

Mubarak has difficulty filling Sadat's shoes

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CAIRO, Egypt — One year after the assassination of President Anwar Sadat, doubts are growing about the ability of his successor Hosni Mubarak to meet the challenges he has set for himself.

Western diplomats say the government still has not devised a clear strategy for dealing with inflation, flagging productivity, shortages and other economic problems Mubarak branded his top priority.

In foreign policy, Mubarak has maintained Sadat's peace with Israel and has expanded contacts with the United States. But relations with Israel have sunk to a new low following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Despite several overtures from Cairo, no Arab state has restored the diplomatic links severed with Egypt following the 1979 peace treaty with the Jewish state.

The government said this week that the threat from Moslem fundamentalists, the group that murdered Sadat on Oct. 6, 1981, was strong enough to warrant one year's extension of the emergency law which curbs constitutional rights.

"Mubarak's term of office is like a play," said one Western diplomat who asked not to be identified. "We've had the first act, where the problems have been defined. Now it's intermission and we're waiting for the second act to see how those problems will be solved."

There is evidence that many ordinary Egyptians are anxious about Mubarak's ability. Although no opinion surveys about him are available, the appearance of several new, unflattering jokes reflect skepticism if not sinking popularity.

One has Mubarak, a famous singer and famous belly dancer arriving from abroad at Cairo airport without passports. The singer and belly dancer prove their identities by performing and are allowed in the country.

When the guard asks Mubarak what he can do to prove himself, he answers: "I can't do anything. 'You're in,' replies the guard."

Nevertheless, Western diplomats and many Egyptians praise the 53-year-old former air force commander for steering the country through difficult months following Sadat's murder, and for dismantling what some describe as the imperial overtones of the Sadat era.

Mubarak, sworn in eight days after Sadat was gunned

down at a military parade, moved quickly to release journalist Mohammad Heikal and hundreds of others who had been jailed for criticizing the late president.

The new leader abandoned Sadat's practice of frequent stays in posh presidential guesthouses. He held public meetings with opposition figures to underscore what he called a commitment to democracy.

Mubarak also paid tribute not only to Sadat but to president Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egypt's charismatic leader through the first decades of the post World War II era.

Sadat had played down Nasser's role, partly because of Nasser's anti-American posture but also because it detracted from Sadat's own stature.

Mubarak also directed the nation's newspaper editors to lessen criticism of other Arab leaders. Sadat had done the opposite.

In a more subtle overture to other Arabs, Mubarak began delivering speeches in classical Arabic, the language of the Koran, rather than in the Egyptian vernacular.

These popular moves, largely public relations maneuvers, were capped last April 25 when Israel returned the last part of the Sinai Desert captured in the 1967 war. For

the first time in 15 years, Egypt's flag flew over all Egyptian territory.

Since then, however, Egyptians have grown concerned over the lack of decisive plans to tackle the country's formidable economic and social problems.

Soon after taking office, Mubarak called the economy his top priority. But except for raising prices on some luxury goods, and moving to restrict imports, he introduced few reforms.

The government continues to subsidize many foods, including bread, despite warnings from Western consultants that this impedes domestic production by denying farmers a realistic price for their products.

Inflation continues at around 25 percent annually. With a per-capita income of about \$400 a year — many Egyptians find it hard to make ends meet and must hold at least two jobs.

Nearly 2 million engineers, administrators and common laborers have emigrated to oil-rich Arab states in search of well paying jobs.

Western and Egyptian experts fear the situation will worsen because of the country's uncontrolled population growth.

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Another poison seen in Tylenol

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A "copycat" inspired by the cyanide-tainted drugs that killed seven people in Chicago may have been responsible for strychnine-laced Extra-Strength Tylenol found in a California drugstore, authorities said.

The incident in Oroville, Calif., prompted Tylenol's manufacturer to issue an urgent appeal for stores across the nation to withdraw all Tylenol capsule products from sale. Many retailers already had, and Chicago and at least two states, Colorado and North Dakota, have banned sale of the products.

Three Tylenol bottles containing the poison were found in Oroville, one on the shelves of a drugstore.

"It's highly suspected at this point in time that it was a copycat crime," said police Sgt. Jack Lee in Oroville, where a butcher, 27-year-old Greg Blagg, was treated for strychnine poisoning.

Blagg, questioned by FBI agents for two hours Tuesday, told reporters he had bought the strychnine-tainted Tylenol two weeks before taking the capsule — long before the Chicago-area deaths. But Lee, besides calling the incident a possible copycat crime, also said Blagg's account of the purchase date "has not been confirmed."

"There's a possibility it might not have been" purchased on or about Sept. 15, Lee said.

Lee said the poisoning, revealed Tuesday, was believed to be a "local crime," and Illinois Attorney General Tyrone Fahner said there was "no reason to suspect any connection"

between the California incident and last week's deaths in Chicago and four suburbs.

At a briefing, Fahner also said investigators are now inclined to believe that only one person was involved in the Chicago poisonings and said a list of suspects had been narrowed to "eight or nine," all local residents. He declined to elaborate, but said none was in California at a time connected to the strychnine poisoning.

A federal law enforcement official who declined to be identified said investigators had not discounted a link

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In the two cases, and Fahner said "caution precludes me from saying there is no connection."

California Health Director Beverlee Myers called the discovery of the tainted bottles "cause for concern, not for panic." She told reporters in Sacramento that her department was sending investigators to Oroville, about 100 miles north of San Francisco, to collect all the Tylenol they could find within 25 miles.

Blagg, a butcher, said he went into convulsions Thursday after taking a capsule of the best-selling pain remedy. Capsules from the bottle and two other bottles from the same store, a Longs Drug Store outlet, contained strychnine, the federal Food and Drug Administration said.



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Midlanders, take note

Anna Maria Alberghetti, guest artist for performances Monday and Tuesday of the Midland-Odesa Symphony, paints the first notes of a mural on a construction barrier on Missouri Avenue and Big Spring

Street. Assisting her is Mrs. Bascom Mitchell, president of the Midland Symphony Guild. The mural is designed to remind the public that "Your Symphony is a Sound Investment." See related story, Page 4B.

Lebanese army makes arrests at Palestinian refugee camp

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The Lebanese army swept into a Palestinian refugee camp at dawn today and arrested dozens of people in the second such raid in west Beirut in two days, radio stations and military sources reported.

