

PDF kills SOUTHCOM officer

Defense Secretary condemns action

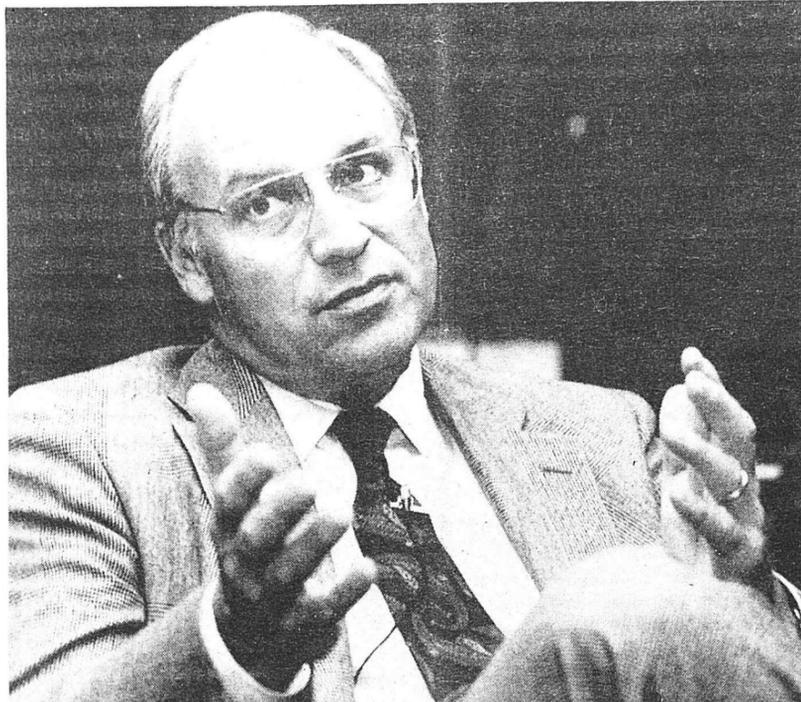
WASHINGTON (OSD/PA) -- Members of the Panamanian Defense Forces opened fire on a car carrying four U.S. military officers Saturday night, killing one American serviceman and injuring another. A third U.S. military officer, who witnessed the event, was detained and beaten by the PDF.

The four off-duty officers left the U.S. Army base at Fort Clayton Saturday night, unarmed and in civilian clothing, and drove in a privately owned car, heading for dinner in a popular downtown Panama City restaurant. On their way downtown, they got lost and unintentionally drove onto Avenue A, near the Panama Defense Force's headquarters, instead of Fourth of July Avenue, which connects U.S. military bases.

At 9:05 Saturday night, Panama time, they came to a PDF roadblock and were stopped by about five uniformed members of the PDF. A crowd of 30 to 40 civilians, spotting the U.S. license plates, swarmed toward the car. The PDF members reached through the open car windows, tugging at the servicemen's clothes and seat belts, and opened some of the car doors in an attempt to pull the Americans from their car.

The few cars ahead of the Americans at the roadblock were waved on, and one of the U.S. officers asked in Spanish why the Americans were being singled out. No answer was given. The driver of the car saw that the PDF weapons — AK-47's and automatic rifles — had been loaded and aimed at the Americans. Fearing for their safety, they closed the windows and drove away, past the roadblock.

As the car sped away, PDF soldiers opened fire on the Americans. One of the U.S. officers was wounded and another was grazed at the ankle by a bullet. The car drove to Gorgas Army Hospital, about five blocks from the U.S. Southern Command Headquarters at Quarry Heights where the wounded officer died about 15 minutes after arriving.



Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney (AP Laserphoto)

The names of the victims have not been released pending notification of their next of kin.

A U.S. Navy lieutenant and his wife had been stopped in their car about half an hour before the four officers arrived, at the same checkpoint on Avenue A. They got lost after dining out while heading home to the U.S. Naval Station at Rodman, on the west bank of the Panama Canal near Howard Air Force Base. PDF soldiers stopped their car, asked for their identification cards, and told them to pull over to the side of the street until their identification was checked.

While waiting in the car, the couple saw the four Americans arrive and later witnessed the PDF soldiers raise their weapons and aim at the officers' car as it started to speed away. The couple said the PDF then began to fire at the officers' car.

After the shooting, the PDF members returned to the waiting

Navy officer and his wife. They took the couple to a nearby PDF office, blindfolded them with masking tape, and drove them in the back of a pickup truck to another location, which the Navy officer believed to be the PDF headquarters. The couple was interrogated for about four hours.

During the questioning, the Naval officer was repeatedly beaten and kicked in the groin and head. He was told he would be killed if he did not provide information on his duties and his unit. His wife was slammed against a wall with such force that her head was cut. After standing at the wall for half an hour, with her arms above her head, she collapsed onto the floor. She was also sexually threatened by the PDF soldiers.

Four hours after they were stopped, the Naval officer and his wife were escorted by the PDF to Fourth of July Avenue three blocks away and released. They arrived at

the Naval Security office at Rodman about 2:15 a.m. Sunday, where they provided statements.

Southern Command imposed Personnel Movement Limitations "D" about 9:50 Saturday night, directing all military personnel and their dependents to stay out of public areas in Panama. Security at all U.S. military installations was immediately enhanced to ensure the protection of U.S. personnel and facilities.

Southern Command and U.S. Embassy officials expressed grave concern over the unwarranted use of deadly force by the PDF.

"The PDF's pattern of harassment of Americans has resulted in the death of a United States serviceman, the beating of a Naval officer, and the harassment of his wife," Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said, after meeting with senior officials Sunday morning at the Pentagon.

"We've seen General Noriega brutalize the people of Panama, crack down on his own civilians and military alike after the last coup attempt, designate himself the leader of the country, and declare a state of war with the United States. These actions have created an atmosphere in which Panamanian Defense Forces feel free to fire on unarmed Americans. We fully expect that those responsible will be brought to justice.

"Ultimately, it is General Noriega himself who has encouraged this kind of lawlessness. His own conduct sets an example of cruelty and brutality. The lack of discipline and control in the Panamanian Defense Forces is further evidence that Panama is a country without a government," Cheney said.

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news briefs

Thousands view body

MOSCOW (AP) — Mourners sobbed and shook their heads in disbelief Sunday as tens of thousands viewed the flower-draped body of Andrei D. Sakharov in a huge outpouring of grief for the man described as his country's conscience.

Cut troop strength

WASHINGTON (AP) — Top Pentagon officials are recommending to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney that U.S. troop strength in Europe eventually be cut in half if Soviet reductions continue for several years, The Washington Post reported Sunday.

Federal judge dies

MOUNTAIN BROOK, Ala. (AP) — The FBI says it will investigate the possibility that the bombing of a federal judge was drug-related. Judge Robert S. Vance of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals died instantly when a package delivered to his home exploded.

Bush: No comment on military arrest authority

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Bush declined comment Saturday on a published report that the administration has decided the U.S. military has legal authority to make overseas arrests of alleged drug traffickers, international terrorists and other fugitives.

Bush, leaving the White House Saturday morning en route to St. Martin in the Caribbean for talks with French President Francois Mitterrand, declined to discuss a Washington Post report that the administration had based its new position on a Nov. 3 Justice Department opinion.

But, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater noted that the Justice Department had "briefed" the administration on the details but said the White House would have no comment on its use.

"It doesn't change anything from the way we're operating," he said. Asked whether it could be used to

change existing policy, he said, "Well, a legal interpretation is always subject to discussion, but we wouldn't want to speculate on how it might be used. It's impossible to say."

The New York Times reported, meanwhile, that U.S. Marines patrolling the U.S. border with Mexico exchanged gunfire with drug smugglers for the first time on Wednesday in an incident along the Arizona border.

The Times reported that the Marines were part of a contingent of about 50 troops assigned to assist the Border Patrol in drug surveillance. Officials told the newspaper that the Marines suffered no casualties and that the smugglers fired first and eventually escaped on horseback, leaving behind a horse and 535 pounds of marijuana.

The Post, citing administration officials, said the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel had concluded that the 111-

year-old Posse Comitatus Act, which prohibits the Army from making arrests or conducting other law enforcement operations, does not apply outside the nation's borders.

Military operations overseas to apprehend fugitives from criminal justice could be designated "law enforcement" operations and therefore would not require consultation with Congress, The Post reported.

Key members of Congress and congressional aides told the newspaper they had not been notified of the legal opinion or of any change in policy governing the military's authority.

Justice Department spokesman David Runkel confirmed the existence of the legal opinion, but said: "I want to emphasize that this is a legal determination only."

"The role that the military might play, if any, is something to be

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Brazilian election polls reveal tight race

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) — A member of one of Brazil's wealthiest

families and a former lathe worker appeared to be in a dead heat Sunday

as Brazilians voted for the nation's first freely elected president since 1960.

Polls gave conservative former Gov. Fernando Collor de Mello an edge of 3 percentage points to less than 1 point over socialist Rep. Luis Ignacio Lula de Silva, a former union boss who was far behind in polls only weeks ago.

From the teeming Amazon rain forest to the concrete sprawl of Brazil's southeastern cities, voters began lining up hours before the 250,000 polling stations opened.

The Supreme Electoral Court said it could take four to six days to complete the count.

Some 82 million voters across Latin America's biggest nation were registered for the election, seen as a huge step toward the return of full democracy after a rightist military regime ruled from 1964 to 1985.

