

Police say . . .

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dren, Claude Wise, the dead woman's husband told a reporter: "I don't know what my reaction is," to the news the children may be alive.

"I've got a lot of mixed emotions," he said during a telephone interview from his home in Fairfield, Calif. "I was really overwhelmed. I got very joyous there for a while. For two days I felt good.

"Then I said 'wait a minute, Claude, don't get your hopes up too high.' I'm not going to let myself get too hopeful. Nothing is positive. I'm confused."

For him the nightmare began March 30, 1977, when he discovered his wife Beverly, 26, stabbed to death and slumped in a chair in their home here. The children, Brandi, then five, and Tiffany, then two, were nowhere to be found. Stacey Wise, the couple's 8-month-old girl, was sitting in the hallway, unharmed.

Brandi suffered from cystic fibrosis and required medication with each meal to enable her to digest her food properly. Her doctors had said that if she went without the medication for more than a few weeks, she would suffer from severe malnutrition and could die.

Investigators feared her abductor might not get medicine for her, but they were heartened somewhat by its easy availability.

Following the murder, police formed an 11-member task force and questioned more than 200 persons here, all over the country and in Mexico in connection with the case.

Both the backgrounds of Claude and Beverly were checked. Claude was questioned several times by police.

The family consulted psychics and traveled to Mexico in search of the children. Numerous sightings of the children were reported. But all leads fizzled and the momen-

tum of the case eventually slowed.

But police never gave up all hope. High emotions come into play when children are involved, because it makes the case "close to everyone's home," they said.

Cocke said Wednesday that "the renewed effort" into the investigation was prompted in September during a "routine, periodic review of the case."

During the review, Cocke said it was determined that Roy Summers was the prime suspect, so officers began checking information concerning him and contacted people in Northern California, Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Virginia.

Summers is currently in custody in Redmond, Ore., for investigation of assaulting his present wife, officials said.

Police were questioned by The Sun earlier this week because of a letter from Laura Summers of Boise, Idaho, who asked for clippings of stories on the case. They reluctantly disclosed they were again pursuing the case.

Cocke said he was "concerned about the vast opening up of in-

OPEC crude oil price will rise

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The Venezuelan energy minister said Wednesday the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will raise its crude oil price next month but will stay on the dollar standard.

"Yes, we are going to have an increase," Humberto Calderon-Berti said of the action expected at next month's OPEC meeting in Caracas, Venezuela. He declined to say how large an increase he expected.

"We don't believe we will change the dollar in the near future as a means of payment for crude oil, no matter what the pricing system is," he added.



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formation that might tend to reduce the probability of finding the children.

"Our primary concern is: Where are the kids and are they alive?" he said.

Laura Summers, who was married to Roy Summers in the summer of 1978, was interviewed one month ago by police about her ex-husband's whereabouts. She told a reporter this week she hadn't seen him since the marriage broke up and didn't know where he was.

But she said he had mentioned Beverly Wise to her. That, plus inquiries from police, prompted her curiosity about the stories, she said.

Leads in the investigation took detectives to Virginia, where witnesses recognized photos of the children and said they were alive during the summer of 1977.

Based on that information, police obtained a complaint from the district attorney's office here earlier this month for the arrest of Karen Carino. She was taken into custody by Fairfax County authorities and San Bernardino investigators flew to Virginia to interview her.

Cocke wouldn't disclose any information obtained from Carino. Extradition proceedings against her are pending.

Summers has been interviewed again, but Cocke said "no new leads have been developed."