The army arrested at least 450 people in west Beirut Tuesday, raising fears among Palestinians that the raids were aimed at ousting them from Lebanon. But the army says the campaign is to demilitarize the capital.

In the latest raid, Lebanese army armored personnel carriers and trucks blocked off roads leading to and from the area around the Bourj el-Barajneh refugee camp east of Beirut international airport.

Soldiers moved into the camp and

searched buildings for weapons caches of Palestinian guerrillas and Lebanese leftist militiamen.

A Lebanese officer who declined to be identified said the army was arresting "common criminals, illegal aliens and leftists."

Last week, the army arrested 2,000 people, mainly in the Bourj el-Barajneh camp, and 600 were being held, diplomatic sources said.

Lebanese newspapers said those arrested were taken to the Defense Ministry in Yarz, nine miles east of Beirut, for questioning.

Meanwhile, Israeli jets on reconnaissance missions made several sorties over the Lebanese capital but no bombing runs were reported. Israeli jets fly

over Lebanon routinely to check out the activities of Syrian and Palestinian troops in the north and east.

The Israeli government said Tuesday that all Palestinian guerrillas had to get out of Lebanon immediately before Israel would agree to a simultaneous withdrawal with Syrian troops.

Israel invaded Lebanon June 6 to rout the Palestine Liberation Organization from west Beirut. Thousands of guerrillas were evacuated from west Beirut last month, but thousands more remain in the northern Tripoli area and in eastern Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, where Syrian troops are concentrated.

Six Israeli soldiers were killed over the weekend in a Palestinian guerrilla ambush on a bus carrying Israeli troops

in eastern Lebanon, and Israel retaliated with air strikes on Syrian missile batteries.

PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's right-hand man, Abu Iyad, also known as Salah Khalaf, was quoted by the independent newspaper Al-Anba as saying in an interview published in Kuwait today that the guerrillas plan to launch more raids against Israel from bases in Syria and Jordan.

Lebanon's Christian Phalangist president, Amin Gemayel, has been quoted as saying Palestinians who entered Lebanon illegally must leave.

"It is unacceptable that Lebanon alone bears all the burdens of the Palestinian cause," Gemayel was quoted as saying recently in the Saudi

Arabian magazine Al Yamamah. He has not elaborated on what constituted illegal entry.

An estimated 300,000 to 500,000 Palestinians remain in Lebanon since the evacuation of the main body of PLO fighters in August and September.

Palestinian refugees say the Lebanese army's crackdown is designed to intimidate and force them out. Western diplomatic sources said those arrested included Palestinians, some whose papers were in order, along with foreigners without residency permits or with expired permits.

Other sources said Lebanese with illegal weapons also were rounded up as part of the government's campaign to capture arms of leftist militias that

sprouted and flourished during the years of lawlessness following the 1975-76 civil war.

A 3,500-man peacekeeping force of Marines, French and Italian soldiers is in Lebanon to provide support to the army. It came following the slaughter of hundreds of men, women and children in Beirut's Sabra and Chatilla Palestinian refugee camps Sept. 16-18. The massacre was blamed on Christian militiamen who were allowed to enter the Israeli-guarded camps.

In new evidence the Marines may remain here for at least another month, U.S. officials disclosed the leathernecks are considering moves to prepare for the rainy season which begins in mid-November.

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Campaign conference

At a Midland news conference, Republican state comptroller candidate Mike Richards cites alleged improprieties and illegal actions by two-term Democratic incumbent Bob Bullock.

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Unemployment becoming election issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — With new unemployment figures due Friday, Republicans are trying to limit the political damage from the high jobless rate while Democrats scramble to turn the statistics to their advantage in next month's elections.

President Reagan has tried to pin the blame for the nation's soaring unemployment rate on the policies of previous Democratic office-holders. Democrats have been just as relentless in trying to paint the administration's economic policies as the villain.

The tempo of charges and countercharges is expected to reach a crescendo when the September figures are released, the last set of statistics before Nov. 2. Unemployment stood at 9.8 percent in August, but many experts predict the new figures may top the politically sensitive 10 percent mark.

House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., turned a routine administrative chore Tuesday into a media event

— and another opportunity to blast Reagan.

O'Neill called reporters and photographers to his ceremonial office in the Capitol to witness his signing of compromise legislation to create a job training program to replace the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act, which expired Sept. 30.

"The ship of state is in a storm-tossed sea," O'Neill said. "The president of the United States is the mariner. He says let's stay to the course. Any wise mariner would try to get out of the storm and salvage the ship of state."

With House Democratic Leader Jim Wright of Texas and Whip Thomas S. Foley of Washington looking on, O'Neill said he wanted to use the occasion to make clear that the training bill "will not provide a single job," as would a public works jobs bill that Democratic leaders have been pushing.

For more than 100 years, the speaker of the House and the presiding officer of the Senate sign — in a routine fashion — all legislation which Congress sends to the White House for the president's signature. Veteran House aides said they could not recall so much fanfare surrounding the chore.

Reagan tentatively had been scheduled to sign the measure into law today, but White House aides said Tuesday night that the bill signing would not be on today's schedule. No explanation was given.

Reagan has thrown his support behind the training measure and dodged Congress to pass it, which it did just before recessing last week for the November elections. Democrats have protested that the bill really was their idea.

Meanwhile, Terry Michael, president of the Association of House Democratic Press Assistants, has sent a list of suggestions to his colleagues "on how you might structure media events for your district, or media market, to remind constituents of the devastating effects of Reaganomics-Republicanomics."

Michael, whose group consists of the spokesmen for Democratic members of the House, said in an interview that the suggestions are aimed at helping "promote public policy discussion." Michael works for Rep. Robert T. Matsui, D-Calif.

A GOP member of the House who intercepted the list of suggestions is protesting the media advice from the Democratic press assistants as a misuse of taxpayers' money.

In a letter to the House Ethics Committee, Rep. Carroll A. Campbell Jr., R-S.C., said, "This seems to be a coordinated effort on the part of House employees to orchestrate the activities of political campaigns...."

He said in an interview that such activities should be left to the GOP and Democratic campaign committees. "They (Democrats) offer nothing in this, they offer only exploitation of an issue that is on the minds of everybody in this country," Campbell said of the media tactics. "They don't offer hope."



