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Iranian oil production cut to 60 percent

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — A new strike by workers opposed to Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi cut Iran's oil production to 60 percent of normal today.

Only sporadic gunfire was heard in Tehran after three nights of widespread violence, but an elderly religious leader and a policeman were reported killed in a gun battle in Bushehr, on the Persian Gulf.

The second oil strike in five weeks was called by religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini, living in Paris in exile, in a new attempt to drive the shah from his throne by cutting off the

country's chief source of revenue. Informed sources said wells were closing down across the vast Khuzestan field in southwest Iran, where a "very large number" of the 37,000 workers were on strike, and two of the four offshore fields in the Persian Gulf were shut down.

Production was reported cut 2 million barrels Monday, to 3.8 million, with a further reduction of 100,000 barrels during the night. The sources predicted the total would drop still more. Oil is Iran's chief industry, pouring \$22 billion a year into the treasury and paying for the shah's

vast Westernization program now under fire from conservative religious leaders and his huge arms purchases from the United States.

A two-week political strike by oil workers last month cost the treasury more than \$1 billion. Production had still not returned to the normal daily output of 6 million barrels when the new strike started.

Reliable sources reported that Sheikh Abu Ashuri, a religious leader, and a police officer were killed in Bushehr Monday night when the police tried to arrest the sheikh because of speeches he had made against the

shah in a mosque.

Supporters of Ashuri tried to prevent the arrest, and a gun battle ensued, the sources said. The sheikh was reported shot six times.

"We're fighting to the death now," said one Moslem militant in Tehran. "We have shed too much blood to stop. The shah is the enemy of the people and of Islam. We will kill all who support him."

The militant, identifying himself only as Hassan, spoke to reporters at the funeral Monday of six demonstra-

tors killed in the previous three nights of violence in Tehran.

Beginning Friday night with the advent of the Moslem holy month of Moharram, religious leaders sent crowds into the streets from the mosques in defiance of the 9 p.m. curfew. The army battled the crowds to enforce the curfew, and reports of the death toll ranged from 17, the government figure, to about 40, a diplomatic estimate.

There was more gunfire in Tehran Monday night as Moslem protesters again defied the military govern-

ment's curfew. But the turnout apparently was considerably less than on the previous three nights, and the government reported no casualties.

Khomeini and other leaders of Iran's predominant Shiite Moslem sect are demanding the shah's abdication because of his Westernization program that they contend betrays Moslem traditions. They have been joined in the opposition movement by leftist political factions who contend that the shah is a ruthless dictator who heads a repressive, corrupt regime.

Senator's wife, pilot, three others killed in crash

By MARY LENZ

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A small chartered plane battling crosswinds crashed while attempting to land, seriously injuring Sen. Ted Stevens and killing his wife and four other persons. One other passenger survived.

Stevens, the Senate's assistant Republican leader, was hospitalized in stable condition after the Lear jet crashed and split into three pieces Monday night at Anchorage International Airport.

His 49-year-old wife of 26 years, Ann, home from Washington, D.C., for the Christmas holidays and the planned Dec. 30 wedding of their daughter, died, as did the pilot and three others.

The other survivor was Tony Motley, a lobbyist for Alaskan lands legislation.

Chunks of the aircraft, owned by Inlet Marine Inc. were scattered across 100 yards of snow and ice. The fuselage lay in blood-stained snow, its cockpit windows smashed.

The International Air Line Pilots Association has given the airport a red star rating because it lacks a runway long enough to handle large aircraft when strong crosswinds are blowing.

But the pilot's group and the Federal Aviation Administration would not speculate whether the 16 mph winds from the southeast — with gusts up to 23 mph blowing across the runway — contributed to the crash.

Stevens, R-Alaska, suffered head, neck and arm injuries, said Providence Hospital nursing supervisor Yvonne Cairn.

Republican National Committee-man Cliff Groh said the 55-year-old senator was conscious and recognized two of his daughters, who went to the hospital.

"I think he's going to be all right," Groh said.

Motley, chief lobbyist for Citizens for Management of Alaska Lands and former commissioner of the Alaska Department of Commerce, was reported in satisfactory condition with a fractured collar bone and multiple bruises.

Killed in the crash were Mrs. Stevens, pilot Richard Sykes of Anchorage, owner of Inlet Marine and president of Tyonek Timber; co-pilot Richard Church of Anchorage; lawyer Joe Rudd of Anchorage; and timber merchant Clarence Kramer of Sitka, president of the pro-development group that Motley represented.



Rescue workers and investigators examine the passenger section of a Learjet that crashed Monday.

day, claiming the life of Ann Stevens and four other persons. (AP Laserphoto)

Attorney General affirms Bell's tax charge practice

AUSTIN — Midland County officials apparently have lost their bid to be exempt from paying the telephone company for the tax the county in turn pays the city of Midland.

The state Attorney General's office has released a legal opinion supporting Southwestern Bell's practice of charging other government bodies for taxes the telephone company pays cities.

David Heath of the Attorney General's opinion committee said in a telephone interview Monday afternoon the so-called municipal tax the telephone company pays 488 cities for use of alleys and streets legitimately can be passed on in telephone bills to other government entities.

Midland County commissioners have been withholding payment of the tax since discovering a portion of their phone bill had been going for that purpose.

"It is constitutional, we have concluded. It is not a tax, and even if it were, there would be nothing wrong with it."

The post office will be open and letter carriers will be making their rounds the Saturday before Christmas, however, to get those last-minute greetings to their destinations. The Midland post office will not add extra people to take care of the expected last-minute rush, but will work the current force overtime and on their days off, Holster said, to provide "about a 33-percent additional work force."

Holster has a few common-sense guidelines on packages for those sending Christmas gifts by mail: Use good heavy corrugated boxes with plenty of packing inside, Holster suggested.

While string around the packages is accepted, it sometimes gets tangled in the machinery, and the Postal Service prefers people use strong filament tape to hold packages together, the postmaster said.

Just in case of accidents, it's a good idea to put the name and address of both the person sending the package and the addressee on a piece of paper inside the package.

Postal patrons can feel free to write "Merry Christmas" or "Do not open till Christmas" on the outside of the packages, Holster said.

And it's a good idea to stop by as soon as possible to pick up Christmas stamps and other post office supplies to avoid long lines later, he warned.

The main thing to remember is to "mail early and get it behind you," Holster said. "That way you can sit back and relax."

Heath said.

