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*The selling game*

If at first you don't succeed in selling your house, try, try again, and again.... From all outward appearances, that's what's happening at the house at 3621 Imperial. However, the signs apparently were a practical joke by some friends. The home, owned by Gary Don Smith, is not for sale.

Staff Photo by Bill Hunter

## Front seems stationary in Iran, Iraq war

By The Associated Press

Iran today denied Iraqi claims that its forces were thrown back into Iran in heavy fighting and counterclaimed that Iranian troops were continuing to mop up Iraqi resistance near the key city of Basra, 15 miles from the Iranian border. The conflicting claims followed the pattern of this phase of the war. Iraq has claimed twice to have routed the invading Iranians. Iran maintains that it is crushing the remnants of Iraqi resistance. The battle front does not seem to move. Iraq began the latest round of war by commencing on Sunday, when it said that it had forced 100,000 Iranian troops to retreat back into Iran, killing 2,300 of them. Iran said today that Iraq counterattacked on Sunday and again this morning, "but it failed to achieve its goals as a result of our forces' strong resistance. The enemy was once

again forced to retreat." Iran said it killed or wounded 15 Iraqis and destroyed 18 tanks and armored personnel carriers.

Tehran also complained today about Iraqi bombing raids which killed five civilians in the town of Ilam and "tens of people" in the town of Khurramabad. Both towns are in western Iran, near the Iraqi border.

A radio broadcast monitored in London early today said the government issued an air raid "red alert" and warned residents of the Iranian capital to head for bomb shelters. But this was followed five minutes later by an "all clear" cancellation, and it was not clear if the warning was real or a test of Tehran's air raid warning system.

Both warring nations routinely ban foreign correspondents from the front, making it impossible to verify rival claims. But Iraq let several overseas journalists tour the area

near Basra on Sunday, and they reported seeing Iranian corpses, 800 prisoners and 20 captured tanks as evidence of an Iraqi victory.

"The colonel guiding our party said there are now no Iranian positions on Iraqi soil," said Pether Nettleship of the British Broadcasting Corp. "But he said heavy fighting was still going on across the border, and we heard almost continuous artillery fire throughout our visit...."

"The Iraqis said they cleared a thousand bodies from the battlefield. We saw only a few left. But it's clear, too, from the continuous reinforcements we saw arriving that the Iraqis are well prepared for the next round, the next Iranian offensive, if and when it comes."

A war bulletin carried by Iran's official news agency Sunday night said heavy fighting raged at the border town of Qasr-i-Shirin, recently retaken by Iran after Iraq announced

withdrawal of its forces from Iranian territory last month. Iraq's communiques made no mention of this fighting but claimed Iraqi forces were striking the "remnants of the retreating Iranian forces."

After driving Iraqi forces out of southwest Iran, the Iranian forces broke a lull in the 22-month-old war on Tuesday by hurling troops and tanks at least six miles into Iraq. Their goal appeared to be a major defeat for the Iraqi army that would result in the overthrow of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

In Tehran, Iranian Parliament Speaker Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani warned other conservative Arab states to stop supplying arms to Iraq or face Iranian reprisals, Radio Tehran reported Sunday.

## Exchange 'strains' cease-fire

By The Associated Press

Israeli forces lit up pre-dawn skies over Beirut with flares and exchanged fire with Palestinian gunners today, while Beirut newspapers reported widely varying proposals to evacuate Yasser Arafat's 8,000 PLO fighters from Lebanon.

Lebanese police said a one-hour artillery duel near the paralyzed airport southwest of Beirut "strained but did not collapse" an Israeli-Palestinian cease-fire arranged by the United States eight days ago.

During the weekend, Israeli and PLO forces engaged in their heaviest

exchange of fire since the cease-fire was established — also near the airport, and Israel gave the Palestine Liberation Organization less than 30 days to get out of Lebanon.

"Arafat is trying to be smart...but it won't take long for us to wipe him out," Prime Minister Menachem Begin told disabled Israeli war veterans in Tel Aviv Sunday night. "We will soon finish the battle."

Begin, who ordered the Israeli army into Lebanon June 6 to crush the PLO, is threatening to send an estimated 35,000 troops and 300 tanks into Beirut's Moslem western sector if the Palestinians do not leave voluntarily.

In Beirut, the prestigious newspaper An-Nahar quoted unidentified sources as saying Iraq had offered permanent asylum for Arafat and the guerrillas, but did not make a public announcement of the proposal "so not to weaken the PLO's negotiating position."

Iraq is fighting an invasion from Iran that escalated the 22-month-old border war between those two Moslem nations.

The pro-Palestinian newspaper Al-Liwa quoted unidentified Arab sources as saying the United States was sounding out Jordan as a possible destination for the disarmed PLO fighters. Jordan expelled the PLO in 1970-71, accusing

the Palestinians of trying to take over the Jordanian government.

The leftist newspaper As-Safir, also quoting unidentified sources, said U.S. presidential envoy Philip C. Habib proposed partial withdrawal of PLO guerrillas to destinations of their choice in an effort to alleviate Israel's impatience with the protracted negotiations he is conducting.

There was no official comment from the countries involved on any of the newspaper reports.

Habib has been working with Lebanese officials for five weeks to arrange an evacuation but has been stymied by the refusal of other Arab nations to accept the guerrillas.



Peering through a telescope at Palestinian and Syrian positions during a tour of Lebanon Sunday is Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon.

## Reagan, Shultz seek input on Mideast diplomacy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration, searching for a formula to defuse the widening crisis in the Middle East, is seeking advice from onetime shuttle diplomacy master Henry A. Kissinger and consulting with Arab and Israeli ambassadors and foreign ministers. President Reagan and Secretary of State George P. Shultz will confer at the White House Tuesday with Prince Saud al Faisal, foreign minister of

Saudi Arabia, and Abdul Halim Khaddam, foreign minister of Syria.

Reagan was to confer today with the National Security Council.

The administration has turned to the Arab world for help in finding a haven for the estimated 8,000 Palestine Liberation Organization guerrillas bottled up in west Beirut by Israel's invasion force.

While Reagan has offered to send American forces to Lebanon to aid in

the evacuation of PLO fighters, no Arab country has offered the PLO refuge. In letters to the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria, Reagan has asked for constructive ideas about the resettlement issue.

For their part, the Saudi and Syrian ministers plan to tell Reagan of their concern about Lebanon.

Lebanon radio said the Lebanese government expects Reagan to try to persuade Syria to take the guerrillas on

a temporary basis, despite Syria's public insistence the PLO should remain in Lebanon.

Dutch radio quoted Khaddam, during a stopover in Amsterdam, as saying his country is willing to admit the PLO's leaders but won't shelter the 8,000 rank-and-file fighters.

Khaddam reiterated Syria's position that it was not in the PLO's best interest to leave Lebanon and said he would ask Reagan to "exert real pressure" on

Israel to withdraw its troops.

Returning from a weekend at Camp David, Reagan said Sunday the administration had turned to Kissinger and other outside experts for their advice about the Middle East, which also is inflamed by the Iran-Iraq war.

"There have been no decisions or plans or anything of that kind," Reagan said, when asked if he would tap the former secretary of state for a special mission to the Middle East.

## Economy, election reforms expected to alter Mexican politics

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The leftist coalition got less than 4 percent of the votes in Mexico's presidential and congressional elections this month. But officials of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party foresee increasing support for their Communist-led opponents because of the deepening economic crisis and election reforms decreed four years ago by President Jose Lopez Portillo.

The government party, known by its

Spanish initials PRI, feared that the country's worst recession since World War II would cost it votes and keep people away from the polls.

Instead 75 percent of the voters turned out, and 16.7 million, or 75 percent, voted for PRI candidate Miguel de la Madrid Hurtado.

The 47-year-old Harvard graduate, who will succeed his mentor Lopez Portillo on Dec. 1, proclaimed "a victory for the PRI and a victory for all

Mexicans." Behind the scenes, however, party officials predicted increased support for the leftist United Socialist coalition, a five-party alliance known as PSUM.

The election reforms allowed opposition parties to appear on the ballot for the first time this year. Previously, the government permitted only write-in candidates, and most opposition parties refused to take part.

The Unified Socialists got only

821,995 votes, or 3.65 percent, according to complete official returns announced Thursday. That put it far behind the rightist National Action Party, or PAN, which got 3.7 million votes. But PRI officials show greater concern about the more volatile PSUM, which seems capable of drawing support from dissatisfied workers and the swelling ranks of the unemployed.

A week before the elections, the PSUM drew an estimated 100,000 peo-

ple to Mexico City's Constitution Plaza for the largest anti-government rally in years. The demonstrators, many of them poorly clad rural workers bused in for the occasion, marched to the plaza carrying the coalition's red flags bearing the Communist hammer and sickle.

The government party has not lost a major election since it was founded in 1929.

## Marine band to play backup for budget amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) — With personal help from President Reagan and the U.S. Marine Corps band on the steps of the Capitol, supporters of a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced federal budget say they will get the proposal through the Senate this week.

The politically-popular legislation, which appeared dead a few months ago, has been given new life in a congressional election year and will likely be sent to the states later this year for possible ratification as the 27th Amendment to the Constitution.

President Reagan was to make an unusual appearance at a rally today on the West Front of the Capitol to promote the amendment, which has 61

sponsors in the Senate and more than 200 in the House.

About 300 members of Congress were expected at the rally.

There is some opposition to the proposed amendment from those who say the economy and federal spending levels are too volatile to be controlled by a constitutional amendment. Others say the Constitution shouldn't be amended to conform to a currently popular economic theory.

The Senate opposition, which is expected to be brief but intense, will be led by Alan Cranston, D-Calif., the Democratic minority whip, and Charles McC Mathias Jr., R-Md. who has proposed a weaker alternative to the amendment.

Cranston, interviewed Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press," said enforcing the balanced budget amendment would require drastic readjustments that would "paralyze the government" and bring on a "very deep depression."

Cranston said it was ironic that the president who supported the amendment also proposed record federal deficits.

Reagan took note of that kind of criticism Sunday on his return from the presidential retreat at Camp David, Md. "There have been giant budgets for 21 of the last 22 years that I didn't have anything to do with," Reagan said. "Now, we're going to try to turn the situation around."

Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, also appearing on "Meet the Press," blamed Congress for budget deficits. "Congress is the culprit," he said. "We have...always looked at expenditures first before we determine how much revenue the government has to expend...and then we try to make the revenues fit. That's why the process appears to be a sham sometimes."

In an interview, Mathias said the amendment is an attempt by Reagan and Congress to divert attention from the record budget deficit of more than \$100 billion for fiscal 1983.

"We are trying to paper that over with a new page in the Constitution," Mathias said. "This is a substitute for real action."

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**Weather**      **Service**

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# WEATHER SUMMARY

## Midland statistics

**WEATHER FORECAST**

Fair and warm tonight with a low in the low 70s and winds southerly at 5-10 mph. Continued hot Tuesday. High near 100 and winds southerly at 10-20 mph.

**NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:**

Yesterday's High: 97 degrees  
 Overcast Low: 69 degrees  
 Sunset today: 8:54 p.m.  
 Sunrise tomorrow: 6:56 a.m.

**Precipitation:**  
 Last 24 hours: 0.00 inches  
 This month to date: 3.21 inches  
 1982 to date: 5.49 inches

**LOCAL TEMPERATURES:**

6 a.m.	72	8 p.m.	96
7 a.m.	72	7 a.m.	95
8 a.m.	74	8 a.m.	92
9 a.m.	77	9 a.m.	90
10 a.m.	80	10 a.m.	88
11 a.m.	84	11 a.m.	83
Noon	87	Midnight	80
1 p.m.	91	1 a.m.	76
2 p.m.	93	2 a.m.	73
3 p.m.	95	3 a.m.	73
4 p.m.	98	4 a.m.	73
5 p.m.	99	5 a.m.	71

**SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES:**

Albino	96	75
Aliso	96	75
Amarillo	96	75
Austin	96	75
Beaumont	96	75
Brownsville	96	75
Childers	96	75
College Station	96	75
Corpus Christi	96	75
Delhart	96	75
Dallas	96	75
Del Rio	96	75
El Paso	96	75
Fort Worth	96	75
Galveston	96	75
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Shreveport, La.	96	75
Stephenville	96	75
Texasarkana	96	75
Victoria	96	75
Waco	96	75
Wichita Falls	96	75
Wink	96	75

## Texas temperatures

Albino	96	75
Aliso	96	75
Amarillo	96	75
Austin	96	75
Beaumont	96	75
Brownsville	96	75
Childers	96	75
College Station	96	75
Corpus Christi	96	75
Delhart	96	75
Dallas	96	75
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Lufkin	96	75
Marfa	96	75
McAllen	96	75
Midland	96	75
Palacio	96	75
San Angelo	96	75
San Antonio	96	75
Shreveport, La.	96	75
Stephenville	96	75
Texasarkana	96	75
Victoria	96	75
Waco	96	75
Wichita Falls	96	75
Wink	96	75

## Border states forecasts

**Oklahoma:** Partly cloudy, hot through Tuesday. Scattered afternoon, nighttime thunderstorms mainly north-west. Highs this afternoon, Tuesday 90 to 100. Lows upper 60s north to 70s elsewhere.

**New Mexico:** Mostly fair, becoming partly cloudy, widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Fair skies tonight. Mostly sunny Tuesday with only isolated afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Continued warm afternoons. Highs today, Tuesday mostly 80s mountains with 90s to near 102 at lower elevations. Lows tonight 60s and 50s mountains with mostly 60s elsewhere.

**Louisiana:** Fair at night, partly cloudy days through Tuesday. Scattered mainly daytime thunderstorms over central and south. Highs through Tuesday in the low to mid 90s inland to upper 90s coast. Lows low to mid 70s.

## Texas area forecast

**West Texas:** Generally partly cloudy, warm to hot through Tuesday. Widely scattered thunderstorms. Fair through Tuesday night, extreme southwest tonight. Highs through Tuesday mid 90s north, mountains to near 104 Big Bend. Lows low 60s mountains, upper 60s Panhandle to 70s elsewhere.

**North Texas:** A few thunderstorms southeast tonight, late today. Otherwise mostly fair, very warm through Tuesday. Lows 70s. Highs today, Tuesday in the 90s.

**South Texas:** Scattered mainly daytime thunderstorms southeast. Otherwise partly cloudy, little change in temperatures. Highs today, Tuesday near 90 coast, mid 90s to near 100 elsewhere. Lows 70s except near 80 along the coast.

## Daytime temperatures expected to reach 100

The weather should be fair and warm tonight and the hot daytime temperatures will continue Tuesday. The low tonight should be in the low 70s and the high Tuesday should be near 100 again, according to the National Weather Service at Midland Airport.

Winds should continue to be southerly but increase from 5-10 mph tonight to 10-20 mph Tuesday.

The record high of 104, set in 1981, was seven degrees higher than Sunday's high of 97 and the record low of 61, set in 1947, was a cool eight degrees below the overnight low of 69.

## Extended forecast

**Wednesday through Friday:** West Texas: Sunny days and fair nights with near seasonal temperatures. No significant precipitation. Highs 90s except near 104 in the Big Bend valleys. Lows upper 60s north to mid 70s south.

**North Texas:** Hot, sunny days and clear warm nights. Highs mid 90s east to near 100 west. Lows mid to upper 70s.

**South Texas:** Generally fair skies except for widely scattered thunderstorms southeast. Lows 70s. Highs 90s except upper 80s along the immediate upper coast and near 100 along the Rio Grande.

# Syrian official to meet with Reagan

By JONATHAN C. RANDAL  
 The Los Angeles Times-  
 Washington Post News Service

DAMASCUS, Syria — Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel Halim Khaddam left Sunday for Washington to see President Reagan on an Arab League mission whose occurrence was considered as important as any result it may produce.

Billed here as the most important American-Syrian meeting since President Carter conferred with President Hafez Assad in Geneva in 1979, Khaddam's mission, according to Western and Arab diplomats, was expected at the most to restore some cordiality — and perhaps direct high-level contact — to badly strained bilateral relations.

Indicative of the strained ties between Damascus and Washington, these diplomats said, was the reiterated Syrian refusal to welcome Palestinian guerrillas now trapped in West Beirut.

First articulated July 9, just as a high-ranking American envoy arrived to discuss what he thought were final details of the guerrillas' exodus, the refusal has been reiterated by the press, various ministers and Khaddam himself.

Optimists believe that a more flexible American attitude toward the Palestine Liberation Organization and Syria could still help achieve a breakthrough in the Lebanese crisis.

IN WASHINGTON Khaddam will be teaming up with his Saudi counterpart, Prince Saud Faisal.

Their joint mission was decided earlier this month at an Arab League foreign ministers meeting held at the Saudi summer capital of Taif.

Its composition, combining both radical Syria and conservative Saudi Arabia, was designed to present Washington with a joint Arab position demanding firm American action to save West Beirut and the trapped PLO from destruction.

The mission was delayed purposely to ensure that both Arab officials could talk meaningfully not only to the president, but also to the new secretary of state, George Shultz.

"Both the Arab hard-liners and soft-liners are willing to open lines with the United States," an Arab diplomat said.

Shultz's predecessor, Alexander M. Haig Jr., failed to arrest the decline in relations with Damascus. Some Syrians and diplomats here are convinced Haig actually contributed to the deterioration.

As much as anything, the deterioration was due to Haig's perceived pro-Israeli bias starting during his April 1981 familiarization trip to the Middle East when he made critical utterances about Syria and did not include Damascus on his itinerary.

"SYRIA FELT left out, spurned and snubbed by the Reagan administration," a Western diplomat said, "which did not realize that if for only geographical reasons as a state bordering in Israel, Syria is absolutely essential to make peace in the Middle East."

Even special envoy Philip C. Habib angered Syrian officials by "informing, not consulting with" the government here about his proposal for Syria to take in the PLO fighting force.

Although Haig is held responsible by Syrian officials for approving the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, American stock here has not suffered as much as Syrian faith in its Soviet allies.

Officials from Assad on down are known to be angered by the Soviet failure to provide Syria with the sophisticated weaponry capable of withstanding the American technology Israel used to destroy its air defense missile system in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley in the early fighting last month.

Assad himself flew to Moscow several weeks ago on a brief, secret mission, according to diplomats who reported he was in a nervous, angry mood on the flight home, apparently because the Soviets refused to provide him with weapons to match Israel's.

As a result, some diplomats and analysts here are convinced that Assad might be ready to abandon his leading role in the so-called "steadfast front" of radical Arabs if the Reagan administration made the right moves.

BUT SOME Western diplomats are not convinced that the Reagan administration understands the regional stakes involved in improving relations with Syria or, even if it did, has the determination to do so.

"The president does not follow Mideast politics that closely and still thinks of the Syrians as pro-Soviets because that is the Israeli view," one diplomat said. "Shultz is too newly arrived and so far the Israelis have called all the shots and the Americans have done little but react."

Among many suggested U.S. options if it wished to improve relations with Damascus are some form of overall political solution in the Middle East that could satisfy both the PLO and Syria, whose Golan Heights, occupied since 1967, were annexed outright by Israel last December.

Syria's refusal to welcome the PLO guerrillas is tied, diplomats are convinced, to genuine concern about their capacity to cause trouble for a regime that has felt obliged to forcibly suppress domestic dissidence.

Moreover, the Syrians are said to realize that any departing guerrillas would be accompanied by their large families. Rightly or wrongly, the figure of 300,000 Palestinians — or roughly half the total thought to be living in Lebanon — might end up here, it is reliably reported.

# Israel's authority appears to be expanding in Lebanon

By JACK FOINIK  
 The Los Angeles Times-  
 Washington Post News Service

BEIT ED DINE, Lebanon — Israeli policy in the southern half of Lebanon, which the Israelis now occupy, appears to be one of expanding the authority of Israel's Christian allies at the expense of the legitimate government of Lebanon, President Elias Sarkis, a Lebanese official charged Sunday.

Nadim Abu Ajram, Lebanon's chief administrative officer in this mountainous region, which is the site of Sarkis' summer residence, said Israeli troops have disarmed Lebanese government troops and ousted them from their camps.

In one of the camps, troops belonging to the pro-Israeli Falangists have

only a slice of Lebanon, north of the Israeli frontier, with his force of rightist militiamen.