A Swedish Navy helicopter drops an anti-submarine bomb in the Hors Bay near the Musko Naval Base here Tuesday where military authorities suspect a foreign submarine is

hiding. The aim of the bombing is to force the submarine to surrender and not to sink it with direct hits.

Polish archbishop cancels plans to visit U.S.

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A planned meeting between Polish Archbishop Jozef Glemp and Premier Wojciech Jaruzelski collapsed because of the government's plan to outlaw the Solidarity union, informed sources say.

Glemp also canceled trips to Rome and North America because of the martial-law chief's plan to outlaw the independent union which has been suspended since the Dec. 13 imposition of martial law.

The Polish primate, spiritual leader of the nation's powerful Roman Catholic church, had planned to leave Warsaw on Thursday for Rome. He also planned to go to the United States on Oct. 14 to visit 12 U.S. and Canadian cities and possibly meet with President Reagan. It would have been his first visit to North America.

During a recent interview with Western journalists, the primate warned "major disturbances...could be expected" if Solidarity were outlawed.

New evidence of government efforts to completely crush the union emerged Tuesday night when Polish television reported that Wladyslaw Frasyniuk, one of four Solidarity underground leaders, was arrested on suspicion of "organizing illegal demonstrations which have breached the public peace and order."

The report did not say when or where authorities arrested Frasyniuk, 28, former head of the Solidarity chapter in Wroclaw. The three other members of the union's underground leadership, organized in April, remain free.

Church officials said Glemp had planned to go to the Vatican for the canonization Sunday of the Rev. Maximilian Kolbe, a Polish Franciscan who gave his life for a Polish army sergeant at the

Auschwitz death camp during World War II.

Officials said the government and the Communist Party were sending delegations to Rome for the ceremony.

"A week ago, I would have said it was unthinkable that a Polish primate would not attend the canonization of a 20th century Polish saint," one Western diplomat said. "It certainly is the strongest gesture by the primate" since the start of martial law.

In the United States, Cardinal John Krol, archbishop of Philadelphia, expressed "keen disappointment" over the cancellation. Glemp had scheduled an Oct. 16 visit to Philadelphia.

Judge orders firms to stop distributing starch blockers

CHICAGO (AP) — Seven firms that account for the bulk of the market in starch blockers have been told to stop distributing the intended diet aid and to destroy existing supplies.

U.S. District Judge Nicholas J. Bua ruled Tuesday in a suit brought by the Food and Drug Administration, which said prolonged use of starch blockers could cause health problems such as diarrhea, cramps, lethargy and an enlarged pancreas.

Bua sided with the FDA, saying starch blockers are a drug, not a food, and therefore are subject to strict FDA controls.

An attorney for the seven firms, Dennis M. Gronek, said the ruling probably will be appealed. Starch blockers are supposed to cause starches to pass through the body without being absorbed.

German gunmen release hostages

KOBLENZ, West Germany (AP) — Two gunmen who seized nine bank employees in a botched robbery and fled with a \$400,000 ransom freed their remaining captives today and escaped after a wild car-chase and shootout, police said.

One hostage was shot in the leg, another was wounded in the back and two squad cars were peppered with gunfire during the 19-hour ordeal which began Tuesday, police spokesman Karl-Heinz Klein told The Associated Press. Earlier, police said none of the captives had been hurt.

Klein said police were still pursuing the gunmen near Euskirchen, 10 miles west of Bonn, after a 30-mile car-chase on a road that winds along the Rhine River. The gunmen abandoned the car they had been driving just south of Bonn and stole another car, the spokesman said, but had freed all the hostages by 7 a.m. (2 a.m. EDT).

"There is a big search with additional officers and helicopters, but at the moment, we don't know exactly where the fugitives are," Klein said.

He also disclaimed an earlier police report that the gunmen drove one squad car off the road with gunfire and briefly held the driver as a hostage.

The men had seized nine bank employees and threatened to massacre them at the Koblenz Savings Bank on Tuesday afternoon if they did not get 1 million marks — about \$400,000 — a getaway car and safe passage from the bank.

Earlier today, the gunmen and two or three captives left the bank after authorities paid the ransom and provided them with a BMW getaway car. Police erroneously reported earlier that the vehicle was a Mercedes Benz.

Klein said a 19-year-old man who was shot just before the gunmen fled the bank at 4:30 a.m. (11:30 p.m. EDT Monday). He said a woman hostage received a slight gunshot wound in the back during the high-way shootout with police.

Police said without elaborating that the robbers were followed when they left the branch bank in this Rhineland town.

A witness reported seeing four men and one woman climb into the getaway vehicle.

The incident began around noon Tuesday when the armed pair burst into the bank, seizing six male and three female employees when police responded to an alarm.

The robbers threatened "a bloodbath" if their demands were not met and said they had "taken into account" the possibility they might also be killed.

Police ringed the building and blocked traffic from surrounding streets.

Refusing to come to the telephone, the gunmen used a bank teller as intermediary in what police described as "very difficult" negotiations that dragged on for hours.

Earlier today, police said the gunmen had upped their demands, insisting that they be allowed to take hostages with them when they left as a safety precaution.

At first, the gunmen promised to free all nine captives in exchange for the ransom, a getaway car and safe passage from this area about 35 miles northwest

of Wiesbaden.

One hostage was released at about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday after police paid the ransom and parked the Mercedes outside. Police described the unidentified man as a heart patient and said he was immediately taken to a doctor. There was no further word on his condition.

The gunmen left the building 12 hours after police placed a suitcase filled with half the ransom at the bank's front door, where a hostage retrieved it, authorities said. They said the rest of the ransom was turned over in the same fashion 4½ hours after gunmen received the first suitcase of cash.

The money and car were provided in compliance with terms the gunmen outlined Tuesday in a statement read over the telephone by a hostage to the Hamburg newspaper Bild Zeitung.

"Under these conditions, we guarantee the lives of the hostages," the gunmen said.

"If the police through tactical measures impede our intentions, without a doubt it will come to a bloodbath," they warned. "We have taken into account our deaths in this action."

Officials say U.S.S.R. wants military science

PARIS (AP) — U.S. officials say more than 20,000 Soviets and Soviet agents are working full time in a "staggering effort" to buy or steal Western technology for military uses, and are achieving success.

