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Parade of Homes Preview

Midland has its share of beautiful homes, reflected in its annual Parade of Homes. An tour of four houses benefits the infant care fund at Midland Memorial Hospital. Sunday's Lifestyle section will offer a preview of the event.

What Dangers Lurk?

What unseen dangers lurk in the oil patch? Gas, for one. A recent near tragedy in Andrews points up the hazards of oil field gasses such as hydrogen sulfide. In Sunday's Reporter-Telegram, Ed Todd looks at the problem.

Rabies: A Potential Dilemma

Possibilities of a rabies outbreak have haunted Midland County for the past several weeks. Who do you get in touch with if you suspect an animal has the disease? What if it's a stray? Sunday staff writer Richard Mason explores such a potential dilemma.

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Nuke experts 'groped' through mishap for days

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nuclear technicians and officials groped through the crisis at Pennsylvania's Three Mile Island atomic powerplant "in the blind" for days, uncertain exactly what was wrong or what to do about it, transcripts of their meetings reveal.

The transcripts of tape-recorded meetings, filling more than 700 pages, were made public Thursday.

Two full days after the accident began March 28, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Chairman Joseph M. Hendrie complained, "I don't have the impression that they have a good grip on it. We are operating totally in the blind."

Then, referring to requests from Pennsylvania Gov. Dick Thornburgh for advice about the possibility of a

mass evacuation, Hendrie went on: "His information is ambiguous. Mine is nonexistent, and — I don't know — it's like a couple of blind men staggering around, making decisions."

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ing the crippled facility, NRC officials were still assessing various turns the situation might take — including a hydrogen explosion — and various responses to ensure the safety of persons in the area — including an evacuation.

Discussing the possibility of a hydrogen explosion, Dudley Thompson, an NRC official, said, "Right now we believe it takes 5 percent of oxygen to become flammable; 11 percent to be a detonation mixture. Right now we think we've got 5 percent. ... But so, for all practical purposes, we've got to assume the mixture is flammable, but I don't think anybody is assuming right now that he thinks it's an explosive mixture."

The discussion then turned to other topics and NRC Commissioner Richard T. Kennedy remarked, "Meanwhile, I'm going to check to see if the president is arriving at the (reactor) site."

There were no suggestions that the hydrogen posed any danger to the president.

In a meeting March 31, Roger J. Mattson, NRC director of systems safety, told the commissioners bluntly: "No plant has ever been in this condition, no plant has ever been tested in this condition, no plant has ever been analyzed in this condition in the history of this program. ..."

Mattson was one of at least three staff members who, on March 30, were urging a precautionary evacuation of the area downwind from Three Mile Island, some 10 miles south of Harrisburg, Pa.

But the commission did not recommend it, partly because the wind was shifting erratically and nobody could be sure which way "downwind" would be when people moved out.

By March 31 Mattson had gained more confidence that the reactor could be controlled, and he changed his mind about evacuation.

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Two Wichita Falls men embrace in tears at learning the body of the church secretary was found in the rubble of a church destroyed in Tuesday's tornado. (AP Laserphoto)

Residents mourn friends, relatives in Wichita Falls

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — This North Texas community's two funeral homes were booked with hourly services today as relatives buried the 44 persons killed by the tornado that wiped out a 12-square-mile area.

One funeral home was so packed it could offer only graveside memorials.

"We feel the people have been through enough," said Bob Mason, funeral director at Owens-Brumley Funeral Home. "It just looks like having graveside services would take the pressure off these families."

An estimated 20,000 of this city's 96,000 residents were left homeless by the tornado that raked the Texas-Oklahoma border Tuesday, leaving 15 other persons dead in Lawton, Okla., and Vernon and Harrold, Texas.

President Carter declared Wichita Falls a disaster area Thursday. Federal and state officials planned to open disaster assistance centers in the city Saturday.

American Insurance Association adjusters estimated insured damage at \$204 million in Wichita Falls, while losses in Lawton were put at \$13 million. Red Cross volunteers predicted 90 percent of the devastated structures were insured.

Richard Balnicky, Red Cross director of damage assessments who flew here from California, said the vicious twister destroyed more than 6,400 homes, 150 mobile homes and 1,100 apartment units in Wichita County.

"It is incredible that that many people are homeless," said Balnicky. "We

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kept hearing about it out there (in California) and we just couldn't believe it."

Meanwhile, a new swarm of tornadoes hit widely scattered sections of the country Thursday, bringing high winds and heavy rains to Mississippi, Alabama and Michigan.

Three teen-age sisters were swept to their deaths in Louisville, Miss., when they tried to follow their mother from their flooded home.

In Wichita Falls, a steady rain fell Thursday night on the gaping holes that once were homes.

Workmen restored power to the city Thursday and cloudy brown water began flowing through pipes although residents were warned to boil it.

Throughout Thursday bulldozers scrapped the rubble into heaps and caravans of pickups streamed from the area, loaded with battered furniture, mattresses and clothing.

But by Wednesday afternoon, Balnicky said, all survivors had "a place to sleep and three meals a day."

National Guardsmen strictly enforced a 7 p.m.-to-6:30 a.m. curfew on the disaster site. Authorities said 20 persons had been arrested for looting since the tornado struck.

Restaurants and convenience stores in the city shutdown early so employees could be off the street by the 9 p.m. curfew in effect for the rest of city.

"Most of the people who come in here are still so stunned they can't even think of what they need," said volunteer Jamie Henderson while sorting

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Midland distributors see no letup in gas crunch

By RICHARD MASON
Staff Writer

Rising prices and a "tight" supply of gasoline and other fossil fuels are fast becoming economic facts of life.

And about the only thing consumers can do to combat the situation — or live with it — is to conserve energy, say Midland gasoline distributors.

"We're not going to have everything shut down to the level where we run out of gas," said Ken Peeler, president of Midland 66 Co.

But he foresees nothing to check or lower rising fuel prices in these days of limited fuel.

Peeler recommends the mixing of "unnecessary driving" to conserve dwindling energy supplies.

"Most stations are finding they don't have enough gas to meet demand," said Max Nalley, a public information representative with the Exxon Company U.S.A. in Dallas.

Reasons for the "tight" gas supply and rising prices can be traced to the situation in Iran coupled with abnormally high consumption.

The most visible result in Midland may occur on Sundays when local

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Tempting bad luck is not easy

By MIKE SLATON
Staff Writer

The much-maligned day of Friday (not just Friday the 13th) has long been on mankind's list of persistent superstitions.

For ages, Fridays have been up there with all the other infamous unfavorables — black cats, spilling salt, walking under ladders and breaking mirrors.

But superstitions are just that, superstitions, and no person of reasonable sanity gives them a second thought...unless, of course, there's something to them.

In the interest of clearing up any confusion, I was sent by those in higher places on this newspaper to investigate a few of society's prevalent superstitions.

What better day to do it, they speculated, than Friday the 13th? Go throw yourself in front of the wheels of bad luck, they effectually told me. Knock on wood, I thought.

Black cats represent a long-standing staple in the superstition trade. Letting one cross your path is tantamount to disaster, supposedly because of the ebionic cat's association with witches.

Tempting fate by way of letting a black cat cross in front of me seemed a relatively good starting point for the "investigation."

That notion looked good on paper, but it failed to jive with reality.

Midland doubtless has a large population of black cats, but the number of them shrinks significantly when an enterprising, if vaguely worried, reporter goes looking for them.

Alleys and trash cans yielded cats in abundance — none of them black. Poking under porches did no good. Even a last-ditch effort of hanging around a fish store brought no luck — good or bad.

THERE WAS ONE CAT, probably named Boots, that was all black except for white paws. Boots was rejected, after much soul-searching, because of the possible side effects its white feet might.

Abandoning felines, this reporter turned next to salt. Salt, it is said, brings bad luck if spilt.

At one time people were convinced that the Devil lurked behind a person's chair at the dinner table with intentions of causing a dispute.

Spilling the salt, for some obscure reason, was said to give the Devil his

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Procastinators panic

Income tax day of reckoning is also upon us

It's income tax deadline time again, and, for some, the peace of Easter Sunday may turn into the panic of income tax Monday.

Since the traditional deadline of April 15 falls on a Sunday, the annual day of reckoning has been postponed 24 hours — until midnight Monday.

"You need to have your extension or return in the mail by midnight (Monday)," Gene McCleskey, director for the Internal Revenue Service in Midland, said.

Volunteers will be available for four hours beginning 4:30 p.m. Monday in the lobby of the Main Post Office downtown to answer questions and offer assistance.

The post office has agreed to delay mail pick up at the downtown location until midnight to help last minute filers.

