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**INTERIOR DEPARTMENT**

*The Interior Department has taken the first step that may lead to oil wells off the shores of the eastern states.*

*Interior asked the oil companies to propose specific areas for exploratory leasing. The Supreme court recently cleared the way by ruling that the Federal government and not the states owns the Atlantic off shore area.*

**POWER**

*Interior Secretary Morton proposed tonight that the Federal government subsidize the electric power industry on a temporary basis.*

*Speaking in Florida, Morton said a variety of subsidy proposals is under study.*

# TAX

*House and Senate conferees today began their efforts - at hammering out a new compromise tax cut bill. The two sides clashing almost immediately - over a number of special interest amendments voted by the Senate. House Ways and Means Chairman Al Ullman insisting, nevertheless they will agree on a new bill by tomorrow night.*

## SAN DIEGO

*A remarkable new treatment for two kinds of lymph gland cancer - is reported tonight from a science writers seminar in San Diego. The process - explained by Dr. Isaac Djerassi of Darby, Pennsylvania; who says he administers the poison methotrexate - and then its antidote, citrovorum; the two doses so timed that the patient's cancer cells are killed - but his normal cells remain undamaged.*

*Dr. Djerassi adds that the mortality rate for lymph cancer - can run as high as eighty-four per cent; but of twelve children he's treated this way - six are still alive from four-and-a-half to eight-and-half years later.*

The American Cancer Society says 10 thousand Americans will be afflicted this year with the kinds of cancer the Dr. is aiming at and of these, 78-hundred will die.

**VALDEZ**

**From Valdez, Alaska - an announcement today  
that the first completed section of the new Alaska pipeline -  
will be laid in place on Thursday. This to run about a third  
of a mile - underneath the nearby Tonsina River; <sup>and so</sup>  
~~leaving~~ only seven hundred ninety-seven and two-thirds miles  
- still to go.**