The officials, who insisted on anonymity, spoke Tuesday to reporters following a two-day meeting where American diplomats pressed their allies for a full review of the sophisticated electronic devices approved for export to the Soviet bloc.

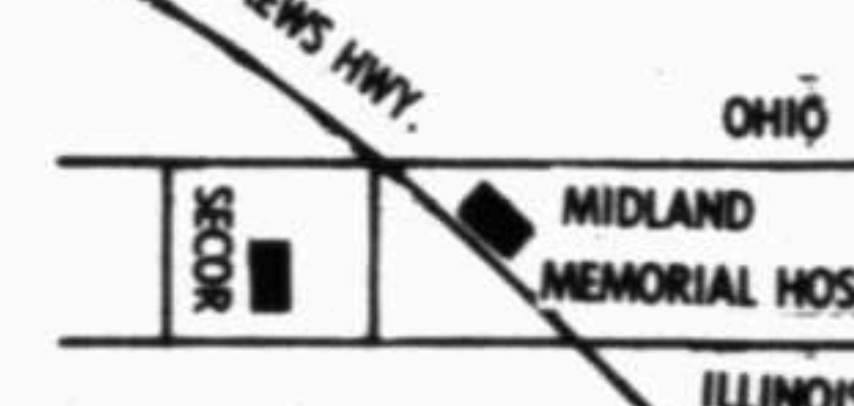
The officials refused to characterize the allies' reaction to the U.S. warnings about the Soviet Union's siphoning of Western technology, except to say there was a "general consensus that we have to take it seriously and tighten up."

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Queen Elizabeth arrives in Australia

SIDNEY, Australia (DPA) — Britain's Queen Elizabeth arrived in Darwin Tuesday on the first leg of her Australian tour.

The royal aircraft was met at the air force base by Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser and other Australian dignitaries.

After officially opening Darwin's new multimillion-dollar naval base Wednesday the queen will be on her way to the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane.

While in Australia the British monarch wears two hats — that of Australia's queen and that of the head of the Commonwealth to close the Brisbane games Saturday.

In Brisbane the queen will link up with her husband Prince Philip who opened the Games last week.

Meanwhile, the demonstrators for aboriginal land-rights in Brisbane decided Tuesday to drop plans for further unauthorized protest marches during the Commonwealth Games after more than 100 of them were arrested by police Monday.

Coatis moving into U.S.

The coati, also known as the hog-nosed coon, is usually found in the dense, wet forests of South America and Mexico, but since the beginning of the century coatis have moved into the southwestern United States. If there are no trees around, this long-snouted member of the raccoon family will sleep in caves and rock piles, instead of on branches.

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Congress votes tax cut for gambling

WASHINGTON (AP) — In this year of tight budgets, tax increases and reduced social services, Congress has voted a big tax cut for legalized gambling.

The bill, promoted by Sens. Howard Cannon, D-Nev., and Paul Laxalt, R-Nev., as a way to fight crime and boost small business, would save legal bookmakers an estimated \$55 million over the next four years.

The measure, part of a catch-all tax bill, was passed Friday night as the House and Senate wrapped up their pre-election sessions and left town until Nov. 29.

Effective next Jan. 1, the bill would reduce to 0.25 percent the 2 percent excise tax on certain legal wagers, such as sports bets. Effective July 1, it would cut to \$50 the \$500 occupational tax on each legal bookmaker and each employee authorized to take bets.

The taxes, in effect since 1951, have never come close to raising the \$400 million a year they were projected to bring in. In the six years ending in 1981, the taxes brought in \$56.2 million.

"These taxes are ineffective as revenue-raising measures and as tools for the enforcement of gambling laws," Cannon told the Senate.

Added Laxalt: "Legal, honest bookmakers are forced into bankruptcy by the punitive nature of the taxes, while illegal booking operations continue to ignore the tax and flourish. Rather than eliminating illegal operators, the taxes force legal establishments out of business and encourage the growth of crime."

The Treasury Department agreed with Cannon and Laxalt that the taxes should be repealed outright. But a vestige of the taxes was left on the books at the insistence of the Justice Department, which contends the taxes are a law-enforcement tool.

Several other tax changes were lost in the crush as Congress recessed, but some lawmakers can still consider them in the post-election session.

These include a provision to reduce to six months the 12-month period that an asset must be held before profits from its sale qualify for preferential, capital-gain tax treatment. Also alive are proposed tax breaks for computer makers who donate computers to schools and increased tax deduction for artists who donate their own works to charity.

The U.S. Tax Court has reaffirmed a long-standing policy that bars an interest deduction for "points" paid to obtain a home loan if the money is for specific services from the lender.

Points, each worth 1 percent of the loan, are paid by the buyer or seller — often by both — during a home mortgage transaction.

Walter Brown Dozier of San Clemente, Calif., was charged one point, or \$495, for a loan-origination fee when he got a Veterans Administration-insured loan to buy a house. The amount was specifically identified as a charge for handling the loan, including the recording, preparing and mailing of documents.

Dozier, seeing the \$495 as just another cost of obtaining a loan, deducted it as interest. The Internal Revenue Service would not allow the deduction and was upheld by the court.

"Only those fees which are imposed by the lender as compensation for the use of borrowed money qualify as interest," the court held. In other words, deductible interest may include points imposed in lieu of a higher interest rate, but not money paid for specific services by the lender.

IRS can't deny tax exemptions to schools which discriminate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service lacks authority from Congress to deny tax exemptions to private schools that practice racial discrimination, the Reagan administration has told the Supreme Court.

The argument was outlined Tuesday in a Justice Department brief replying to arguments made in August that the IRS acted properly in 1970 when it banned tax relief for such institutions.