The existence of the telephone company's practice of passing on the municipal tax to its customers came to light in August, when the state Public

Utilities Commission ordered the company to itemize all future charges in the telephone bill.

Officials in the state Attorney General's Office decided to seek an opinion after a request from the State Telecommunications Network of the State Board of Control and an inquiry from Midland County Attorney Les Acker as to whether counties were legally bound to pay the tax.

Midland County commissioners voted in September to withhold payment of the county's 2 percent municipal tax, approximately \$80 per month, until the attorney general's office had rendered an opinion.

Heath said the opinion's committee had reviewed several precedents before making its decision, and noted the state Public Utilities Commission had accepted the practice by granting previous rate hikes.

The legal opinion is final unless an aggrieved party chooses to contest it through court action, according to the official.

"That pretty well determines it," said Acker Monday of the opinion. "I had my doubts about it from the beginning, but thought I ought to check it out. It turned out pretty much the way I expected it would."

Acker said he expected the county commissioners to go ahead and pay the bill now in light of the opinion and added he would advise against any other kind of action.

Southwestern Bell officials had taken the position that an unfavorable ruling would result in residential and business customers paying a higher phone bill to make up for more than \$31 million that would be lost annually if government entities were exempt from paying the municipal tax. The

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Arrival of holly season evident at Post Office

By SUSAN TOTH
R-T Staff Writer

Christmas is coming, and nowhere is it more evident than at the Midland Post Office.

"We're already noticing a few Christmas cards mixed in with the first of the month mailings," Midland

Postmaster David E. Holster said. "Some people start to do Christmas mailings right after Thanksgiving."

Anyone who hasn't started yet should dig out the pen, address book and those cards they bought on sale last January, and get busy.

Postal Service officials are urging patrons to get cards and parcels out to distant states by Dec. 10.

Cards and parcels to Texas and adjoining states should be out by Dec. 13, or 15 by the latest, to insure Christmas delivery, Holster said.

Overseas mail should go airmail now and be posted by today to get to the destination by Christmas.

"Since Christmas falls on Monday this year," Holster noted, "it may lull us into a false sense of the time available. Friday is about the last day anything could be mailed to arrive in time."

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Legislators and businessmen will gather to exchange ideas about the upcoming session of the Texas Legislature at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Conference, beginning today in the Midland Hilton.

Gov.-elect Bill Clements will present a special address at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the ballroom. That address is open to the public.

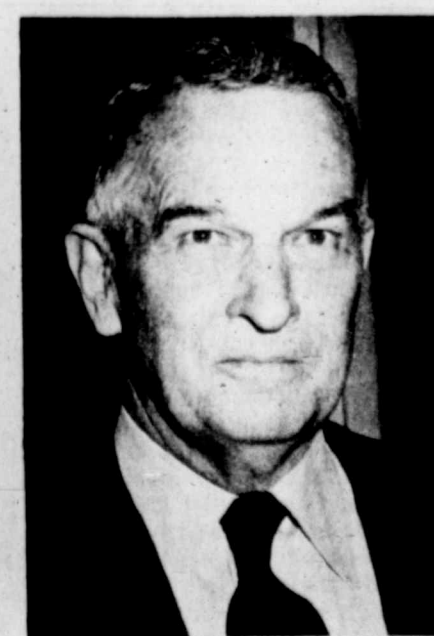
The conference was to begin today with registration at 1 p.m. A reception at 6:30 p.m., hosted by the Midland WTCC directors, will precede the conference dinner at 7:20 p.m. Reagan V. Brown, Texas commissioner of agriculture, will be the after-dinner speaker.

The Midland College Chorale is scheduled to entertain dinner guests. Wednesday's program begins with an "early bird breakfast" at 7:30 a.m.

After Clements speaks to the group, the WTCC members will split into groups for two series of concurrent



Reagan V. Brown

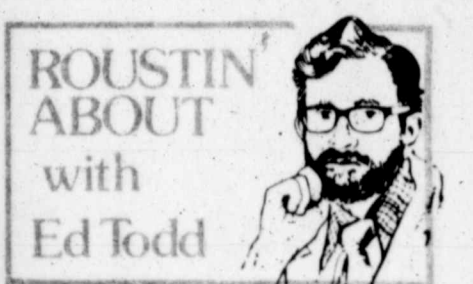


Bill Clements

discussions.

Final event of the conference is a luncheon, with state Sen. Ray Fara-

bee of Wichita Falls speaking. His topic will be "West Texas and the 66th Legislature."



CRANE — Charlie may have been found, but not in one piece.

Officials believe he was crudely butchered, to the dismay of Carolyn Donaway, 14-year-old owner of the 875-pound Charolais-cross steer.

Chunks of what sheriff's officers believe to be Charlie were found in a deep-freeze unit in Odessa.

Carolyn was pleased over the find. "She's pretty happy — a pretty happy girl," Gerald Donaway, her father said. Charlie was her 4-H Club project. The steer was to be shown in the Jan. 20 Crane County Livestock Show and then in the Houston Fat Stock Show in March.

Now, Andy has taken over Carolyn's time. He's a Charolais-cross steer who must have been a witness to the reported fate of Charlie — authorities believe he was shot and quartered in the 4-H pen just northwest of this city.

Carolyn will be showing Andy in the Jan. 20 show, instead.

And the Crane County grand jurors, come Dec. 18, may be seeing chunks of Charlie as evidence when they consider returning indictments against the three fellows, who, Sheriff Raymond Weatherby said, claim they were tipsy with beer and hungry when they carted off Charlie in the trunk of a vehicle...a car with the license plate loose and hanging down.

That's ultimately what got them — guilty or not — into custody of the

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Defense still questioning Davis' wife

HOUSTON (AP) — The blonde wife of millionaire Cullen Davis returned today to answer defense questions about her role in an alleged conspiracy to frame her estranged husband.

It is a conspiracy, prosecutors contend, that exists only in the minds of attorneys defending Davis on murder-for-hire charges.

The Fort Worth industrialist, 45, is accused of masterminding a contract kill that backfired.

Houston lawyer Richard "Racehorse" Haynes provided jurors a vague preview of defense strategy Monday and then summoned Priscilla Davis, 37, as his lead-off witness. Today she was 30 minutes late, delaying the trial.

Haynes waded through a barrage of state objections in an attempt to link Mrs. Davis to FBI informant David McCrory, karate expert Pat Burleson and others.

Burleson will be the next defense witness.

"We believe the evidence will show," Haynes said, "that Thomas Cullen Davis was a victim of conspiracy by and between David McCrory, Pat Burleson and others."