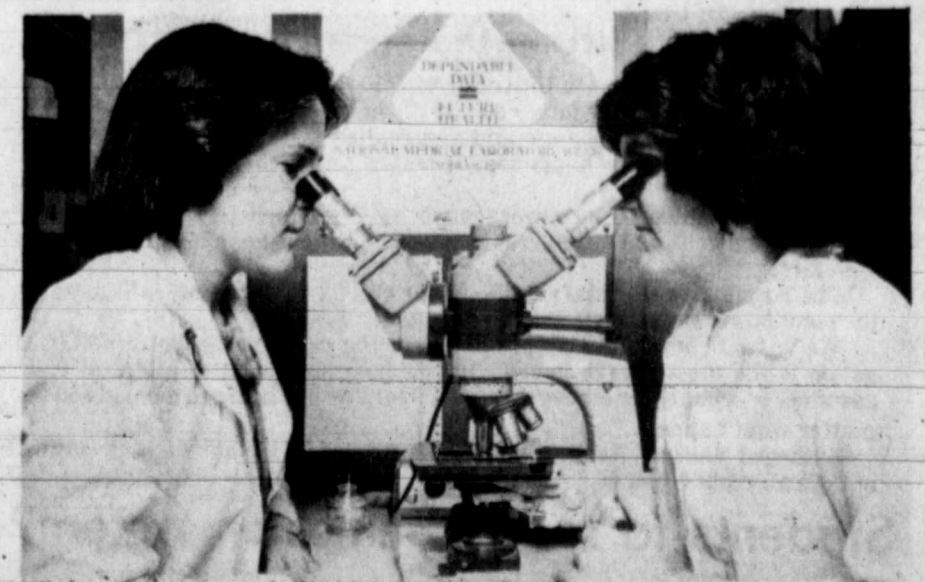
Jo Ann White, manager for H & R Block offices in Odessa, said statistics released earlier in 1979 by the IRS indicate people are waiting longer this year to file.

"At one time, returns in Austin were down, which indicates people are waiting longer to file," she said.

"I just got mine (return) off. Usually, I get it off by the end of February," she added.

She recommended that people using the long form "keep their receipts."

Applications for deadline extensions will be available through volunteers at the post office.



Focusing on National Medical Laboratory Week are Liz Bickley, left, a medical technology student at Midland Memorial Hospital, and Nancy Giffhorn, a hematology technologist at the hospital. More than 150,000 medical lab personnel across the country are observing the special week ending Saturday. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

DEATHS

Faye Beebe

Services for Mrs. Graham (Faye) Beebe, 63, of 2818 W. Shandon St. will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home...

She died Thursday in a Midland hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Beebe was born Dec. 21, 1915, in Granbury and reared there. She was married to Graham Beebe in 1941 in Alamogordo, N.M.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Lindsay Harlin of Lake Whitney; her mother, Mrs. J.L. Kinnard of Granbury; a brother, Denny Kinnard of Round Rock, and two sisters, Mrs. Frelan Mabery of Granbury and Mrs. Homer Boase of Wichita Falls.

Walter J. Webb

Services for W.J. "Jack" Webb, 39, of 3216 Cimmaron Ave. will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home...

Webb died Thursday in a Midland hospital.

Webb was born Oct. 18, 1939, in Hobbs, N.M. He was graduated from Hobbs High School in 1958 and went to work for Continental Airlines.

Survivors include his wife, Helen D.; two sons, Michael Wayne Webb and Mark Alan Webb, both of Midland, and four brothers, Pete Webb of Canyon City, Colo., John Webb of Pyrees, Greece, and Jerry Webb and Joe Webb, both of Hobbs, N.M.

Viola Rathbone

OZONA — Services for Viola Lee Rathbone, 80, will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the Church of Christ here.

Mrs. Rathbone died Thursday in a local nursing home.

Survivors include five daughters, Mrs. A.E. (Rita) Keeling, Maxine Powell and Mrs. Bud (Wanda) Loudamy, all of San Angelo, Mrs. Virgil (Betty) Bauers of Albuquerque, N.M., and Mrs. Raymond (Joy) Hunt of Colorado Springs, Colo.; two sisters, Rosa Mae Allen of Bisbee, Ariz., and Alma Sue Criddle of Hagerman, N.M.; a brother, Sam Boyce of Dexter, N.M.; 21 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

William E. Barker

AMARILLO — Services for William E. Barker, 79, of Amarillo, father of Bill Barker of Midland and brother of Vera Morris of Big Spring, were to be at 4 p.m. today in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Barker was born in Dublin. He married his wife, Lucille, in Paducah in 1930 and came to Amarillo in 1950. He was a retired hotel chef. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Amarillo.

Three killed in Turkey

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Gunmen have killed an American serviceman, a former bank director, and a high school student in three Turkish cities within 24 hours.

Officials said they thought leftist terrorists killed Master Sgt. Edward A. Cypool, 23, of Richards, Mo., and wounded Staff Sgt. Jeffrey P. Vail, 22, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., in Izmir Thursday.

The gunmen fired from a speeding car at the soldiers, who were both in uniform and returning to their quarters from duty at the Turkish-U.S. Logistics offices annexed to the NATO base in the Aegean coast city.

The former bank director was killed in Ankara Thursday night by gunmen who forced their way into his home. Police said the victim was Omer Sunar, who resigned as director of

Local Red Cross asks money to aid Wichita Falls victims

The "most critical need" for victims of the tornado-devastated Wichita Falls area is financial assistance, James R. Tom, disaster chairman for the Midland County chapter of the American Red Cross, said Thursday.

Tom said that supplies of household items, clothing and non-perishable foods are adequate there.

At least 60 people were killed and hundreds others were injured Tuesday, when tornadoes pillaged Wichita Falls, Vernon and Harold in North Central Texas and Lawton, Okla., across the Red River from Wichita Falls.

"Persons wishing to make contributions toward relief of our neighbors in the disaster area may make contributions to their denomination disaster relief fund or directly to the American Red Cross," Tom said. He

member of the First Baptist Church in Amarillo.

Other survivors include his wife, two daughters, two brothers, two sisters, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Willard Sullivan

BIG SPRING — Services for Willard Sullivan, 76, of Big Spring will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

Sullivan died Thursday in a local hospital after a short illness.

He was born June 7, 1902, in Big Spring and was a lifelong resident of the city. He was a pharmacist and owner of the Cunningham and Phillips Drug Store No. 2 and the Settles Drug Store which he had operated for 40 years.

Sullivan was a former city commissioner, past mayor pro tem and a past director of the Colorado River Municipal Water District. He was a member of the First Christian Church, the Lions Club, the Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 of which he was a master of the lodge and the Suez Temple of the Shrine.

He was married to Pennie Lee (Tot) Bradshaw June 10, 1923, in Midland.

Survivors include his wife; two sisters, Mrs. H.M. Fritts of Tequesta, Fla., and Mrs. E.G. Davenport of Farmington, N.M., and several cousins.

Evaristo Jasso

LAMESA — Services for Evaristo Jasso, 58, of Lamesa will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in St. Margaret-Mary's Catholic Church. Burial will be in Lamesa Cemetery directed by Branon Funeral Home.

Jasso died Wednesday morning in a Lamesa hospital after a long illness.

He was born in Refugio and had lived in Lamesa 43 years. He was an independent trucker.

Survivors include his wife, Santos; four sons, Evaristo Jasso Jr., Maximiliano Jasso and David Jasso, all of San Angelo, and Ruben Jasso of Lamesa; three daughters, Eloda Maldonado of Lamesa, Minnie Magalen of Weatherford and Dianna Martinez of Fort Worth; four sisters, Julia Martinez of Weslaco, Cuca Parras of Muleshoe, Mage Montes of Sanger, Calif., and Edivra Ravera of McAllen; a brother, Manuel Jasso of Lamesa, and 15 grandchildren.

Cotter Edwards

BIG LAKE — Services for Mrs. Aubrey (Cotter) Edwards, 55, of Big Lake will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church in Big Lake with the Rev. Joe Scott officiating. Burial will be in Glen Rest Cemetery in Big Lake directed by Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo.

She died Wednesday in Big Lake.

Mrs. Edwards was born May 18, 1923, in Superior, Ariz. She was married to Aubrey Edwards July 3, 1941, in Fort Davis. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Big Lake and had been a resident of Big Lake for 31 years.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Dan Edwards and Mark Edwards, both of Big Lake; her father, Lee O. White of Fort Stockton; a sister, Mrs. Jim Markl of Roswell, N.M.; a brother, Bill White of Albuquerque, N.M., and a granddaughter.