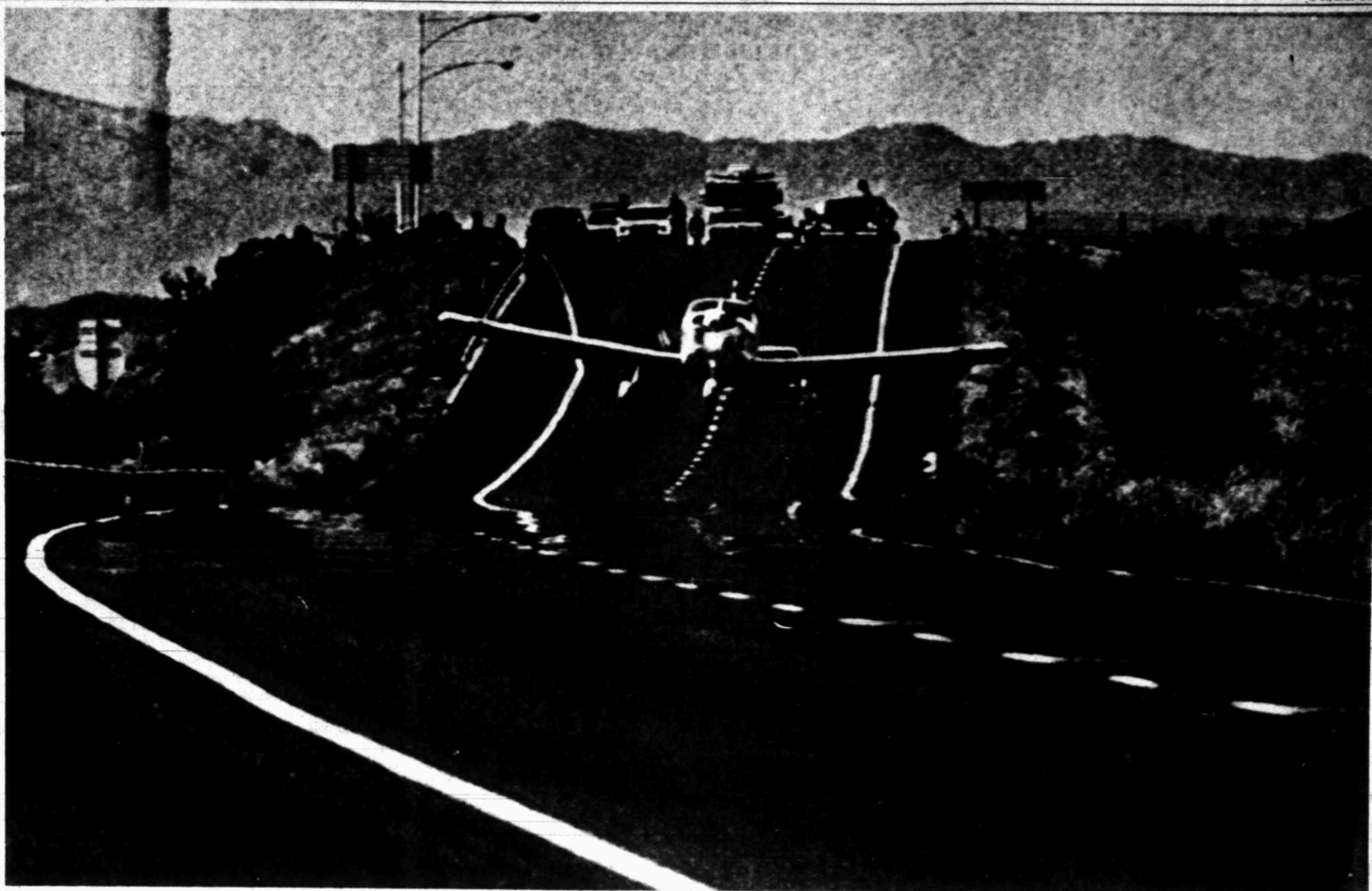
"The United States believes resolutely that Congress ought to deny tax-exempt status to any educational institution that pursues a racially discriminatory policy," the department brief said.

"While we think Congress should by law authorize the IRS to deny tax exemptions to racially segregated schools, nowhere in the Internal Revenue Code (or elsewhere) has it done so," the brief continued.

"And, in the absence of such a legislative mandate, the result desired — no matter how much desired — cannot constitutionally be accomplished by either judicial or administrative action," the lawyers wrote, reiterating a position held by the administration since January.

The brief was a response to a "friend of the court" brief filed by William T. Coleman Jr. The former transportation secretary was appointed by the court as a special advocate to oppose a suit challenging the IRS' 1970 ruling.

The challenge was filed by Bob Jones University in Greenville, S.C., and the Goldsboro Christian Schools in Goldsboro, N.C., whose suit against the IRS has been rejected by the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.



A single-engine airplane sits on the southbound lanes of Interstate Highway 19 south of Tucson after running out of gas shortly after takeoff from Tucson International Airport on Monday. Pilot Medina Davalos, a Mexican citizen, said his engine quit, forcing him to land. No injuries or damages resulted, and traffic was routed

past the plane until it was refueled by tank truck from the airport. The plane was on the ground more than 1 1/2 hours.

Officials dedicate pipeline which will carry Canadian gas to U.S.

GLEN ULLIN, N.D. (AP) — The chilling north winds of approaching winter swept across the rolling plains of North Dakota Tuesday afternoon as an uninvited, but recognized, guest at the dedication of the Northern Border Pipeline.

As the temperature hovered in the low 40s, wind gusts buffeted a large multi-colored tent that sheltered 300 people at the remote spot along the pipeline's 823-mile length.

Speakers at the ceremony commemorating the successful completion of the \$1.4 billion pipeline in 16 months and under budget, reminded the gathering that eventually the natural gas carried by the pipeline would reach 2.2 billion cubic feet per day. That's enough to heat 3,140,000 upper Midwest homes on an average January day, according to one Northern Border official.

The pipeline is the eastern leg of the 4,800-mile Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System which officials hope will be

completed by the end of the decade.

Energy Secretary James B. Edwards, North Dakota Gov. Allen Olson, U.S. and Canadian officials and representatives of the companies that built the pipeline turned a large white pipeline valve inside the tent to symbolize the opening of the pipeline.

But Northern Border officials say the 42-inch-diameter pipeline has been moving nearly a billion cubic feet of Canadian natural gas daily for the past two weeks through the pipeline which extends from Port of Morgan, Mont., through North and South Dakota and Minnesota to Ventura, Iowa.

Edwards said the pipeline project is a good example how the government and private industry can successfully accomplish the goals of each.

"The completion of this pipeline is one proof that the American natural gas industry, the banking community and

the steel industry have faith in the future," said Edwards.