Haynes spent much of the day prodding Mrs. Davis' memory about her contacts and financial dealings with Burleson, her current escort Rich Sauer, McCrory, McCrory's ex-wife and others.

A reluctant and fidgeting witness, she said she met with Burleson three times shortly before her husband's arrest in August and had made loans to McCrory's former wife, Judy.



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Weather

Considerable cloudiness tonight. Considerable cloudiness and much colder Wednesday. Details on Page 2A.

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DEATHS

David Winburne

David L. Winburne, 86, of 2406 W. Louisiana Ave. died Monday in a Midland hospital.

Graveside services were to be at 3 p.m. today at the Hillside Memorial Gardens in Snyder with the Rev. Carl Smith, assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church of Snyder, officiating. Services were to be directed by Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Winburne was born Dec. 29, 1891, in Erath County. He moved in 1926 to Fisher County, where he farmed. He moved to Snyder in 1949 and to Midland in 1971.

Survivors include three sons, Alton Winburne of Midland, Joe Winburne and Jack Winburne, both of North Ridge, Calif.; two daughters, Mary Boykins and Winifred L. Ferguson, both of Brownwood; a sister, Roxie Webster of Amarillo, nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Roberta E. Taylor

Services for Roberta E. Taylor, 86, formerly of Midland were Monday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Daniel Vestal officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

She died Thursday in a Tuscon, Ariz., nursing home.

Pallbearers for the service were James McCain, Harold B. Shull, Joe Woodley, Jerry Hudson, Gerald Adkins and Chris Shull.

John B. Williams

BIG SPRING — Services for John B. Williams, 84, of Big Spring were to be at 3:30 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home. Burial was to be in Trinity Memorial Park with Masonic graveside rites by State Plains Lodge No. 598.

He died Saturday in a Big Spring hospital after a brief illness.

Williams was born Nov. 8, 1894, in Bell County. He married Aline Sholte in 1925 in San Antonio. He moved to Big Spring in 1946 from Dallas. He had worked for J&K Shoe Store for many years, later managing the store at Highland South Shopping Center until he retired.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Men's Bible Class. He was a member of the World War I Barrack 1474 and was a 50-year member of the American Legion Post No. 355. He was a member of State Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598, all the Scottish Rite bodies and the Suez Temple. He is survived by his wife.

Vera E. Connell

ANDREWS — Services for Vera Emma Connell, 74, of Andrews and formerly of Midland were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church of Andrews with the Rev. Billy Stone of Bible Baptist Church officiating assisted by the Rev. Carl Grissom of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Connell died Sunday in an Andrews nursing home, where she had been a resident the past seven months.

She was a member of the Crestview Baptist Church of Midland.

Survivors include her husband, Frank Connell of Midland; six daughters, Irene Harris of Andrews, Ivaela Kidd of Birmingham, Ala., Vernell Morris of Odessa, Edith McDaniel of Monahans, Betty Galloway of Lake Dallas, and Dean Frederick of Sheffield, Ala.; a son, Travis Teague of Andrews; two brothers, Clifford Hand and Earl Hand, both of Bowden, Ga.; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Hubert R. Hayes

KINGSVILLE — Services for Hubert R. Hayes, 64, of Kingsville, father of Jerry Hayes of Midland, were to be at 10:30 a.m. today in Turcotte Mortuary here with burial in Chamberlain Cemetery.

Hayes died Friday in a Kingsville hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was retired from the maintenance department at Texas A&I University.

Other survivors include a son, a daughter, a brother, a sister and two grandchildren.

Thomas Bankston

BIG SPRING — Thomas Phillip Bankston, 92, of Big Spring died Monday in a Big Spring nursing home after a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Rockdale. Burial will be in Sand Grove Cemetery in Rockdale directed by Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home of Big Spring.

He was born Nov. 22, 1886, in Milam County. Bankston was married to Sarah Lola Dean in 1929 in Cameron. He had lived in Big Spring for 34 years and was retired from the Big Spring Parks Department. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include three daughters, Frankie Holliman of Big Spring, Gertrude Wanareck of San Antonio and Nancy Salisbury of Woodville; two sisters, Cate Smith of San Antonio and Lorraine Wilhelm of New Mexico, 13 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Sofia Nieto

BIG SPRING — Sofia Benavidez Nieto, 52, died Monday morning in an Ozona hospital after a short illness.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in St. Thomas Catholic Church here. A rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today in Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home. Burial will be in Mount Olive Cemetery.

She was born Sept. 5, 1926, in Wilson County and was married to Guadalupe Nieto on Sept. 9, 1941, in Live Oak County.

She was a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband; four daughters, Angelita Nieto of Big Spring, Juanita Rivera of Odessa, Teresa Padron of Coahoma and Maria Mendez of Odessa; four sons, Patricio Nieto, Sirilo Nieto, Camilo Nieto and Marcelino Nieto, all of Big Spring; three sisters, Gonsala Ramirez of Alice, Margarita Sandoval and Earnestina Morino, both of Dallas; three brothers, Juan Benavidez of Chicago, Ill., Susano Benavidez of Dallas and Julian Benavidez of Duke, Okla., and 23 grandchildren.

John Brice

CRANE — Graveside services for John Orville Brice, 68, of Crane were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Crane County Cemetery directed by Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home.

He died Monday in a Kermit hospital following a lengthy illness.

A Crane resident for 18 years, Brice was born July 27, 1910, in Richland Springs. He was retired from Tubco Steel.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Claudine Brice of Crane, and two sisters, Arlene Reed of San Angelo and Laraine Danner of Odessa.

Ford to teach

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Former President Gerald R. Ford will teach classes in business, political science and history Wednesday and Thursday at Texas Christian University.

The lectures are sponsored by the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research. Ford is a distinguished fellow of the AEI and visits about 10 universities each year under AEI sponsorship.

Mrs. McMillan

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. R.D. (Lucile) McMillan Sr., 78, of Big Spring were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First United Methodist Church. Burial was to be in Mount Olive Memorial Park directed by Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Mrs. McMillan died Monday in a Big Spring hospital after a long illness.