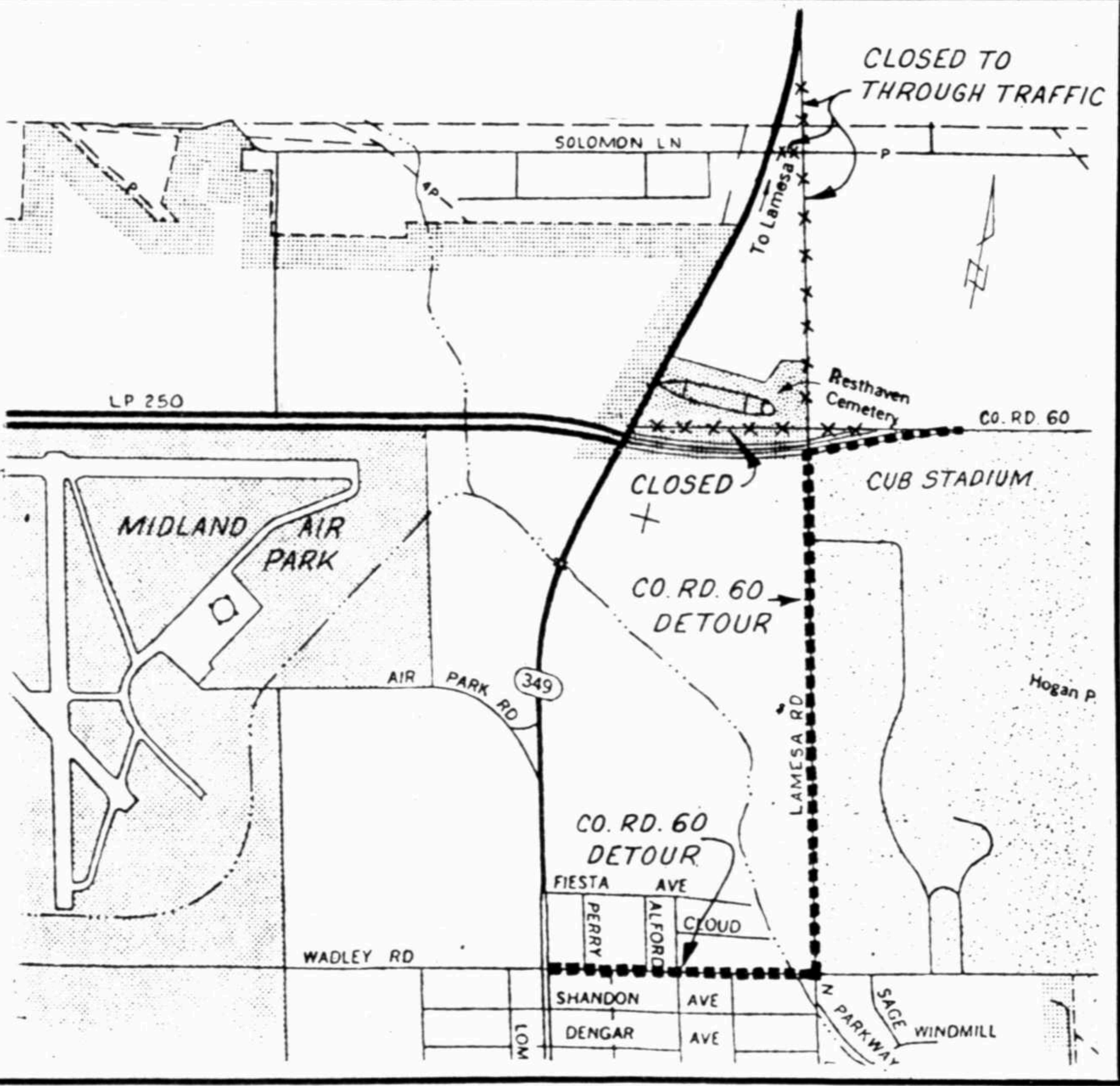
Ajram charged that Sarkis' authority is being "usurped" by the Israeli army.

An Israeli military spokesman confirmed the Israeli takeover of the camps that Ajram mentioned, but gave no explanation for the action.

The ouster of the Lebanese troops, the only legitimate armed force in the region, appears to be an attempt by the occupying Israelis to upset the harmony that now exists in Beit Ed Dine between Christians and Moslems, Ajram charged.

There is a population of about 300,000 in the area, and "we have been able to live together even when there were

Construction work on Loop-250 has progressed to the point where County Road 60 between Texas 349 (Big Spring Street) and Lamesa Road will be closed, according to the state highway department. The closing of CR-60 and the rerouting of traffic will get under way Wednesday. Traffic that would normally use CR-60 around the northeast side of Midland will be routed onto Lamesa Road and Wadley Avenue. Drivers are requested to observe all warning signs in the construction area and use extreme caution to prevent accidents.



## Dishwasher stolen from home

Midland police are continuing to investigate a number of thefts and burglaries from over the weekend.

Joan Graichen of 3402 Hill reported the theft of a dishwasher from the residence she was in the process of moving into at 4309 Parkdale. That theft occurred between 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, she said.

According to police reports, Ms. Graichen's dishwasher was taken after burglars gained entrance to the residence through the back door. That door suffered \$400 damage, she told police.

Canada, is in serious condition in the hospital's intensive care unit. He sustained multiple injuries and a broken leg in the crash.

Carla Busby, 20, of 3205 W. Storey is in satisfactory condition and being treated for a broken leg.

The two passengers in a pickup

## Police Roundup

Shirley Hansen of 709 Melton reported the theft of two stereo speakers, valued at a total of \$800, from her residence. That theft occurred between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday.

Danny Michael Nigro of 1607 Pine reported a burglary there. Taken in the burglary, which occurred between Friday and Sunday, was a silver dollar collection valued at \$300, a watch and a diamond ring. Those items, plus damage to a window, made the total loss \$590.

Two people injured in a three-vehicle collision early Saturday morning remain hospitalized in Midland Memorial Hospital where they are undergoing treatment for their injuries.

Kenneth B. Purysh, 25, of Alberta,

## Two armed men rob Odessa 7-Eleven

ODESSA — Two men, one armed with a rifle and the other with a crowbar, robbed an Odessa convenience store of an undetermined amount of money early today.

Danna L. Pipkin, clerk at the 7-Eleven convenience store at 8th and Golder, told police the two men came into the store at 2:45 a.m. today. The man carrying the rifle ordered the clerk to hand him the money from the register and look at the floor. The clerk did so and the robbers fled the store, heading west on foot.

One of the robbers was described as 5 feet, 8 inches tall, thin, wearing a white shirt, brown pants. He had brown hair. The other was 5 feet, 4 inches tall with brown hair. He was wearing jeans and a black shirt with some type of writing on it.

# Panel to monitor government's civil rights record

By MIKE FEINSILBER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sixteen former government officials are joining forces to monitor the civil rights records of Congress and the administration and raise a cry when they sense an abandonment of the government's commitment to fight bias.

The privately financed and bipartisan panel, which includes four former Cabinet members, was assembled by Arthur S. Flemming, 77, a Republican who was removed by President Reagan last November as chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He held that post for seven years.

The idea is for the group to oversee the government's enforcement of laws barring discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, ethnic background, age or physical handicap.

The expectation is that the prestige of the members will be enough to command attention when they comment on what they find.

Flemming said the creation of the group was prompted by "regressive actions taken by the Reagan administration and Congress which jeopardize the gains made by minorities, women and poor people over the past two decades."

The panel meets today for the first

time. As a first project, it will consider commissioning an analysis of Senate-passed legislation that would bar federal courts in most instances from ordering that busing be used to remedy school segregation. The administration has endorsed the measure.

AMONG THE commission members are three former secretaries of health, education and welfare — Wilbur Cohen of the University of Texas, Elliot Richardson, who has also served as attorney general, and Flemming, who now heads the National Coalition for Quality Integrated Education.

Other members include William H. Brown III of Philadelphia, former chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame University and another former Civil Rights Commission chairman; former Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind.; and former Labor Secretary Ray Marshall.

Also, three former Civil Rights Commission members — Erwin N. Griswold of Washington, who also served as U.S. solicitor general; Frankie M. Freeman of St. Louis; and Manuel Ruiz of Los Angeles; and Rabbi Murray Saltzman of Baltimore, who is leaving his seat on the commission; Aileen Hernandez of San Francisco and Samuel C. Jackson

of Washington, both former EEOC members; William M. Marutani, a judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Pennsylvania and a member of the government commission studying the World War II internment of Japanese-Americans; Grace Olivarez of Albuquerque, N.M., former administrator of the Community Services Administration; and Harold R. Tyler of New York, a former federal judge.

Among other matters for potential attention, Flemming listed what he called the curtailment of desegregation aid to schools; new restrictions on the Legal Services Commission, which helps the poor get into court; the narrowing of affirmative action regulations by the Labor Department; and the argument offered in court by the Justice Department that private schools which discriminate should be permitted to keep their tax exemptions.

When he was removed as head of the Civil Rights Commission last year, Flemming said Reagan had "a perfect right" to do what he had done. But Flemming also accused the administration of having "the weakening of civil rights laws" as one of its objectives.

His firing coincided with a commission report critical of the administra-

tion's policies on school desegregation.

REAGAN FIRST sought to replace Flemming with the Rev. B. Samuel Hart, a black fundamentalist preacher who aroused opposition after announcing he was against the Equal Rights Amendment and busing to integrate schools.

The nomination was withdrawn, and Clarence Pendleton Jr., former president of the Urban League of San Diego, Calif., became chairman.

LONDON (AP) — James Prior, the Cabinet minister responsible for Northern Ireland, flew to the United States today for a three-day visit to explain Britain's proposals for limited Northern Irish home rule and to seek more U.S. investment for the troubled province.

Before leaving Heathrow Airport for Washington, Prior said he had three objectives for his talks with Reagan administration officials, legislators, industrialists and labor leaders.

"The first is to inform public opinion in the U.S. and their administration and Congress about the political initiative we have taken," he said, referring

## Odessa officer hurt in attempted arrest

ODESSA — An Odessa police officer was slightly injured early today when he and two other policemen attempted to arrest three men inside an Odessa night spot.

Officer Rick Morris sustained a minor laceration to the head and a bruised neck while chasing one of the subjects, police officials reported today.

The three officers, Morris and two others, went to Captain Hook's Lounge at 2031 Andrews Highway about 5:15

a.m. today in response to a burglar alarm. When they arrived there officers Morris and Robert Clanton went inside where they discovered two men standing beside a pool table with a third man underneath the table.

