

# Conduct

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frequently during his four-year tenure.

His popularity as a guest conductor grew and during 1972 he conducted internationally in Holland, Sweden, Toulouse, Barcelona and with his own country's Spanish National Orchestra. The following year he conducted in England at the English Bach Festival and made his first recordings with Teresa Berganza and Placido Domingo.

Since then Navarro has toured various countries in Europe, dividing his time between operatic and symphonic conducting.

In August 1982 he made his American symphonic debut at the Hollywood Bowl and has appeared with the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the San Francisco

Symphony, the Saint Louis Symphony and the Minnesota Orchestra.

"Generally," Navarro says, "I like working with American and English orchestras much more than European ones."

European musicians usually are given lifetime appointments to orchestras, which Navarro says creates discipline problems. In England and the United States, they can lose their jobs.

Navarro says stepping before an orchestra for the first time is the most difficult moment a conductor faces.

"The orchestra is looking for what he is able to do," he says, "and he is looking for the same in them."

Navarro says he feels com-

fortable with the Chicago Symphony. With an orchestra of its quality, he says he doesn't feel he has to worry about himself.

"Not only is the orchestra of the best quality, but also their organization all around is...perfect!"

As for the future of classical music, Navarro is confident. "I'm sure that the classical music is safe."

He is, however, concerned with the European people's lack of support for the arts.

"Oh, I would be very happy if in Europe the people would support the music like the Americans support the music," he says.

Music in most European countries is supported mainly by the government, Navarro says.

"That's why we have so much bad music," he says.

Navarro has an open-mind for other types of music.

"Rock and roll and country music, I think, are very important for the people," he says. "It is impossible for everyone to like classical music. I think it is like everything in this world — all the possibilities for all the different tastes."

With a schedule that fills each moment through 1986, including a two-year engagement with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, Navarro says his life holds no time for hobbies.

Navarro and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday in Rudder Auditorium.

# Watermelon served to representatives

United Press International  
WASHINGTON — Although no record-breaker, a 197-pound watermelon is nonetheless a formidable specimen of Citrullus vulgaris culture.

Fully 4 feet long, it is bigger than the proverbial breadbox and, more than 2 feet thick, boasts a circumference to rival the girth of a pregnant alligator.

On a clear day, according to Rep. Beryl Anthony Jr., D-Ark., a watermelon that size is big enough to feed all 435 House members.

But it was raining Wednesday afternoon and Anthony, the official host, was the only congressman on hand for the ceremonial cutting of the whopper.

"Y'all come have some watermelon with us," he called to a couple of passers-by.

They declined the honor on grounds they had just finished lunch.

Actually, the watermelon Anthony cut only weighed in at 168 pounds. The 197-pound heavyweight and a 150-pound companion were kept intact for photographic

purposes and emergency tions. All three melons were brought here from Hope, Ark., for the congressional tasting. (Them'ol' watermelon patches in Hope, by the way, are just about 35 miles from Texarkana.)

The 1983 edition of Guinness Book of World Records lists a 200-pound watermelon grown in 1980 by Ivan and Lloyd Bright, also of Hope, the granddaddy of all watermelons.

# Watt apologizes for minority joke

United Press International  
WASHINGTON — Interior Secretary James Watt drew laughs when he told a business group Wednesday he has an advisory group loaded with minorities — "a black, a woman, two Jews and a cripple" — but he later apologized for the remark.

Describing his litany as "unfortunate," Watt said he had

apologized to Richard Gordon, a member of a special commission on coal leasing practices who has a paralyzed right arm.

Gordon, a professor at Penn State, said he was "disturbed" by Watt's remarks and wanted "to run this down until I know what's going on." He said Watt told him the comment was a "jocular characterization."

Julia Walsh, the woman on the five-member study panel, said, "I resent it being implied that I am the token woman."

One congressman lumped Watt with Earl Butz, Richard Nixon's agriculture secretary

who resigned after telling a racist, off-color joke.

Watt's comments came during a half-hour, off-the-cuff address attacking Congress, the press and "liberal Democrats," sparked by a Senate vote Tuesday putting a moratorium of federal coal leasing pending a review of the program.

The controversial secretary's breakfast audience, trade association executives at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, laughed when he told them the

review panel has "three Democrats, two Republicans — every kind of mix you can have."

"I have a black, a woman, two Jews and a cripple. And we have talent," Watt said.

One member of the audience asked the interior secretary after his talk whether the remark was ill-advised, considering President Reagan's problems attracting minority support.

Watt said the question "shows

that you don't have the ability to laugh at yourself."

"If you can't joke about things, you shouldn't be in Washington," he said.

Watt frequently has been a focus of controversy for expressing his political and religious beliefs.

Watt issued a statement mid-afternoon Wednesday saying his "choice of words" about the coal leasing commission today was unfortunate.