She was born June 19, 1902, in Lebanon, Va. She married R.D. McMillan Sr. June 26, 1927, in Waco. They moved to Big Spring from Waco in 1927. He died July 26, 1973. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include three sons, R.D. McMillan Jr. of Addicks, La., R.L. McMillan of Roscoe and Bobby McMillan of Canyon; two sisters, Bula Ashbrook of Big Spring and Bessie Beach of Norman, Okla.; a brother, Earl Ashbrook of Kansas City, Mo.; five grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Ogle

ROBY — Mrs. Bruce Ogle, 84, aunt of Earl Burris and Myrle Prine of Midland, died Monday in a Rotan hospital after a brief illness.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Weathersbee Funeral Home of Rotan. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Palomino Cemetery in Eastland County. The Rev. Ross Payne, pastor of Cotton Flat Baptist Church in Midland, will officiate.

She was born May 17, 1894, in Chaney community. She was married to Bruce Ogle who died Nov. 30, 1952. Mrs. Ogle was a longtime resident of Roby, having moved to this area about 50 years ago.

Other survivors include a granddaughter, three great-grandchildren and another nephew.

Fugitives may return in cult disguise

NEW YORK (AP) — The FBI is on the alert for four fugitives who fled to Guyana and reportedly may try to return to the United States disguised as survivors of the Peoples Temple murders-suicides.

"We consider that a real possibility," Terry Knowles, an agent from the agency's Queens office, said of the identity switch scheme.

"They might try to take advantage of the event and use it as a vehicle to get back into the country."

An FBI spokesman from the agency's Manhattan office, who asked that his name not be used, said Monday that it appeared the four fugitives were not members of the Jonestown, Guy-

ana, commune. "The best information we have now is that they were not members of the Peoples Temple," he said.

The possibility of the scheme arose as FBI officials interviewed about 80 survivors of the death ritual in the federal investigation of the death

of Rep. Leo Ryan and four others in Jonestown.

One member of the Peoples Temple was arrested by Guyanese authorities in connection with Ryan's murder, which immediately preceded the mass suicide led by cult leader Jim Jones on Nov. 18.

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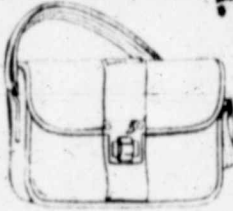
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DEAR ABBY Son's not mucho macho

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: Now I've heard everything. Our lawyer son plans to marry a young woman lawyer. But instead of her taking our son's name, HE is going to change HIS name to HERS. They plan to set up a law office together as "Blank and Blank." (The blank being her maiden name.)

I asked them what name their children would have, and they said they'd deal with that if and when it came up.

My question: What about perpetuating our family name? He is our only son, and if he doesn't pass our name on to his children that will be the end of the line. Do you blame us for feeling hurt and upset?—BURNING IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR BURNING: Appeal his decision to let her wear the shingle in the family. Plead your case again. He has the right to change his name, but you have the right to try to change his mind.

DEAR ABBY: I would appreciate a published reply to my problem so that others who share it will benefit.

I recently underwent surgery for the removal of a tumor which proved to be malignant. I have every reason to believe that the surgeon removed every trace of the tumor and that there will be no recurrence. Because most people think every cancer victim is "terminal," I choose not to mention it in connection with my surgery. I don't want to worry my friends and family, nor could I tolerate their constant inquiries about my condition.

My problem is what to tell those well-intentioned friends who ask "Was it malignant?"

I don't want to lie. But if I tell the truth, I know they'll worry even though I try to reassure them.

I feel that I have the right to keep the details of my personal life private.

Bear in mind, these people mean well, so I wouldn't want to hurt them with a snappish or rude reply. But what should I say?—MRS. X.

DEAR MRS. X.: Say, "time will tell." That's the truth.

She waters stray dogs

FLOMATON, Ala. (AP) — At Estel-Weaver's store in downtown Flomaton, you can buy shirts and dresses for 25 cents and household goods for almost nothing.

Outside the store, a glass container stands beneath a sign which reads "Stray Dog Water Free."

"They really drink from it, too," Miss Weaver says, "especially on hot days."

Miss Weaver opened the "Odds 'N' Ends" store last spring to raise money for her church, Flomaton United Methodist. It started with a rummage sale and just kept going.

Since it opened, the store has earned more than \$2,000.



Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Garmon

A man's habitat can be many things

EDITOR'S NOTE—A man's home is his castle. It's also his igloo, silo, cave, church, ship. Americans have dreamed up a number of out-of-the-ordinary ways to live and here are a few examples.

By VICTORIA GRAHAM
AP Newsfeatures Writer

"House - haus singular. Middle English hous, from Old English hus; akin to Old High German and Old Norse hus; Gothic gudhus temple; a structure intended or used for human habitation. See bungalow, cottage, mansion, apartment building, boarding house, dwelling house, lodging house, rooming house, tenement house." — Webster's Third International Dictionary.

"A house is infinitely communicative, and tells many things beside the figure of its master's income." — Robert William Chapman, The Portrait of a Scholar, 1920.

"For a man's house is his castle." — Sir Edward Coke, Third Institute, 1644.

They say a man's house is his castle, be it tenement or tract home, and around the country, people are living in the oddest houses: igloos, silos, caves - and castles.

Shelter may be a fundamental human need, it's being met in the most fundamental ways. Strange habitations, some with strange inhabitants, can be found anywhere that energy and creativity come together to raise a roof.

Home can be a gun emplacement, school, or church, a house made of foam or a house built of trash. With imagination or mortar, there are as many variations on four walls as there are ways to live.

In Tucson, Ariz., Barbara Brady said to her husband William, "I'd like something different. How about a castle?"

That was 16 years ago, and Brady, a design engineer, drew up plans for a turreted brick castle in the hilly, cactus-studded desert.

"This wasn't built to show off," he says. "It was built to have fun in." And the Bradys have had plenty of fun with their moat, drawbridge, throne room and parapets.

On Sullivan's Island, S.C., the William Willaers live in a gun emplacement at Fort Marshall, a World War II artillery post.

"It can stand a shake or two," says Willaer. "Tornadoes and hurricanes — they just pass us by."

In 1953, Willaer suf-

fered a heart attack and thought he had only six months to live. So he shut his paper box manufacturing business and moved to the gun emplacement.

City couple to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Garmon of 801 S. Weatherford St. will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary with a reception from 2-5 p.m. Saturday in the Trellis Room of the Midland Hilton.

The event will be hosted by the couple's children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Garmon were married Dec. 9, 1928 in Detroit, Tex. She is the former Dora Faye Elen.

The couple's four children are Mrs. Richard

Rector of Corpus Christi, Mrs. Linda Reed of San Antonio, Mrs. Charlotte Manley of Mafitte and Buddy Garmon of Midland.