The officers reportedly ordered the men to lie down. Two of the men did so, but the man underneath the table bolted and ran. It was during the chase that Officer Morris was injured.

The other two men, ages 26 and 20, were jailed.

## Northern Ireland official to visit U.S.

to plans to elect a 78-member assembly in October to restore partial self-rule in Northern Ireland.

"Secondly I hope to encourage further U.S. investment in the province. And thirdly to tell the U.S. that Northern Ireland is now a much more settled community, security is much better and the atmosphere is right."

Prior said he also wanted to help stop the financial support some Americans are providing the Irish Republican Army, which is waging an underground war of bombings and assassinations in an effort to pull the province out of the United Kingdom and unite it with the Irish Republic.

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## One-legged man reaches summit of Mount Rainier

GREENWATER, Wash. (AP) — Coming down Mount Rainier proved more troublesome than going up for one-legged climber Don Bennett, who says he conquered the peak to show other disabled people what a "can-do" attitude will accomplish.

Bennett was descending on a specially built slide that takes pressure off his leg and enables him to keep up with other climbers. The trouble was that it didn't work well in the slushy snow Sunday, a spokesman said.

Bennett was believed to have descended to about the 9,700-foot level of the mountain by Sunday night, said Don McConnell, a Seattle spokesman for the six-member climbing party. Bennett was to make his way to the White River campground near Crystal Mountain by tonight, McConnell said.

The climb up the 14,410-foot mountain went faster than expected. Bennett reached the peak Saturday, one day ahead of schedule, after beginning the adventure on Thursday, McConnell said.

The expedition's success was confirmed by Mount Rainier National Park rangers and by a CBS helicopter crew that flew by and filmed Bennett at the top.

"Everyone was reported well," McConnell said. "The 'hop to the top' is a success."

Bennett used special crutches for the climb, his second attempt on one leg. Last year, Bennett came within 400 feet of the summit but was driven back by a storm.

The 53-year-old Mercer Island man first climbed Mount Rainier in 1970. But that was before he lost his right leg just above the knee when he slipped beneath a boat propeller in 1972.

Bennett planted flags on the summit carrying the names of people who contributed money to the National Handicap Sports and Recreation Association.

## White House seeks health cost changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House has a plan to get workers and employers to fight rising medical costs.

It would mean increased taxes for corporations and financial risks for millions of Americans and it would send Medicare recipients shopping for their own health insurance subsidized by government vouchers.

It also would impose tighter federal control over hospital bills paid by the government under the Medicare program for the elderly.

The health care proposal, one of the few major domestic initiatives of the Reagan administration, results from a growing conviction that health costs are rising out of control, fueling inflation and sabotaging efforts to reduce federal spending.

A key element would remove at least part of the favorable tax treatment now given group health insurance premiums employers pay to benefit their workers, said several sources familiar with the tentative plan. Such payments are now deductible as business expenses for the corporations that pay them. Employees who receive health insurance as a fringe benefit aren't required to report the employers' contributions as income.

The size of employers' deductions for health care expenses would be limited under the plan. A similar measure before the Senate Finance Committee would put the burden on employees by making a portion of the same premiums taxable as income. Some members of the administration hope to include that in the White House proposal because, they contend, that is the only way to make employees and their unions more cost-

conscious. A typical worker could end up paying between \$100 and \$300 a year in increased taxes, depending on how much of the cost would still be considered tax-exempt.

The sources, who outlined the administration plan on the condition they not be identified, said the proposal would permit employers to deduct the first several hundred dollars in premiums for each worker to encourage some coverage but discourage the most expensive, all-encompassing group insurance policies.

The tax change would quickly serve as a "revenue raiser" to increase taxes and reduce the federal deficit, perhaps by \$5 billion to \$10 billion a year.

The long-range objective would be to encourage employers, union representatives and employees to opt for cheaper plans that protect families against catastrophic health costs but don't pay for every visit to a doctor's office, all tests the physician may order and whatever drug prescriptions the patient has filled, sources said.

The White House has recruited David Winston, a former Senate health affairs specialist now in private business, to have the proposal ready for presidential action after Reagan returns from his August vacation.

Interim results of a Rand Corp. study, published in the New England Journal of Medicine, showed that people with full coverage spend about 50 percent more for medical services than those who are protected only against the costs of catastrophic illness. People with intermediate plans, such as those requiring the family to meet a certain deductible before insurance takes over or those in which the family shares a portion of

each health bill, also tend to spend less than people who get free care, but the difference is less dramatic.

Conservatives generally have resisted government intervention, but as Dr. Robert J. Rubin, the chief planner at the Department of Health and Human Services, said in a recent interview, "The future is now here, and people are concerned about it."

Rather than put a lid on hospital charges as former President Jimmy Carter proposed, the Reagan plan would set limits on the fees the government would pay for hospital services provided to Medicare — and eventually Medicaid — recipients.

## 1976 Nobel leads to hepatitis vaccine

By HARRY NELSON  
The Los Angeles Times-  
Washington Post News Service

LOS ANGELES — Baruch S. Blumberg, an American scientist, discovered some unusual particles in the blood of Australian aborigines 18 years ago. From that observation came a Nobel

Prize in 1976 for Blumberg and, this month, a new vaccine for mankind.

The vaccine is against a sometimes deadly viral disease called hepatitis B, once known as serum hepatitis, that is transmitted from person to person by interchange of any of the bodily fluids, especially of blood.

Blumberg discovered that aborigines

have tiny particles of proteins in their blood that coat the hepatitis B virus. These proteins, now called the Australia antigen, led to a successful test for hepatitis and now are being used in the vaccine, which is being made in the United States by Merck, Sharp and Dohme.

Clinical trials, which were completed last winter, showed the vaccine to be more than 90 percent effective in preventing the disease that is growing by about 200,000 cases a year in the United States.

But health authorities are concerned that the high cost of the vaccine — about \$100 for the recommended three injections — may keep some susceptible people from receiving it.

Although hepatitis B is uncommon among adults in the general American population, it is highly prevalent in certain groups, according to a committee of scientists who advise the U.S. Public Health Service on immunization practices. The committee released a list of high-risk individuals late last month and recommended they receive the vaccine, which is limited in supply.

Those with the highest risk of getting the disease include immigrants and refugees from the Third World, especially those from Southeast Asia and Africa; the mentally retarded who are confined to institutions; drug addicts; male homosexuals; patients receiving artificial kidney treatments and anyone who has had household or sexual contacts with a carrier of hepatitis B.

At lower risk, but nevertheless also recommended to receive the vaccine, are staff members of institutions for the mentally retarded, male prisoners and health care workers such as dentists and laboratory employees who come in frequent contact with blood.

There are about 200,000 new cases of the disease each year. About 10,000 need hospital treatment annually and about 250 die.

About 10,000 to 20,000 of those infected each year become chronic carriers of the hepatitis B virus. Besides becoming a threat to people with whom they come in close contact, carriers run a higher than normal risk of getting non-alcoholic cirrhosis of the liver and liver cancer. An estimated 4,000 carriers die of those conditions each year.

The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta estimate that there is a pool of 400,000 to 800,000 infectious carriers in the United States and that pool is growing daily.

While that figure represents only about 0.3 percent of the general population of the United States, the rate may be as high as 20 percent among immigrants from Asia and the Pacific islands, recent studies indicate.

Hepatitis B is only one type of viral hepatitis. There are also hepatitis A, which in the United States is about as common as hepatitis B, and hepatitis non-A, non-B. Neither of the others is prevented by the hepatitis B vaccine.

Hepatitis A, once called infectious hepatitis or yellow jaundice, is spread largely by contaminated food and water and personal contact. It is the type of hepatitis most frequently contracted by soldiers and travelers to countries where sanitation is poor. There is no vaccine for either type A or type non-A, non-B, a milder form of the disease most often caused by transfusions.

For hepatitis B, contact with blood that contains the virus is the way that the disease is most often transmitted. Contact with a contaminated blood can come in variety of ways. Health workers may be infected through small cuts during treatment of an infected patient or a carrier. Mentally retarded children in institutions, where infection is known to be high, also run a high risk.

## Only one third of 'Smokeout' participants remain smokeless

NEVADA, Iowa (AP) — Two months ago, Donna Stoeffler was among 450 people who walked out of a mass hypnosis session and tossed their cigarettes into a fire, vowing never to smoke again.

Ms. Stoeffler quit for about three weeks before breaking down after

"kind of a rough weekend," but the organizers of the "Great Nevada Smokeout" say more than one-third of the participants are still off cigarettes.

"I think the overall effect is extremely good," said hypnotist Greg States. "I would have liked a little higher number, but I'm pleased that more than one-third were able to completely quit smoking."

About 10 percent of this town's residents turned out for the session May 6. States, 31, runs professional hypnotism clinics in Des Moines to help smokers kick the habit and said the experiment was his first try at mass hypnotism.

Follow-up checks showed that 34 percent of the people who attended the session have given up cigarettes completely — much higher than the 20 percent to 25 percent success rates of other programs, he said.

Later in May, States conducted a similar experiment in Creston with 250 people. He claimed an even better success rate there, 43 percent.

Among those who kicked the habit completely in Nevada was Betty McKim, who said that saying goodbye to cigarettes was "sort of like giving up a special friend."

Many others quit for a while, then started again but have reduced their smoking, States said.

## DEATHS

### Dorothy Joslin

SAN ANGELO — Rosary for Mrs. Dorothy Joslin, 58, of Carlsbad, daughter of Mrs. Frank Dougherty, and sister of R.O. Dougherty, both of Midland, will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today in Johnson's Funeral Home chapel. Mass will be said at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Holy Angels Catholic Church with burial following in Calvary Cemetery under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home.

Mrs. Joslin died Saturday in a San Angelo hospital.

Mrs. Joslin was born March 7, 1926, in San Angelo. She worked for the San Angelo Center for more than 36 years.

Other survivors include her husband, a daughter, two other brothers and a grandson.

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# Conservationist nations campaign to ban whaling

By LEONARD KIRSCHEN

BRIGHTON, England (AP) — The International Whaling Commission opened its annual meeting today, with the United States and other conservationist nations campaigning for a total ban on commercial whaling.