Pallbearers will be Bill Schneemann, Tommy Hayes and J.O. Lusby, all of Big Lake, R.L. McLaughlin and Richard E. Bowers, both of Alpine, and Bill McDonald of Fort Stockton. Honorary pallbearers will be Joe T. Johnston and Judge William H. Earney.

Florida opens courtrooms to cameras, broadcasting

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — The Florida Supreme Court, citing a state commitment to open government, has ruled that journalists may photograph, record and broadcast court proceedings.

The ruling, which followed a one-year, statewide experiment that ended June 30, 1978, gives Florida the most open cameras-in-the-courtroom rules in the nation.

The ruling, released Thursday, said news cameras and recorders will be allowed in Florida courtrooms as a general practice after May 1.

But it did say the equipment could be banned if a presiding judge specifically finds that it should be. The judge would have to meet a narrow test specified by the Supreme Court.

Until the experiment leading to this rule, Florida had followed the no-camera custom that became entrenched after the Willie Sol Estes fraud trial in 1965.

The Estes trial at Tyler, Tex., was widely televised, live. The bulky cameras and lights of the day were so obvious that when the U.S. Supreme Court granted him a retrial, on grounds of prejudicial pre-trial publicity, it raised the question of whether the cameras' presence alone might cause prejudice in some other case.

Only New Hampshire has a rule as broad as Florida's. It

allows cameras and recorders in court, but the judge must approve each case.

Several other states allow cameras in some situations, though many of these arrangements are only experimental.

In Ohio, the state Supreme Court said Thursday, after seven months of study, that it has agreed to allow a one-year test of broadcast and photographic equipment in state courtrooms, beginning June 1.

Florida's "commitment to open government," wrote Justice Alan Sundberg, was the prime factor leading to the ruling. It pioneered in open government with its Sunshine Law for open meetings and access to records, and its Sunshine Amendment, requiring disclosure of income and other financial information about office-holders.

"It's a very substantial breakthrough, not so much for the media but for the public," said Norm Davis, vice president of WPLG television at Miami, one of the two Post-Newsweek stations that first asked the court to allow compact electronic cameras into courts.

Among those who remained unconvinced was Florida Bar president Robert Floyd, a Miami trial lawyer. "Personally, I didn't feel there was sufficient factual data to warrant the possibility of jeopardizing a defendant's right to a fair trial."

Nicaragua leftists maintain Esteli hold

OUTSIDE ESTELI, Nicaragua (AP) — Leftist guerrillas held the northern Nicaraguan city of Esteli for the seventh day today despite heavy fire from President Anastasio Somoza's artillery and planes.

Reporters stopped at a roadblock four miles south of the city could see explosions and smoke as the national guard's fighters attacked with rockets.

A lieutenant commanding the roadblock on the Pan American Highway said heavy fighting was under way and the national guard, Somoza's combined army and national police force, hoped to recapture the city today.

Refugees from Esteli said the guerrillas of the Sandinista National Liberation Front who overran much of the city on Saturday captured the communications center, knocked out an armored car and destroyed a Sherman tank that had been firing into the city.

A national guard spokesman, Col. Aquiles Aranda Escobar, denied these reports.

At least 400 guerrillas were reported in the city, fighting from the protection of a network of barricades and trenches.

The national guard appeared to be beefing up its forces in the area. One soldier said 200 troops went through the roadblock Thursday.

Somoza is on an Easter vacation with his children in Florida but is reported keeping in close touch with his commanders.

The Red Cross has estimated about 5,000 of Esteli's 35,000 inhabitants have fled since the fighting began. There were unconfirmed reports that

County vets schedule drive for rabies shots

A countywide animal rabies vaccination effort, which veterinarians hope will protect the area from rabies, has been set for April 21.

On that day, local veterinarians will set longer office hours than usual to accommodate residents within the county who seek to have their pets vaccinated. Jewell Smith, chief sanitarian for the City-County Health Department, said Thursday.

While normal vaccination fees will be charged, a \$2 savings is in store for city residents, since the city has agreed to forego the costs for dog licenses on that day only, Smith said.

While surrounding counties have experienced a dramatic increase in the incidence of rabies, Midland County has yet to document its first case this year.

The vaccination day is a preventative measure to keep the disease from breaking out locally, Smith said.

UT researcher C. Paul Boner dies

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — C. Paul Boner, former president of the American Acoustical Society and founder and director of the University of Texas' Defense Research Laboratory, died Thursday. He was 79.

Boner was considered one of the world's experts on underwater sound defense and was recognized twice by the U.S. government during World War II for his work on anti-submarine weapons and special torpedoes and other naval ordnance.

During the war, Boner was associate director of the Underwater Sound Laboratory at Harvard University.

Boner was director of the research laboratory from 1945 to 1965 and also was UT vice president for academic affairs from 1954 to 1957. He also established the universi-

ty's Office of Government Sponsored Research in 1949 and was its executive director in 1949-54 and 1957-65. He joined the UT faculty in 1922 and retired in 1970.



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Nkomo enclave razed

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — Rhodesian commandos in a daring two-hour raid inside Zambia's capital destroyed the office-residence of guerrilla leader Joshua Nkomo and two other guerrilla headquarters before dawn today.

Nkomo, co-leader of the Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance fighting the white-dominated Rhodesian government, was not in the building at the time, Western diplomatic sources said. He was reported safe and somewhere in Lusaka.

In Salisbury, the Rhodesian capital, the Rhodesian military command confirmed the raid by its ground forces but gave no details. A brief communique said:

"Combined Operations Headquarters confirms international news reports that Rhodesian ground forces have carried out attacks against Zimbabwe Peoples Revolutionary Army targets in Lusaka. These are complementary to the air raids launched on terrorist bases in Zambia."

Diplomatic sources said the raiders covered the 60 miles from the Rhodesian border to Lusaka overland by motor and no planes were used.

A Zambian government spokesman said there were "a few casualties" resulting from the raid. But there was no indication that any of them were Rhodesians.

The Zambia Mail newspaper said a car in which a civilian family was trying to escape the explosions and gunfire was hit and all the occupants were killed. The paper did not give the size of the family.

The raid began at 3 a.m. and ended at 5 a.m. Only the smoking walls of Nkomo's office-residence, a sprawling mansion in the tree-lined suburb of Woodlands near a local golf course, remained standing after dawn.

Residents said the attack also destroyed Zimbabwe House, the main offices of Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union, located in the suburb of Emmasdale, and Liberation Center, in the suburb of Kawala. That building housed offices of ZAPU, the South-West Africa People's Organization and the African National Congress.

SWAPO is waging guerrilla war in Namibia, also called South-West Africa, against South African troops in the South African-controlled territory. SWAPO's military bases are in Angola.

The African National Congress is a black militant organization banned in South Africa, which has sent in blacks with Soviet arms to fight the white minority regime in South Africa. But its activities have been sporadic because of tight South African security.

Persons living near Nkomo's office-residence said an abandoned four-wheel drive military vehicle was found burning in the street not far away from the ruins. They said it might have been used by the Rhodesian commandos and abandoned.

Other residents said they saw black troops in the area and thought they might have been Zambian soldiers. But some 80 percent of Rhodesia's armed forces are black, and many of them are in Rhodesian commando units.

Residents also reported that Zambian authorities



Joshua Nkomo

had detained an unknown number of whites and blacks for questioning after the raid, the fifth into Zambia this week.

Nkomo and Patriotic Front co-leader Robert Mugabe have vowed to sabotage Rhodesia's national elections next week, and Rhodesia's biracial transition government has been bombing Zambian guerrilla camps to immobilize the terrorists.

The elections will install Rhodesia's first black-majority government. The guerrillas oppose the election on grounds whites will continue to dominate Rhodesia because of constitutional checks.

The provisions give whites, who make up less than 4 percent of Rhodesia's 6.7 million population, control of the military and judiciary and guarantee them 28 of Parliament's 100 seats, enough to block constitutional changes.

U.S. hedges spy charge reply

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — The U.S. government hedged in its first response to South Africa's expulsion of three members of the U.S. Embassy's military staff and their plane on charges of aerial spying.

The embassy refused to comment. But a State Department official in Washington admitted the plane, a twin-engine C-12A, was equipped with a camera and took aerial photographs. However, he said he would not call the photography espionage.

The State Department refused to comment on the substance of the charges.

Prime Minister Pieter W. Botha leveled the surprise spy charges on the 8 p.m. TV news Thursday. He charged that the plane was Ambassador William P. Edmondson's private aircraft and that it "was converted for use as a spy plane by the installation of an aerial survey camera under the seat of the co-pilot."