"It is hard to believe that an 823-mile pipeline, a pipeline that required the production of more steel pipe than for any project in the history of this nation, was completed in such a short time," said Edwards, who is expected to leave his Cabinet post early next month to assume the presidency of the Medical University of South Carolina.

Twenty-eight U.S. and Canadian banks agreed to a \$1 billion loan for Northern Border, while the rest of the money came from the sponsoring companies, including Northern Plains Natural Gas Co., InterNorth, Inc., Northwest Energy Co., Panhandle Eastern Corp., TransCanada PipeLines and United Gas Pipe Line Co.

Mitchell Sharp, commissioner of the Northern Border Pipeline Agency of Canada, told the crowd that completion of the pipeline marked the "first stage of the Alaskan highway-gas pipeline project."

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Today's opening stock market report

New York Exchange

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NEW YORK (AP) — The following quotations, supplied by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., are for mutual funds as of 4 p.m. today.

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Gold futures

NEW YORK (AP) — Gold futures prices today were mixed, with the near-month contract rising and the deferred contracts falling.

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Economy blamed for slow car sales

DETROIT (AP) — Domestic automakers wrapped up a dismal 1982 model year with sales at their lowest level in 21 years, and analysts blamed it on the economy — not the cars.

The five major U.S. car companies said Tuesday they sold 5,543,000 cars from last October to the end of September, the traditional model year period. The sales were off 15.9 percent from last year's already-depressed level of 6,500,017.

U.S. car sales were down in the month of September as well — by 5.8 percent.

Overall, it was the lowest model year sales since 1961, when 5,491,600 vehicles were sold.

"Primarily, it was the economy," said David Healy, analyst at Drexel, Burnham Lambert Inc. in New York. "There

was a very weak trend in real income strength but interest rates and unemployment rates remained high."

Healy noted "there was pretty much a wide selection" of cars — for consumers who chose to buy.

John Hammond, analyst at Data Resources Inc. in Lexington, Mass., said compact car sales were the big disappointment. Consumers preferred large cars and high-performance models as gasoline prices dropped and then stabilized over the year, he said.

Imports also faltered in the model year. Importers reported sales of 2,140,621 cars, down 9.3 percent from 1981's record 2,360,546. It was the lowest model-year sales for foreign cars since 1978, when 1,979,000 were sold.

The industry model year — for both foreign and domestic — totaled 7,683,627 vehicles, down 14.1 percent from last year's 8,950,563. It was the poorest model year since 1963 when 7,427,000 U.S. and imported cars were sold. The record year had been 1973 when 11.8 million cars were sold, 10 million of them U.S.-made.

But imports' total for September was up 9.2 percent from September 1981, as 182,248 cars were sold, compared with 166,845 last year.

Domestic carmakers said they delivered 488,512 cars in the month, a drop from 518,522 last month.

But analysts said the sales actually showed more consumers buying cars in the month than in August, when 409,411 were sold.

"Incentives are helping," Healy said, noting many buyers took advantage of sales programs on leftover 1982 models as 1983 cars arrived in showrooms.

"If the 1983 models were barn burners, the (September) rate would not have dropped nearly as much as it did," Hammond said.

Both analysts expect slight improvements in the coming months. So far for calendar year 1982, domestic and foreign automakers have sold 5,941,434 cars, down 11.7 percent from 6,726,392 last year.

Import sales in 1982 are down 6.9 percent from 1981 and domestic sales are down 13.5 percent from 1981.

In the final 10 days of September, domestic car sales totaled 226,512, down 1.6 percent from 230,267 in the comparable 1981 period.

Banks, S&Ls gearing up for high-paying accounts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Banks and savings and loan associations are gearing up to use a new high-paying account to do battle with the money market mutual funds over savers' dollars.

The new account, to be created under legislation passed last week by Congress and expected to be signed by President Reagan, will give banks and S&Ls a chance to lure back some of the \$225 billion captured by money market mutual funds, industry officials say.

The officials counting on federal insurance backing for the account to give them the edge in attracting savers worried about the safety of their money. Money market funds are not insured.

"It's going to be exciting," said Rollin Barnard, president of Denver's Midland Federal Savings and Loan Association. "The money funds have really eaten our lunch for us."

"It's going to be helpful," said Roland Barstow, chairman of Bell Federal Savings and Loan Association in Chicago. "We'll be able to attract more money."

Specifically, the legislation tells federal regulators, sitting as the Depository Institutions Deregulation Committee, to create a money market deposit account that is "directly equivalent to and competitive with money market mutual funds."

The new account will have no interest rate ceiling. No minimum balance is set in the legislation, but congressmen

suggested it be no more than \$5,000.

Customers will be allowed to write up to three checks and authorize three automatic transfers a month on the account, which will be federally insured up to \$100,000.

The account will be authorized within 60 days of enactment of the legislation, which also provides a financial aid package for weak savings and loans and gives S&Ls new investment and lending powers.

With the advent of the new account, some banking officials are predicting the collapse of money market mutual funds, a forecast the mutual fund industry does not share.

"Certainly it's going to increase competition," said Reginald Green, spokes-

man for the Investment Company Institute.

But noting the size and growth of the mutual funds, he said, "You don't get that way unless you're offering products geared to people's needs."

Bankers view the new account as a way to compete head-on with the funds. They view the funds — not S&Ls — as their real competition for investors' money, said Fritz Elmendorf, a spokesman for the American Bankers Association.

And given the right type of account, "We're going to run money market funds right out of business," predicted Robert L. McCormick, president of the Stillwater National Bank in Stillwater, Okla.

James Christian, chief economist for the U.S. League of Savings Associations, agreed that the popularity of the funds may fade — not only because of the new account but also because the easing of interest rates.

But Barnard cautioned, "A customer lost is one that's hard to get back."

The federal insurance provided for the account should, though, be a "tremendous advantage" in attracting investors worried about the safety of their money, he said.

