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Gas well explodes, kills two workers

DIME BOX (AP) — Containment specialists will try today to penetrate the wall of blistering heat that has so far hindered efforts to extinguish a raging fire from a natural gas well explosion that killed two men.

The rig, owned by WCS Oil & Gas Inc. of Dallas, erupted in a series of three explosions Saturday night, creating a ball of fire nearly 40 feet in the air. Onlookers said the blaze illuminated the sky from 20 miles away.

Heat in excess of 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit permitted the workers to recover only one of the two bodies Sunday.

That body was being sent to the Travis County Medical Examiner's Office for identification based on dental records. Workers had yet to locate the body of the second victim, but hoped to do so today, Lee County Deputy Sheriff Adam Gonzales said.

"They're going to ... try to cool the fire down as much as they can to do some searching," he said. Members of Joe Bowden's Wild Well Control Inc., of Spring, Texas, said efforts may take from two to 10 days to extinguish the fire.

Workers used ear plugs to dampen the sound of the fire, which rivaled that of a jet engine or freight train.

"It'll probably take a week to get this fire out," said Pat Campbell, vice president of Joe Bowden's. "The gas doesn't pose much of a threat because everything is burning. You almost

have complete combustion. Everything else is dissipating into the air. It's quite safe."

Danny Anderson, the on-site manager for WCS, said the cause of the blast was still undetermined Sunday.

"We are trying to find out exactly what happened ourselves," he said. "We probably won't have any answers until we get in there and start moving some of the wreckage."

Three firefighters suffered minor burns in an unsuccessful attempt to get close enough to pull out one of the bodies.

"The body we saw was burned beyond recognition," said Spencer Schneider of the 26-member volunteer fire department from nearby Giddings.

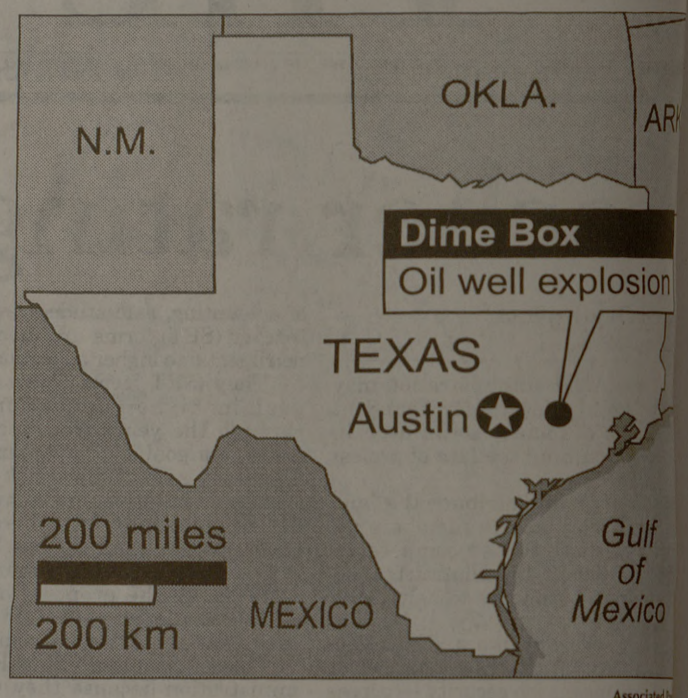
"From the looks of the mangled wreckage, he never knew what hit him," said Schneider, adding that the other body hadn't been spotted.

Firefighters kept a steady flow of water on two 8,000-gallon tanks of diesel fuel near the blaze.

"If we don't keep those tanks cool, we could have another explosion," Schneider said.

The initial blast at roughly 7:15 p.m. Saturday was followed by two more explosions, witnesses said. Rig workers had undergone a shift change at 7 p.m., and the two victims were out on the platform of the structure at the time of the first explosion, witnesses said.

The body firefighters were



able to locate was thrown roughly 35 feet by the blast. A skeleton crew of other workers at the rig was able to escape without injury, Gonzales said.

"We will talk to the employees who survived and conduct a thorough investigation as soon as we can recover the bodies and get the fire under control," Gonzales said.

The specialists from Joe Bowden's well company arrived at the blowout about 2 a.m. Sunday, digging a trench around the

rig to form a water-filled trench aimed at keeping the fire from spreading.

Later, they used cranes with long hooks and bulldozers to mangle metal from the area.

They brought in 12 water tanks the size of tractor trailer rigs.

The fire is in southeast Somerville, just west of FM 145 and eight miles southeast of Dime Box.

The well is 65 miles southeast of Austin.

Perot's run poses 'mortal threat' to Dole

A strong Reform Party ticket could hurt the GOP's chances in November

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another Ross Perot run for the presidency poses a "mortal threat" to Republican hopeful Bob Dole's chances of winning in November, GOP conservative Pat Buchanan said Sunday.

"If you have a very strong Reform Party," said Buchanan, who came in second to Dole in the Republican presidential primaries, "you've got a very serious problem in terms of winning the presidency."

Perot, who took nearly one-fifth of the vote, running as an independent, in the 1992 election, last week announced that he was willing to run again, this time at the head of the ticket of his Reform Party.

His announcement just a day

after Richard Lamm, the former Democratic governor of Colorado, said he was seeking the Reform Party nomination.

Buchanan expressed concern that the Reform Party would siphon off the "conservative populist" vote that backed him in the primaries.

"The Perot candidacy, as opposed to Governor Lamm, is a mortal threat to the Republican Party in 1996 because Ross Perot can win the Buchanan

voters," he said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Lamm, appearing earlier on the same program, said he was undeterred by Perot's entry into the race and said he would make a better third-party choice because Perot "is no longer the fresh and new face," Perot, he said "has built a party that is bigger than himself."

Lamm made clear that he is leaving the Democratic Party to support his new party, but emphasized that he would not take second place in a ticket under Perot.

Lamm also said he was interested in debating Perot, although he added that he and Perot agree on most issues and "I don't know that there is that much to debate about."



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