The couple also has 15 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Jogging suits now church attire

MIAMI (AP) — Forty parishioners of St. Thomas Episcopal Church did not put on their Sunday best when they went to church this past weekend. Instead, they wore their favorite jogging suits.

The 40 joined in the church's first "jogger's mass," a 1½-2¼ mile run after services. There was a beginner's course of 1½ miles, an intermediate course of 1½ miles and an "ambitious path" of 2¼ miles.

"It's not just peoples' souls that need saving,

but their poor flabby bodies, too," said the Rev. David Moores, 24, pastor of the church.

Although most of the participants wore their exercise clothes to the service, Moores wore his robes. Then, he dashed to his office to change into a running shirt, matching shorts and sneakers.

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Tired of asking people what kind of Christmas gift you can buy for your Aunt Mary or grandma? Shoppers at the Mall of New

Hampshire can now ask a computer.

Representatives of the mall and a computer company have installed computers to help shoppers find gifts for hard-to-shop-for people.

Beginning Monday, shoppers will be able to feed basic information about the would-be recipient into the computer.

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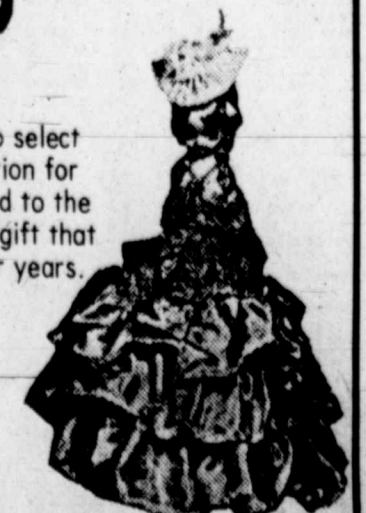


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Officials of Exxon Co., U.S.A. from Houston were guests of the Midland Wildcat Committee at a reception Monday in the Midland Hilton. From left seated are J. L. Loftis Jr., senior vice president; Randall Meyer, president; and F. C. Ackman,

executive vice president. From left back row are J. C. Morley, senior vice president; Carl Tucker, exploration manager in Midland; L. H. Byrd, production manager in Midland; and R. A. Baze, senior vice president.

Seven wildcats staked

Seven West Texas areas have gained locations for wildcats, and two fields have been reopened.

MGF Oil Corp. of Midland No. 1 Shaw is to be drilled as a 7,650-foot wildcat in Mitchell County, four miles north of Colorado City.

It is 1/2 mile east of a 3,590-foot dry hole. There is no nearby production. Drillsite is 660 feet from south and west lines of section 3, block 26, T&P survey.

WINKLER WILDCAT

Texaco, Inc., operating from Midland, announced drillsite for a 4,650-foot wildcat in Winkler County, 13 miles northeast of Kermit.

It is No. 1 B. F. Jenkins Trust, 750 feet from north and 1,520 feet from west lines of section 6, block 77, psl survey and 13 miles northeast of Kermit.

The location is 3/4 mile north-east of a depleted area of the Key-stone field.

PECOS EXPLORER

J. V. Atkinson of Midland No. 1 Annie Garner will be drilled as a 1,350-foot wildcat in Pecos County, seven miles southwest of Girvin.

The location is 3/4 mile southeast of a 5,070-foot failure and 3/4 mile north-west of a well in the Wodlaw (Queen gas) field.

Drillsite is 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 122, block 11, H&GN survey.

DALLAS OPERATOR

Coasta Resources, Inc., of Dallas spotted its No. 1 Archibald as a 3,500-foot wildcat in Pecos County, eight miles north of Girvin.

Location is 1.5 miles southeast of the Bayview, West field and 2,200 feet southeast of a depleted Clear Fork discovery.

The site is 3,200 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 48, block 9, H&GN survey.

CROCKETT AREA

Dan J. Harrison Jr. of Houston No. 11-20-30 University Land is a new 7,800-foot wildcat in Crockett County. It will attempt to reopen Canyon production in the Howard Creek field 17 miles northwest of Ozona.

Location is 1,980 feet from north and west lines of section 20, block 30, University Lands survey. It is 7/8 mile northwest of the original opener.

NOLAN TEST

Florida Gas Exploration Co., operating from Midland, staked a 6,000-foot wildcat in Nolan County six miles southeast of Sweetwater.

It is No. 1 Pace, 1,985 feet from

south and 660 feet from west lines of section 86, block 21, T&P survey. It is 1.5 miles south of production in the Lake Sweetwater (Strawn reef oil) pool and 3/4 mile northwest of a 6,226-foot dry hole.

RUNNELS SECTOR

H&R Oils, Inc., of Dallas No. 1 Bibba will be drilled as a 4,000-foot wildcat in Runnels County, one mile northeast of Ballinger.

The site is 3,100 feet from northeast and 350 feet from northwest lines of Francis W. White Survey No. 470. Ground elevation is 1,668 feet.

It is one and five-eighths miles north of the one-well Ballinger, South (Capps oil) pool.

AMENDMENTS REPORTED

Mitchell Energy Corp. of Houston has amended depths on two projects in Crockett County, making them wildcats.

Originally scheduled as 10,600-foot tests in the Aldwell Ranch (Canyon sand) area, they have been reslated for 11,600-foot bottoms.

No. 1-32 Hunt is one and five-eighths miles southwest of production and was making hole below 7,830 feet on last report.

It is 541 feet north of the southwest corner of section 24, block GWT&P survey, then 527 feet west to location in section 32, O.A. Carruthers survey.

The No. 1-121 Savell is two and seven-eighths miles southwest of production and 1,320 feet from south and east lines of section 121, block O, GH&SA survey. It is drilling below 7,134 feet.

POOL REOPENER

Holly Energy, Inc., of Midland has filed potential test for its No. 1 Talbert, reopener of the Hokit, Northwest (lower Wolfcamp gas) field of Pecos County, eight miles southwest of Bakersfield.

The well fanned for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 2,850,000 cubic feet of gas per day, with a gas-liquid ratio of 48,050-1. Gravity of the liquid is 64.8 degrees.

Completion was through perforations from 6,957 to 7,016 feet.

Location for No. 1 Talbert is 2,000 feet from north and west lines of section 1, block 206, Mary Timmons survey. It is 1/2 mile southeast of Redco Corp. No. 1 Talbert, original lower Wolfcamp discovery in 1952. It became depleted in 1971.

RECLASSIFIED WELL

Marathon Oil Co. No. 1-T-5 G. Forrest has been reclassified to reopen Ellenburger production in the Benedum multipay field of Upton County, 12 miles northeast of Rankin.