Whale-hunting nations led by Japan and the Soviet Union were expected to vigorously oppose any attempt to halt whaling, which has flourished for 200 years. Scientists say the industry threatens the sea-going mammal's population.

Late Sunday night, the anti-whaling lobby in the commission was bolstered by the addition of two more conservationist nations, Senegal and Belize, raising total membership to 38 nations.

The commission now has 27 members which have either never hunted or stopped hunting whales. Five of these non-whaling nations, the United States, Britain, France, Australia and the Seychelles, separately intend to propose resolutions calling on all members to stop killing whales.

Their resolutions are vigorously opposed by six of the nine non-conservationist nations headed by Japan and the Soviet Union and supported by Norway, Iceland, South Korea and Peru.

Brazil, Chile and Spain have continued to catch whales for trade reasons but their position at the current meeting of the commission has not been announced.

To obtain total cessation of commercial whaling, conservationist nations need approval by three-quarters of those present. In the past, there have been absentees when such votes were taken.

Observers say the outcome could depend on how Brazil, Spain and Chile decide to vote, as well as on the votes of China, South Africa and the Netherlands who in the past have abstained when major issues were at stake.

Conservationists contend that during the two centuries of commercial whaling, five of the 10 greater whale species — blue, humpback, bowhead, grey and great white whale — have been driven to near extinction and are no longer worth hunting.

Of the other five — fin, sei, Brydes, sperm and minke — only the minke remains relatively abundant. It accounted for 80 percent of last year's total catch of 14,000 whales.

The whaling nations claim scientific evidence has not yet proven whales are becoming extinct.

The commission was established in 1946 to set quotas for whaling and take other steps it considers necessary to benefit the industry and protect endangered species.

# Lack of housing plagues Palestinians

By MORT ROSENBLUM

GHAZIYE, Israeli-occupied Lebanon (AP) — Zahar is a shy 15-year-old Palestinian with moist eyes and one dirty dress who knows close up about life and death in South Lebanon.

The advancing Israelis arrested five of her brothers as suspected guerrillas. The sixth was killed last month when artillery and air strikes silenced resistance at the Ein Hilwe refugee camp near Sidon, leveling it.

She is one of more than 100,000 Palestinians who squat in schools, unguarded shops and warehouses, burned-out buildings and orange groves, waiting for hard-pressed relief agencies to find them.

Several thousand of them sleep on the bare floors of the three schools in this town near Sidon. By day, they sit outside and wait.

"No doctors around," she said, holding up her festering left arm, "and we are afraid to leave hear to get help. We just stay here."

Zahar's family and the others live on the savings and scant provisions they escaped from Ein Hilwe with. Two of the refugees are reported to have died from hunger and exposure at the school. The rest are nearing desperation.

"I am here, I sit," said Abu Nidal, his eyes rimmed in red, brushing flies away from the infant in his lap.

Abu Nidal, now 34, was taken from Israel — Palestine, to him — when he was a baby. He worked as a welder in Sidon and may or may not have trained as a guerrilla.

"I have one of the smallest families — six kids," he said. "My father is here."

He did not say what happened to his

mother. "We have enough to live on for a little while," he said. "Some relatives have given us what they could. But soon we will not, and I don't know what will happen."

Lebanese authorities have said they need the school back by October, when classes start again. They said the refugees must go.

"This is what we have, it is our only home," said Abu Nidal. "Where do we go?"

"We are here, with nothing," said another refugee. "Waiting."

The U.N. Works and Relief Agency, which has housed, fed and educated

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Palestinians since 1950, is struggling to help 113,000 refugees registered with it in South Lebanon.

But UNWRA is habitually short of funds and now is swamped with work.

"We have reached 40,000 people around Sidon, and we are trying to get into other areas," said Bernard Mossez, a regional officer. "Food... is likely to be more and more of a problem. Other services, like education — forget it."

"The most serious, most colossal and most frightening problem is housing: where, which is a political problem, and how, which is a question of means."

The Ein Hilwe camp, which housed 30,000 registered refugees and a number of others, was flattened. So was another major camp in Sidon and Rashidiye, near Tyre and about half as big as Ein Hilwe.

An estimated 5,000 Lebanese homes were destroyed in Sidon and Tyre, along with public and commercial buildings.

Lebanese and Palestinians sought shelter where they could find it, competing for space with about 200,000 Lebanese who came south from Beirut — or returned from abroad — when the fighting stopped.

Private relief agencies are trying to help the Lebanese refugees and scores of thousands of Palestinians not on UNWRA's rolls. Some officials are optimistic, citing tonnages of supplies and numbers of teams, but many refugees

remain unaided. Government and relief officials admit that accurate statistics are almost impossible to assemble. Needs cannot be clearly assessed, and distribution is a gargantuan problem.

Another problem is mobility, restricted by Israeli authorities.

"It is arbitrary," said the president of one relief agency, who asked not to be named for fear of souring relations. "Sometimes they are helpful. Sometimes they are not."

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# Veterans to receive late welcome home

By MIKE FEINSILBER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vietnam veterans from across America are being urged to come to Washington in November for the welcome home they never got.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, the chief sponsor, believes 100,000 veterans will participate in the four-day "National Salute to Vietnam Veterans" that will start on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. The Pentagon says nearly 9 million Americans served in Southeast Asia between 1965 and 1973.

Unlike the combatants of earlier wars, returning Vietnam veterans found no parades awaiting them. More likely, they were met by hostility or indifference.

A 1980 Veterans Administration survey of Vietnam veterans found much bitterness about their experience.

Twenty-four percent of those surveyed said they agreed with the sentiment, "The United States took unfair advantage of me" and 30 percent said they

would refuse to serve again if asked.

**THE PEOPLE** behind the fund had hoped that the gathering would mark the dedication of a \$6 million Vietnam veterans memorial, now being built on the grassy Mall, between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial.

But the memorial won't be completed in time because of a decision to meet the complaint of veterans who did not like the original austere design. A flag and a larger-than-life statue of three soldiers will be added.

Nonetheless, veterans and their families will be able to visit the monument, with its black granite walls meeting in a V and bearing the names of 57,892 Americans who died in the war and the 2,500 still listed as missing.

In addition, Vietnam veterans will participate in the traditional wreath-laying at Arlington Cemetery on Nov. 11; will be honored that night by a U.S. Army band concert; will have unit reunions; will parade in units composed of veterans from each state on Satur-

day along Constitution Avenue; and will honor their fallen comrades at a religious service Sunday at the Washington Cathedral. Show business figures who helped entertain the troops will do so again.

Pentagon historian Fred Beck says most U.S. wars ended with parades and displays of great affection for the warriors — a combination of patriotism and relief that they were alive and home.

But the Korean War and Vietnam were different because troops came home alone, rather than in units, when their tours of duty ended and while the war was still going on — and there were few welcoming ceremonies.

"WE'RE NOT calling this a welcome home, because some of these veterans have been home 10 years or more," said Sandie Fauriol, director of the National Salute to Vietnam Veterans. "But even if it is too late to say welcome home, it is never to late to salute the veterans for what they did for their country."

She said veterans may get a schedule by writing her at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, 1100 Vermont Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.

# Jersey City residents still can't drink the water

By JIM O'CONNELL

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — More than 300,000 people had running water again today after a hot, thirsty weekend caused by a burst main, but residents were warned not to drink it until the system is purged.

Jersey City Mayor Gerald McCann announced Sunday that water was again snaking through the city's 300 miles of pipes, which usually supply 65 million gallons each day.

Some residents of New Jersey's second-largest city have been without drinking water since late Thursday, when an aging main ruptured beneath a marsh in nearby Secaucus.

State and municipal health department officials are testing today for the cause of the bacteria which had contaminated the system serving 225,000 people in Jersey City and more than 75,000 in Hoboken and parts of Lyndhurst and West Caldwell.

The burst pipe was fixed in a 2 1/2-hour patch job early Sunday, as workers welded a steel plate over a 1-by-2-foot hole in the 6-foot-wide galvanized steel aqueduct supplying the city from a reservoir in rural Morris County.

The entire 26-mile aqueduct system had to be pumped dry so workers could perform the repair.

Residents of the city, across the Hudson River from New York, spent hours Sunday lined up to fill jugs, soda bottles and buckets at "water buffaloes," 400-gallon tanks on wheels filled with potable water by the National Guard. At noon, the signboard atop the Jersey City Savings Bank read 99 degrees.

"This stinks," said resident Arthur Burns. "But when things get back to normal we'll all forget about it pretty fast."

Joan Buska brought three of her five children to one water distribution point. "Now that they can't have water, the kids want water all the time," she said.

Others pulled gallon after gallon of bottled water from the shelves of supermarkets, and supplies were reported running short. "I even work at the A&P and the bottled water went so fast that I couldn't get any," said Deborah Walsh.

Officials hoped to have the water system flushed out by late today, followed by a 24-hour period during which water will have to be boiled for five minutes to be safe. Drinking water will be available at firehouses and police stations, McCann said.

Pending completion of the purge, residents were told not to use tap water for bathing, washing or laundering. However, water could be used to flush toilets, officials said.

Businesses using water were ordered closed.

William Goble, city director of engineering, said more problems may occur with the water system because the pipes are estimated to be 80 years old.

Another city with water problems Sunday was Springfield, Ill. The community's 160,000 residents were told to boil their tap water because high bacteria levels appeared two days in a row in routine tests. The cause of the contamination was unknown.

# Argentina to receive nuclear technology

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration has reversed a Carter administration nuclear policy by authorizing the export of technology crucial to Argentina's aim of nuclear independence, according to The Washington Post.

The move was approved in secret by Energy Secretary James B. Edwards last year after an interdepartmental review, the Post said in today's editions. It seriously undercut a longtime U.S. effort to pressure Argentina to put all its nuclear program under international safeguards, the newspaper reported.

The administration has said Carter administration policies were too strict and that the United States needs to re-establish itself as a leading nuclear exporter in order to exercise influence over other countries' nuclear programs.

Edwards approved for export by the Foxboro Co. of Foxboro, Mass., a computerized control system that will become the "brains" of a large heavy-water plant — classified as "sensitive" technology because it is the critical element in one route to production of materials that could be used in nuclear bombs, the newspaper said.

The Nuclear Nonproliferation Act, passed in 1978, bans U.S. cooperation with any country that has not placed all its nuclear activities under the International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards. But the administration was able to authorize the export to Argentina because the control system was ostensibly sold to a Swiss firm that has the overall contract for the Argentine plant, the newspaper said.

