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# Carter wants higher energy price

Carter is asking a wary Congress to world price of over \$13 a barrel to curb America's big appetite for energy by making gasoline, heating oil, natural gas — and heavy cars —

much more expensive. "Reward those who conserve and panalize those who waste," the President pleaded in his first sppech to a joint session of Congress — his second television appearance this week to warn of a "catastrophe" when world oil supplies dwindle in gallo the 1980s.

The Democrats who run Con-

gress welcomed him with a standing ovation but thin applause for his specifics. They promised to give his

ideas a fair hearing.

House speaker Thomas O'Neill, who supports Carter's program, foresaw a bruising fight. Congress' past differences with Carter over dams and taxes were mere skirmishes, he said: "This is the bat-

Congressional uneasiness was most apparent over a gradual gasoline tax increase of as much as 57 cents a gallon by 1988. Ameri-cans burn 7 million gallons of gasoline a day, much of it driving to and from work.

"I am not willing to vote a tax on people who face a real struggle to pay their present gasoline bills," said Rep. Paul Simon, D-Ill., in a typical comment.

To take the sting from the taxes he proposed and to avoid causing a depression, Carter's plan would re-turn to the taxpayers the billions collected in new energy taxes.

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form of tax cuts, rebates and rewards for those who conserve fuel, insulates homes and tap the sun for heat with solar energy systems.
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✓ A heavy wellhead tax on domestic oil to bring its price to the

encourage conservation.

✓ Starting with 1970 model cars those going in showrooms this fall, an attack on the American status symbol — the big V8 — with taxes of from \$52 to \$449 on gas guzzlers The tax would reach nearly \$2,500 by 1985 on low mileage cars. Rebates of as much as \$500 would be paid buyers of cars that get 39 miles to the

✓ Standby authority to ration

petroleum reserve of one billion galons or a 10-month supply, to cope with a new oil embargo

✓ A goal of reducing total gasoline conumption through a tax of 5 cents per gallon in 1979 and every year that consumption in-

√ Tax credits of as much as \$410 for home owners who install storm windows and insulation and of up to \$2,200 for those willing to spend \$7,400 or more to install solar heat-

ing systems. A 10 per cent tax credit to businesses for investments in conservation measures.

✓ Reform of utility rates to eliminate discounts to high-volume customers and to offer lower rates to those who use electricity at night, when demand is lowest.

✓ New emphasis on coal and coal research, with a tax, starting in 1979, on large industries that refuse to

switch from oil or gas to coal. ✓ Continued price controls on oil, but a minimum price for natural

Carter would retain encourage conservation prices through the ne taxes with the billion turned to consumers

For the time being, jected a favorite propo — legislation to brea giants. But he proposed profits and performan relies upon the industry

# Carter highlights proposals

United Press International WASHINGTON—Highlights of President Carter's energy program:

### Gasoline tax

The federal gasoline tax, now 4 cents a gallon, would go up a nickel starting Jan. 15, 1979, if gasoline use increases by 1 per cent or more over a set target in 1978. Another nickel would be added on if consumption rises 1 per cent or more over the target in 1979 and then a nickel each year consumption does not decrease through 1987.

The maximum effect could be a 50-cent-a-gallon tax increase plus 7 cents a gallon from oil taxes reflected in gasoline. But the tax could be reduced 5 cents. a year if consumption declines.

#### New Cars

Taxes would be imposed on new cars that are not fuel efficient and rebates would be given for ears that get good mileage. The figures are based on a sliding scale starting with 1978 models this fall and going through 1985.

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miles a gallon next fall would be taxed \$449, and a car geting 39 miles per gallon or an electric car would get a \$473 rebate. By 1985, however, the maximum rebate would be \$493 and the maximum tax would be \$2,488.

## Insulation rebates

To encourage insulation, homeowners could get a tax credit of up to \$410 if they spent up to \$2,200 in a single year between April 20, 1977, and Dec. 31, 1984, on conservation measures such as insulation or weatherstripping. Businesses could get a 10 per cent tax credit for such improvements. There would be a tax credit of up to \$2,000 for expenses of \$7,400 in a year on certain solar energy equipment for both houses and

#### Income tax

Money collected from gasoline and auto taxes would be rebated to Americans through the income-tax system and by direct

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pay taxes.

## Natural gas

Prices could go up to a maximum \$1.75 per thousand cubic feet at the beginning of 1978 and federal jurisdiction would be extended to intrastate production. The emergency power the President got this year to require sharing of scarce supplies, through allocation or-ders, would be extended three

#### Domestic oil

Oil would be taxed so that over a three-year period its prices would reach the world price, now \$13 to \$14 a barrel. The ultimate size of the strategic oil reserve would be doubled to 1 billion barrels.

#### Conservation

Industries and utilities would be required in some instances to switch from natural gas and oil to coal. Gas used by industries and utilities would be taxed to the

nate fuels, and indus utility use of oil would at a flat rate starting at 90 barrel in 1979 for indust \$1.50 a barrel in 19 utilities.

Natural gas would be ited from use in new bo existing facilities with the to switch to coal would b to make the switch, ited temporary exce New coal-fired plant have to install the best a controls on pollution.

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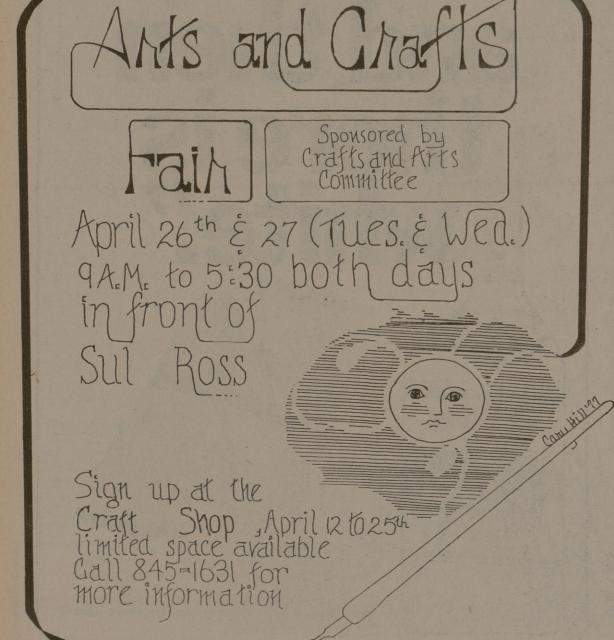
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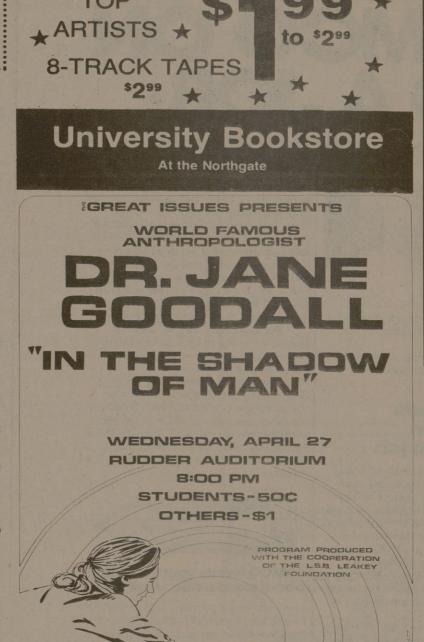
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