On potential test, it pumped 14 barrels of 60.1-gravity oil, plus 386 barrels of water, with a gas-oil ratio of 2,785-1.

Completion was from open hole at 11,083-436 feet.

The well, formerly a dual Fusselman and Ellenburger gas producer, is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 5, GC&SF survey, abstract 225.

RE-ENTRY SLATED

Chevron, USA, announced plans to re-enter a project in the Puckett multipay area of Pecos County.

It is No. 1-1 Rosa L. Mitchell and others, a former Ellenburger gas producer.

Chevron will attempt recompletion as a 5/8-mile east extension to Devonian production.

The project, a southwest twin to the depleted Pennsylvania gas discovery, is 24 miles southwest of Bakersfield and 660 feet from south and west lines of section 22, block 100, EL&RR survey.

Congress, state groups determining gas prices

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Congress and state agencies are taking over for federal bureaucracies in determining natural gas prices, thanks to the National Energy Act effective last Friday, Don S. Smith, vice chairman of

ENERGY OIL & GAS

the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission said Monday.

Smith told a session of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission annual meeting here that under the Natural Gas Policy Act, part of the National Energy Act, Congress has set prices for a variety of types of gas, including supplies from new and old wells and from off-shore wells.

Explosions rock plant

DECATUR, Ala. (AP) — A fire in a chemical transfer pump ignited a series of explosions at the Monsanto Chemical plant, forcing evacuation of about 1,000 employees, including some who fled by boat into the Tennessee River.

No injuries were reported. Billowing smoke and flames leaping 200 feet into the air attracted hundreds of motorists Monday who converged on Alabama Highway 20 that leads to the plant.

Monsanto spokesman Roy McAllister firefighters allowed the chemical in the pump to burn itself out while spraying water onto nearby storage tanks.

A plant worker said the chemical that exploded at about 5 p.m. CST is acrylonitrile, a colorless liquid used to make acrylic fibers.

The plant employs about 2,600 persons and is Decatur's largest employer. It manufactures chemical textiles, including nylon and polyester.

The fire occurred on the north side of the facility which borders the river. When the explosions were heard, employees evacuated offices and gathered in the company cafeteria.

Some, however, took refuge on the company tug boat, the Long John, which cruised across the river to safety.

Field work announced

Phillips Petroleum Co. No. 1-A Kent has been staked as a southeast offset to the discovery well of the two-well Casey Draw (Delaware gas) field of Reeves County, 12 miles southwest of Toyah.

The new project, scheduled for a 4,100-foot bottom, is 1,745 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 23, block C-11, psl survey.

ANDREWS TEST

Petro Exploration & Development Funds, Inc., of Midland staked No. 1 Willam as a one-mile southeast outcrop to the one-well Emma, North (Yates gas) field of Andrews County, 12 miles southwest of Andrews.

A twin to a depleted oil producer, it is 1,880 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 31, block 9, University Lands survey.

It is to drill to 3,200 feet.

STERLING AREA

Wagner & Brown of Midland No. 1-36 Conger has been spotted in the Conger (Pennsylvanian) field of Sterling County, eight miles southwest of Sterling City.

The 8,400-foot test is 712 feet from south and 1,840 feet from west lines of section 36, block 22, H&TC survey.

WINKLER WELL

Gifford, Mitchell and Wisenbaker of Midland No. 8 Black Kettle is a new pumper in the Cheyenne (Capitan) pool of Winkler County, eight miles northwest of Kermit.

The operator reported a 24-hour potential of 39 barrels of 33.9-gravity oil and 87 barrels of water, through perforations from 3,151 to 3,201 feet. The gas-oil ratio is 897-1.

The pay section was acidized with 2,000 gallons and fractured with 44,000 gallons.

Total depth is 3,227 feet, 5.5-inch casing is set at 3,227 feet and plugged back depth is 3,221 feet.

Wellsite is 1,310 feet from south and 670 feet from east lines of section 7, block 74, psl survey.

OUTPOST FINALS

International Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1-65 P. C. Coates, scheduled as a wildcat in Pecos County, has been completed as a one-mile northwest extension to the Coates (Strawn oil) pool.

The operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 110 barrels of 38-gravity oil and 140 barrels of water, through a 20/64-inch choke and perforations from 10,206 to 10,851 feet. Gas-oil ratio is 636-1.

The pay section was acidized with 8,000 gallons and fractured with 52,000 gallons.

Total depth is 13,703 feet, 5.5-inch casing is set at 13,703 feet and plugged back depth is 10,910 feet.

Location is 990 feet from south and 1,090 feet from west lines of section 65, block 2, CCSD&RGNG survey and 25 miles south of Bakersfield.

A million BTUs of offshore gas has a ceiling price of \$2.07, he said, while wells drilled before 1973 is capped at 33 cents. State agencies must decide how much the producer may charge. "Congress shifted the responsibility to the states from the FERC," Smith said. "It might have been nice if Congress asked you if you were willing to go along."

He spent much of the session explaining to various state petroleum officials how to implement the authority Congress had handed them.

Smiths said that by Friday, eight states must have set up an organization to operate under the act. Big gas producers such as Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and New Mexico are included.

In Arizona, the only gas production has been on the Navajo Reservation, which would be under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Geological Survey.

The Federal Power Commission, forerunner to FERC, began setting rates on interstate gas purchases in the early 1950s under authority of the Natural Gas Act of 1938.

Smith termed that situation "a study of frustration for the regulator

and the regulated. That frustration now carries into a new era."

He said about 45 percent of gas sold in the country had not had any regulation because it was sold in-state, and avoided interstate commerce stipulations.

"The regulatory overburden only fell on a portion of the gas," Smith said.

The new act ends price controls on new gas in 1985.

Allowable decreases

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas' average calendar day oil allowable is 3,609,349 barrels, a decrease of 16,002 barrels a day from Nov. 15, the Texas Railroad Commission reported Monday.

The commission said the legal rate of flow was from 181,953 wells on allowable schedules — 124 fewer wells than on Nov. 15.

The commission says there are 9,122 oil fields in the state.

Explorers scheduled

Operators have announced locations for six wildcats and a rank wildcat has been completed as a Silurian discovery in Permian Basin counties.

MGF Oil Corp. of Midland spotted No. 1 Wallace as a 4,300-foot wildcat in Kent County 17.5 miles northwest of Rotan.

The prospector is 7,000 feet north-west of the Rough Draw, North field and 2,090 feet from north and 690 feet from west lines of section 384, block 2, H&TC survey. Ground elevation is 2,110 feet.

