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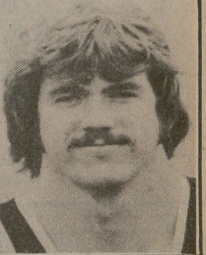
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Border-line winners

Tim Scott, who appears very able to put the shot and throw the discus, is part of the Aggie track team that won the Border Olympics this weekend in Laredo. See page 7.



Iran resumes exporting of oil

United Press International
TEHRAN — Iran resumed pumping oil to the world Monday for the first time in 69 days, loading a supertanker bound for Japan with 230,000 tons of crude in the government's most tangible demonstration of its authority.

But the symbolic return to normal contrasted with the execution of seven more top officials of the ousted royal regime, including four generals, two officials of the SAVAK secret police and a member of the defunct parliament.

The resumption of oil exports was timed to coincide with the 12th anniversary of the death of Mohammed Mossadegh, the anti-shah premier who nationalized Iran's petroleum industry in 1951.

The resumption marked a major breakthrough for Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and his hand-picked Prime Minister, Mehdi Bazargan, who overcame opposition from the radical left wing said to be in control of some key oil installations.

Officials said the total oil production for Monday topped 1.7 million barrels, just about all of it bound for the holds of the supertanker World Ambassador at the offshore Abadan terminal off Kharg Island in the Persian Gulf.

Hassan Nassir, chief of the Iranian Oil Co., personally started the oil flowing for the first time in 69 days, since Iran's 60,000 oil workers went on strike to press for the oust of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi.

In Tokyo the buyers of the oil being loaded Monday, Mitsui and Co., declined comment on the price, but industry sources said it agreed to pay \$20 a barrel for Iranian light and \$18.50 for Iranian heavy. The price was well above the \$13.33 a barrel set by Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Chief government spokesman Abbas Amir Entezam said the maximum production target — about 6 million barrels a day — was set "to demonstrate our capabilities" but he emphasized that the export level would be "readjusted in accordance with the country's real needs for oil revenue."

In Washington, an aide to Energy Secretary James Schlesinger said, "I would be enormously skeptical about any number like that (nearly 6 million barrels a day). Our expectations have been, given the fact that foreign technicians have been required, 2 million to 3 million barrels. Iran has an internal need of 700,000 barrels. That number has to be looked on with some very major scrutiny."

Four other tankers awaited their turn for oil, the second of which was to be loaded Monday afternoon and bound for Rotterdam. Officials said it will receive 160,000 tons light and 160,000 tons of heavy crude.

The Kayhan newspaper, in an oil analysis last week, said Iran would draw on 6 million barrels of crude oil in storage tanks on Kharg Island and other offshore export terminals to bridge the period of time required for the resumption of full production.

In Ahmababad, 60 miles west of Tehran, there was a massive tribute for

Mossadegh, who was buried there during the shah's reign without honors. But Monday, Iranians representing a wide spectrum of political opinion, led by Premier Bazargan and his entire Cabinet, joined in the tribute.

In 1953, forces backing Mossadegh briefly seized power from the shah, forcing him to flee. But within days royalist forces counterattacked in a move widely attributed to CIA intervention. The years after Mossadegh's oust marked an increase of the shah's power.

Even as oil poured into World Ambassador, a revolutionary Islamic court executed seven more supporters of the ousted regime, bringing to at least 24 the number of known summary death sentences carried out by Khomeini's revolutionary courts.

China claims pullout; Viets deny report

United Press International
China formally announced Monday that it has succeeded in punishing Vietnam and is withdrawing its invasion forces back into China. Vietnam insisted that there was no pullout and promised to continue the fighting.

The official New China News Agency said in a dispatch from Peking that beginning Monday, all Chinese frontier troops are withdrawing to Chinese territory.

"Chinese frontier troops," the agency said, "have attained the goals set for them since they were compelled to launch a counterattack in self-defense on Feb. 17 against ceaseless armed provocations and incursions of the Vietnamese aggressors against China."

