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acie Tips, a Texas A&M diver, s around Kyle Field Monday rnoon to stay in condition. Tips

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### Crisis seen if oil prices fall

United Press International WASHINGTON — A respected energy analysis group warns that a world oil price collapse would create wrenching adjustments and uncertainty that could set the stage for a future oil crisis

In a study released Sunday, the Boston-based Cambridge Energy Research Associates found that while the drop in OPEC prices to the current \$29 per barrel will result in many economic benefits, a sharp decline to \$20 or lower would produce an energy shock in reverse.

"The full significance of a drop to \$20 a barrel is not recognized," the report stated. "If oil prices were to fall to \$20 a barrel it would be an energy shock in reverse. Much of the successful adjustment to an unstable world oil market would be under-

"Nor would the story end here, for a collapse in oil prices now would initiate a further cycle in world oil markets, leading to another sharp rise in prices in the future," it added.

The research group, headed by Dr. Daniel Yergin of Harvard University, is a consulting firm specializing in energy market

The report was authored by Dr. Robert Dohner, an economist with the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. He has written extensively on the impact of oil shocks on the U.S. economy.

Yergin, a leading energy expert, said the study shows that a petroleum price drop to \$20 a avoid repeating the experibarrel could have disastrous ence," the study concluded.

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Those who eagerly await the deep drop have an optimistic view of the resiliency of economic institutions and human emotions when billions of dollars of investment are suddenly thrown into question," Yergin

The price of imported oil in the United States hit a peak of \$39 per barrel in 1981. By the third quarter of 1982, as the oil glut deepened because of the worldwide recession and increasing conservation, it was down to \$33.14.

Faced with widespread undercutting of official rates, OPEC eventually settled on \$29 per barrel as its benchmark

The study warned that oil importing nations may be tempted to push the price down further because OPEC's current compromise price is "in many ways a fragile one, and incentives to

cheat are strong."

Dohner advised that industrialized nations would be foolish to move aggressively against OPEC, because stable or gradually declining oil prices are most favorable to growth, and will keep the West far better prepared for a new oil crisis caused by political upheaval in the volatile Middle East.

"The cost in terms of unemployment and lost output of adjusting to the two oil shocks of the 1970s has been terrible, and we should go to great lengths to

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### Freeze vote goes to House

United Press International WASHINGTON — Signs indicate that the White House is preparing to wage a new, tougher assault on the nuclear freeze issue when it comes up for a vote in the House this

The House, which spent 13 hours debating the resolution March 16 before putting it off, is scheduled to renew consideration of the issue Wednesday.

In an apparent effort to keep attention focused on the freeze resolution, the White House Reagan has decided to delay endorsing any new plan for the intercontinental MX missile for prospects for passage are dim.

The concern is that more talk about the new nuclear weapon could fan interest in a freeze.

Administration claimed last week that recent leaks by an interagency panel accusing the Soviets of violating SALT II are part of an effort to undercut the freeze resolution.

Before last month's debate, the White House had privately written off the freeze resolution as a sure bet for passage, in part due to Democratic gains in the November elections, and did litsaid Saturday that President tle lobbying against it, expecting

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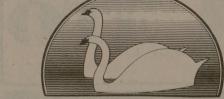
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