"In flight, the device enabled the camera to take pictures of the ground below," Botha continued. "Photographs in our possession reveal that the embassy aircraft was engaged in a systematic program of photography of vast areas of South Africa, including some of our most sensitive installations."

He gave no details but said, "we have the necessary exhibits and will show them if need be."

Botha said it was the kind of conduct that could be expected from the Soviet Union. He demanded an official apology from the Carter administration.

The prime minister did not say how many Americans were ordered out of the country or identify them. But the State Department said three men

were given a week to leave: Col. Alvin M. Crews, a defense attache; Maj. Bernd McConnell, an assistant air attache, and Master Sgt. Horace E. Wyatt Jr., crew chief of the plane.

Botha said permission for the embassy to use the plane had been "summarily terminated" and the aircraft must leave the country after South African technicians ensure "all photographic equipment has been removed" so no pictures could be taken on its flight out.

State Department spokesman Hodding Carter said the plane was assigned to Crews, not to the ambassador.

Sources close to the embassy said the plane had "gone everywhere" on official business, including to other African countries.

Relations between the Carter administration and South Africa's white-minority government already were at a low point because of American opposition to South Africa's apartheid policy of racial repression and the U.S. administration's support of black nationalist movements in Southern Africa.

"It is particularly unfortunate," said Hodding Carter, "that the South African government chose to act as it did at a time when we are engaged with it in seeking solutions to the problems in Namibia (South-West Africa) and elsewhere in Southern Africa."

In South-West Africa, which South Africa continues to control in defiance of the United Nations, the United States is backing a U.N. plan for independence which the South African government thinks is weighted in favor of the leftist South-West Africa Peoples Organization, a guerrilla movement.

Uganda's invaders hunt Amin

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP) — Uganda's Tanzanian invaders said today they were sending out commandos to hunt down Idi Amin, but the invasion force of Tanzanians and Ugandan exiles made no move to pursue the remnants of Amin's shattered army as they fled eastward toward the Kenyan border.

Tanzanian military source said commandos were being sent east and north from Kampala, Uganda's capital, into areas still theoretically under Amin's control.

An official of the new provisional government said Amin would be tried for murder and treason if caught. Radio Kampala, in the hands of the invaders, said he "deserves the gallows."

"Amin has killed hundreds of our brothers and sisters," the broadcast said. "All Ugandans who love their motherland must from now on help find Idi Amin wherever he is."

The onetime strongman, last reported at Jinja, 50 miles east of Kampala, replied in broadcasts transmitted from Soroti, 200 miles northeast of Kampala, near the Kenya border.

"We have got our soldiers controlling the country," he asserted.

Amin's troops were reported streaming east toward the Kenyan border in a chaotic rout. Residents of towns along the way said they were looting.

Iran executes more supporters of shah

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Firing squads executed seven more of the shah's men today, including the general in charge of political prisoners at Tehran's Qasr Prison and the chief of air force counter-intelligence. Revolutionary courts also sent five policemen to jail and freed one.

The latest deaths, announced by the state radio, raised to 116 the number of confirmed executions since the forces of Shiite Moslem leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini ousted the last royal government of Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi two months ago.

The Qasr Prison official was Gen. Bijan Yahyai, who was tried by a revolutionary court in the prison. In an emotion-packed trial, former prisoners and their relatives told of torture at the prison during the monarchy.

harassing residents at gunpoint and stealing cars as they fled.

The new government ordered them to surrender themselves and turn in their weapons "or be dealt with accordingly."

The Kenyan government was reported moving military reinforcements to the border, apparently to prevent an exodus of Amin's troops. One traveler who reached Nairobi today said he saw a Kenyan convoy of about 300 trucks and armored personnel carriers moving toward the frontier.

Yussufu Lule, Uganda's new provisional president, was expected to arrive in Kampala today for the capital's second anti-Amin political rally in as many days. Lule had planned to fly in Thursday but was grounded by bad weather in Dar es Salaam, the Tanzanian capital.

Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere's troops and Ugandan exiles fighting alongside them overran Kampala Wednesday after a slow march up through southwest Uganda, setting off frenzied celebrations and looting.

Looting continued in residential areas today, and Radio Kampala urged the looters to return what they had taken.

Four African governments recognized Lule's provisional government on Thursday. Nyerere, who is sponsoring the new cabinet of anti-Amin exiles, was the first, but within hours his allies ruling Zambia, Botswana and Mozambique endorsed the new regime.

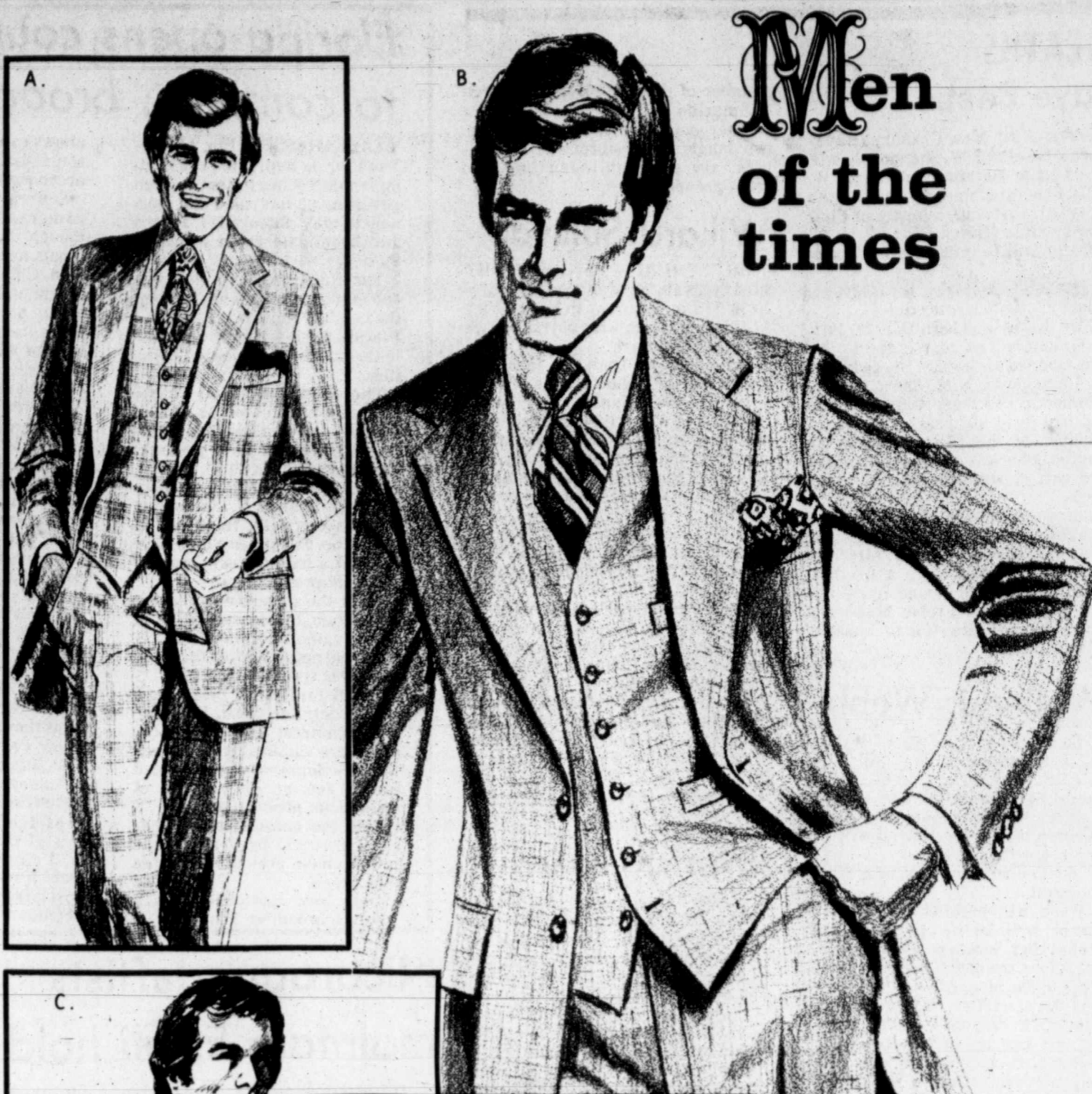
Nyerere in a broadcast Thursday night from Dar es Salaam said he ordered the invasion of Uganda to punish Amin for his seizure of 710 square miles of Tanzanian territory last October, not to overthrow him.

"Tanzania reserves the right to punish the aggressor who had earlier made a bragging and naked invasion of our territory," he said.

"The work of removing dictator Idi Amin from power is the work of Ugandans and not of Tanzanians," he said.