The withdrawal statement coincided with every available report from Hanoi indicating Vietnam would attack the withdrawing Chinese.

Military analysts in Bangkok said the withdrawal could be the toughest part of the Chinese offensive. Vietnamese forces, they said, almost certainly will attack the troops and try to turn withdrawal into a rout.

To protect against this, the Chinese statement warned that the Vietnamese "must make no more armed provocations and incursions along the Chinese border after the withdrawal of the Chinese frontier troops."

"The Chinese government solemnly states that the Chinese side reserves the right to strike back again in self-defense in case of a recurrence of such Vietnamese activities."

But in sharp contrast with the slashing criticism of Vietnam, the Chinese statement asked Hanoi to "speedily hold negotiations to discuss ways of ensuring peace and tranquility along the border."



It begins with a flame . . .

Battalion photo by Lee Roy Leschper Jr.

And flameworker Shane Stead brings to life another of his creations. Stead, from Houston, is set up in the Memorial Student Center all this week selling and displaying his work. And he will create "anything from a pregnant angel to a hunchback with a chicken head." Stead started

flameworking as a hobby about 20 years ago and it is now his full-time occupation. He travels around molding glass tubes in an oxygen-propane flame to make ships, dragons, crucifixes, sombreroed campesinos taking their siestas and a menagerie of glass animals.

U.S. proposals unacceptable to Knesset

Carter to meet with Sadat in Egypt

United Press International
WASHINGTON — President Carter will fly to Egypt Wednesday and on to Israel Saturday in hopes of salvaging a Middle East peace, the White House announced Monday.

"Without a major effort such as this, the prospects for failure are almost overwhelming," White House press secretary Jody Powell told reporters.

Carter will meet with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and with Israeli officials, Powell said. But he said there are currently no plans for three-way meetings involving Carter, Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

"The President believes that we must not allow the prospects for peace which seemed so bright last September to continue to dim and perhaps to vanish," a

White House statement said. "If we do, the judgment of history and of our children will rightly condemn us."

The announcement came after Carter made further peace proposals to Israel, which were not accepted by the Israeli Cabinet. Carter also held a 10-minute meeting with Begin in the Oval Office.

The Israeli Cabinet Monday accepted two proposals made by Prime Minister Menachem Begin designed to break the deadlock in the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty talks but failed to approve the two American suggestions.

Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin announced the decision of the Cabinet following a five and one-half hour special session.

There was no indication of the nature of Begin's suggestions or how closely they resembled the two American proposals

presented to Begin by President Carter Sunday.

The communique quoted Yadin as saying he "stressed that the Cabinet had approved the prime ministers suggestions and not the American recommendations."

Powell said Carter's meeting with Sadat, scheduled for Thursday afternoon, has been set up to provide Sadat "opportunity to discuss these ideas and difficult issues unresolved."

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin met with Carter for about 10 minutes, and Powell spoke with reporters afterwards.

Begin discussed where the negotiations go from here during his brief meeting with Carter in the Oval Office, Powell said.

"Israel has responded favorably to American suggestions to help resolve some remaining differences," said Powell.

Israeli officials in Washington said the American suggestions that were not accepted by the Israeli Cabinet are:

—One dealing with Article 6 of the proposed Israel-Egypt treaty text, which deals with the other treaty obligations that both nations have. Egypt has insisted on language which would give its defense obligations to the Arab League precedence over the Israeli treaty.

—A change in the protocol accompanying the treaty that would clarify the issues left unsettled in the text, including proposal of a "target date" for setting up Palestinian self-rule in Israeli occupied territories.

Begin earlier called Egypt's demand to give precedence to its Arab defense commitments "a breach of the treaty" and said that would make the treaty a "sham document."

Publishing company opened as necessity, professor says

By KEVIN D. HIGGINBOTHAM
Battalion Reporter

For Dr. Paul Christensen, establishing his own publishing company wasn't the culmination of a life's dream. It was more a matter of necessity.