The Post said that in its application to the administration for approval of the sale, Foxboro Co. was straightforward about its intent, specifying that it proposed to sell "a process control system to Sulzer Brothers in Switzerland for ultimate end-use in an Argentinian heavy-water production facility."

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## INVESTOR'S GUIDE

### Bank may loan money with stock as collateral

By BILL DOYLE

**Q.** I have my own decorating and remodeling business. I have done rehabilitation work at a residential hotel and have been paid in stock. I have about \$3,900 worth of the hotel's stock. Approximately \$300,000 is the hotel's worth.

**I want to make some creative financial moves. How can I borrow against my hotel stock to get capital to expand my business?**

**A.** Take your stock to a bank and ask if it will be accepted as collateral for a loan. The answer might be yes; it might be no.

Banks will normally make collateral loans for up to 75 percent of the market value of stock put up as collateral. But that usually applies to stocks traded in the marketplace and for which the market value is easily obtained. If you default on the loan by not meeting interest payments, or if the stock's price falls, the bank can always sell the stock.

From your letter, however, it appears that hotel stock is closely held by a rather small number of people and is not publicly traded. Banks sometimes make collateral loans on closely held stocks, especially to good customers.

I'd call your chances of getting a collateral loan on that stock unlikely. But it's worth a try. Ask your banker.



Doyle

**Q.** If I open a margin account at a brokerage firm in order to borrow money to buy stock, I can borrow only 50 percent of the purchase price. If I put up stock as collateral at my bank, I can borrow 75 percent of the stock's value. Furthermore, the interest rate at the bank would be lower than at the brokerage.

**What's to prevent me from borrowing on stock I own from a bank and using the money to buy more stock? As I see it, I could do this a number of times; own more stock; pay less interest.**

**A.** When you use stock as collateral for a bank loan, you have what's called a "non-purpose loan." Among other things, the loan agreement you sign says you promise not to use the proceeds to buy more stock.

Now let's not be naive. There's little doubt that some people do what you propose. But if you do it you'll be fibbing and breaking the rules of your loan agreement.

And if you repeat that process at the same bank, your banker should get suspicious. Assuming the bank is abiding by the rules, your loans undoubtedly would be called in.

Thinking back over more than three decades of covering financial news, I can't recall even one case of anyone getting in trouble for fracturing the non-purpose loan rules.

**Q.** You told a reader, "Don't gripe about a \$10 fee" charged by a bank for handling the redemption of corporate and municipal bonds. I wouldn't gripe about that one. But how about this?

**I buy U.S. Treasury bills through local banks, which have gradually increased the fees I pay when I roll over a mature T bill or buy a new one. One bank now charges \$37.50, the other \$50.**

**A.** That's not unusual. Some banks charge even more. Banks can set any fees they like on services such as that. It's a competitive world. This column keeps stressing to shop around for the best deal.

T bills, of course, come in \$10,000 minimum denominations. If you keep money in a low-interest account until you accumulate \$10,000, the bank turns a nice profit on your money. Once your money goes into a T bill, the bank no longer has the use of your cash.

Doyle welcomes written questions, but he will be able to provide answers only through his column. Address questions to Bill Doyle, King Features, c/o The Reporter-Telegram, Midland, Texas 79702.

## BUSINESS MIRROR

### U.S. Congress not likely to pass true flat-rate tax

**NEW YORK (AP)** — A truly flat-rate tax — no deductions, exemptions or credits of any kind, and with everyone taxed the same percentage of income — would appear to have almost no chance of acceptance.

That, however, is not the end of the various so-called flat-rate tax proposals. It is nearer the beginning. And it is conceivable that something called a flat-rate tax might someday become a reality.

In its pure form, however, it's chances of becoming law would appear to be the same as the flat earth theory being embraced by a symposium of scientists. It might go by the name, but it will hardly be the same.

Meanwhile, the discussions will grow spirited. You'll be hearing a great deal about it, from Congress and academe, and from pressure groups that have benefitted from deductions, exemptions and credits.

You will hear from those who are outraged by what they feel has been a dictatorial usurpation of power by the Internal Revenue Service, from those accountants and tax preparers and lawyers who benefit from the business of deductions, and by those who think anything so complex and distorted must be scourged by death and born again in purer form.

The idea of a flat-rate tax is simply a phenomenon, viewed by the rich as an opportunity to lower their taxes, and by the poor as a chance to close loopholes for the rich. To some extent it transcends party lines; both liberals and conservatives can be found to support their version.

Whatever the version, it is likely to begin with a tax exemption for the first few thousand dollars of income. Otherwise, rich and poor and liberal and conservative agree, the poor would be taxed outrageously.

Some say that will happen anyway, because a flat-rate tax would end the so-called progressive nature of the system, under which the rich are taxed a greater percentage of their taxable incomes.

It would also end or greatly reduce deductibles, or preferential tax treatments or tax incentives or loopholes. Same thing, different names, according to the way the viewer wishes to interpret them, or the way they are viewed at different times. Having achieved its purpose, for example, a tax incentive might come to be viewed as a tax loophole.

Such means of reducing taxes are woven throughout the system, most of them threaded there because at one time or another they were considered desirable or even necessary in promoting a social or economic good.

Housing, for example. Home ownership is tied to good citizenship. A homeowner, it is thought, is more likely to vote and otherwise support and participate in community activities, strengthening the democracy.

That notion is so readily and widely accepted that home ownership is often thought of as a right, and frequently equated with fulfillment of the American dream. A true flat-rate tax would devastate that dream.

Any flat-rate proposal, therefore, is likely to encounter tremendous opposition if it seeks to do away with the deductibility of interest on home mortgages. At best, it seems likely such deductions would be grandfathered, or allowed to continue on existing mortgages.

### Expected drop in U.S. rates pushes dollar lower in Europe

**LONDON (AP)** — Expectations of lower U.S. interest rates pushed the dollar lower against major foreign currencies except the British pound and Swiss franc in early trading today.

Gold prices rose above the \$350 an ounce level in Europe.

A currency dealer for London's Citibank branch said investors were expecting a possible drop in the U.S. money supply and other economic factors to bring down interest rates. The dollar is more attractive when interest rates are high.

The British pound, buoyed by the end of the 15-day rail strike, moved up to \$1.7413 from Friday's \$1.7200.

In what was seen as possible technical adjustment, the dollar rose to 2.4637 Swiss francs from 2.1035 Friday.

Other dollar rates compared with Friday's late rate included: 2.4637 West German marks, down from 2.4880

6.8600 French francs, down from 6.8850

2.7180 Dutch guilders, down from 2.7413

1,378.25 Italian lire, down from 1,393.70

1,2801 Canadian dollars, down from 1,2835

In Tokyo, where trading ends just as it begins in Europe, the dollar dropped to 253.60 yen from 256.25 yen Friday.

London's five major bullion dealers fixed a recommended morning gold price of \$350 a Troy ounce, up \$4.25 from Friday. In Zurich, gold traded in a median range of \$350.75 from \$347.13 late Friday.

#### TODAY'S ANSWER

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## EXPLORATORY WELLS

### NEW MEXICO

#### CHAVES COUNTY

Yates Petroleum, Artesia, will drill the No. 1 Brooks "UT" Federal, a 4,500 feet, 12 miles southeast of Boaz. The site is 1,980 feet from the north, and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 12, township 8 south, range 31 east.

#### EDDY COUNTY

Perry R. Bass, Midland, will drill three 4,000-foot wildcats, seven miles east of Malaga.

The No. 55 Poker Lake Unit is 660 feet from the north, and 660 feet from the east line of section 4, township 24 south, range 30 east.

The No. 56 Poker Lake Unit is 660 feet from the south, and 660 feet from the west line of section 4, township 24 south, range 30 east.

The No. 54 Poker Lake Unit is 660 feet from the south, and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 4, township 24 south, range 30 east.

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Bass will also drill the No. 57 Poker Lake Unit to 4,460 feet, 18 miles southeast of Malaga.

The site is 1,980 feet from the north, and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 20, township 25 south, and 31 east.

#### LEA COUNTY

HNG Oil Co., Midland, will drill the No. 2 Lovington Plains State, 20 miles northeast of Maljamar.

The 13,500-foot is 1,980 feet from the north, and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 2, township 16 south, range 34 east.

#### ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Cities Services Co., Midland, has staked an 8,000-foot wildcat, 10 miles southwest of Highway.

The No. A-1-Y Griffin is 1,980 feet from the north, and 2,080 feet from the west line of section 26, township 6 south, range 33 east.

#### DISTRICT 8A

SRG Oil Corp., Abilene, will drill the No. 1-A W.A. Springer, 12 miles south of Guthrie.

The 3,800-foot wildcat is 500 feet from the south, and 900 feet from the west line of section 132-F, H&TC survey.

#### DISTRICT 7C

#### MENARD COUNTY

Demarco Oil & Gas Inc., Abilene, will drill two 4,000-foot wildcats, two miles northeast of Menard.

The No. 1 Searcy is 827 feet from the north, and 1,080 feet from the west line of the Theodore Bucholz survey 21.

The No. 2 Searcy is 172 feet from the south, and 403 feet from the east line of the same survey.