The Tanzanian Foreign Ministry accused Amin of "unparalleled barbarism" during the Ugandan occupation of Tanzanian territory. Amin's "troops massacred thousands of Tanzanians, committed untold atrocities and perpetrated wanton destruction of our property," it said.

Nyerere said he was keeping his troops in Uganda at the request of Lule's government and they would remain until all is calm. "But if the new government requests us to withdraw tomorrow, we will do so," he said.



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Grandfather's advice saves youth's life

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Eight-year-old Willie Jenkins, who cannot swim, clung to a cushion for 12 hours, splashing to scare away alligators as he floated down a river after a nighttime boating accident.

Before the accident, Willie's grandfather had told him what to do in just such a case.

"He said his Poppy had told him before that if anything ever happened, to always hold on to a life preserver until help came," said the boy's uncle, Claude Watson.

Police rescued Willie Tuesday morning. Drifting 200 yards away was the body of his grandfather, Robert Watson, 56. He apparently drowned when their fishing boat turned over.

Jefferson County Sheriff James Scott said the youngster apparently was not injured.

"He was not suffering much from exposure, but he was very shook up when we told him about his grandfather," the sheriff said.

Scott said Watson, his wife, Eloise, and their grandson camped at the head of the Wacissa River in northern Florida Monday night. Willie and Watson went fishing for catfish, returned to camp, then set out again.

Mrs. Watson reported the two missing at 9:49 a.m. Tuesday, police said. Willie was hauled from the river at about 30 minutes later, ending a 12-hour ordeal.

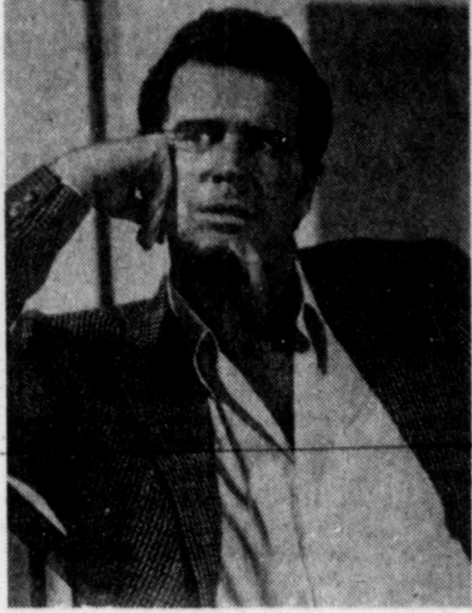
"When we found him he was about one mile down the river, 200 yards from where his grandfather's body was," said Ricky Andrews, a Wacissa resident who helped police in their search.

"He said there had been 'gators swimming all around him during the night," said Andrews. The boy said he had scared the reptiles away by splashing in the water, Andrews said.

"That little boy will never forget that night as long as h lives," Andrews said.

FRIDAY

ORGAN RING



Jim Rockford (James Garner), hospitalized by an accident, stumbles onto what appears to be a highly profitable organ transplant ring, in "A Chorus of Drummers" on NBC's "The Rockford Files," Friday, April 13. The series will hereafter be telecast on Fridays.

Though groggy from sedatives, Rockford accidentally wanders into a room where Yost is extracting an organ. When he observes the donor, presumed dead, move an arm, he questions the hospital doctors.

(Stations reserve the right to make last-minute changes.)

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Can nuclear industry survive Harrisburg?

EDITOR'S NOTE — A lot of things are bound to change for the nuclear industry in the wake of the Three Mile Island accident. Investigations, reappraisals, and reassessments are already under way, and they're likely to touch every major aspect of energy policy and energy technology.

By ANDREW SCHNEIDER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The scientist who wrote the textbook on risks of nuclear power says the nation will "learn more from the study of this one event at Three Mile Island than from 10 years of reactor experiments."

"Until now," said Dr. Norman Rasmussen of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, "We've only had hypothetical cases to deal with. Now we have the real thing."

Rasmussen is author of the "Rasmussen report," long considered the industry bible on reactor safety.

The accident at the atomic power plant near Harrisburg, Pa., has generated an intense review of the entire nuclear industry, its technology, safety, and future.

Within a week of the start of the nation's worst commercial nuclear accident, nine congressional inquiries were ordered. More have been scheduled, and a presidential commission will conduct an investigation.

"IT'S TIME TO STOP for a moment, find out how we got to where we are and determine if it's where we want to be," said Arizona Rep. Morris Udall, chairman of the House Interior Committee energy subcommittee. "If we don't do this now we may never get another chance."

The cry for a halt was picked up and echoed by hundreds of anti-nuclear groups throughout the country.

Several state officials also demanded a pause.

—In New York, Gov. Hugh Carey said he didn't think there would be any nuclear plants in New York's future "for many years."

—In South Carolina, Gov. Dick Riley said he would oppose any future nuclear energy facilities.

—In Oregon, on orders of the governor, the agency charged with approving new nuclear plants reopened hearings on a proposed twin-reactor unit along the Columbia River.

—IN MASSACHUSETTS, lawmakers voted 151-1 for a resolution urging Congress to halt the licensing of all new nuclear plants.

But other state leaders thought no action should be taken. One, Texas Gov. William Clements, even said, "There are four plants under construction. I wish we had eight."

Critics of nuclear programs said indications of human error and the failure of six safety systems at Harrisburg prove that atomic plants are unsafe.

Yet, industry spokesmen use the same data to argue that elaborate, duplicated safety systems eventually worked and prevented a catastrophe.

Rasmussen said the statistical analysis in his report envisioned a "a possible scenario of system failures" like those at the Pennsylvania plant.

"We knew it could happen some day, but we didn't expect it to happen now," Rasmussen said. "Our figures indicated that a series of problems

such as reported at Three Mile Island could occur once in 20,000 reactor years. It happened in the first 500 years of operation and that was unexpected.

"It's like playing poker. You know that sooner or later you'll draw four aces. It could happen the first deal of the game or after playing for 25 years."

RASMUSSEN SAID HE remains confident of the safety of reactors but plans to reevaluate his statistical probabilities. "Harrisburg will be a learning experience, he said, adding, "Oh man, have we learned."

While technical experts debate the mechanical problems, government and industry leaders are agonizing over another critical problem raised by Harrisburg — public reaction.

—From Maine to California, anti-nuclear groups took to the streets with banners saying "No Nukes" and "No More Harrisburgs."

—In the state of Washington, a judge dismissed trespassing charges against 148 anti-nuclear demonstrators arrested last year for occupying the construction site of the Satsop nuclear power plant. The Gray Harbor, Wash., county attorney requested the charges be dropped because he said the Three Mile Island incident would make it impossible to find six impartial jurors.

"All the talk about radiation dangers may serve to regenerate the public's persistent belief that anything nuclear can produce a mushroom-shaped cloud," said Dr. Robert Taylor.

TAYLOR, FORMER DIRECTOR of the National Council on Radiation Protection, has been involved with the nation's atomic activities since the early 1930s.

"We started off with the bomb and that set a bad image," Taylor said. "If the first use of electricity had been the electric chair we'd still be fighting for the light bulb today."

The nuclear power industry was in trouble long before the Three Mile Island accident. Utilities, wary of the rising costs and regulatory problems, have for the past several years canceled more nuclear plant orders than they have placed. Last year saw 12 cancellations and only two orders.

The four makers of nuclear plants were hoping Congress would act this year to shorten the long period — now up to 12 years — between the time a utility decides to build a nuclear plant and the time it begins operation.

Industry leaders said President Carter, in his latest energy message, had planned to press for a law to gradually shorten that period to six years. They said the president would have pointed to nuclear power's good safety record.

INSTEAD, AFTER Three Mile Island, Carter announced appointment of a panel to recommend improving the safety of nuclear plants.

Energy Secretary James Schlesinger said the administration will submit a bill to shorten regulatory delays, but its chances of passage seem slight.

For all the problems, some utilities remain devoted to nuclear power. "The way I see it, the country has absolutely no alternative," said O.J. Peterson III, the treasurer of Virginia Electric & Power Co., which is building three nuclear plants. "If they can't develop nuclear, they won't have enough energy."

Reason for climbing? The mountain is there

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Gaurishankar is there — and that's reason enough for John Roskelley to want to do something about it.

The 30-year-old mountaineer left recently for an assault on the 23,000-foot virgin peak in Nepal. And after that joint American-Nepalese project is completed, Roskelley said he plans to lead an expedition to the top of the 20,000-foot Uli Biaho Tower in the Karakoram range in Pakistan.

"It's compulsive. It's not something I want to go out and do every day, but it sits in the back of my mind and I have to go," he explained before leaving for Nepal. "I don't think many athletes can tell you why they do what they do. They know they are drawn, but not why."

