

FE 13? - More likely Ht 0.07 - part of a draft. Whether we keep or not
March '81 in probable material. RB

IF the final is on file destroy this if not perhaps we should

wait before destroying from

GOLD

Price continued to fall, predominantly because of the

continued strength of the dollar and firmness of American interest rates.

There has been widespread liquidation of positions by Middle East
holders and many short positions have been built up. During
the past week Dresdner has been a very heavy seller, which has
increased the bearish sentiment.

However, some good quality buying interest has begun to
appear around the \$460-470 area and there has been a
revival of industrial demand. This may encourage the covering
in of some short positions.

Although the Middle East has been a net seller there
is one persistent buyer in the area.

South African sales & London market turnover normal. No
sign of the Chinese or Russians. We understand that Wachod
is using Astley & Pearce Zurich.

Sovereigns now at 7%. Now selling @ 60m p.week:
191b in demand (Italy). Last year sold 1.8 mn (13 tons; 35m u.wk.)