#### REAGAN COUNTY

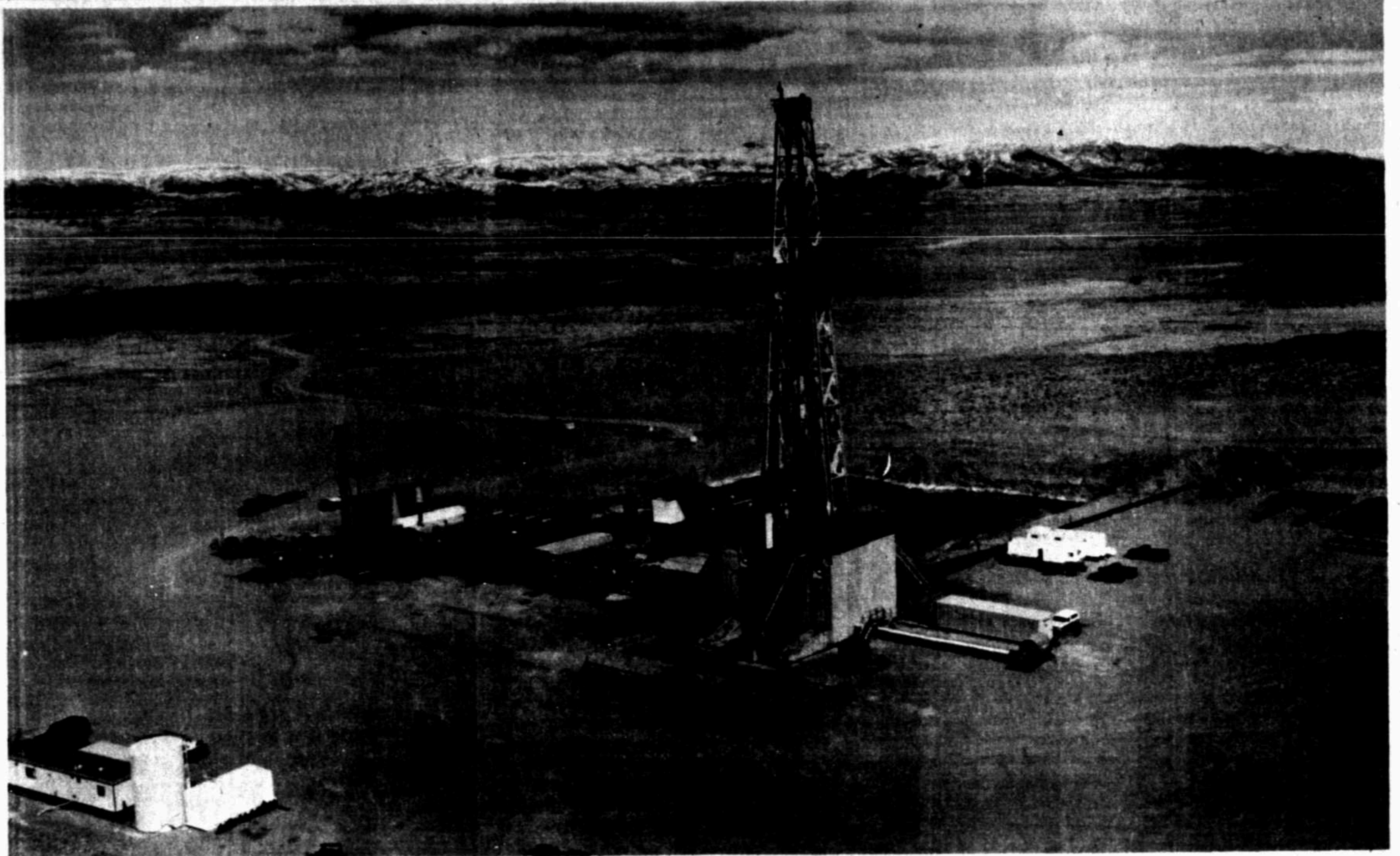
Terra Resources Inc., Houston, will drill the No. 1 University "34-8", six miles south of Best.

The 9,700-foot wildcat is 990 feet from the south, and 990 feet from the west line of section 34, block 8, University Lands survey.

#### TOM GREEN COUNTY

Imperial Energy Inc., Richardson, will drill the No. 1-A Bubenik, a 4,800-foot wildcat, three miles southwest of Veribest.

It is 853 feet from the south, and 467 feet from the east line of section 111, block 11, SPRR survey.



## Loffland Brothers Company sets third world record

FREMONT COUNTY, Wyo. — Loffland Brothers Company, the free-world's deepest oil well driller, has set a 10 3/4 inch string of intermediate casing believed to be the longest and heaviest of its size ever run in the United States.

This is the third record set on this Coastal Oil & Gas Corporation well - Owl Creek Tribal Unit Number One. Loffland will set a fourth record - a new Rocky Mountain depth record - if the well is completed to the assigned 26,500 feet. Loffland Rig 119 is drilling the well 25 miles northwest of Riverton, Wyoming.

The latest record was posted by setting 6,337 feet of 10 3/4-inch liner

between 15,607 and 21,944 feet, and setting 10 3/4-inch tie-back casing to a depth of 15,607 feet.

The liner, with an air weight of 513,297 pounds, was run on five-inch drill pipe in 11.1-pound per gallon mud. Air weight of the tie-back string was 1,149,723 pounds. Hook load with 10.8-pound per gallon mud in the hole was 1,070,000 pounds. The string was designed to permit drilling a standard 8 3/4 inch hole below the casing point to total depth.

Nichols Casing Crews, Inc., Oklahoma City, helped run the casing, and Cheyenne Services, Inc., Houston, monitored the make-up of the string with torque-turn analysis.

Loffland Brothers Company, a Kenadavis Industries company in Tulsa, set two earlier records on this well for the longest 13 5/8-inch casing string ever set in the Rocky Mountain area, and for the heaviest 13 5/8-inch casing in U.S. oilfield history. Loffland is assigned to test and evaluate all zones from the lower tertiary to the triassic levels.

Rig 119 is one of Loffland's largest, having a 142-foot Lee C. Moore mast and 30-foot substructure. The rig has a 1,555,000-pound hook load capacity and can drill to 35,000 feet.

Coastal's partners in this deep wildcat well are: Sun Exploration Company, Depco, Inc., Nicor Exploration, MRT

Exploration Company, Kenai Oil and Gas, Inc., Wagner and Brown, and Mitchell Energy and Development Corporation.

Halliburton Service Company, Duncan, Oklahoma, cemented the string in two stages with a total of 1,275 sacks of cement.

Loffland Brothers Company drilled the world's first two 30,000 foot wells and is a pioneer of inland barge, offshore platform, and mobile jack-up rig drilling worldwide. In addition, Loffland has just set a new Idaho state depth record for Exxon Company with rig 89.

## DEVELOPMENT WELLS

### DISTRICT 8

#### ECTOR COUNTY

Cowden, N. (Strawn): Amoco Production Co. No. 13 W.F. Cowden "A": 810 fwl, 3,402 fwl, sec 4, blk 43, T-1-N, T&P, 20 nw Odessa, 10,000.

#### MARTIN COUNTY

Spraberry (Trend Area): Wilson Energy Inc. No. 1 Bobbitt: 660 fwl, 1,980 fwl, sec 7, blk 36, T-2-N, T&P, 5 nw Lenora, 9,350.

Ackerly (Dean SD): Wilson Energy Inc. No. 2 Cook: 660 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 13, blk 35, T-3-N, T&P, 10 nw Knox City, 8,750.

#### MIDLAND COUNTY

Virey (Strawn): Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1 Emma "D" Gray: 660 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 27, blk 41, T-3-S, T&P, 15 sw Midland, 10,720.

#### MITCHELL COUNTY

Howard-Glasscock: J.A. Dyson & Sons Production Co. No. 1-A Roy Henderson: 330 fwl, 2,315 fwl, sec 27, blk 17, SP, 15 sw Westbrook, 1,400.

#### PECOS COUNTY

Abell (Permian General): Costa Resources Inc. No. 1 Adobe: 1,980 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 17, blk 2, H&TC, 7 e Imperial, 3,900.

Abell, S. (Grayburg): John R. Seay No. 6 USM: 1,650 fwl, 2,310 fwl, sec 21, blk 3, H&TC, 3 s Imperial, 2,350.

Roxie (Yates): Dinero Operating Co. No. 1 Roxie: 467 fwl, 1,787 fwl, sec 27, blk 142, T&STL, 16 n Ft. Stockton, 3,200.

#### WARD COUNTY

Estes Block "34" (Penn): Gulf Oil Corp. No. 251 Estes E.W.: 2,100 fwl, 6,000 fwl, sec 28, blk B-19, PSL, 7 se Wickett, 9,600.

### NEW MEXICO

#### CHAVES COUNTY

Undesignated: Mesa Petroleum Co. No. 9 Willow Creek Unit: 1,980 fwl, 1,980 fwl, sec 7-7s-23e, 18 nw Melena, 4,500.

Same: Same No. 2 Debbie Federal: 1,980 fwl, 990 fwl, sec 17-7s-23e, 18 nw Melena, 4,500.

Same: Same No. 8 Carol Federal: 660 fwl, 1,980 fwl, sec 17-7s-23e, 18 nw Melena, 4,500.

Undesignated: Mesa Petroleum Co. No. 5 Debbie Federal: 1,600 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 30-7s-22e, 15 nw Melena, 3,200.

Same: Same No. 4 Debbie Federal: 1,100 fwl, 1,500 fwl, sec 30-7s-22e, 15 nw Melena, 3,200.

Same: Same No. 2 Bill Federal: 840 fwl, 1,416 fwl, sec 30-7s-22e, 15 nw Melena, 3,200.

Linda (SA): Yates Petroleum Corp.

No. 2-E Tamarack "QF" State: 1,650 fwl, 330 fwl, sec 32-6-26, 14 nw Elkins, 1,150.

#### EDDY COUNTY

Undesignated: Perry R. Bass No. 95 Big Eddy Unit: 660 fwl, 1,980 fwl, sec 33-2s-28e, 9 n Otis, 13,400.

White City Camp: HNG Oil Company No. 2 Granburg "11" Federal Com: 1,650 fwl, 1,650 fwl, sec 11-25S-26E, 6 se White City, 11,500.

Burton Flat: Exxon Corp. No. 3 Yates Federal "C": 660 fwl, 1,980 fwl, sec 31-20S-28E, 12 se Illinois Camp, 12,000.

Millman E.: Marbob Energy Corp. No. 1-O Amaco State: 330 fwl, 1,650 fwl, sec 16-19-28, 7 se Illinois Camp, 1,200.

White City (Penn): C&K Petroleum Inc. No. 2 Exxon Federal: 1,400 fwl, 1,650 fwl, sec 17-24S-26E, 5 ne White City, 12,000.

#### LEA COUNTY

Custer (Canfield): Phillips Petroleum Co. No. 1 Custer Federal: 1,980 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 12-25s-35e, 7 nw Cooper, 3,000.

Lovington, N.E. (Strawn): Texas Crude Inc. No. 20 Montith A-1: 660 fwl, 2,130 fwl, sec 20-16s-37e, 5 nw Knowles, 11,600.

Querecho (Queen Unit): Mewbourne Oil Co. No. 5 Federal "E": 1,980 fwl, 1,650 fwl, sec 22-18S-32E, 12 se Maljamar, 4,300.

