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"Everybody's very upbeat all of a sudden." Other officials and analysts had similarly encouraging comments after Wednesday reports that showed industrial production rising a strong 0.9 percent in January while new housing construction was leaping a record 36 percent.

total of 510,000 Americans in the first week of February. Claims had risen the previous two weeks but had fallen sharply just before that. Guthrie, a senior economist with Wharton Econometrics, said recovery should mean increases in employment before long. But he also said the national unemployment rate could still rise slightly from January's 10.4 percent of the civilian work force before starting back down.

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The factory-use report said two long-hurting parts of U.S. heavy industry — motor vehicles and iron and steel — increased their capacity utilization substantially in January: 3.5 percentage points for iron and steel and 1.5 points for automobiles.

BRIEFLY

WASHINGTON — The banking industry, which is stepping on some sensitive toes with its battle against withholding taxes from savings accounts, is about to feel some pressure of its own.

WASHINGTON — Rita M. Lavelle, former head of the Environmental Protection Agency's much-investigated hazardous waste program, defied a House subpoena Thursday and was warned she may be held in contempt if she continues to defy "the will of the Congress."

WASHINGTON — The White House issued a qualifier to Reagan's statement Wednesday that he would not assert executive privilege over documents sought in the growing number of congressional investigations of EPA.

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Deputy press secretary Larry Speakes said Reagan envisioned turning documents over to the Justice Department for review of possible wrongdoing, not to Congress.

"This is not a witch hunt — we're not after anyone," Dole said in announcing the committee hearings. But, he said in a speech at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, "if somebody is paying 35 percent of income in taxes and you're paying zero, maybe you ought to pay a little."

Dole told the business leaders the best way to protect the individual and corporate tax cuts won in 1981 is to recognize that additional ways must be found to raise revenue to narrow the federal deficit. He repeated his assessment that the standby income-tax surcharge and oil tax proposed by President Reagan are dead.

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Hart, who engineered George McGovern's campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1972, is, at age 45, the youngest of the likely 1984 contenders.

In a speech from the steps of the Colorado state house, Hart said, "We now face a stark choice between national renewal or national decline."

"The next president must shape domestic policies that actually achieve progress — instead of perpetuating programs merely because there is a pressure group for them," he said.

With his wife Lee at his side, Hart spoke to about 500 cheering supporters. Facing the Rocky Mountains visible in the distance, the senator said he believes it is time for a Western candidate to have a serious shot at the White House.

Hart is the second Democrat after Sen. Alan Cranston of California to formally announce his presidential campaign.

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