

# ***Gas bill signed***

A procedural gasline bill has been approved by both houses of Congress and sent to the White House. The bill directs the President to make a decision by Sept. 1, 1977, on a gasline route to take North Slope natural gas to the Lower 48. The Federal Power Commission would have until May 1, 1977, to make its recommendations to

the President, and appropriate agencies and state governors would have until July 1, 1977, to make comments. After the decision is made, Congress would have 60 days in which to approve the choice. If not approved, the President would have to submit another proposal.