# Commission conducts hearings on proposed company merger

United Press International  
TOPEKA — The Williams Companies announced Wednesday it had signed a merger agreement to buy Northwest Energy Co. for more than \$800 million and several hours later refused to concede jurisdiction over the offer to Kansas utility regulators.

Nevertheless, the Kansas Corporation Commission held an investigatory hearing on the

proposed merger which commission Chairman Michael Lennen said was of "substantial public importance."

Lennen noted that Northwest Central Pipeline Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Northwest Energy, delivers one-half of the natural gas used in Kansas and is the largest purchaser of natural gas produced in Kansas. It also serves Missouri.

Northwest Central's system stretches from the Texas panhandle through Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and other Midwest states. Northwest Energy also owns Northwest Pipeline, which serves the northwest United States and would be assumed by Williams in the merger, which was announced in Tulsa, Okla.

"We do not concede jurisdiction," an attorney for the Wil-

liams Companies told the commission. "We are here in the spirit of cooperation."

Williams announced it signed a merger agreement with Northwest Energy, based in Lake City, which allows Williams to buy outstanding Northwest stock at \$39 per share.

Allen had offered \$31 share, while the book value of Northwest is \$21.77 per share.

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<b>TIME: 6:30 P.M.</b> Fun Run	Aerobics Track
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Racquetball Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	EK Cts. 1-8
Handball Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	EK Cts. 9-12
Coors Sports Bloopers II — Movie	EK Rm #274
Badminton Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	GRW #351
MSC Recreation Committee (table games)	EK Room #161
KAMU-FM Radio Station (Broadcasting live — 7 p.m.-midnight)	EK #303, #304
<b>CARNIVAL GAMES EXTRAVAGANZA</b> (7 p.m.-1 a.m.) (door prizes given away)	GRW #353
<b>TIME: 8:00 P.M.</b> Pickleball Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	GRW #351
Racquetball and Handball Tourney (in progress)	EK Cts. 1-14
Wheelchair Basketball Challenge (AHA)	EK #303
Bedsheet Volleyball (free play)	EK #303
Archery Demonstration and Instruction	EK #304
Table Games (MSC Rec. Committee)	EK #161
Table Tennis Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	EK Range
Radar Racquetball Serving	EK Ct. #7
Kayak Workshop (beginners welcome)	Cain Pool
Volleyball Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	EK #401, #404
Badminton Tourney (in progress)	GRW #351
<b>CARNIVAL GAMES EXTRAVAGANZA</b> (Door prizes to be awarded!!)	GRW #353
<b>TIME: 9:00 P.M.</b> Basketball Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	EK #303, DeWare
Sports Club Fair	EK #304
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<b>Country and Western Dance Lessons</b>	EK #268
<b>Pickleball Tourney (in progress)</b>	GRW #351
<b>Body Building Show</b>	GRW #266
<b>Judo Demonstration</b>	EK #304
<b>Volleyball Tourney (in progress)</b>	EK #401, #404
<b>Table Tennis Tourney and Free Play</b>	EK Range
<b>Tae Kwon Do Demonstration</b>	EK #304
<b>TIME: 11:00 P.M.</b> Basketball Tourney (in progress)	EK #303 DeWare EK #304 EK #304 GRW #256 EK #401, #404
Sports Club Fair	EK #304
Fencing Club Demonstration	EK #304
Powerlifting Exhibition	GRW #256
Volleyball Tourney (in progress)	EK #401, #404
Badminton & Pickleball Tourney Free Play	GRW #351
Table Tennis Tourney Free Play	EK Range
Racquetball Lessons (for beginners)	DeWare Cts. 23
Handball Lessons (for beginners)	DeWare Cts. 23
Handball and Racquetball Tourney Finals	EK Cts. 4-7
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<b>TIME: MIDNIGHT</b> Basketball Tourney (in progress)	EK #303 EK #401, #404
Volleyball Tourney Finals	EK #401, #404
Open Handball & Racquetball Play	EK & DeWare
Table Tennis Free Play	EK Range
<b>**CARNIVAL GAMES EXTRAVAGANZA**</b>	GRW #353
<b>TIME: 12:30 A.M.</b> <b>**COUNTRY AND WESTERN DANCE**</b>	GRW #351
<b>TIME: 1:00 A.M.</b> Basketball Tourney (in progress)	EK #303
Coors Sports Bloopers II — Movie	EK Room 274
Open Handball and Racquetball Play	EK & DeWare
Volleyball Tourney (sign-up 9/12-9/20)	EK #401
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<b>**COUNTRY &amp; WESTERN DANCING**</b>	GRW #351
Table Tennis Free Play	EK Range
Door Prize Giveaway	GRW #351
<b>TIME: 2:00 A.M.</b> Basketball Tournament Finals	EK #303
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<b>**COUNTRY AND WESTERN DANCING**</b>	GRW #351
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