UA Physicist Found Dead In Desert

James E. McDonald, 41, a prominent voice in the field of nuclear physics, was found dead in a desert area near Tucson yesterday.

McDonald, of 202 E. 1st St., was a senior physicist specializing in research at the University of Arizona's Institute of Atmospheric Physics. He was last seen at his home the evening before he was found dead.

James McDonald's death was a shock to his colleagues and family. He was a well-respected member of the scientific community.

The cause of death is still under investigation. Autopsy results are pending.

Quake Danger At Dams Seen

WASHINGTON (AP) - A report from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration says dams should not be built near active faults because the weight of water behind the dam can increase earthquake danger.

The report, a study of more than 2,000 earthquakes, states that seismic waves from faults can cause dams to collapse, leading to catastrophic failures.

The report recommends that new dams be built far from active faults to minimize the risk of failure.

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