Same: Same No. 1 Federal "H": 660 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 22-18S-32E, 12 se Maljamar, 4,300.

Same: Same No. 2 Federal "F": 1,650 fwl, 330 fwl, sec 22-18S-32E, 12 se Maljamar, 4,300.

Custer (Tansil): Phillips Petroleum Co. No. 1 Custer Federal: 1,980 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 12-25S-35E, 8 sw Cooper, 3,850.

### DISTRICT 8A

#### COCHRAN COUNTY

Levelland: Layton Enterprises Inc. No. 12-B Reed Wright: 1,400 fwl, 400 fwl, lab 15, lge 98, Brewster, CSL, 6 w Whiteface, 4,950.

Same: Same No. 13-B Reed Wright: 440 fwl, 660 fwl, lab 14, lge 98, Brewster, CSL, 6 w Whiteface, 4,950.

#### COKE COUNTY

Arledge (Penn SD): Fisher-Webb Inc. No. 5 Price "309": 1,300 fwl, 2,100 fwl, sec 309, blk 1-A, H&TC, 12 nw Robert Lee, 5,400.

Lamesa, N. (Spraberry): Henry Petroleum Corp. No. 1-82 Weaver: 1,980 fwl, 1,270 fwl, sec 87, blk 35, T6N, T&P, 2 nw Lamesa, 8,050.

Gin N.: Coquina Oil Corp. No. 8 Holton: 2,540 fwl, 2,960 fwl, lge 1, Taylor, CSL, 4 w Lamesa, 8,250.

#### DAWSON COUNTY

Lamesa, N. (Spraberry): Henry Petroleum Corp. No. 1-82 Weaver: 1,980 fwl, 1,270 fwl, sec 87, blk 35, T6N, T&P, 2 nw Lamesa, 8,050.

Gin N.: Coquina Oil Corp. No. 8 Holton: 2,540 fwl, 2,960 fwl, lge 1, Taylor, CSL, 4 w Lamesa, 8,250.

#### KING COUNTY

Pitchfork (Tann): Medders Oil Co. No.

8-B Pitchfork Maverick: 3,004 fwl, 12,391 fwl, blk 2, Summerville CSL, 7 sw Guthrie, 7,000.

Same: Same No. 7-B Pitchfork Maverick: 1,487 fwl, 12,841 fwl, blk 2, Summerville CSL, 7 sw Guthrie, 7,000.

#### TERRY COUNTY

Welch: Lacy & Byrd Inc. No. 4 Sires: 1,320 fwl, 2,041 fwl, sec 24, blk C-41, CSL.

#### YOAKUM COUNTY

Wasson: Texaco Inc. No. 4345 Roberts Unit: 100 fwl, 115 fwl, sec 834, blk D, 4

nw Denver City, 5,000.

Same: Same No. 4540 Roberts Unit: 90 fwl, 330 fwl, sec 833, blk D, 4 nw Denver City, 5,000.

Same: Same No. 3310 Roberts Unit: 10 fwl, 110 fwl, sec 794, blk D, 4 nw Denver City, 5,000.

Same: Same No. 3601 Roberts Unit: 1,320 fwl, 85 fwl, sec 797, blk D, 4 nw Denver City, 5,000.

### DISTRICT 7C

#### IRION COUNTY

Probandt: Indian Wells Oil Co. No. 5

Probandt "4": 1,967 fwl, 735 fwl, sec 4, blk H, H&TC, 22 nw Merton, 7,400.

Same: Same No. 6 Probandt "70": 1,650 fwl, 467 fwl, sec 70, blk 7, H&TC, 22 nw Merton, 7,400.

#### RUNNELS COUNTY

Wingate (Gard SD): Pruitt Engineering & Petroleum Co. No. W-1 Turner: 7,020 fwl, 3,660 fwl, John Early No. 449, 2 sw Wingate, 5,150.

#### SUTTON COUNTY

Sawyer (Can): HNG Oil Co. No. 5

Ward 127, 933 fwl, 933 fwl, sec 127, blk B, HE&WT, 5 se Sonora, 7,500.

#### TOM GREEN COUNTY

Dove Creek (Clearfork): Target Energy Corp. No. 22-21 Moss-Powell: 330 fwl, 330 fwl, sec 21, blk 20, H&TC, 9 w Cristovall, 1,400.

#### UPTON COUNTY

Spraberry (Trend Area): Saxon Oil No. 1 Amacker: 1,320 fwl, 660 fwl, sec 88, blk D, CCSD & RGNG, 11 nw Rankin, 7,230.

## Nine injured in Sunday's Baytown refinery blast

BAYTOWN, Texas (AP) — Two fire department units remained at a small petroleum refinery early today after an explosion and fire injured at least nine people Sunday night.

Officials did not know what caused the blast, but a Chemical Exchange Industries vice president said workers were loading a tank truck with gasoline when it caught fire.

"We don't know why," Peter Bueenz said. He declined to say how extensive the damage was.

The explosion broke windows for miles around in this Southeast Texas town. Flames forced the partial evacuation of a nursing home and sent up a thick plume of billowing black smoke.

Baytown Fire Department dispatcher Leila Bailey said it appeared that a storage tank had collapsed, but she did not know what it contained.

Four men with serious burns were flown by helicopter to area hospitals. Five more were taken by ambulance, hospital spokeswoman said.

Gene Redus and Rick Booher were both in critical condition today after being flown to Galveston's John Sealy Hospital, spokeswoman Martha Grisham said. She said Redus was burned over 85 percent of his body and Booher over 70 percent of his.

William Smith, 34, and Paul Booth, 30, were in critical condition at Hermann Hospital in Houston, where they were taken by air ambulance, spokeswoman Sarah Sharpless said.

Others in critical condition at Hermann were Kenneth Booth, 28; Mike Campbell, 29; and Gordon Marshall, 28.

Robert Deal, 20 and James Wood, 45, were in stable condition.

The extent of the injuries was not known, Baytown assistant city manager Larry Patterson said.

"We're still trying to determine what chemicals are involved here," said Larry Patterson, Baytown assistant city manager. He said they were not toxic.

"We now have determined only one tank was involved. We have determined that whatever is burning is diesel-based. It's under control so we're not worried," he said.

The explosion took place at 6:29 p.m., Ms. Bailey said. The blast blew out the windows of the St. James House, a nursing home, according to administrator Elizabeth Alexander. She said one man received four stitches after being hit by a shard of flying glass.

About 20 of the St. James' 86 patients were moved from the home after the explosion, Ms. Alexander said.

"We're evacuating because most of our room windows have been blown out. As the crowd flies, we're about a quarter of a mile from the plant," she said.

Assistant administrator Margie Holfield said the nursing home had "happy hour" to calm the patients.

"We're giving them bourbon, Scotch, whatever they want," she said.

The explosion also caused some damage to the windows of area businesses and troopers were dispatched to the scene to prevent looting and help route traffic, according to Larry Todd of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Patterson said the industrial section where the plant is located is bordered by a residential area, but said further evacuations would not be necessary.

Earlier, officials had feared a nearby ammonia tank would explode before they got the fire under control.

### THE MIDLAND COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The Midland County Housing Finance Corporation advises that effective June 23, 1982, at the Participating Lending Institutions listed below, Residential Mortgage loans will be made available to Qualified Buyers at an Interest Rate of 13.375% on a Growing Equity Mortgage Program.

GENERAL TERMS:	Areas		RESTRICTIONS:
	Non-Targeted	Targeted	
1. Maximum Sales Price:			1. Qualified Buyer
Existing Homes	\$84,460	\$103,229	First Time Home Buyer Not applicable in Target Areas
2. Maximum Adjusted Family Gross Income	65,932	80,583	2. Location of Residence
3. Term of Mortgage Loan	14 Years	14 Years	Midland County Owner Occupied
4. Type of Loan	Growing Equity Mortgage	Growing Equity Mortgage	3. Occupancy
5. Commitment Fee	4%	4%	4. Title Insurance
6. Origination Fee	1%	1%	Required
7. Minimum Down Payment	5%	5%	5. Assumptions
			Restricted
			6. Residences
			Single Family Units
			Townhouse and Condominium units
			7. Refinancings
			Not Allowed

The "Growing Equity Mortgage" Program is based on the following conditions:  
1. Interest rate of 13.375% based on 30 year amortization for first year payment.  
2. Annual increase of Principal and interest of 3 1/2% for second thru tenth (2-10) years.  
3. Level monthly payments for eleventh thru fourteenth (11-14) years. Loan paid off in fourteenth year.

#### APPLICABLE CONDITIONS:

Public Law No. 96-499, dated December 5, 1980, set the following restrictions and conditions on "Mortgage Bond Programs" issued after January 1, 1981.

1. First Time Home Buyers are those that have not, at any time, during the three (3) years preceding the date of execution of the Mortgage Loan, had an ownership interest in a principal residence. This does not apply to buyers making application for Mortgage Loans in Targeted Areas.
2. At the time an application is made, each applicant for each Mortgage Loan must apply with the appropriate documents at the offices of the participating lending institutions listed below.
3. Each Mortgage Loan must be made in accordance with participating lending institutions current standard underwriting policies when not in conflict with the Rules and Regulations, Offer to Originate and Service, Sales and Servicing Agreement and the Official Statement of The Midland County Housing Finance Corporation.
4. Each applicant must have an adjusted gross family income (including the adjusted gross income of every person who intends to reside with the applicant in the same residence) not to exceed \$48,500 the prior taxable year as filed with the IRS for 1981.

#### TARGETED AREAS:

An amount of \$580,000 has been set aside for Mortgage Loans to be made in Targeted Areas. These areas are Census Tract numbers 8-0 and 15-0 of the County of Midland. Applications for loans in these areas must be made at any of the below listed lending institutions.

#### STATEMENT OF POLICY:

The Midland County Corporation is making below market interest rate mortgage loans available through four (4) participating lending institutions. All Qualified Buyers, including women, minorities, elderly and disabled persons, and other person of low and moderate income levels are encouraged to apply for these mortgage loans. Additional information about the program may be obtained from the following participating lending institutions:

Commonwealth Mortgage Corporation  
c/o First Savings & Loan Association  
500 W. Wall  
Midland, Texas 79701

Colonial Savings & Loan Association  
Forth Worth Mortgage  
115 Andrews Highway  
Midland, Texas 79701

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