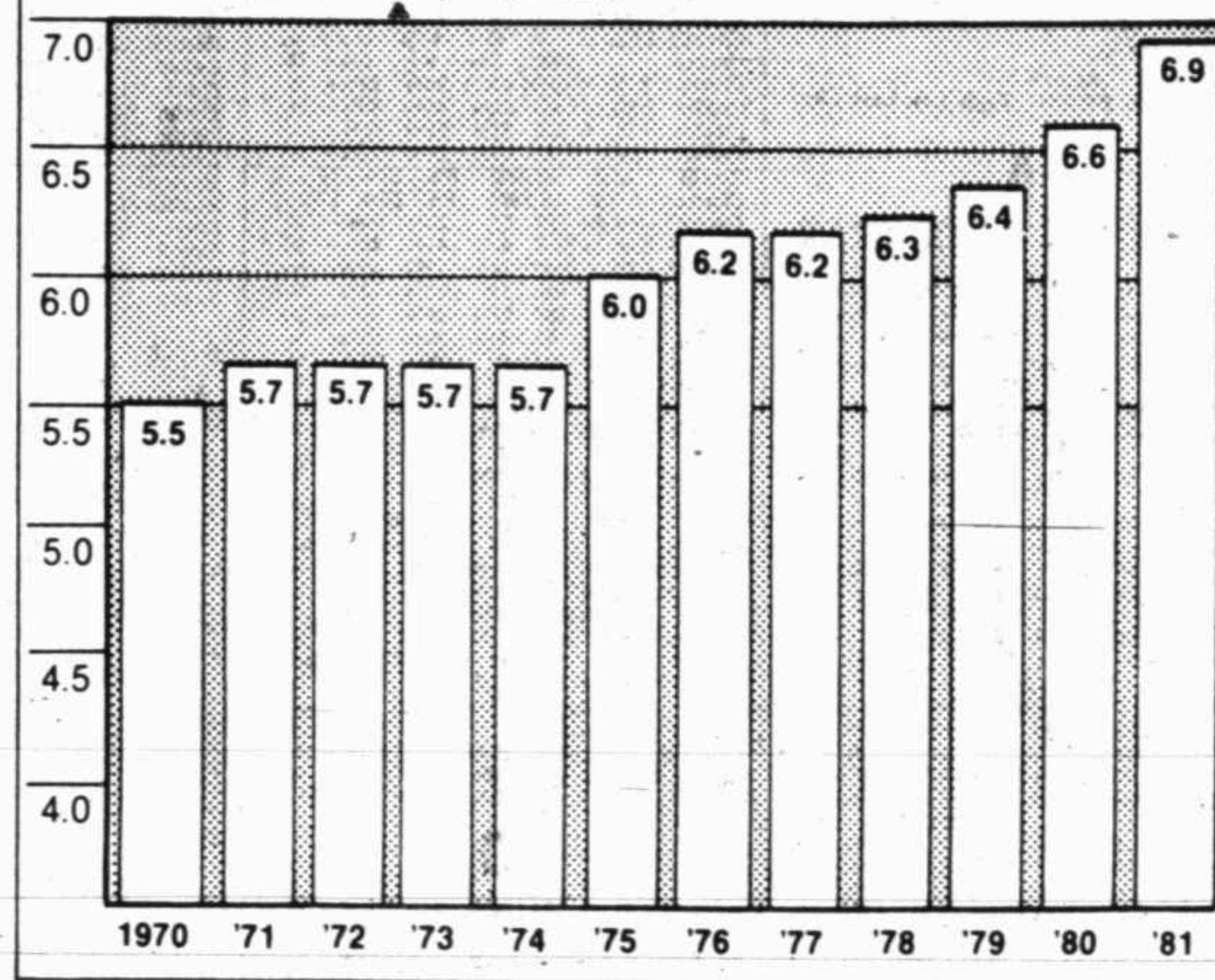
Responded Green: "Nobody ever lost a penny in a money market fund."

McCormick and others in the industry acknowledge the account will increase banks' costs as they have to pay higher interest rates for savers' dollars.

Average age of U.S. cars approaching seven years

The average age of passenger cars in 1981 — almost seven years — was the highest since the early 1950s. The record — nine years — was set in 1946.

(Average age of U.S. passenger cars)



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SOURCE: Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association

Accused Gulf bomber freed

DURANGO, Colo. (AP) — Charges were dropped Tuesday against one of four Durango residents arrested in a \$15 million extortion plot at a Texas refinery in exchange for help locating five additional bombs.

Jill Renee Bird, 34, was released from the La Plata County Jail in Durango shortly after a federal magistrate signed an agreement Tuesday afternoon.

Five bombs were recovered last week at the Gulf Oil Co. refinery at Baytown, Texas. Four people were arrested in the plot, including Ms. Bird and her common-law husband, John

Marvin McBride.

McBride agreed to direct the FBI to five remaining bombs, none of which had yet been planted, to win Ms. Bird's freedom, according to her lawyer, Robin Auld.

"I guess you'd just have to say he's a sentimentalist and it's just a tremendous love story," Auld said.

The motion signed Tuesday said the Justice Department had agreed to the deal "in order to assure that any threat to the public safety had ceased. That information has now been provided and evaluated, and it appears that such a threat no longer exists."

Oil marketing lecture at UTPB

ODESSA — Warren Butler of Dallas, retail sales manager for five districts in the western marketing region of Exxon USA, will speak on current changes taking place in the wholesale/retail distribution of petroleum products at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Uni-

versity of Texas of the Permian Basin Management Suite.

The lecture, free and open to the public, is sponsored by the oil and gas marketing classes of Dr. Waylon D. Griffin, associate professor and chairman of management at UTPB.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

ANDREWS COUNTY

Means
Exxon Corp. No. 1304 Means/San Andres/Unit, 10,790 ft. 1,550 ft. of Means/San Andres Unit lease, sec. 1, blk. A-56, PSL, 10 n. Andrews, TD 4,550, Elev. 3,152.
Casting: 5 1/2 inch at 4,541. Perforations: 4,489-4,532, 4,518-4,467. Acid: 17,710 gallons. Frac 26,300 gallons and 130,000 pounds sand. Formation tops Santa Rosa 1019, San Andres 4,607.
Potentialized 37 barrels oil, 150 Mcf of gas, 56 barrels water daily. Gravity 29.2 Gas/oil ratio 4300.

CRANE COUNTY

Dune
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 9 H.E. Adams "A", 330 ft. fwi of the H.E. Adams "A" lease, sec. 8, blk. B-24, PSL, 12 n. Crane, TD 4,000, PB 3,800, Elev. 2,880.
Perforations: 3,948-3,905. Formation tops Santa Rosa 1019, Dune 3,811. Acid: 2,500 gallons. Frac 40,000 gallons and 92,000 pounds sand.
Potentialized 40 barrels oil, 125 Mcf of gas, 28 barrels water daily. Gravity 32 Gas/oil ratio 1,525.

