. 1 Marks, abandoned June 29, 1976 and is 1 1/2 miles northeast of the Hundley, East (San Andres oil) field.

Hilliard Oil & Gas Inc. of Midland will drill the No. 1-X Anderson, 70 feet southeast of and a replacement for its No. 1 Anderson, 8,200-foot wildcat, which is being junked and abandoned in Garza County, three miles southwest of Justiceburg.

Location is 2,050 feet from the north and west lines of section 30, block 6 of the H&GN survey and is 1 1/8 miles east of the Rocker A, South multipay field and three miles southwest of Justiceburg.

Contract depth of the project is 8,200 feet.

KENT COUNTY

Natomas North America Inc. of Midland will drill the No. 1 Swenson, an 8,000-foot wildcat in Kent County, 17 miles northwest of Clairmont.

Location is 1,980 feet from the north and east lines of section 7, block 2 of the H&GN survey.

The site is 7/8-mile south of the 7,807-foot Marshall R. Young No. 1-18 Swenson et al abandoned Feb. 28, 1976.

SCURRY COUNTY

JEM Petroleum Corp. of Midland will drill the No. 1 Beck, a 7,500-foot wildcat in Scurry County, six miles north of Hermleigh.

Location is 1,350 feet from the south line and 1,700 feet from the west line of section 33, block 3 of the H&TC survey.

The location is 1 1/4 miles northwest of the Strawn re-opener of the current two-well Hermleigh (Strawn) field.

CROSBY COUNTY

The Superior Oil Co. will drill the No. 1 A.O. Smith, a 7,000-foot wildcat in Crosby County, eight miles north of Lorenzo and 16 miles south of the Ha-Ra (Clearfork) field.

Location is 660 feet from the south line and 467 feet from the west lines of section 33, block C of the H&OB survey.

Synthetic fuels are slowly being reborn

By JOANNE OMANG
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WASHINGTON — The synthetic fuels industry, using technology that helped fuel the Nazi Luftwaffe, is slowly being reborn on a dusty mesa outside Rifle, Colo., and in a dozen other towns. Its mission is to turn the arid American West into a fountain of a trillion barrels of oil.

Its proponents are considerably less optimistic than they were six

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months ago, however, because of the Reagan administration's decision to cut \$1.2 billion in direct federal subsidies to the industry from the budget. Although \$17.5 billion in federal loans and guarantees will still be available, the cost of building and starting up the enormous synfuels operations raises the question of how far the industry can progress without an all-out government commitment.

If it comes close to its advance billing, the synthetic fuels industry, part of the effort to reduce America's dependence on imported oil, will be unprecedented in cost and size and its impact on the West. It seeks nothing less than the transformation of coal into 500 billion barrels of oil and gray shale rock into 600 billion more barrels, more oil than is known to exist on the rest of the planet.

This eventually could mean the construction of about 30 massive plants, each costing about \$3 billion and pumping out 50,000 barrels of oil a day, a total of about 1.5 million bar-

rels daily. At that rate, synfuels would account for about 9 percent of U.S. domestic oil production and could cut imports by about 20 percent by the year 2000.

Although synfuels technically include fuels from manure or farm products, as well as oil from heavy tar sands, the developing commercial industry primarily involves the production of oil from oil shale and coal liquefaction and a form of natural gas from coal gasification.

It's under way but it still faces severe hurdles — environmental, organizational and economic. Oil and gas from shale and coal always have been more expensive than natural gas and oil from petroleum, and the cost of producing the synthetics always seems to rise fast enough to maintain the gap.

As a sophisticated conservation movement watched closely, Exxon and The Oil Shale Corp. (TOSCO) started work a year ago near Rifle, in western Colorado, on the side of an 8,000-foot mesa where a layer of oil shale 100 feet thick runs through the mountain like frosting through the middle of a birthday cake. Working under the rules that control surface mining, the bulldozers of the Colony Shale Oil Project are shouldering an access road up the hillside and building a sort of shelf there, the future workspace for huge mining machines.

Sometime in late 1983, if all goes as planned, diesel-powered drillers and front-end loaders will bore into the shale, creating the familiar rooms and pillars of deep mines. But the rooms will be 60 feet high and 60 feet square, vast caverns compared to the cramped coal pit rooms, and the pillars holding up the mountaintop will be 60 feet across.

DRILLING REPORT

WILDCATS

ANDREWS COUNTY

Andover Oil Co. No. 1 Univ. 1 "B" 32; drilling 4,052 feet, shale, made 1,030 feet in 24 hours.

CRANE COUNTY

Atlantic Richfield Co. No. 1 University 42; drilling 7,077 feet.

Andover Oil Co. No. 1-29 A. B. Conwell; total depth 10,000 feet, test recovered 15 barrels oil, 15 barrels water 10 hours, 10 barrels load water to recover.

CROCKETT COUNTY

Andover Oil Co. No. 42 C-3 Univ.; waiting on pumping unit.

ECTOR COUNTY

Atlantic Richfield Oil & Gas Co. No. 126 Johnson "AB"; total depth 4,260 feet, waiting on pulling unit.

AMOCO Oil Co. No. 1 J. L. Johnson; shut in, waiting on orders.

AMOCO Oil Co. No. 1 Midland Farms AU #2; shut in, waiting on orders.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 6 Cummins S.; drilling 1,380 feet salt, anhydrite, ran 5 1/2" casing 300 feet.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 765 GBSA; total depth 4,215 feet, plugged back 1,200 feet, ran 4 1/2" casing, installed pumping equipment.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 480 Johnson GBSA; total depth 4,223 feet, plugged back total depth 4,200, ran 5 1/2" casing 4,223 feet, rigging up completion unit.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 8 Johnson "A"; total depth 3,500 feet, ran 5 1/2" casing to 3,307 feet, installed pumping equipment.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1 State DR; drilling 1,480 feet salt, anhydrite, ran 6 5/8" casing at 349 feet.

DAMSON COUNTY

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1 South Welch Unit #2.30; drilling 3,110 feet salt, anhydrite, ran 8 5/8" casing 1,870 feet.

GAINES COUNTY

Belec Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Alton S. Gassaway; drilling 5,449 feet anhydrite, dolomite.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

Adams Exploration Co. No. 1 Glass; drilling 7,438 feet lime, shale.

HARDING COUNTY

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1 State D. 1; total depth 2,940 feet, plugged back depth 2,865 feet, ran 5 1/2" casing 2,865 feet.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. A-01 Trujillo; total depth 2,500 feet granite, ran 5 1/2" casing 2,500 feet.

Cities Service Oil Co. No. 1 Smith A; moving in rig.

IRION COUNTY

O. H. Berry No. 1-B Fawn; location.

LEA COUNTY

AMOCO No. 1 State HU; total depth 14,119 feet, plugged back 12,815 feet, completed 5-28-81.

AMOCO No. 2 Andri Kopelows; total depth 804 feet, ran 8 5/8" casing, set 200-275 sacks.

AMOCO No. 1 State IT; shut in, rig repairs.

AMOCO No. 1 Federal A. F. Comm; drilling 4,715 feet lime.

LOVING COUNTY

Adams Exploration No. 1 Barendova State; drilling 15,555 sand, shale.

PECOS COUNTY

Adams Exploration Co. No. 1 McEmery; total depth 14,4