"I never thought it would be necessary," said Christensen, an English professor at Texas A&M University. "Now I see it is not only necessary but as a sort of missionary work."

"I grew up naively about writing. I always thought that if you had the talent you'd get published."

"If anything the avenues of print today are closed except to a few. The names never change on the big presses; Mario Puzo's always on it, Michener's always on it and the diet and sex manuals are always on it," he said.

"As long as the situation persists where a large nation is not publishing its writers, there will be these home remedies."

The Cedar House Press is Christensen's home remedy for the Southwest.

Along with his wife, his brother-in-law, another poet in Austin and several others, Christensen recently bought an old home in Bryan. He plans to move in and renovate it to house the press.

The home to be used for the press will be moved to an area cleared behind Christensen's house on South Sims Street in Bryan.

Everything is ready for the move except the weather, Christensen said. All that is needed now is about a week of sunshine to dry up the ground at the house's new site.

The Cedar House Press is an idea that has had to wait before, though. It is, in fact, an idea that was born two years ago on a mimeograph machine.

In 1977, Christensen, a poet himself,

published a book of his own poetry, "Old and Lost Rivers," to see how a venture of this sort would be received in the area.

According to Christensen, many small presses remain at the mimeograph stage their entire life. His first book was well-received, though, and gave him the impetus to expand his operation.

For the first year of operation the press will concentrate on publishing books of poetry, Christensen said. Books of prose will come later after the press is more established.

Christensen said that initially he will contact poets whose work he knows, and offer them a chance for publication. Later, however, Christensen said the press will begin accepting unsolicited works and rate each on its own merits.

"We're not interested in traditional poetry," he said. "Our emphasis will be spirit-of-place books — books which raise a specific awareness of an area."

Christensen has hopes of publishing at least four books of poetry during the first year of operation. Ideally the four books will reflect the Indian, the Hispanic, the native and the newcomer points of view in the Southwest, he said.

"We don't want the poet to just hint at something. We want him to be faithful in his work. In some way the poet and the place will be bound together; how he reflects his place will be the emphasis of the books."

Christensen said that after the first year the press will begin applying for grant money to subsidize the operation.

Grants up to \$6,000 a year are available through the National Endowment of the Arts for small presses. In order to qualify for the grant money, though, the small

press must first be in operation for at least one year.

"Presses like this rarely, if ever, get into the black," Christensen said. "You only make money by doing something that reinforces the status quo, rarely by challenging it — that's the nature of the American culture."

Christensen is not discouraged because of the bleak financial opportunities with his new press. He sees the venture more as something that has to be done than a way to make money.

He does, however, expect the press to generate some revenue through sales of subscriptions.

"The public should realize that in 10 to 15 years the small press will be their access to literature," he said.

Christensen described his printing equipment as small but commercial with four-color and good photographic capabilities.

The press will initially be run on an AM 1250 offset press, but there are plans to buy a small letterpress to be used for headlines and covers, he said.

The format, or overall appearance, of books will reflect the "simplicity, yet seriousness of our attitudes," Christensen said.

Several ideas currently under consideration are the use of natural inks and a type face that may be free-hand in style.

Future plans for the Cedar House Press include splitting the operation into two parts — one in Texas and one in Campeche, Mexico.

"Our sensibility is bi-national," Christensen said.

"We don't want to recognize national boundaries. We are, after all, talking about one earth."