The new president takes office March 15 for a five-year term. The current president, Jose Sarney, took office in 1985 after he was picked by an elector a college controlled by the military regime.

The election also was seen as a referendum on the past two decades, which have been marked by 1,500 percent annual inflation, sinking real wages and corruption.

Despite wild street rallies that capped a week of mudslinging by

both candidates, voting was peaceful across the country.

Da Silva supporters jammed Brasilia's confetti-littered business district cars, honking horns and waving huge red-and-white flags.

Collor de Mello, 40, voted in his home district of Maceio, the capital of Alagoas state on Brazil's northeastern Atlantic tip.

"Today is the happiest day of my life."

Governor Fernando Collor de Mello

The burly da Silva, 44, kissed his ballot as he cast it in the southeastern industrial city of Sao Bernardo do Campo, on the outskirts of Sao Paulo, Brazil's biggest city.

"Today is the happiest day of my life," said the former factory worker, dressed in a red T-shirt and jeans. He drove to a friend's ranch to await the final results.

Collor de Mello and da Silva were the two vote-getters in a field of 21 candidates in balloting Nov. 15. Neither obtained the majority needed to win, and Sunday's runoff was scheduled.



CURTAIN FALLS -- Czechoslovak soldiers start pulling down stretches of the Iron Curtain Monday at Devin near Bratislava. The first government not dominated by communists in 41 years came to power in the country and drove President Gustav Husak from office. (AP Laserphoto)

Congressman calls for drug decriminalization

DETROIT (UPI) — Rep. George Crockett, D-Mich., reportedly has become the first congressman to publicly call for the decriminalization of drugs, saying in an interview published Sunday that the move is the only answer to the nation's drug problem.

"Decriminalization is the only solution," Crockett told the Detroit News and Free Press. "Our criminal justice system is not working. Our courts are burdened down with these drug cases and there is nothing they can do about it."

"And here we are talking about spending additional billions to build jails and prisons to send people in," Crockett said.

When told of Crockett's call for decriminalization, national drug policy director William Bennett cursed the Detroit Democrat and said he presents an unfortunate complication to the Bush

administration's drug-fighting efforts.

"I want to fight the bad guys," Bennett said. "I don't want to fight the good guys."

Last month, Bennett derided decriminalization as a "moral disaster" that won't wash with anyone who has been "within five miles of a crack house."

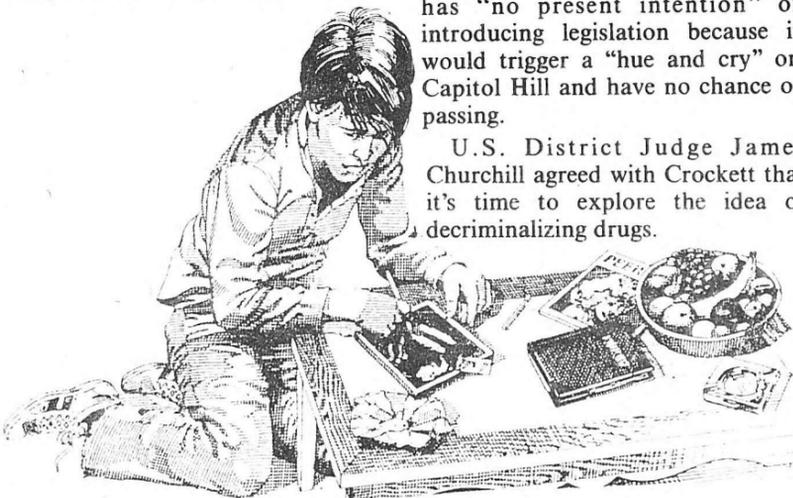
Under Crockett's plan, drugs would be taxed and sold at sanctioned outlets, with restrictions similar to those for alcohol.

Crockett said he would bar pilots, law enforcement officers and others in safety-related jobs from using drugs while on duty.

"Just like we make it a crime for you to drive a car under the influence of liquor, but we don't make it a crime for you to get drunk," Crockett said.

The Detroit congressman said he has "no present intention" of introducing legislation because it would trigger a "hue and cry" on Capitol Hill and have no chance of passing.

U.S. District Judge James Churchill agreed with Crockett that it's time to explore the idea of decriminalizing drugs.



"We're sending more and more people to prison," said Churchill, chief federal judge of Michigan's Eastern District, in Bay City. "And we're putting them away for rather substantial terms. But what are we going to do once we get our prisons full and we still have as many drug dealers on the street?"

Bennett said the legalization would end disastrously.

"Alcohol has done quite enough damage, thank you," Bennett said.

"We don't need the other drugs legalized. And if you want to see people using crack go from one to 2 million to 10 million, make it as available as alcohol."

Marrow recipient dies

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Brooke Michele Ward, the first bone marrow recipient to be matched with a donor through a national registry, died in her father's arms exactly two years after receiving the transplant in Seattle. She was 8.

The girl died early Saturday morning on the way to Rex Hospital in Raleigh, said her parents, Marguriete and Michael Ward.

Mrs. Ward said the leukemia prognosis had been good, but Brooke continued to be afflicted with graft vs. host disease, a condition in which the transplanted marrow is rejected by the body.

Randy Hedgepeth, the girl's doctor, said that problem caused her death.

"They were really encouraged with Brooke since she had made it two years and had not relapsed," Mrs. Ward said. "It looked like just a matter of time and her body

would accept the bone marrow."

Her operation Dec. 16, 1987, at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle was the first transplant in which marrow was located from the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry.

The girl's struggle brought recognition to the program, with the registry growing from 23,000 potential donors to 40,000 in the succeeding six months.

Brooke met her donor, Diane Walters, 50, of Milwaukee in March, moments before they appeared live on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America." They had become friends through letters and telephone calls.

Brooke is survived by her parents; brothers Jeffrey Michael Ward of Pembroke Pines, Fla., and Jerry Lee Ward of Raleigh; maternal grandfather, C.E. Wheeler of Raleigh; and paternal grandfather, L.A. Ward of Everett, Wash.

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Renewed conflict kills hope of EC aid

MEXICO CITY (Reuter) — Hopes that economic aid could help bring peace and stability to Central America have faded with the renewed conflict in the region, officials say.

"Nowhere in Latin America is the link between peace and development more patent than in Central America," Gert Rosenthal, executive secretary of the U.N. Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA), said recently.

A regional peace plan had encouraged several aid initiatives this year which were seen as vital to creating conditions for lasting peace.

But renewed tension in Nicaragua and the worst fighting in El Salvador's 10-year civil war — two problems tackled by five Central American presidents at a summit that ended Tuesday — have put aid plans in doubt.

During a recent visit to Mexico, European Community (EC)

Commissioner for Latin America Abel Matutes said the fighting in El Salvador could delay Community aid there.

"It's clear ... this could delay the start of this plan or even lead to its suspension," he said, referring to EC plans to help Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica finance regional trade.

An international commission recently estimated Central America's external financing needs at a whopping \$2 billion a year to achieve 5.5 percent growth by 1993. Aid to the region is now \$1.5 billion a year.

The EC last February agreed a \$109-million package for Central America, but made it clear disbursement depended on the region's leaders implementing a peace plan.

Still pending is a more ambitious plan, promoted by the United Nations, to channel \$4.3 billion to the region over the next three years. In June, a U.N. conference in

Guatemala also approved a \$380-million plan to help some two million Central American refugees.

The United States pumps \$1 million a day into the Salvadoran economy.

Apart from Mexico, which has lent \$122 million through the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (BCIE), little help has come from Latin American countries.

Officials hope regional initiatives will get back on track when foreign ministers of the so-called Group of Eight Latin American nations meet in March in Mexico, which is trying to bring in Spain and France as extra-regional BCIE members.

But the region's economic problems are dire, with per capita income falling 20 percent in the 1980s and investment plummeting. Inflation has surged in almost all the countries, hitting 40,000 percent in Nicaragua this year. Their combined

current account is in deficit to the tune of \$1.9 billion.

All five Central American nations have been badly hit by the breakdown of international coffee quotas and hope to agree steps to reverse the resulting price slump when they meet next week in Honduras.

The Central American Common Market has languished.

"What is most remarkable in Central American integration is not the setbacks but that it continues showing signs of life," said Rosenthal.

But intra-regional exports have more than halved since peaking at \$1.1 billion in 1980 and now account for only about 10 percent of total Central American exports as against 25 percent then.

Complicating plans to revive commercial ties is the five countries' combined foreign debt of \$19 billion and arrears on trade payments, totalling about \$500 million.

Sentence shows new Mexican resolve in drug war

MEXICO CITY (Reuter) — This week's sentencing of drug kingpin Rafael Caro Quintero for the torture and murder of a U.S. Drug agent signals new Mexican resolve in its drug enforcement efforts.

But U.S. officials say the flow of illicit drugs through Mexico is greater than ever and the war on narcotics here is far from over.

On Tuesday, Caro Quintero received the maximum 40-year sentence for the killing of U.S. Drug Enforcement Agent Enrique Camarena, whose brutal murder in February 1985 provoked public outrage in the United States.

The badly beaten body of Camarena, 37, was discovered together with that of his Mexican pilot on a ranch outside the northwestern city of Guadalajara in March 1985.