KING EXPLORER

Gunn Oil Co. of Fort Worth No. 1-N S. B. Burnett is a new 6,000-foot wildcat in King County, eight miles north of Guthrie.

The location is 660 feet from north and 1980 feet from west lines of section 59, H&GN survey, abstract 306. There is no nearby production.

HOCKLEY WILDCAT

Delhi Oil Corp. of Dallas No. 1 O. K. Watson has been spotted as a 7,800-foot wildcat in Hockley County, one mile southwest of Anton.

The explorer is 467 feet from south and west lines of section 107, block A R. M. Thompson survey and one and one-eighth miles southwest of the Anton field.

BORDEN PROSPECTOR

Westland Oil Development Corp. of Houston No. 1 Ralph Miller will be drilled as an 8,800-foot wildcat in Borden County, eight miles north of Gail and 1.5 miles northeast of the one-well Bull Creek (Mississippian oil) pool.

The location is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 32, block 30, T-6-N, John H. Gibson survey. Elevation at drillsite is 2,538 feet.

TERRY REGION

Eagle Oil & Gas Co. of Wichita Falls No. 1 Wanda Amo is a new 6,800-foot wildcat in Terry County.

Location is 5/8-mile west of the Wellman (Yates oil) pool and 1.5 miles northeast of the Wellman, Southwest area.

Drillsite is three miles south of Wellman and 933 feet from north and east lines of section 63, block DD.

John H. Gibson survey.

LEA TEST

O. H. Berry of Midland No. 1 Ashley-State is to be drilled as a 3,800-foot wildcat in Lea County.

It is 800 feet from north and 2,310 feet from west lines of section 36-24-35 and eight miles northwest of Jal.

The site is one location west of an undesignated Capitan reef oil discovery and one location west of a 3,875-foot dry hole.

GAINES DISCOVERY

Shell Oil Co. No. 1 Texas Commerce Bank has been completed as a Silurian discovery four miles south of Seagraves in Gaines County.

Operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 212 barrels of 30.5-gravity oil, with a gas-oil ratio of 5-1, plus four barrels of water.

The flow was through a 10/64-inch choke and perforations from 13,570 to 13,578 feet after an acid treatment of 1,250 gallons.

The discovery is bottomed at 14,201 feet, plugged back to 13,750 feet and has seven-inch casing set at 13,767 feet.

It is 467 feet from south and east lines of section 112, block G, WTRR survey. There is no other production nearby.

The Spraberry was topped at 8,475 feet, the Wolfcamp at 13,515 feet and the Silurian at 13,567 feet. Ground level elevation is 3,346 feet.

MENARD WELL

M. Brad Bennett, Inc., Robert K. Hillin and NMR of Midland No. 3-101 Jacoby has been completed as the second Canyon 3100 gas field in the Wilhelm Lane multipay field of Menard County.

The operators reported a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 650,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 2,992 to 3,004 feet and from 3,024 to 3,040 feet after a 1,000-gallon acid treatment.

It is 1/2 mile east of the other well.

Total depth is 3,501 feet, 4.5-inch casing is set at 3,500 feet and the plugged back depth is 3,086 feet.

Wellsite is 1,794 feet from north and 990 feet from east lines of Hooper & Wade survey No. 101, and 14 miles northwest of Menard.

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY

Fashion No. 15-2-Y Prev. id 4,892 feet, logging.

South Ranch Oil Co. No. 2-31-B Biting University, id 12,665 feet, released rig.

Cola Petroleum No. 1-A Bourg, id 7,560 feet, pumping load, through perforations from 4,650 to 4,700 feet.

Cola Petroleum No. 1-GAO, id 7,835 feet, preparing to run rods and pump, fractured perforations not reported with 20,000 gallons and 30,000 pounds sand.

CHAVES COUNTY

Petroleum No. 1 Bar C, drilling 1,510 feet.

COCHISE COUNTY

Union Texas No. 75 Slaughter, id 5,100 feet, pumped 16 barrels oil and 95 barrels water in 24 hours, through perforations from 4,816 to 5,011 feet.

Union Texas No. 76 Slaughter, id 5,100 feet, pumped 162 barrels oil and 20 barrels water in 24 hours, through perforations from 4,820 to 5,022 feet.

Union Texas No. 77 Slaughter, id 5,100 feet, preparing to put on pump.

Union Texas No. 78 Slaughter, id 5,100 feet, moving off rotary.

CROCKETT COUNTY

Southland Royalty No. 1-36 Todd, drilling 162 feet in time.

Southland Royalty No. 4-47 Todd, drilling 850 feet in sandy time.

Southland Royalty No. 1-70 Todd, id 860 feet, still cleaning out.

Texaco, Inc. No. 1-D Kincaid, id 8,200 feet, set packer at 7,780 feet.

Resources Investment No. 1-18 University, drilling 1,302 feet, set 13 1/2-inch casing at 765 feet.

Mitchell No. 1-32 Hunt, id 9,379 feet, fishing.

Mitchell No. 1-121 Savell, id 10,770 feet, still waiting on completion unit.

DAWSON COUNTY

Texaco, Inc. No. 4 Weaver, id 8,250 feet, pumped 25 barrels oil and 19 barrels fresh water in 19 hours.

Packman No. 3 Pitts, drilling 7,948 feet in time and shale.

HMT Operators No. 1 Merrill, drilling 4,738 feet in dolomite.

EDDY COUNTY

Texas Pacific No. 2 Phantom Draw, id 12,800 feet, still shut in.

Antwell No. 1 Rios, drilling 8,605 feet in time and shale.

Packman No. 2 Shell, id 9,670 feet, gone "tight".

Covina Oil No. 1 Patterson-Federal, drilling 3,915 feet in anhydrite and lime.

Anadarko No. 1-AA New Mexico State, plugged back depth 8,550 feet, cut casing at 9,210 feet, pulling out of hole with casing, preparing to side track.

Southland Royalty No. 1-16 Stite, drilling 3,118 feet in time and shale.

Harvey Yates No. 1 Depco-Peddy, id 13,810 feet, set 8 1/2-inch casing at 325 feet, running logs.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

SKO Petroleum No. 2 Leonard, drilling 5,500 feet.

SKO No. 2-A Williams, drilling 7,920 feet.

SKO No. 5 Ryans, drilling 4,816 feet.

Texaco, Inc. No. 2-B Glasscock Pee, id not reported, shut in.