KAMU opens Festival '79 successfully

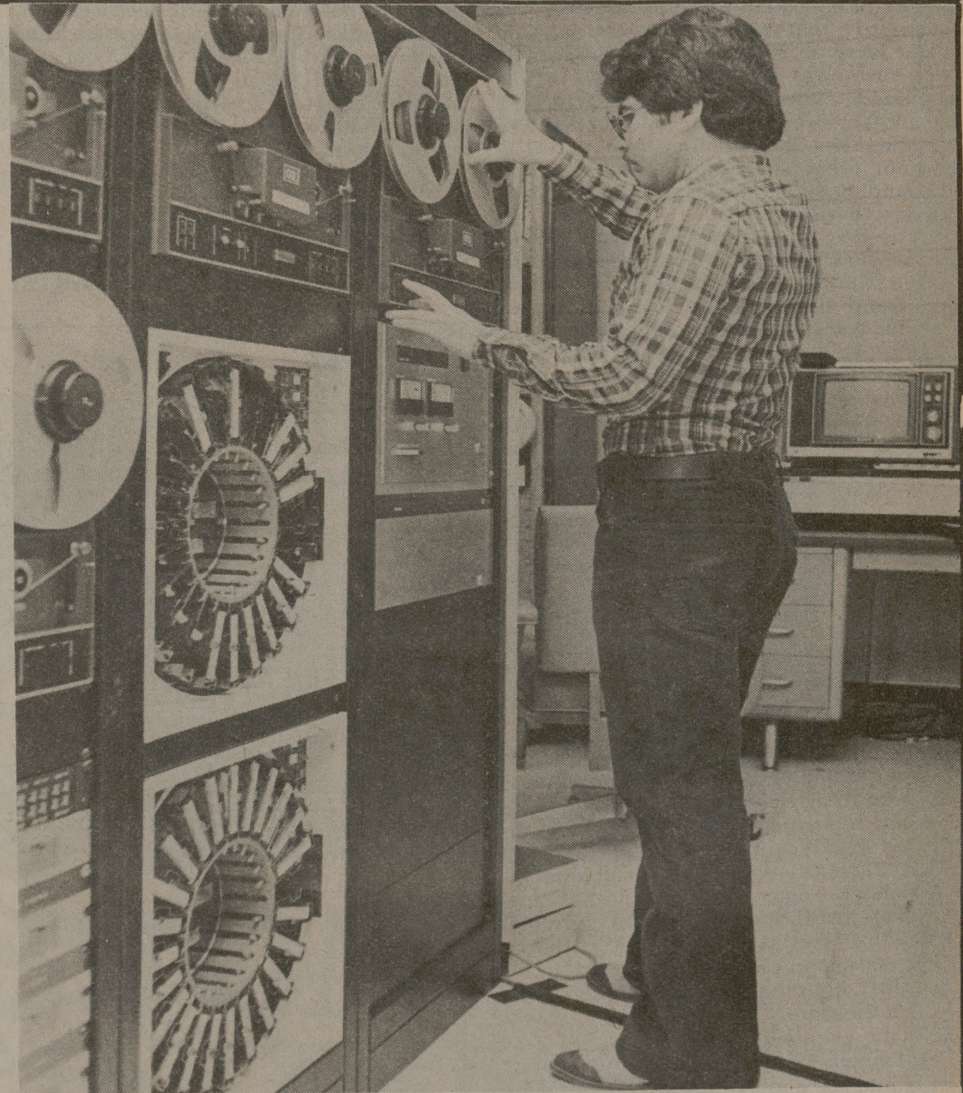
A first night total of \$410 was pledged to KAMU, Texas A&M University's public broadcasting affiliate, during the opening hours of Festival '79, two weeks of special programming aimed at creating greater interest in and support for local public television.

"The response from viewers thus far has been overwhelming," said Jean Herbert-Wiesenburg, promotion and development coordinator for the station. "The phones started ringing and just didn't stop until well after the conclusion of Saturday night's programs."

The best in PBS and local programs will continue to be presented through March 18 as part of the public broadcasting festival. The conclusion of Festival '79 will be a non-stop 28-hour marathon, featuring exceptional programs and live and prerecorded appeals from Bryan-College Station and various locations around the country.

The theme for the two-week event, according to Wiesenburg, is that public broadcasting offers "TV worth staying home for."

Persons interested in pledging support for public television should phone the station at 845-5611.



Angelo Russo, a senior industrial distribution major, loads 8-track tapes of recorded music into the automated tape player that performs most of the "disc jockey" chores at KAMU-FM, Texas A&M's educational radio station.

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