His murder — and the glacially-slow pace of an official probe into it — was cited by critics of Mexico in the U.S. Congress as an example of Mexico's lack of cooperation in efforts to halt the flow of drugs across its long border with the United States.

Amid widespread charges of an official coverup of those responsible for the killing, U.S. officials repeatedly urged Mexico to make an example of Caro Quintero.

"I'd like to see him in jail for the rest of his life with little ants crawling all over his body," a U.S. Drug official said in a recent interview.

President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, who took office a year ago with a pledge to crack down on the drug trade, has been given high marks for his anti-narcotic efforts.

A senior official credited Salinas with moving quickly to close the Camarena case after much foot-dragging by his predecessor, former President Miguel de la Madrid.

Caro Quintero's conviction has been applauded by officials on both sides of the U.S.-Mexican border as a long-awaited move to close a difficult chapter in relations between the two countries.

But the same officials acknowledge that Caro Quintero, though one of the more ruthless drug lords anywhere, is but one member of a whole army of smugglers who have

made Mexico a major staging area for cocaine shipments into the United States.

And the officials note that, as in Colombia where the cocaine comes from, the war on drugs here is one in which the resources are uneven and the outcome far from certain.

Like Colombia, corruption in the police and military is widely believed

to have hampered the anti-drug effort. Caro Quintero, for example, has been linked in Mexican press reports to a former chief of the Federal Security Directorate, the Mexican equivalent of the FBI.

Mexico has seized over 75,000 pounds of cocaine this year, more than all that was confiscated over the previous decade.

But while the amount is indicative of stepped up enforcement efforts, officials say it also underscores the fact that more cocaine is passing through Mexico than ever before.

As much as 70 percent of the cocaine consumed in the United States enters the country via Mexico, a U.S. Drug expert told Reuters in a recent interview.

Mexico is also the source of about 40 percent of the heroin sold in the United States and a third of the marijuana, according to the DEA.

The U.S. expert said Mexican authorities, citing the issue of sovereignty, had repeatedly rejected a direct U.S. role in the drug war here, one which he said could tip the balance of the war.

And he said the country, which receives just \$15 million in U.S. anti-drug aid a year, faces serious limitations in its ability to crack down on smugglers.

Mexico lacks the long-range radar systems and the type of weapons needed to carry out threats by Assistant Attorney General Javier Coello Trejo who has said police will shoot down suspicious planes.

Police say they have shot down at least four planes in the past few months. But the shootings — with rifles and handguns — were more the result of luck than advance planning, the U.S. expert said.

"I would like to see a force in the attorney general's office that can address in a systematic way trafficking by plane from Colombia to Mexico," he added.



VICTORY CLAIM — Honduran presidential candidate Rafael Leonardo Callejas, of the opposition National Party, claims victory in Tegucigalpa in elections last month as his wife, Norma Regina, looks on. He ran against Carlos Flores of the ruling Liberal Party. (AP Laserphoto)

Carter travels in search of world peace

WASHINGTON (AP) — He negotiates on behalf of exiled Miskito Indians in Nicaragua. He storms out of a tabulation center to denounce election fraud in Panama.

He sits down with warring Ethiopian factions in Atlanta to arrange peace talks. He meets with President Bush in the Oval Office to report his hopes for a fair Nicaraguan election.

Eight years after he left the White House in humiliating defeat, Jimmy Carter, who brought Arab and Jew together in the historic negotiations at Camp David, is back in business as a mediator.

Not since Herbert Hoover's globe-girdling activities in famine relief and his recommendations on streamlining the government has an ex-president taken so active and visible a role in public affairs.

Carter has certainly not given it up.

He has traveled frequently and been host to current and former world leaders at the Carter Presidential Center, his Atlanta public policy facility and think tank.

Why all this activity?

"Carter, I think, is making every effort to erase an impression that he

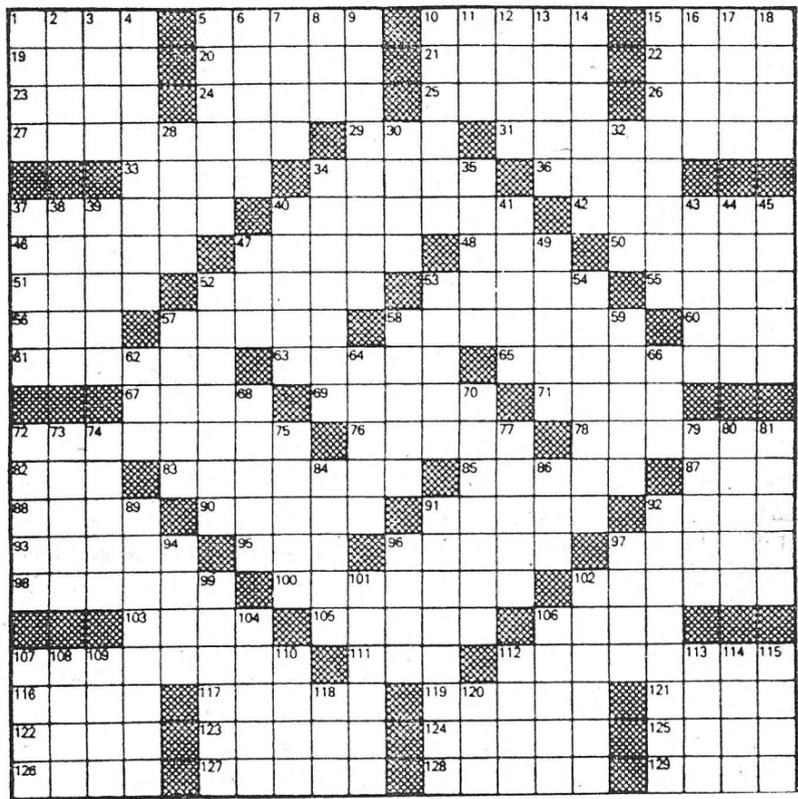
thinks people have of him," said Bornet, a professor emeritus of history at Southern Oregon College. "And in that he is absolutely at one with Herbert Hoover. Hoover really worked at that."

Robert Strauss, the former Democratic national chairman who managed Carter's unsuccessful reelection campaign, disagreed about the former president's motives.

"I suspect that Jimmy Carter is oblivious to what people like me are very sensitive to, and that is the fact that the public is beginning to re-examine him a bit," Strauss said.

Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Alpert of Tijuana Brass
 - 5 Health-food "chocolate"
 - 10 Role for Gary Burg-hoff
 - 15 Big — Theory
 - 19 Jai —
 - 20 Cremona violin
 - 21 Growing out
 - 22 "...not an — whose time has come"
 - 23 Indo-Chinese language
 - 24 Biblical name
 - 25 Calabash
 - 26 Seed
 - 27 British industrial alliance
 - 29 Half a ball-room dance?
 - 31 River in Kentucky
 - 33 Laugh loudly
 - 34 Asian wild dog
 - 36 Symbol of victory
 - 37 Scatters
 - 40 They entice with money
 - 42 Balanced
 - 46 Bay window
 - 47 First sign of the zodiac
 - 48 Received
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- 50 Animal fat
 - 51 Young girl
 - 52 Soft, light down
 - 53 Ethical
 - 55 Biblical weed
 - 56 — to Billy Joe" (song)
 - 57 Jury or larceny
 - 58 Silky-haired dogs
 - 60 Narrow inlet
 - 61 "...my firm — shall never tremble" (Shakes.)
 - 63 Snug places
 - 65 Kind of bat
 - 67 Carney and Gartfunkel
 - 69 Venturer
 - 71 It's before blue or bean
 - 72 River in South Dakota
 - 76 Nostrils
 - 78 Cut the molar
 - 82 Money of account
 - 83 Variety of pine
 - 85 The Love Boat, for one
 - 87 Tier
 - 88 Gentle person
 - 90 Former African kingdom
 - 91 Physiological individuals
- Biology**
- 92 Hop stem
 - 93 Acknowledge
 - 95 Topic for Dr. Ruth
 - 96 Woody vine
 - 97 More subtle
 - 98 Neptune, for one
 - 100 Assists with a loan, in a way
 - 102 Bets
 - 103 Easy task
 - 105 "Stille —"
 - 106 Remarkable thing; slang
 - 107 Penitentiary
 - 111 White House nickname
 - 112 Gossipy person
 - 116 Melville novel
 - 117 — Thomas: Welsh poet
 - 119 Lengthwise
 - 121 Philippine termite
 - 122 Dalmatian's name?
 - 123 Renown
 - 124 Synthetic fiber
 - 125 Shore bird
 - 126 Goes astray
 - 127 "Over —" (Cohan song)
 - 128 Meaning
 - 129 Stupid
 - DOWN
 - 1 Bedouin tribe
 - 2 Word in
- Mark 15:34**
- 3 Resounded
 - 4 Giant sequoias
 - 5 Director Frank, and family
 - 6 Moslem ruler
 - 7 Chest sound
 - 8 Suffix denoting origin
 - 9 Influential person; slang
 - 10 Entertain
 - 11 Upward; prefix
 - 12 Smear
 - 13 Raised off the bottom, as an anchor
 - 14 "Ruggles of —"
 - 15 One with an extra spouse
 - 16 Arabian seaport
 - 17 Socially-awkward fellow
 - 18 Slightly tainted
 - 28 Wall
 - 30 Fireplace projections
 - 32 Wild plum
 - 34 Floated aimlessly
 - 35 Actor Flynn
 - 37 Wise man
 - 38 One type of secret
 - 39 Stair part
 - 40 Boston hockey player
 - 41 Cleanse thoroughly
 - 43 "Belle —"
 - 44 Uncanny
 - 45 Terror
 - 47 High, in music
 - 49 English chemist
 - 52 Garland or wreath
 - 53 Laser's cousin?
 - 54 Binds
 - 57 Persian fairies
 - 58 Valuable violin, for short
 - 59 Cut
 - 62 Duet
 - 64 Capital of Yenan; var.
 - 66 Sailor's assent
 - 68 "Star Trek" chief navigator, and others
 - 70 Dependent
 - 72 Gaucho's equipment
 - 73 Sultan's decree
 - 74 It's between beta and delta
 - 75 Mediterranean vessel
 - 77 Seaweeds
 - 79 Threefold
 - 80 Sharpener
 - 81 Pitchers
 - 84 Mason's partner
 - 86 It's opposed to SSW
 - 89 Important people; slang
 - 91 What conceited people have; colloq.
 - 92 Wall Street feature
 - 94 It precedes scope or meter
 - 96 Win out over; slang
 - 97 MacDonald had one
 - 99 French novelist
 - 101 French holy woman
 - 102 Sway from side to side
 - 104 Put in the right frame of mind, with "up"; colloq.
 - 106 Eats formally
 - 107 TV's "Who's the —?"
 - 108 Kaffir warriors
 - 109 Hired thug
 - 110 She, in Paris
 - 112 West German city
 - 113 Two-toed sloth
 - 114 Donkey game need
 - 115 Funny Benny
 - 118 Swiss river
 - 120 Soap ingredient



Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake



ARIES

(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

This is a time to consolidate your gains in business and to hold important talks with higher-ups. Judgment is excellent now and luck is also with you in family interests.

TAURUS

(Apr. 20 to May 20)

You'll have luck now in dealings with advisers about creative projects. A fortunate party invitation comes now. Make plans for travel and enjoy recreational interests tonight.

GEMINI

(May 21 to June 20)

You'll make an important decision today about property interests or investments. Dealings with bankers, brokers and real estate agents are favored. Shopping is a plus.

CANCER

(June 21 to July 22)

You have much creative energy drive today. It's a good time to begin artistic endeavors and to make important phone calls. Partnership interests receive a boost.

LEO

(July 23 to Aug. 22)

Today's financial developments are definitely to your benefit. A new assignment could come now or you could receive a raise in salary. Shop for the home today.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

You'll enjoy relaxing now at a favorite recreational spot. Those eligible will meet with romance. An understanding is reached with a child. Things go your way.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

You'll have luck in completing an unfinished task today. Save time for reading, catching up on correspondence, and studying. You'll enjoy a private chat with a family member.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

A matter at a distance is fortunate for you. You'll shine today in a group activity. A conversation with a friend stimulates you to improve yourself. You're popular now!

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Things fall into place for you in business today. You'll meet with a new opportunity and will also have success with an existing project. It's full speed ahead now!

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

You may make a decision today about education. Dealings with agents and advisers prove successful. A travel opportunity comes now. You achieve a better understanding of an in-law.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

A private chat is of benefit to you financially. A new assignment comes now as well as a fringe benefit. Further study gives you the answer you need about a possible investment.

PISCES

(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

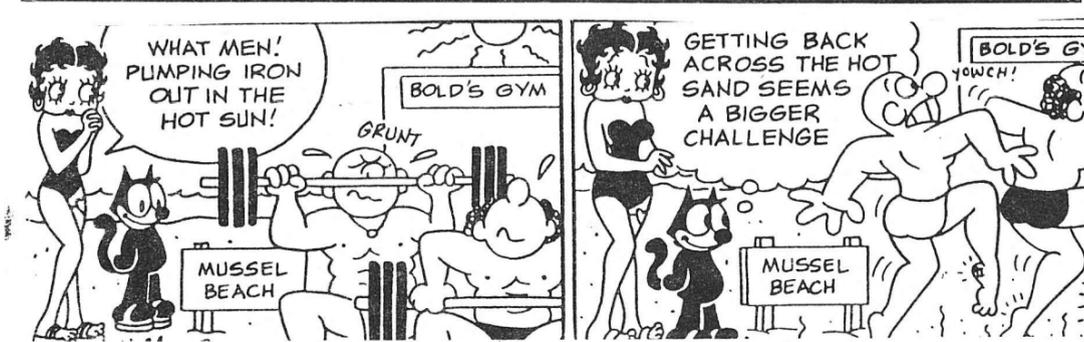
Couples will be making plans now to get away for a spell. Agreements are easily reached with others today. You'll be happy to do a favor for one of your friends.

YOU BORN TODAY have administrative talents and often are a good business adviser. Usually, you're good at getting your ideas across to others, but you must guard against a tendency to be dictatorial. You have a good sense of responsibility, but it may take time before you're ready to take others into your confidence. You naturally gravitate toward the arts and professions. Teaching, writing, law, and medicine are some of the fields which will bring you fulfillment. Birthdate of: Anita O'Day, singer; Betty Grable, actress; and Willy Brandt, German politician.

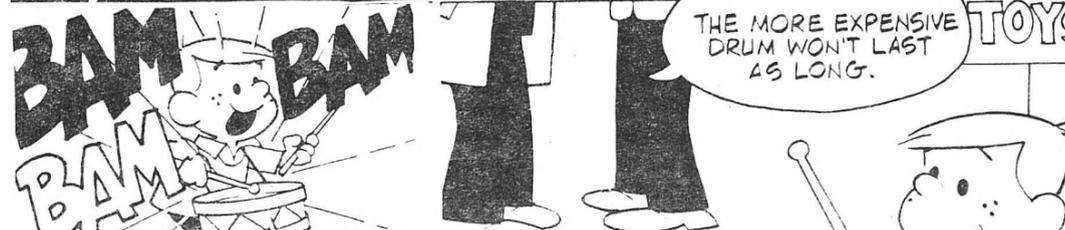
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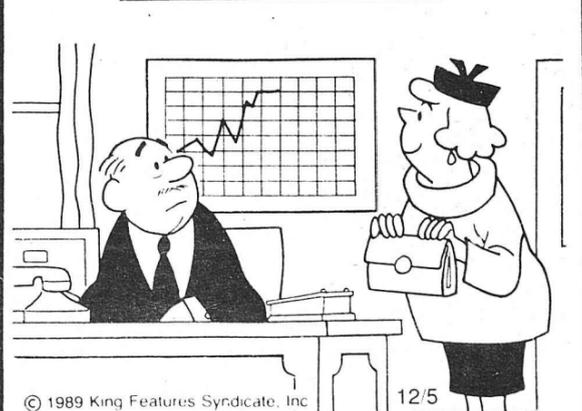
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military news

Congress wants cuts in defense spending

WASHINGTON (Reuter) — Political changes sweeping Eastern Europe and improved U.S. intelligence about Moscow's military posture have not convinced the Pentagon to make changes in its defense planning, a high defense official said Tuesday.

Members of the Senate Armed Services Committee warned the official, Defense Undersecretary Paul Wolfowitz, that defense spending may be cut anyway because of what likely is a less volatile military stalemate across the Iron Curtain.

Wolfowitz was appearing before the committee in the first of a series of Senate hearings on the political and military changes sweeping through East Europe.

Because of the perception that the threat of war has receded, heavy congressional pressure for cuts in defense spending is expected when the budget for the 1991 fiscal year goes to Congress in January.

In testimony to the Armed Services Committee, Wolfowitz confirmed a news report that U.S. intelligence, in a major reassessment, had lengthened the amount of time it believed the Soviet Union would need to prepare for a major attack on Western Europe.

He said the estimate was secret and refused to confirm a report in the Washington Post Nov. 29 that the intelligence community now believed the West would have a warning time of 33 to 44 days.

The figures compared with earlier estimates of 30 days in the first term of the Richard Nixon administration

and 14 days in the Jimmy Carter administration, the Post said.

The warning estimate is important in calculating the time available to rush reinforcements from the United States to Europe.

Wolfowitz defended the decision not to factor the new estimate into the upcoming defense budget, cautioning against basing present strategy on hoped-for future changes and an expectation that changes could not be reversed.

He said the expected increased warning time was due to improvements in U.S. and allied military capabilities.

"If we were to take this improved warning as a reason to cut back on our own readiness then we could easily lose the longer warning times," he said.

If the United States relaxed its military posture too much to take advantage of the extra warning time,

it could create incentives for the Soviet Union to attack with less warning, he said.

"That is the basic reason we are not now recommending a change in the warning planning factor — i.e., the minimum time we expect to have to send initial air and ground reinforcements to Europe," Wolfowitz said.

He added that the decision would be reexamined as the strategic situation in Europe became clear and particularly with the development of an East-West accord on reducing conventional forces that he said he expected to "fundamentally change the map of Europe."

In a separate hearing in front of the Senate Budget Committee, former Defense Secretary Robert McNamara said the recent dramatic changes in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe would allow the United States to make deep cuts in

military spending with no harm to national security.

The U.S. defense budget could be reduced by about \$138 billion from fiscal 1992 to fiscal 1994, leaving the fiscal 1994 defense budget about \$265 billion instead of \$321 billion as planned, McNamara told a Senate Budget Committee hearing.