"In my sport, if you don't prepare for it every day, you are not ready for it mentally, and you aren't as willing or as well equipped to risk your neck."

A mountaineer can handle only about two major climbs a year, he said. The average international climb takes about two months.

A veteran Himalayan climber, Roskelley has scaled two of the 10 highest peaks in the world, but he's still plagued by the question, "When are you going to climb Everest?"

"Everest is not the hardest, it's the highest," said Roskelley, a graduate of Washington State University. "There have been more people on top of Everest than almost any mountain around."

But unclimbed mountains offer no more challenge to Roskelley than those ascended many times by other climbers, he said, and he looks forward to each new climb as though it were his first. "I know I'm very good at it, but I still get this queasy feeling."

Few adventurers are paid for climbing mountains, but the best often receive, without charge, the gear they use and promote. And Roskelley's peak-top photography and

country-wide lectures are beginning to pay off — or at least foot the bill to the next peak.

Leaving his wife, Joyce, and their daughter, Dawn, 12, for extended periods is not easy. "It tears me up, especially the first few hours," he said. But he said his wife understands. He met her climbing, though she has since given up the sport.

An ideal climber is competitive but cautious, pleasant, patient and hard-working with a sense of humor, Roskelley said.

"Climbing a mountain is only 25 percent of the job," he said. "You spend your time in freezing weather, making or breaking camp, putting on or taking off soggy, bulky clothes (which can take an hour), and getting the cramps out of your legs."

"You spend night after night in the same sleeping bag, and the snow never packs under your hips so they fit."

A climber never knows when he'll get hit by a rock or buried alive in an avalanche, but often mishaps are more the fault of the man than the mountain, Roskelley said.

The alpinist remembers only too well those expeditions which claimed the lives of fellow climbers.

"In 1974, we were on a slope on Peak 19 in the Russian Pamirs (a then unclimbed face). It was our last camp before the summit."

While heavy winds slammed into falling snow, the four Americans on the expedition set up two tents and made camp. At 2 a.m., an avalanche buried one tent and inundated the other. Roskelley and his partner rescued one climber, but another died.

Roskelley said the exhilaration felt on the way up a mountain can turn to depression on the way down. "The joy is in the achievement and returning to the humdrum business of mowing lawns and washing dishes is kind of a let down," he said. "And realizing you have to wait six months to go after another peak doesn't help."

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Saccharin should be phased out, panel says

WASHINGTON (AP) — The artificial sweetener saccharin should be phased out of the marketplace over three years, says the head of a scientific panel studying the sugar substitute's health risks.

Dr. Frederick Robbins, head of the National

Academy of Sciences' panel, called for the slow withdrawal of saccharin in testimony Wednesday before a House health subcommittee.

"We don't have to be panicky about it," he said.

Robbins, a pediatrician, is dean of Case West-

ern Reserve University's School of Medicine. Saccharin is popularly used in diet drinks and low-calorie processed foods.

Concern about the sweetener stems from research tests linking it with bladder cancer in male rats.

Based on the tests, the Food and Drug Administration proposed a ban on the chemical as a food additive in 1977. But Congress placed an 18-month moratorium on the proposed ban and asked for a National Academy of Sciences study.

The moratorium expires May 24, unless Congress extends it.

Last month, the academy's 37-member panel of scientists, lawyers and public policy experts reported that saccharin must be viewed as a potential cancer-causing substance in humans.

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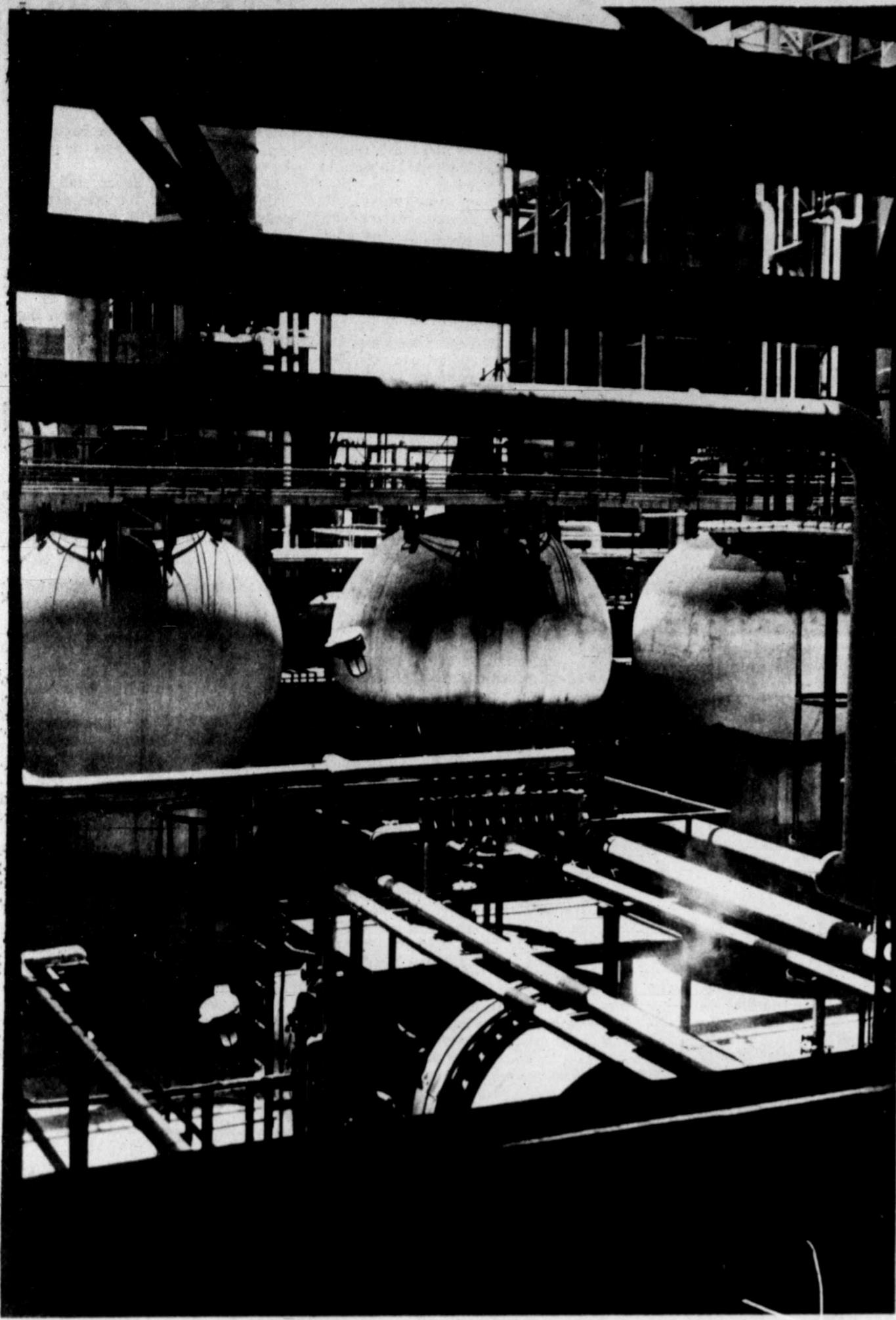
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Rank wildcat scheduled in Pecos County area

McCormick Oil & Gas Corp. has announced location for a rank wildcat in West Pecos County, 36.4 miles southwest of Fort Stockton.

The prospector, No. 1 Stone, will be drilled to 11,000 feet. Drillsite is 2,500 feet from north and 1,300 feet from east lines of section 97, block 11, GH&SA survey.

WARD PROJECT
HNG Oil Co. of Midland has announced location for a Delaware oil and gas project in Ward County, 10 miles south of Pyote.

It is one location south of production in the Pitzer, South (Delaware oil)

1,980 feet from east lines of section 12-205-27e and nine miles north of Carlsbad.

STERLING PROJECT

An oil potential has been reported on the Fusselman at Mesa Petroleum Co. No. 1-8 Foster in Sterling County and the well has been assigned to the W.A.M. (Fusselman) pool. Operator also reported a gas potential and in that zone the dual producer is assigned to the Conger (Pennsylvanian gas) field.

Earlier, the operator reported a Fusselman gas potential of 2,780,000 cubic feet per day. Operator amended the field from wildcat Fusselman gas to W.A.M. (Fusselman) oil. From the Fusselman oil zone, it finalized for a daily flowing potential of 26 barrels of 64-gravity oil and 3.5 barrels of water, through a 17/64-inch choke and perforations from 8,564 to 8,570 feet. As a gas well it had completed through perforations from 8,462 to 8,668 feet.