DRILLING REPORT

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Bravo Grover Oil Co. No. 2 Chesley PD 7,800; location.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 1 State University "CG"; location.
Exxon Oil Corp. No. 2 State University "BM"; location.
Flag Redfern Oil Co. No. 1 University "2P" PD 6,000; shut in.
Billard Oil and Gas No. 1 U.L.S. 10-13 PD 12,300; location.
Woods Petroleum Corp. No. 1 McCrea PD 11,500; location.

BORDEN COUNTY

Bravo-BKH Ltd. No. 1 Lario Griffin PD 7,800; location.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1 J.A.C. Drum PD 5,300; "light".
Delta Drilling Co. No. 2 A.L.C. Drum PD 5,300; location.
Delta Drilling Co. No. 3 L.C. Drum PD 5,300; "light".
Delta Drilling Co. No. 4 L.C. Drum PD 5,300; "light".
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1 Roy Reeder PD 5,300; "light".
Delta Drilling Co. No. 1 Don A. Jones PD 5,300; "light".
J.E.M. Production Corp. No. 1 Good PD 5,300; waiting on orders.
BK Petroleum Corp. No. 1-4 Fred PD 5,400 contractor Robinson Drilling; location.
BK Petroleum Corp. No. 1-3 Mardus PD 5,400 contractor Robinson; location.
Texas American Oil Corp. No. 1 Ethel Mitchell PD 8,200; location.
Midland rig No. 1; "light"; being completed.

CHAVES COUNTY

Delta Drilling Co. No. 1 Delta McGuffin Federal PD 11,500; "light".
Estoril Producing Corp. No. 3 Hoffman Federal PD 4,800; location.
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Estoril Producing Corp. No. 5 Hoffman Federal PD 4,800; location.
Estoril Producing Corp. No. 6 Hoffman Federal PD 4,800; location.
Harper Oil Co. No. 1 Yates Federal PD 7,500; location.
Mess Petroleum Co. No. 1 Butler State PD 5,500 contractor Dual rig No. 30; "light".
Mess Petroleum Co. No. 1 Travis Federal PD 5,500; no report.
Mess Petroleum Co. No. 1 Willow Creek Unit PD 4,500; no report.
Mess Petroleum Co. No. 9 Willow Creek Unit PD 4,500; no report.

COCHRAN COUNTY

H.L. Brown Jr. No. 1 St. Clair PD 5,300; location.
Dovey Corp. No. 1 C.R. Starnes PD 5,400 contractor Columbia Drilling Co.; flow testing.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 2 M.C. Gandy PD 4,800; no report.
H.E. Operating Co. No. 1 Drennan PD 5,300; location.

COKE COUNTY

Exxon Oil Corp. No. 94 Sallie Odum "E"; no report.

COTTELL COUNTY

Getty Oil Corp. No. 1 John E. Cross PD 5,300; drilling 7,500 feet.

CRANE COUNTY

Amoco Production Co. No. 1 David Pughen "B1" PD 12,300; no report.
The Superior Oil Co. No. "12" J. McKnight PD 8,000; no report.
McGee PD 8,000; location.

CROCKETT COUNTY

Beach Exploration Inc. No. 1 Noelle-State PD 7,000; Total depth 6,245 feet, waiting on cement.
Cities Service No. 1 University "C1" location.
Cities Service No. 1 University "C1P" PD 8,115; location.
Estoril Producing Corp. No. 3 Shannon Estate "3P"; "light".
Getty Oil Co. No. 1 University "B" PD 8,000; represented, spot acid, set packer, broke perforations, annulus RTTS, trip out of hole.
Husky Petroleum Inc. No. 1 University "2-54" "A" PD 8,000 contractor Wes-Tec; testing.
Husky Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Shoubrack "2P" PD 8,000; location.
C.F. Lawrence & Assoc. Inc. No. 2 Trapper PD 1,000; "light".
Pogo Producing Co. No. 1 University "P" PD 9,500 contractor BKH rig No. 4; perforated 9,250-9,300, 9,300-9,350 feet.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Amacker PD 8,000; Total depth 10,978-6,272 feet, plug back total depth 6,250 feet. Perforated perforations 6,250-6,272 feet, plugged to section, well has gone "light"; no further information can be obtained.

CULBERTSON COUNTY

TXO Production Corp. No. 7 Catclaw State "A" PD 3,000; location.
TXO Production Corp. No. 8 Catclaw State "A" PD 3,000; location.

DAWSON COUNTY

Exxon Corp. No. 2 Bill Weaver; no report.
Hilliard Oil & Gas Inc. No. 1 Nix; location.
BK Petroleum Corp. No. 1-1 Ackerly PD 11,700; "light".
TXO Production Corp. No. 2 Burkhardt PD 7,500; location.

ECTOR COUNTY

Exxon Corp. No. 1280 D.C. Goldsmith at Oil PD 5,300; no report.
A.C. Kasper No. 2 Lynch PD 11,500; no report.
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1370 D.C. Goldsmith at Oil PD 5,300; no report.

EDDY COUNTY

Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Federal B.F.; no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 Federal DB; no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 State DB; no report.
Amoco Production Co. No. 1 State "MF"; no report.
J.E.M. Production Corp. No. 1 Good PD 5,300; waiting on orders.
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EL PASO COUNTY

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LUBBOCK COUNTY

TXO Production Corp. No. 1 A Macha PD 6,000; location.
Martino Oil Co. No. 1 University; location.

MIDLAND COUNTY

Bravo Petroleum Co. No. 1 Lydia PD 4,700; location.
Bravo Petroleum Co. No. 1 Norma PD 4,700; "light".
Parker & Parsley No. 1 Hought; 86 barrels oil, 150 barrels water, 4,825 barrels sand, recover level.
Texas Inc. No. 2 C. Scharbauer PD 11,200; total depth 11,250 - elev. 1,441-1,295 feet.
Texas Inc. No. 3 C. Scharbauer PD 11,200; no report.
TXO Production Corp. No. 1 Parks Estate; location.

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