"It would be folly to spend more than we need for defense — we are doing so," he said. McNamara served as Defense Secretary during the Kennedy and Johnson administrations.

Committee chairman Sam Nunn, D.-Ga., complained that the defense budget was not being based on the perceived Soviet threat but on "intuition."

Nunn told reporters later that a budget that did not take account of an accurate intelligence assessment "is a misleading budget" that lost credibility.

CID laboratory receives unusual items

by SFC Byron Collins

FALLS CHURCH, Va. (AR NEWS) — The evidence controller at the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory, Fort Gillem, Ga., has received more than her share of unusual items in the mail over the past five years — a helicopter rotor blade, a piece of an M-60 tank, even a pair of human hands.

Jeanell W. Thornton is responsible for handling packages of all sizes, shapes and descriptions. The

packages contain evidence sent to the laboratory by CID agents worldwide for scientific analysis. Thornton is a critical link in a sensitive chain of custody that, if not rigidly enforced, could result in a criminal act going unpunished.

"It doesn't matter if an item is going or coming," said Thornton. "We make sure a strict chain of custody is maintained at all times."

The Fort Gillem facility serves as headquarters for the worldwide Army criminal investigation laboratories. There are two

additional laboratories in the command — one in Europe and the other in the Pacific. They provide scientific investigative assistance to military law enforcement agencies or other federal investigative agencies in their areas of responsibility. In 1988, Army crime laboratories processed more than 7,000 cases with a total of more than 250,000 individual exhibits.

"Monday is our busiest day," said Thornton. "We usually get anywhere from 30 to 40 packages."

entertainment

TV guide

Monday

noon	CNN Headline News
12:30	SCN Midday Report
12:40	CNN Sports Latenight
1:00	Oprah Winfrey...The Birth Of A Baby (Mature)
2:00	Another World
2:58	Prime Time TV Guide
3:00	Star Trek
3:48	CNN Headline Newsbreak
4:00	Kid's Incorporated
4:22	Guiding Light
5:10	General Hospital

5:55	Community Bulletin
6:00	SCN Evening Report
6:30	ABC World News Tonight
6:58	Prime Time TV Guide
7:00	Jeopardy
7:30	Charles In Charge
8:00	Christmas Special... "Bob Hope Christmas Special from Waikola, Hawaii"
9:00	Monday Night Football... Philadelphia vs New Orleans
12:00	CNN Headline News
12:30	Late Night With David Letterman
1:30 a.m.	Nightline

6:30	NBC At Sunrise
7:00	NBC Today Show
9:00	Morning Stretch
9:25	Adventures Of The Galaxy Rangers
9:50	Electric Company
10:15	CNN Headline Newsbreak
10:30	USA Today - TV
11:00	Community Bulletin
11:05	Classic Concentration
11:35	World Class Women
12:00	CNN Headline News

Tuesday

5:30 a.m.	CNN Headline News
6:00	CNN Headline News

Beginning today SCN will air "Prime Time TV Guide" at 2:58 and 6:58 p.m. to keep viewers informed on what will be airing on "Prime Time" for that evening.

movies -- Monday

Howard

6 p.m. SEA OF LOVE (R) Al Pacino
8:20 p.m. MILLENIUM (PG-13) Cheryl Ladd

Clayton

6 p.m. BLACK RAIN (R) Michael Douglas
8:30 p.m. YOUNG EINSTEIN (PG) Yahoo Serious

Amador

7 p.m. PARENTHOOD (PG-13) Steve Martin

Quarry Heights

7 p.m. DEAD POETS SOCIETY (PG-13) Robin Williams

Davis

7 p.m. AN INNOCENT MAN (R) Tom Selleck

Adults \$1.50; Children \$1.00

coming attractions

Howard - Tues. - SEA OF LOVE; SHAG
Wed. - FRIDAY THE 13th, PART VIII; RENEGADE

Thurs. - GROSS ANATOMY; THE ABYSS
Amador - Tues. - CLOSED
Wed. - CLOSED
Thurs. - KICKBOXER
Quarry Hts. - Tues. - CLOSED
Wed. - CLOSED
Thurs. - MISSISSIPPI BURNING
Clayton - Tues. - BLACK RAIN; LET IT RIDE
Wed. - NIGHT GAME: VAMPIRE'S KISS
Thurs. - WHEN HARRY MET SALLY; LETHAL WEAPON 2
Davis - Tues. - LICENSE TO KILL
Wed. - WAR PARTY
Thurs. - I, MADMAN

clubs -- Monday

Naval Station O' Club - Live entertainment; Dining: seafood; Lunch: 11 a.m.-1p.m.

Naval Station Anchorage Club - Dining: chicken in the basket; Lunch: Grill sandwich bar, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; Breakfast: 6:30-11 a.m..

Naval Station CPO Club - Live entertainment; Dining: lasagna; Lunch: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Howard NCO Club - Dining room closed; Lunch, 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.; Breakfast, 6-9 a.m.

Howard O'Club - Closed for dining; Lunch 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Bamboo Inn - Lunch: 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Ft. Amador O'Club - Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Bayview Room - Lunch

STRAC Club - Open, 4:30-10 p.m.

Clayton NCO Club - Dining: Mexican special; Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Quarry Heights O'Club - Available for special functions. Call 289-3506; Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Open for dinner.

Espinar Community Club - Available for special functions and parties only. Call 289-5160.

Albrook O'Club - Dining: Mongolian BBQ; Lunch: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Davis Community Club - Closed.

sports

Playoff hopefuls perform under pressure

Giants top Cowboys

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The New York Giants clinched their first playoff berth since 1986, beating Dallas 15-0 on Saturday as Bjorn Nittmo kicked three field goals, Ottis Anderson ran for 91 yards and the defense totally controlled the Cowboys.

The victory, achieved in 25-mph winds with a wind-chill factor below zero, improved the Giants' record to 11-4 and guaranteed them at least a wild-card berth in the NFC.

It also kept them in contention for the NFC East title. If they beat the Raiders next Sunday and Philadelphia loses one of its last two games, the Giants would win the NFC East. The Eagles would win the tiebreaker if the division ends in a tie.

Broncos rout Cardinals

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Bobby Humphrey rushed for 128 yards to become the first Denver rookie ever to reach the 1,000-yard mark and the Broncos' defense limited Phoenix to 101 yards Saturday in a 37-0 victory, the first shutout against the Cardinals in four years.

The victory secured the home-field advantage throughout the playoffs for the AFC West champions (11-4), who led 20-0 at halftime en route to handing Phoenix (5-10) its fifth consecutive loss.

Denver, ranked third defensively coming into the game, handed the Cardinals their first shutout since a 16-0 loss at Tampa Bay on Nov. 10, 1985. The Cardinals' deepest penetration came late in the third quarter, when they got to the Denver 31 before replacement quarterback Gary Hogeboom lost a fumble at the Broncos' 40.

Lions crush Buccaneers

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The emerging Detroit Lions, behind the running of Barry Sanders and passing of Bob Gagliano, won their fourth consecutive game Sunday, beating the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 33-7 for their longest streak since the start of the 1980 season.

Sanders, the NFC's leading rusher, ran for 104 yards and one touchdown on 21 carries, giving him 1,312 yards and the Lions' club record for a rookie. Billy Sims, who set the old mark with 1,308 yards in 1980 and is now retired, rushed onto the field to congratulate Sanders after an 11-yard run with 6:34 left in the third quarter that put him over the mark.

It was the sixth 100-yard game for Sanders, who has rushed for more yardage than the entire Detroit team a year ago. With one game remaining, he is 125 yards shy of Sims' single-season mark of 1,437 in 1981.

Chargers shock Chiefs

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Billy Joe Tolliver threw two touchdown passes and Marion Butts rushed for 176 yards on a club-record 39 carries Sunday, lifting San Diego past Kansas City 20-13 and damaging the Chiefs' playoff hopes.

The loss was the first in five weeks for Kansas City, (7-7-1), which was unable to hold a 13-0 lead and saw its slim postseason chances fade further.

The Chargers (5-10), who had lost their last four by a total of 15 points, swept the two-game season series from the Chiefs. Kansas City drove

to the Chargers' 19 with 19 seconds left, but Roy Bennett intercepted Steve DeBerg's pass in the end zone.

Packers beat Bears

CHICAGO (AP) — Don Majkowski passed for a touchdown and ran for two others, and Keith Woodside had a 68-yard touchdown run as the Green Bay Packers kept their flickering playoff hopes alive by beating the Chicago Bears 40-28 Sunday.

The victory ran the Packers' record to 9-6, guaranteeing their first winning season since 1978 and marking the most victories for the Packers since 1972. It also marked the first season since 1981 that Green Bay had beaten the Bears twice in a season.

The Bears, meanwhile, lost for the fifth straight time, its first losing streak that long in 11 years. It also guaranteed that Chicago, which is 6-9, will finish under .500 for the first time since 1982.

Steelers win again

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Tim Worley ran for 104 yards and a touchdown, Louis Lipps scored on a 58-yard reverse and Pittsburgh's defense dominated for the second straight week as the surging Steelers beat the New England Patriots 28-10 on Sunday.

Merril Hoge also ran for two short-range touchdowns as the Steelers (8-7), ignoring a 5-degree gametime temperature and a minus-15 wind-chill factor, won for the fourth time in five games to maintain an outside shot at their first playoff berth in five years.