From the Pennsylvanian pay, the well finalized for a calculated absolute open flow potential of 4,930,000 cubic feet of gas per day, with a gas-liquid ratio of 34,101-1. Gravity of the fluid is 52 degrees.

Completion was through perforations from 7,745 to 7,804 feet.

Total depth is 8,670 feet and 5.5-inch casing is cemented on bottom. The plugged back depth is 8,595 feet.

Location is 660 feet from south and

1,875 feet from east lines of section 8, block T, T&P survey and 5.5 miles southwest of Sterling City.

GLASSCOCK WELL

Joy Petroleum Corp. of Midland No. 1 Books has been completed as a long northeast extension to the Garden City, West (Spraberry) field of Glasscock County, 2.5 miles northeast of Garden City.

The operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 42 barrels of 34.5-gravity oil, no water, through perforations from 6,716 to 6,736 feet. The pay was acidized with 5,500 gallons. Fracture treatment, if any, was not reported.

Total depth is 7,542 feet and 4.5-inch casing is set at 6,948 feet. The hole is plugged back to 6,903 feet.

Wellsite is 660 feet from south and west lines of section 13, block 34, T-4-S, T&P survey and 2.5 miles northeast of other production in the field.

HOCKLEY CHANGE

Wheeler Properties of Fort Worth has rescheduled its No. 114-67 A. A. Slaughter as a wildcat in Hockley County, four miles south of Claucene.

Originally started out on a 6,600-foot contract as a project in the Leeper (Glorieta) field, it now will be drilled to 10,700 feet as a wildcat.

The location is 467 feet from south and 2,347 feet from east lines of section 67, block 36, Zavalla County School Land survey.

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pool and one mile southeast of production in the four-well Pitzer (Delaware gas field).

Scheduled as No. 2-103 Texfel, it is to drill to 6,750 feet, and the location is 2,080 feet from northeast and 760 feet from southeast lines of section 103, block 34, H&TC survey.

EDDY WILDCAT

Yates Petroleum Corp. of Artesia, N.M., announced location for a 10,400-foot wildcat in Eddy County, nine miles northwest of White City.

It is No. 1-KG North Crooked Creek Federal, 1,650 feet from south and 2,310 feet from east lines of section 27-23s-24e. Elevation at drillsite is 3,860 feet.

The site is one and one-quarter miles southeast of the same operator's No. 1-KO Rio Pecos-Federal Communitized, an active 9,985-foot wildcat. It also is one and five-eighths miles southeast of the Rock Tank (Morrow gas) pool.

MORROW WELL

Boyd Operating Co. of Roswell, N.M., has completed its No. 1 Murphy as a new well in the McMillian, East (Morrow gas) pool of Eddy County.

It finalized for a calculated absolute open flow of 3,742,000 cubic feet of dry gas per day, through perforations from 10,879 to 10,887 feet.

Total depth is 11,100 feet and the plugged back depth is 11,028 feet. Operator set 4.5-inch casing on bottom.

Wellsite is 660 feet from south and

FMC plans new plant

BROWNWOOD — FMC Corp. announced it will build a manufacturing facility for valves and wellhead products at Brownwood.

The announcement was made by Charles T. Jones, vice president and general manager for FMC's Petroleum Equipment Group headquartered in Houston.

Plans call for a 90,000-square foot facility, combining office and manufacturing space, located close to Brownwood's southern boundary, off Highway 377.

Construction will begin immediately, with completion scheduled for early 1980. When fully operational, the plant will employ approximately 300.

Eklaw pool gets project

C. F. Lawrence & Associates, Inc., of Midland No. 3 Williams will be dug one one-quarter mile east and slightly south of production in the six-well Eklaw (San Andres oil) pool of Crockett County.

The 1,500-foot test is 1,211 feet from south and 330 feet from west lines of section 38, block OP, GC&SF survey and 14 miles north of Ozona.

Saxon spots stepout test

Saxon Oil Co. of Midland No. 1-9-A-9 University is a new test 1/2 mile south of production in the Spraberry Trend Area pool of Reagan County, 12 miles northwest of Big Lake.

Location is 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 9, block 9, University Lands survey. It will drill to 7,850 feet.

HNG finals Ward oiler

HNG Oil Co. of Midland No. 2-113 Feldman, scheduled as a 6,650-foot Ward County wildcat operation, has been completed from the Canyon and assigned to the Rhoda Walker (Canyon 5900) field.

It is one location east of the same operator's No. 1-113 Feldman which was completed as a long west extension to the field.

No. 2-113 Feldman was completed on the pump for 48 barrels of 41-gravity oil and 180 barrels of water, through perforations from 6,452 to 6,530 feet after a 12,000-gallon fracture job.

Total depth is 6,660 feet and 4.5-inch casing is cemented at 6,550 feet. The plugged back depth is 6,590 feet.

Location is 2,173 feet from north and 2,000 feet from east lines of section 113, block 34, H&TC survey and seven miles southwest of Pyote.

Rial finals Reagan oil discovery; New Mexico gas strikes potential

Rial Oil Co. of Midland has completed a Spraberry sand oil discovery in Reagan County, an Upton County pay has been reopened by re-classification, and two discoveries have been completed in Lea County, N.M.

In addition, four southeast New Mexico wildcats have been announced, and a wildcat project staked in Irion County.

The Rial discovery in Reagan County is the No. 1-8 Gulf-State.

The operator reported a daily pumping potential of 24 barrels of 35-gravity oil, plus 10 barrels of water, through perforations from 6,731 to 6,737 feet. The gas-oil ratio is 900-1.

The well was drilled to 7,420 feet and 4.5-inch casing was cemented on bottom.

The Spraberry pay was topped at 6,731 feet on ground elevation of 3,736 feet. The Jo Mill (Spraberry) was hit at 6,810 feet and the Dean at 7,367 feet.

The well is 5/8 mile southwest of a 10,900-foot dry hole and 4.5 miles southeast of the Big Lake (Spraberry) pool.

The wellsite is 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 8, block 8, University Lands survey and seven miles west of Big Lake.

UPTON REOPENER

The Davis (Devonian oil) pool of Upton County, 24 miles northwest of Rankin, has been reopened with the reclassification of a pair of former Devonian gas wells to oil producers.

MGF Oil Corp. of Midland No. 1 TXL, listed as the reopener, completed through Devonian perforations from 11,786 to 11,920 feet, flowing through a 14/64-inch choke, for a 24-hour potential of six barrels of 50.1-gravity oil. The gas-oil ratio is 33,033-1.

Hole is bottomed at 13,100 feet in the Ellenburger and plugged back to 12,000 feet.

The well is one location southwest of the depleted Davis (Devonian oil) discovery, and 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 17, block 41, T-5-S, T&P survey.

One location south of No. 1 TXL, MGF reclassified its No. 1-B G. R. Davis from gas to oil.

As an oiler, it finalized for a daily flowing potential of seven barrels of 51.3-gravity oil, with a gas-oil ratio of 21,871-1, through a 12/64-inch choke and perforations from 11,760 to 11,982 feet.

Location is 660 feet from north and 2,037 feet from west lines of section 20, block 41, T-5-S, T&P survey.

LEA DISCOVERY
HNG Oil Co. of Midland No. 1-28 State has been completed as an Atoka gas discovery in Lea County, N.M., 17 miles southeast of Majamar.

The operator reported a calculated absolute open flow potential of 8,173,000 cubic feet of gas per day, with a shut-in wellhead pressure of 4,756 pounds.

On four-point gauges, the strike flowed through a 1.5-inch opening, with the flows ranging from 34,000 to 2,538,000 cubic feet of gas per day.

The strike is 1.5 miles northwest of the Shoe Bar (Morrow gas) field and 2.5 miles southeast of the Townsend (Atoka gas) pool.

Total depth is 13,055 feet and 5.5-inch casing is set on bottom. Wellsite is 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 28-16s-35e.

UNION STRIKE

Union Oil Co. of California, operating from Midland, has completed its No. 1 Laguna Deep Unit-Federal as a Morrow gas discovery 20 miles southeast of Majamar in Lea County.

It finalized for a daily flowing potential of 2,040,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through a 20/64-inch choke and perforations from 13,365 to 13,369 feet. The flowing tubing pressure was 4,250 pounds. Total depth is 14,754 feet and three-inch liner is set on bottom.

Location is 1,650 feet from north and 1,900 feet from east lines of section 35-19s-33e and two and three-quarter miles southwest of the Quail Ridge, South (Morrow gas) pool.

PHOENIX WILDCAT

Phoenix Resources Co. spotted its No. 1 Ranch Road as a 6,600-foot wildcat in Chaves County, N.M., 20 miles southwest of Hope.