HUARD COUNTY

Harper & Lassus No. 6 Cole, id 4,140 feet, plugged and abandoned.

North America Royalties No. 1 Williams, drilling 1,210 feet in time and shale, took drillsite test from 7,469 to 7,590 feet, open 30 minutes with very weak blow, close 60 minutes, re-open with very weak blow increasing to fair blow in 40 minutes, close tool 180 minutes, recovered 315 feet, gas in drillpipe and drill collars, 90 feet, gas cut drilling fluid with slight trace of oil, initial hydrostatic pressure 3282, initial flow pressure 127-148, initial shut in pressure 169, final flow pressure 127-148, final shut in pressure 316, final hydrostatic pressure 3261.

IRION COUNTY

Union Texas No. 6-56 Farmer, id 7,350 feet, pulling tubing.

Energy Reserve Group No. 1-C Sugar, id 8,012 feet, shale, sand and lime, preparing to run casing.

Resources Investment No. 2-18 Cox, id 8,104 feet, still shut in.

LEA COUNTY

Union Oil No. 1 Halfway-Federal, drilling 1,112 feet in time and sand.

Union Oil No. 1 Laguna Deep Federal, id 11,561 feet, fishing.

'Congressman' attends session in state of limbo

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seventy-seven new members of the House of Representatives are in Washington these days, measuring themselves for the reins of power.

Seventy-seven and Leo Thorsness. Thorsness, a 46-year-old Republican and former prisoner of war in Vietnam, is odd man out.

An apparent winner in South Dakota's 1st Congressional District on election night, he turned apparent loser in the official canvass a few days later.

As a result, Democrat Tom Daschle holds an election certificate from the South Dakota State Canvassing

Board. His apparent margin of victory: 14 votes out of more than 129,000 cast.

A recount is underway, however, and a court challenge is almost certain. Because the outcome was in doubt for several days, the GOP leadership invited Thorsness to Washington for the orientation program each party is conducting for its newly elected House members.

Daschle, of course, was invited by the Democrats.

So despite the extreme uncertainty of his political future, Thorsness is sitting alongside GOP congressmen-elect at sessions on subjects such as

"Maximizing Your Time and Energy," "Strengthening Your Political Organizations" and "Adjusting To the Demands of a New Job," a workshop conducted by a psychologist.

He remains doggedly determined to see the race with Daschle through to the end.

"One or the other of us is going to end up being seated," Thorsness said Monday. "Whoever it is has an obligation to be as well prepared as possible."

At the same time, he conceded, "It's more difficult to get enthusiastic if you were a congressman-elect."

Thorsness is used to adversity. A 22-year-Air Force veteran, he spent six years in a POW camp in North Vietnam.

When he was released at the end of the war, he moved to South Dakota and became active in politics.

In 1974, he challenged Sen. George McGovern, who had been a leading Senate critic of the Vietnam War. McGovern won a relatively narrow victory with 52.8 percent of the vote.

The former POW became chairman of the South Dakota Republican Party in 1976, and when Rep. Larry Pressler

announced he would vacate his House seat for a run at the Senate this year, Thorsness set out on his second try at winning a seat in Congress.

Thorsness, who describes himself as a "realist," says he understands the odds against his winning the seat are long.

Planning, zoning commission moves to challenge City Hall

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
R-T Staff Writer

The City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission don't always see eye to eye on some issues.

This became apparent during a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting Monday in City Hall Council Chambers over a recommendation on selling a piece of city property.

The disagreement between the two bodies came up over a city initiated proposal on changing zoning from MF-1, multiple family district, to O office district on a tract of land on the south side of Wadley Avenue and west of A Street.

The tract is in the vicinity of the City of Midland swim team facilities, the Opportunity Center and Girl Scout Center.

Mrs. James Purvis said she thought that land was reserved for selling to service or civic organizations as in the past.

But Director of Planning and Community Development Richard Hennessy said the council "decided not to tie its hands in selling this property. There are no restrictions on the use of this property."

Despite what the City Council had wanted to zone, Mrs. Purvis moved to have the zoning changed to planned office district reserved for service and civic organizations. The Commission agreed on the move and will recommend that zone change to the City Council.

While reviewing a plat for that

Store reports theft

A Midland grocery store reported Monday the theft \$591 in cash and an assortment of checks and receipts at 12:59 p.m. that day.

Coughran Ketter of the 2200 block of Ward Street told police the Speedway Food Store in the 2900 block of North Big Spring Street was missing two bank sacks of cash and checks plus receipts.

piece of land, Chairman Robert Truitt Jr. added, "It's apparent the council will go ahead and make it O district and not listen to what we just recommended."

A new housing development concept was reviewed for the commission and will be taken up again at the next December meeting before a decision is made.

To be located north of FM 868 and east of North A Street, the development is proposed by Citizens Savings and Loan Association.

The neighborhood will be built in clusters of houses with a common green area in the center. It will include tennis courts, swimming pool, play area for children and possibly a clubhouse.

Another unusual aspect is there will be no on-street parking. Instead, off-street parking areas will be provided in each cluster.

To keep the architecture in this development similar, 21 floor plans already have been drawn.

Buyers of the homes probably will be people such as geologists and engineers, the commission was told.

When questioned by Commission Member Robert Cochran if the increasing interest rate would slow down home construction, bank president Ray Moudy said he did not think it would happen in Midland.

A study on Midland projected the Tall City's population by 1985 to hit 92,000, showing the need for more housing, he said.

A request by Gipson and Cole to change the zoning on 3.36 acres at the southwest corner of Andrews Highway and Denton Street passed. But the commission changed it to Office district. The request had been for neighborhood service center.

In other business, the commission approved a travel consultant firm inclusion in the office district and neighborhood service center, and approved preliminary plats of South Park Addition, West End Addition and Northwest Acres.

Former madam critical

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Sally Stanford, who went from madam about town to mayor of Sausalito, was reported in critical condition today after a possible heart attack.

The 76-year-old former madam of a San Francisco brothel was the subject of the recent television movie, "Lady of the House" starring Dyan Cannon.

A spokeswoman for Sutter General Hospital here said Miss Stanford was admitted at 8 a.m. Monday under her real name, Marsha Owens.

The spokeswoman, who asked not to be identified, said Miss Stanford was in "stable but critical" condition and "resting well" in the intensive care unit.

Miss Stanford, who has survived several heart attacks, had gone to the state capitol to attend the swearing-in of the new state senate, said an aide to Sen. Barry Keene, D-Elk, who represents her district.

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