The crowd of 26,594 was believed by the Steelers to be their lowest since they began selling out 59,000-seat Three Rivers Stadium regularly in 1972. There were 22,406 no-shows.

The Steelers held New England's leading rusher, John Stephens, to 35 yards, and forced three turnovers. They limited the Patriots (5-10) to a lone field goal on five trips inside the Steelers' 35 until Marc Wilson's 12-yard TD pass to Cedric Jones with 1:16 left in the game.

Pittsburgh, ranked 28th and last in the NFL in overall defense while finishing 5-11 last season, shut out the New York Jets 13-0 last week and have held their last five opponents to 64 points.

Bengals thrash Oilers

CINCINNATI (AP) — Boomer Esiason threw four touchdown passes in frigid weather Sunday as the Cincinnati Bengals tied the club scoring record with a 61-7 victory over the Houston Oilers that kept the AFC Central race undecided.

The Oilers (9-6) let a chance to clinch their first outright AFC Central title slip off their icy fingertips, turning the ball over five times to help Cincinnati take command 31-0 at the intermission. The Oilers still can clinch the division with a victory next Saturday over Cleveland in the Astrodome.

The Bengals (8-7) avoided elimination from the playoffs altogether with the most one-sided victory in franchise history. The 61 points equalled the club record, set in a 61-17 victory in the Astrodome in 1972. The Bengals' 589 yards of offense was the second-highest total in team history.

Rams bomb Jets

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Jim Everett threw for 273 yards and two scores Sunday as the Los Angeles Rams remained in the hunt for a wild-card berth with a 38-14 victory over the New York Jets.

Los Angeles dominated the Jets (4-11) in virtually every department, opening up a 28-7 lead by halftime.

Everett, who completed 16 of 26, threw a 25-yard scoring pass to Pete Holohan 5 1/2 minutes into the game, then added a 43-yarder to Willie Anderson in the second quarter.

The Rams (10-5) can earn their sixth playoff trip in seven years if they win at New England next Sunday. Even if Los Angeles loses, a loss by either Green Bay or Washington in their final game would put the Rams into the playoffs.

Browns clip Vikings

CLEVELAND (AP) — Backup quarterback Mike Pagel threw a 14-yard touchdown pass to linebacker Van Waiters on a fake field goal with 5:30 left in overtime Sunday as the Cleveland Browns kept their division title hopes alive with a 23-17 victory over the Minnesota Vikings.

The surprising game-winner came on third-and-5, with Matt Bahr lining up to attempt a 32-yard field goal. Bahr had hit a 32-yarder with 24 seconds left in regulation to force overtime.

But Pagel, who holds on field goals but had thrown only 13 passes all year, took the snap and rolled right, hitting the wide-open Waiters at the 10. Waiters easily ran into the end zone for the winning points.

In ending a four-game winless streak, Cleveland (8-6-1) can win its fourth AFC Central title in five years by beating the Oilers in Houston next week. The Vikings (9-6) can still win the NFC Central with a victory over Cincinnati or a loss by Green Bay at Dallas next week.

Bahr's tying kick atoned for two late misses in an overtime loss at Indianapolis last week and improved the Browns to 1-2-1 in four overtime games this year.

49ers top Bills

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) The San Francisco 49ers beat turnover-prone Buffalo 21-10, the Bills' fourth loss in five games and fourth straight on the road.

Buffalo, failing to take advantage of San Francisco quarterback Joe Montana's absence due to injured ribs, missed a chance to clinch its second consecutive AFC East title following Miami's 42-13 loss at Indianapolis. The Bills, Colts and Dolphins are in a three-way tie at 8-7.

The Bills set up a 21-point San Francisco burst in 5:10 of the second half by giving the ball away in their own territory on three straight possessions. They committed all five of their turnovers in the second half.

Steve Young, replacing Montana, completed nine of 19 passes for 166 yards, passing for one touchdown and running for another.

Beleaguered Bills quarterback Jim Kelly completed 26 of 42 passes for 265 yards, with three interceptions, two in the second half. He scored Buffalo's only touchdown on a 1-yard run with 7:49 remaining before an Andre Reed fumble and another

interception killed any comeback hopes.

Buffalo can still win the division by beating the New York Jets on the road next Saturday.

Skins overcome Falcons

ATLANTA (AP) — Mark Rypien shook off an earlier neck sprain to spark three touchdown drives in a span of 3:38 in the third quarter and lead the Washington Redskins to a 31-30 victory Sunday over the Atlanta Falcons.

Rypien connected with Art Monk on a 60-yard scoring play to start the rally from a 17-point halftime deficit.

He then set up Earnest Byner's 1-yard touchdown with a 68-yard completion to Ricky Sanders at the Atlanta 1.

Rypien gave the Redskins (9-6) the lead when he scored from the 9 on a rollout. He hit on 17 of 27 passes for 285 yards.

It was the fourth victory in a row for the Redskins, whose slim playoff hopes ended earlier in the afternoon when the Los Angeles Rams beat the New York Jets 38-7.

Atlanta (3-12) lost its sixth game in a row and its eighth in nine games.

Rypien left the game less than three minutes after it began when he suffered a sprained neck on a tackle by Jessie Tuggle, but returned midway through the second period.

Doug Williams took over in Rypien's absence and completed 7 of 12 passes for 106 yards, including a 34-yard touchdown pass to Monk, giving Washington a 10-3 lead 57 seconds into the second quarter.

Colts beat Dolphins

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jack Trudeau passed for a career-high four touchdowns and Eric Dickerson had a career-high nine pass receptions and ran for 107 yards and two touchdowns as the Indianapolis Colts beat the Miami Dolphins 42-13 Sunday.

Trudeau, knocked unconscious and hospitalized with a concussion a week ago, completed 23 of 35 passes for 195 yards. Dickerson, bothered most of the season by a hamstring injury, scored his first rushing touchdowns in a month and tied Jim Brown for second place in NFL history with the 58th 100-yard rushing game of his career.

Seattle downs Raiders

SEATTLE (AP) — Dave Krieg left his mistake-flawed season behind, directing the Seattle Seahawks to a 23-17 victory Sunday night over the Los Angeles Raiders, whose playoff hopes were severely damaged.

The loss stymied the Raiders (8-7) in their bid to clinch an AFC wild-card berth. Both the Seahawks (7-8) and the Raiders remained mathematically alive — although longshots — for the playoffs.

Krieg, who has 19 interceptions and 16 fumbles this season, completed 25 of 34 passes for 270 yards and two touchdowns, with no interceptions and no fumbles.

In a last-ditch effort to win the game, the Raiders got to the Seattle 15.

Steve Beuerlein's fourth-down pass with 11 yards to go sailed over Mervyn Fernandez's head at the Seattle five with 1:28 remaining.

Chavez retains super lightweight title

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Julio Cesar Chavez knocked out Argentine Alberto Cortes with a right-left-right combination in the third round Saturday night to retain his World Boxing Council (WBC) super lightweight title.

Chavez dominated the fight from the start, driving Cortes backward for most of the first two rounds. He opened a cut on the bridge of Cortes' nose in the first round and another cut on his cheek in the third.

In the third round of the scheduled 12-round bout, Chavez knocked

Cortes down and into the ropes 1:56 into the round. Cortes took a seven-count before standing up, but referee Arthur Mercante stopped the fight.

"I never felt like I was stretched to the limits of my capacity," Chavez said. "I was always within my capacity."

He said that the most serious blow he took in his second defense of the title was a butt above the right eye from Cortes.

Chavez said he felt he was ready face American Meldrick Taylor on March 17 in Las Vegas, and after that

would consider going up one weight class to welterweight to try and win another world championship.

"It would be difficult, but I think I can do it," Chavez said.

If he were to move up to the welterweight class, Chavez would face either WBC champion Marlon Starling or World Boxing Association (WBA) champion Mark Breland, both of the United States.

"I did what I had to do to keep the championship," Chavez said. "I was 100 percent for 100 percent of the time."

Cortes called Chavez "a great fighter" and said he didn't know what hit him.

"All I saw was the referee's count, and then his hands signaling," he said.

The 22,000-seat arena was less than half full, but the crowd was highly partisan and cheered Chavez wildly.

The fight was Chavez' 68th without a loss and his 59th knockout. The loss was Cortes' first after 44 victories, including 22 knockouts.

Chávez retiene título super peso liviano

CIUDAD MEXICO (AP) — Julio César Chávez puso fuera de combate al Argentino Alberto Cortes con su combinación derecha izquierda en el tercer asalto por el título super peso liviano del Consejo Mundial de Boxeo.

Chavez dominó la pelea desde un comienzo manejando a Cortes por la mayor parte en los dos primeros asaltos. El le abrió una cortada en el puente de la nariz de Cortes en el primer asalto y otra cortada en la mejilla en el tercer asalto.

En el tercer asalto de la pelea programada para 12 asaltos, Chavez puso a Cortes fuera de combate y en

las cuerdas al 1:56 del asalto. Cortes cogio un conteo hasta siete antes de levantarse, pero el árbitro Arthur Mercante paró la pelea.

Yo nunca sentí que yo estaba extendiendo los limites de mi capacidad," Chavez expresó "yo siempre me mantube dentro de mi capacidad."