It is 3/4 mile southeast of the same operator's No. 1 Buckhorn Canyon, an active wildcat which is being tested "tight."

Drillsite for the new test is 660 feet from north and 1980 feet from west lines of section 20-19s-20e. Ground elevation is 4,849 feet.

The location is six miles west of an unnamed Morrow gas field in Eddy County. That pool is the westernmost Morrow production in New Mexico and was discovered by Phoenix No. 1 Gardner Draw Unit.

McCLELLAN PROJECT

McClellan OH Corp. of Roswell, N.M., No. 1 J.J.-Federal is a new 4,600-foot wildcat in Chaves County, 14 miles northeast of Roswell.

Scheduled to test the Abo, it is 1,980 feet from south and 660 feet from east

lines of section 1-10s-25e and 3/4 mile west of McClellan and J. Penrod Toles No. 1 Penjack, recently completed Abo gas discovery which was completed through perforations from 4,314 to 4,334 feet.

IRION EXPLORER

Meador Properties of Midland No. 1-3076 Shelton is a new 7,800-foot wildcat in Irion County, 17 miles northwest of Mertzon.

Location is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 3076, block 28, H&TC survey. Elevation at drillsite is 2,250 feet.

The location is one and five-eighths miles southeast of the Ela Sugg (Wolfcamp oil and gas) field and one and one-eighth miles north of the Tom Ketchum (Canyon oil and gas) pool.

MESA STEP-OUT

Mesa Petroleum Co. of Midland No. 2 Gardner-State is to be drilled 1/2 mile east of the same operator's No. 1 Gardner-State, recently completed Morrow gas discovery in Eddy County, 20 miles west of Lakewood.

Scheduled for an 8,000-foot bottom, it is 1,980 feet from south and 660 feet from east lines of section 8-19s-23e.

RIG SKIDDED

Amoco Production Co. has skidded rig at its No. 1-M Ida Hendrick, scheduled 20,000-foot project in the Apollo (Ellenburger gas) field of Winkler County, three miles northwest of Wink.

Operator had drilled to 4,090 feet. The new location is 1,412 feet from north and 1,383 feet from east lines of section 47, block 27, psi survey and one and one-eighth miles northeast of production.

The project now is being operated as the No. 1-A-M Ida Hendrick.

CONFIRMER FINALS

HNG Oil Co. of Midland No. 1-35-A University has been completed as the second well in the University Block 21 (Brushy Canyon oil) pool of Winkler County, three miles southwest of Wink.

One location south of the same operator's No. 1-21-35 University, the pool discovery well, No. 1-35-A was finalized for a daily pumping potential of 40 barrels of 41-gravity oil, plus 200 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio is 1,000-1. Completion was through perforations from 7,501 to 7,564 feet after a 3,000-gallon acid treatment.

Total depth is 8,025 feet and 4.5-inch pipe is cemented at 8,020 feet. The plugged back depth is 7,605 feet.

Wellsite is 1,980 feet from south and 660 feet from east lines of section 35, block 21, University Lands survey.

AAPL head commends Carter move on controls

FORT WORTH — American Association of Petroleum Landmen President Harold D. Carter has commended President Jimmy Carter's move to eliminate oil and gas price controls and to reduce the regulatory red tape that has burdened the energy industry for so long.

He opposed, however, his Robin Hood approach of taking from the energy producers and giving to the poor.

Representing the 7,700-member Association headquartered in Fort Worth, Landman Carter said he believes "the energy industry would be in agreement with incentive taxes to spur exploration efforts, but I think it is totally unfair for the government to impose taxes on the industry before it has had an opportunity to reinvest its funds in increased exploration.

"I don't see this as a means to correct our underlying problem which is to find new reserves. Every dollar

taxed in this manner is defeating the purpose of decontrol. Increased price of oil and gas will add revenue to the federal treasury simply through the corporate income tax system."

He also stated that "in a free society it is not the government's role to tell the private sector how, or if, to diversify its investments in other industries. The President's suggestion that an oil company should not invest in a department store or hotel is not only offensive but it is against the American way of life."

President Carter's proposed Energy Security Fund, according to the AAPL President Carter, may prove to be a reversal of his original intent to reduce bureaucratic controls. He believes "we should allow those best able to surge forward in increased exploration and alternate energy research and development to do so — and that, historically, has been in the private sector, not government."

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY

Hanley Co. No. 5-12-A University, 12 1/2 feet, set 4 1/2 inch casing at total depth, moved off rig, preparing to log and perforate.

CHAVES COUNTY

Flag-Redfern No. 1-A Hahn-Federal, 14 1/2 feet, pumping; no gauges, recovered 143 barrels of total water, through perforations from 1,960 to 4,907 feet.

Depco, Inc. No. 1 Brodar, 9,380 feet, pumping logs.

CROCKETT COUNTY

Southland Royalty No. 1-18 Todd, drilling 911 feet in blue shale.

DAWSON COUNTY

Southland Royalty No. 1 Vandivere, drilling 6,880 feet in lime and shale.

EDDY COUNTY

Southland Royalty No. 1-23-A State, 12 1/2 feet, shut down due to high wellhead pressure.

Mesa Petroleum Co. No. 1 Calclaw, 7,700 feet, made 30 swab runs, recovered 143 barrels of total water, through perforations from 4,800 to 4,897 feet.

Delta Service No. 1-A Villa, drilling 1,126 feet in lime and anhydrite.

David Fasken No. 4 Shell-Federal, 10,810 feet in shale, preparing to log and perforate.

Pennoil Co. No. 1-24 Aid-State, drilling 5,200 feet in lime and shale.

Hondo Drilling No. 1 Hondo-Kelly, drilling 4,648 feet.

FISHER COUNTY
General Crude No. 1-4 Newhouse, 14,280 feet, moving off rotary.

GAINES COUNTY
Mobil No. 1 Henry Jenson, 1,450 feet, moving off rotary.

David Fasken No. 1-D Duss, 11,100 feet in lime, preparing to take drillstem test.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY
John L. Cox No. 1 Irma Wraga, drilling 928 feet.

HOCKLEY COUNTY
Cities Service No. 1-E Roberts, drilling 4,800 feet in lime and dolomite.

Dyno Petroleum No. 2 Lockett, 14 1/2 feet, coring.

HOWARD COUNTY
Florida Gas No. 1 Reed, 11,915 feet in redbeds, set 13 1/2 inch casing at 310 feet.

Cola Petroleum No. 1 Reid, drilling 2,300 feet in anhydrite and salt.

IRION COUNTY
Lacy & Byrd No. 1-C Rocker B, drilling 4,116 feet in shale.

Meador No. 1-3060 Burney, 17,481 feet, waiting on completion unit.

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Grace Petroleum No. 1 Whitten-Federal, 12,248 feet, tripping.

Enitor No. 1 Union-Federal, 12,215 feet, set 9 1/2 inch casing at total depth.

Delta Drilling No. 1 Delta Unit-State, drilling 2,545 feet.

Gulf No. 1-30 Lee State, 16,800 feet, rigged up and pulled bottom hole pressure bombs and shut in.

Gulf No. 1-D Lansdale-Federal, drilling 12,875 feet in lime, shale and sand, continuing drillstem test from 12,807 to 12,817 feet, 60 minute initial shut in, 30 minute final flow open with

UPTON COUNTY

Laguna No. 1-B Fulmer, 14,800 feet, recovering log, perforations not reported.

John L. Cox No. 1-B Andover, 14,455 feet, coring cut core No. 1 from 1,960-4,000 feet, recovered 43 feet, no show.

John L. Cox No. 1-28 Half, drilling 2,620 feet.

John L. Cox No. 1-12 Nell, drilling 3,440 feet.

John L. Cox No. 1 Half Trust, 17,180 feet, conditioning mud to run logs.

WARD COUNTY

Hison Drilling Co. No. 1 Julie, 14,670 feet, preparing to run 4 1/2 inch casing.

HNG No. 2-113 Feldman, 14,600 feet, 6,452 to 6,530 feet, fractured with 12,000 gallons and 12,000 pounds, initial potential pumping 48 barrels of oil per day, and 180 barrels of water in 24 hours, gravity 41.4, gas-oil ratio 739-1.

Adobe No. 4 Barstow, drilling cement 6,800 feet, set 4 1/2 inch casing at 6,850 feet, canyon perforations from 6,452 to 6,530 feet, fractured with 12,000 gallons and 12,000 pounds, initial potential pumping 48 barrels of oil per day, and 180 barrels of water in 24 hours, gravity 41.4, gas-oil ratio 739-1.

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