El dijo que el mas serio golpe que habia tomado en su segunda defensa del título fué un golpe de Cortes en la ceja del ojo derecho.

Chavez anunció que se siente preparado para enfrentarse al Americano Meldrick Taylor el 17 de marzo en las Vegas, y despues de eso

va a tomar en cuenta el avance a una categoria mas al peso mediano ligero para tratar de ganar otro campeonato mundial. "Eso sera dificil, pero yo creo que yo lo puedo lograr," Chavez declaró.

Si él lograra avanzar a la categoria peso mediano ligero, Chavez se tendra que enfrentar a uno de los dos campeones, a Marlon Starling campeón mundial de boxeo ó al campeón mundial de la asociación de boxeo Mark Breland, ambos de los Estados Unidos.

"Yo hice lo que tenia que hacer para mantener el campeonato," Chavez dijo. "Yo estube 100 ciento

de las veces."

Cortes llamó a Chavez "un gran luchador" y dijo que no sabia que le pasó a él. "Todo lo que yo vi fue al árbitro contando, y despues señalando con sus manos," él dijo.

La arena con capacidad para 22,000 sillas estaba a mitad de esta cantidad, pero los espectadores fueron alta-mente partidarios y animaron fuertemente a Chavez.

La pelea 68 fué de Chavez sin una perdida y su 59 por knockout. La primera perdida para Cortes despues de 44 victorias, incluyendo 22 knockouts.

Penn State may join Big 10 football conference

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Joe Paterno thinks the time may be right for Penn State to drop its independent status and join a big conference — a Big Ten conference.

"I would be very pleased about it if it happens," the coach said Friday during a news conference to discuss Penn State's Dec. 29 Holiday Bowl game against Brigham Young at San Diego.

Big Ten chairman Stanley Ikenberry disclosed Thursday night that bringing the Nittany Lions into one of the nation's most prestigious conferences was under discussion.

An announcement is expected within the next week. Paterno said he understood Penn State president Dr. Bryce Jordan also would make an announcement next week about the situation.

"The schools in the Big Ten are similar institutions to our academically," said Paterno, who plans to retire in three years when he turns 65. "It would be a great thing for the prestige of this institution to be identified with those people."

"Athletically, it would be a plus in just about every area. It would be

good for our football. I can't speak for our other coaches or Athletic Director Jim Tarman. But as far as I am concerned as a football coach, I'll be excited about it."

Penn State belongs to the Atlantic 10 Conference in basketball and other sports but always has been a major Eastern independent in football. Paterno tried to organize an Eastern all-sports conference, but failed when major schools such as Pittsburgh and Syracuse joined the Big East, a basketball-dominated conference.

Ikenberry, president of the University of Illinois, said talks that began about 10 years ago were renewed within recent months.

Joining the Big Ten would help ease the financial pressure on Penn State's football program, which supports the 28 other sports programs at the school. Paterno has said Penn State must play seven games at home to make ends meet.

This year, Penn State declined to sign a new 10-year contract with Syracuse, a traditional Eastern rival, because the Orangemen refused to play six of the games in State

College. Most of Penn State's contracts provide for two games at home and one away or even a 3-1 ratio.

Most of Penn State's current opponents also play in stadiums that hold no more than 50,000. Most Big 10 stadiums are larger.

Notre Dame upsets UCLA

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UPI) — Jamere Jackson hit two free throws with 10 seconds remaining and Keith Robinson scored all of his 21 points in the second half Sunday, leading Notre Dame to an 86-84 victory over No. 14 UCLA.

The Fighting Irish, 2-3, used a 30-5 run over the first and second halves to take a 54-43 lead with 15:05 remaining after a Monty Williams basket. Notre Dame maintained a 58-47 lead with 14:05 after a Robinson basket.

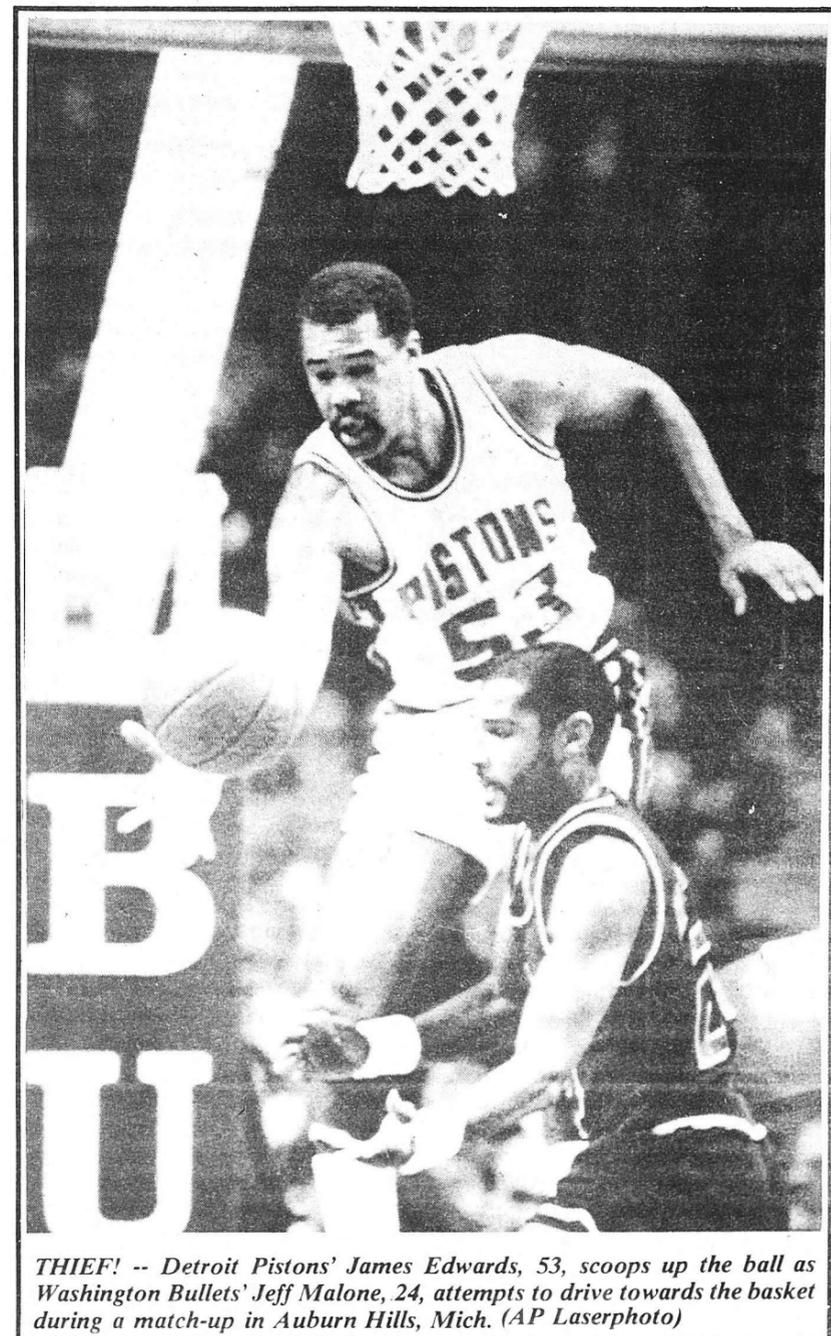
The Bruins, 4-1, went on an 8-1 run to tie the score 84-84 with 22 seconds left on a Trevor Wilson basket. However, Wilson fouled out with 10 seconds left to set up

Jackson's decisive free throws. UCLA's Darrick Martin missed a 3-point shot as time expired. Wilson hit 29 points for the Bruins and Martin had 16. Williams, a freshman, added 16 points for the Irish.

UCLA maintained control during most of the first half, extending the lead to 38-24 with 4:08 left on a Martin free throw.

But Notre Dame outscored the Bruins 13-0 for the rest of the half, cutting UCLA's halftime lead to 38-37 on an Elmer Bennett halfcourt shot as time expired.

Williams hit 12 points in the first half for the Irish, while Murray and Martin each had 9.



THIEF! -- Detroit Pistons' James Edwards, 53, scoops up the ball as Washington Bullets' Jeff Malone, 24, attempts to drive towards the basket during a match-up in Auburn Hills, Mich. (AP Laserphoto)

FF.DD. matan a un oficial, golpean a otro

Secretario de Defensa condena accion

WASHINGTON (OSD/PA) — Miembros de las Fuerzas de Defensa de Panama (FF.DD.) abrieron fuego contra un automóvil en el viajaban cuatro oficiales militares estadounidenses el sábado, matando a uno y lastimando a otro. Un tercer oficial military estadounidense que observó el incidente fué detenido y golpeado por las FF.DD.

Los cuatro oficiales, que estaban de asueto, salieron de Fuerte Clayton el sábado desarmados y vestidos de civil. Conducían un vehículo privado y se dirigían a cenar a un restaurante popular en la ciudad de Panamá. Mientras se dirigían hacia la ciudad, se perdieron e involuntariamente se encontraron en la Avenida "A", cerca del cuartel general de las FF.DD., en vez de la Avenida 4 de julio, la cuál conecta a las bases militares estadounidenses.

A las 9:05 del sábado, hora de Panamá, los cuatro militares estadounidenses se toparon con una barricada y fueron detenidos por aproximadamente cinco miembros uniformados de las FF.DD. Un grupo de entre 30 y 40 civiles, avistando la placa estadounidense, se acercó al vehículo mientras que los miembros de la FF.DD. introdujeron sus brazos por las ventanas para halarles la ropa y los cinturones de seguridad, abrir las puertas, e intentar sacarlos del carro.

Los carros que iban por delante fueron permitidos seguir, y uno de los oficiales preguntó porque se le estaba tratando a ellos distinto. No se les repondió. El conductor observó que las armas que portaban los miembros de las FF.DD. — AK-47 y rifles automáticos — habían sido cargadas y apuntaban en su

dirección. Temiendo por su seguridad, cerraron las ventanas y se alejaron, atravesando por la barricada.

Al carro alejarse, los soldados de la FF.DD. abrieron fuego contra los estadounidenses. Uno de los oficiales fué herido y otro rozado en el tobillo por una bala. Se dirigieron al hospital Gorgas del Ejército estadounidense, donde el oficial murió a los 15 minutos de su arribo.

La divulgación de los nombres de las víctimas pende la notificación a sus familiares.

Un teniente de la Fuerza Naval estadounidense y su esposa estuvieron detenidos como una media hora antes de la llegada de los cuatro oficiales en la misma barricada de la Avenida "A". Se habían perdido mientras se dirigían a su residencia en la Estación Naval de Rodman, en el litoral oeste del Canal de Panamá, cerca de la Base Aérea Howard. Soldados de las FF.DD. detuvieron el auto, solicitaron su identificación, y les dijeron que se hicieran a un lado de la calle mientras se revisaba su identificación.

Mientras esperaban en el carro, la pareja vió a los cuatro estadounidenses llegar y luego vieron a los soldados de la FF.DD. alzar sus armas y apuntar hacia el vehículo de los oficiales cuando éste intentaba alejarse velozmente del área. La pareja señaló que las FF.DD. entonces abrieron fuego hacia el vehículo.

Después de disparar, los miembros de la FF.DD. regresaron al otro oficial y a su esposa. Los llevaron a una oficina cercana de las FF.DD., les vendaron los ojos con cinta adhesiva, y los condujeron en la

parte trasera de un camión a otro lugar que el oficial estima era el cuartel general de las FF.DD. La pareja fué interrogada cuatro horas.

Durante el interrogatorio, el oficial fué pateado entre las piernas y golpeado en la cabeza repetidamente. Se le dijo que lo matarían si no proporcionaba información sobre su ocupación y unidad. Su esposa, luego de estar de pie por media hora con las manos arriba de la cabeza, se desmayó y cayó al piso. También fué amenazada sexualmente por los miembros de las FF.DD.

Cuatro horas después de haber sido detenidos, el oficial y su esposa fueron escoltados por las FF.DD. a la Avenida 4 de Julio y liberados. Llegaron a la Estación Naval de Rodman a las 2:15 a.m. el domingo, donde hicieron declaraciones sobre el incidente.

El Comando Sur impuso la Limitación de Movimiento de Personal "D" como a las 9:50 del sábado, ordenando al personal militar y a sus dependientes que se mantengan fuera de las áreas publicas de Panamá. La seguridad en todas las instalaciones militares fué aumentada para asegurar la protección del personal e instalaciones estadounidenses.

Oficiales del Comando Sur y la

Embajada de EE.UU. han expresado su grave preocupación por el uso injustificado de fuerza letal por parte de las FF.DD.

"El patrón de hostigamiento de estadounidenses por parte de las FF.DD. ha resultado en la muerte de un miembro de las fuerzas de los EE.UU., la golpiza de un oficial de la fuerza naval, y el hostigamiento de su esposa", señaló el Secretario de Defensa Dick Cheney, luego de reunirse con altos oficiales ésta mañana en el Pentágono.

"Hemos visto al General Noriega aterrorizar a los panameños, y tratar con crueldad a civiles y militares por igual luego del ultimo golpe en su contra, nombrarse líder del país, y declarar un estado de guerra contra los EE.UU. Estas acciones han creado una atmósfera en la que las FF.DD. se sienten libres de disparar un contra de estadounidenses desarmados. Esperamos que a los responsables se les aplique la ley.

"En ultimas instancia, es el mismo General Noriega quien ha estimulado este tipo de ilegalidad. Su propia conducta pone un ejemplo de crueldad y brutalidad. La falta de disciplina y control en las FF.DD. es mayor evidencia que Panamá es un país sin gobierno", Cheney acotó.

Gacha gets 'common grave'

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — In a final, bizarre episode in the life and death of a billionaire drug trafficker, authorities used public funds to bury his body in a common grave and then exhumed it at his family's request.

The family of Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha claimed his body Sunday and loaded it, wrapped in a plastic bag, onto a pickup truck bound for "unknown parts," Sucre state Gov. Arturo Martinez said in a radio interview.

Security forces who had stalked Rodriguez Gacha for months shot and killed him and his entourage Friday during a gunfight near the Caribbean port of Covenas.

Rodriguez Gacha, 42, was buried late Saturday with his 17-year-old son, Freddy, and five bodyguards in a common grave in Sincelejo, 320 miles north of Bogota.

Martinez said on the Caracol radio network that Freddy's mother had claimed her son's body after the burial. He identified the woman as Luz Dari Celades, reportedly one of Rodriguez Gacha's mistresses.

Two of Rodriguez Gacha's brothers claimed the drug trafficker's body, Martinez said. He did not give their names.

The judge in charge of the burial, Bienvenido Zuniga, agreed to open the common grave and give family

members a chance to claim the bodies. He told the El Espectador newspaper that the only request for the bodies prior to the burial came from a funeral home in the city of Medellin, the hub of the country's cocaine trade. He denied that request, El Espectador said.

Rodriguez Gacha, a billionaire who had set up private armies to protect both his cocaine business and his vast stretches of land in the country, was buried in a wooden coffin at a cost of \$700 in public funds.

With the killing, President Virgilio Barco's government appeared strengthened in its anti-drug offensive. Critics had said Colombian cocaine chiefs were impervious to attack.

The government's success in tracking down Rodriguez Gacha drew praise from Colombian newspapers, which a week ago suggested Barco had all but lost his struggle against the traffickers.

Alfonso Cano Isaza, a columnist for El Espectador, wrote that the government had taken the first step toward victory over "the demented criminality of drug traffickers" by killing Rodriguez Gacha.

The trafficker was accused of the 1986 of Cano's brother, Guillermo Cano, El Espectador's publisher.

Military drug arrest authority

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determined at the highest levels of the government," he said.

The legal opinion, if implemented as policy, would allow military units such as the Delta hostage rescue teams or Special Forces to apprehend international fugitives, such as Panamanian Gen. Manuel Noriega, without permission from the host country.

Implementing the policy could complicate U.S. relations with countries where such arrests took place, particularly Latin American nations such as Colombia, Peru and Bolivia, which have admitted U.S.

narcotics agents but oppose the use of U.S. troops within their borders.

The Justice Department ruling was completed two months after U.S. forces planned a never-executed mission to seize Colombian alleged drug trafficker Pablo Escobar, who was reported to be in Panama, administration officials told The Post.

The mission — scratched when intelligence reports on Escobar's location proved false — would have evaded the then-current interpretation of the law on military arrest powers by having a Drug Enforcement Administration agent make the formal arrest.

A 'tragic, needless' incident

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The administration reacted with sharp words and restrained actions to the killing of a U.S. military officer in Panama, which appeared to escalate its war of nerves with Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega.

The White House deplored the violence, but was careful not to jump to immediate conclusions about the killing of an American fleeing with three others from a checkpoint confrontation near the headquarters of the Panamanian Defense Forces.

"The Noriega regime is isolated both domestically and internationally and has been using force and intimidation to thwart the will of the Panamanian people," deputy White House press secretary Roman Popadiuk said. "Acts such as those of last evening are the consequence of such a regime."

President Bush, who refused Saturday to recognize the Panamanian National Assembly's move Friday to formalize Noriega's power, declined to comment on the shooting after attending church services at Fort Myer, Va.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, who convened a meeting Sunday morning of officials from the Pentagon, the National Security Council and other agencies to look into the matter, blamed Noriega for creating "an atmosphere in which Panamanian Defense Forces feel free to fire on unarmed Americans.

"Ultimately, it is General Noriega himself who has encouraged this kind of lawlessness," Cheney said in a statement after the meeting.

"His own conduct sets an example

of cruelty and brutality."

Although the shooting came at a time of heightened tensions in their war of nerves with Noriega, U.S. officials said it appeared only coincidental to Panama's declaration Friday of a "state of war" with the United States.

After the National Assembly made that announcement and named Noriega as head of government, the administration dismissed the actions as meaningless and merely "another hollow step" by Noriega to usurp the results of a May election widely believed to have been won by opposition forces.

In the aftermath of the Saturday night shooting, an administration official cautioned: "I think this was an isolated incident. To draw conclusions from the rhetoric of the last few days would be misleading at this time."

Col. Ron Sconyers, a spokesman for the U.S. Southern Command in Panama, agreed on Cable News Network that "most of the indications point that this is an isolated incident, but certainly a very tragic and needless one."

"I can't say that this was a direct order, but it certainly might have been a reaction to fervor that was built up in them over the last couple of days with General Noriega declaring himself head of state and with the state of war," Sconyers said.

For almost two years, the White House has sought through a concerted campaign of political and economic pressure to force Noriega from power.