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Philippine rebels surrender; maintain air base

MANILA, Philippines (UPI) — Rebellious soldiers holding Manila's financial district agreed today to surrender to security forces, military negotiators said. The rebels continued to hold an air base south of the capital.

The mutineers "agreed to return to their barracks" later today and to turn over to security forces the Makati financial district buildings they invaded Saturday, said Col. Benjamin Enrile, an aide to government negotiators.

In a radio interview, Enrile asked building owners to report to chief government negotiator Brig. Gen. Arturo Enrile to organize an orderly departure of the estimated 400 rebels and to prevent looting.

Terms of surrender were not disclosed in detail, but Gen. Enrile earlier told reporters that the mutineers had acknowledged the government's position that their political and economic demands were "non negotiable."

The surrender talks had included discussing the rebels' "voluntary return to their barracks" in exchange for assurances they would be "treated humanely and fairly," Gen. Enrile said, but he emphasized that the rebels were being given no assurances of amnesty.

The negotiated surrender, if carried out, would effectively end the mutineers' siege of Manila, where the rebellion began before dawn Friday with ground and air attacks on several military bases and the presidential palace.

President Corazon Aquino stepped up pressure on the mutineers Wednesday by declaring a nationwide state of emergency after tourists and foreign residents were allowed to evacuate the besieged Makati financial center.

Aquino's unexpected move

coincided with a last-ditch effort between government and rebel negotiators to reach a peaceful solution to the sixth and most serious coup attempt since she became president in February 1986.



RADIO MAINTENANCE — SSgt. Raymond C. Otto, left, and SrA. John Galbraith, ground radio communications equipment technicians at the 1978th Communications Group, troubleshoot a frequency-modulated transceiver used by the Howard Air Force Base Command Post. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. Debra L. Penton)

Pride to present mini-concert tour

FORT CLAYTON (USARSO PAO) — Charley Pride and guest star Sandi Powell will open their mini-concert tour of U.S. bases in Panama Friday at the Fort Espinar Theater at 7:30 p.m.

The five-concert tour, sponsored by United Services Organization and American Telephone and Telegraph Company, is open to privilege card holders. No admission will be charged.

A second performance is scheduled Saturday at 11 a.m. at the U.S. Naval Station Panama Canal in conjunction with a "block party" where hamburgers, hot dogs and sodas will be served.

Two additional shows are scheduled Saturday at the Fort Clayton Theater at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. The final show is scheduled Sunday at 7 p.m. at the Howard Air Force Base Theater.

Pride, the 1971 Entertainer of the Year, will be the feature attraction during the concerts. His exploits in country music have earned a national following. His guest star, though lesser known, is beginning to make waves in the music industry. Powell has been recorded solo by Sunbird Records.

news briefs

Krenz resigns

EAST BERLIN (AP) — Former Communist Party chief Egon Krenz resigned Wednesday as East Germany's president, and a non-Communist took over as interim head of state for the first time in the nation's history.

Bomb kills 35

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — A truck bomb exploded during rush hour Wednesday in downtown Bogota, and officials said at least 35 people were killed and 950 injured near a building housing Colombia's federal police force.

No recession coming

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy will continue to weaken next year but avoid a recession and any substantial change in unemployment, the nation's top business economists predicted Wednesday.

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Justice Dept. asks judge to annul subpoena

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Justice Department asked a federal judge Wednesday to quash a subpoena for Ronald Reagan's Iran-Contra diaries and documents, citing executive privilege and arguing they are the "most intimate writings of a

former president." U.S. District Judge Harold Greene has ruled that Reagan's former national security adviser, John Poindexter, is entitled to the diaries and documents to defend himself against criminal charges in the Iran-

Contra scandal. "The nature of the material — raises profound constitutional concerns," the Justice Department told Greene, as well as "the authority of the courts over the most intimate writings of a former president."

Witness claims Noriega 'gift' intended for money laundering

LAFAYETTE, La. (UPI) — A government witness in the drug trial of 23 defendants testified he gave a \$300,000 "gift" to Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega in 1983 to start a money-laundering operation.

money would be protected. The Panamanians arranged a meeting with Noriega at the strongman's home. The next day, Kalish testified, he was taken to Noriega's home and gave the leader a \$300,000 "gift."

Steven M. Kalish, a convicted drug smuggler, told the jury in federal court Tuesday he met Noriega as part of a plan to launder the profits from the importation of hundreds of thousands of tons of marijuana.

"I am rather impressed that I am in this man's home," he told the court. Noriega agreed to assist the smugglers and an additional \$2.5 million was sent to the Bank of Commerce Credit International in Panama, with Rodriguez, Pretel and a third man splitting a 5 percent commission, Kalish said.

Kalish testified he took \$2 million in cash to Panama in 1983 "to feel out the situation" with officials of that country.

The importation ring was broken later in 1983 when government agents seized a 200-foot barge near the Louisiana coast laden with 1 million pounds of marijuana.

He said he met with Cesar Rodriguez and Enrique Pretel, partners with Noriega in the Servicios Turisticos company, to discuss the laundering plan.

Kalish, 37, was the 70th witness to testify in the trial of the 23 defendants. He testified that in payment for the 1 million pound load, \$25,000 went to each member of a group of truckers who also were given \$100,000 for their efforts in helping the Irish Republican Army.

Kalish said that at their first meeting an unidentified military officer told him his private jet was being watched by the Drug Enforcement Administration, which had contacted Panamanian officials.

In another smuggling effort, Kalish said a boat was seized by the Colombian navy on its way to that country but was freed when members of the ring paid Colombian officials a \$100,000 bribe.

"I had no idea who this military guy was," Kalish said. He told Rodriguez and Pretel he expected to have \$100 million to launder and wanted assurances the

FBI investigates secret Detroit police fund

DETROIT, (Reuter) — The Detroit city council decided Wednesday to subpoena police department records of a multimillion dollar secret fund being investigated by the FBI for possible corruption.

The fund, controlled by Chief of Police William Hart, is supposed to pay for undercover operations, tipsters and security.

But investigators have said it

appears almost \$1 million of the fund was siphoned off. Apparently, some of the money was used to pay the \$3,000 a month rent on the chief's daughter's posh Beverly Hills, Calif., home.

Chief Hart has said he did not know about the payments for his daughter's house and until Tuesday was leading the police investigation into the matter.

While Hart signed all the checks for dispersing the secret funds, a former civilian deputy chief, Kenneth Weiner, supervised the fund.

Weiner is one of the people being investigated by the FBI. Described as a specialist in urban security and terrorism, he resigned from the police department three years ago to work at the University of Michigan.

Weiner is on an "indefinite leave of absence" said Joseph Owsley, a university spokesman. He left the university in September and his whereabouts are unknown, police said.

But news reports said he is believed to be living in southern California.

Weiner controlled two California-based companies that received money from the secret fund and paid

the rent on the house leased by Hart's daughter, investigators have said.

In the meantime, Hart has been removed from the investigation and his second-in-command, James Bannon, is taking it over. The police department has refused to let city auditors look at the fund's records and the mayor has also refused to order their release.

Pressure has been mounting on Hart to step down. Detroit's two daily papers, the News and the Free Press, have both called for the veteran policeman to resign.

The city council voted 8-0 to issue two subpoenas — one to Hart and one to Bannon. The city council has given both until Dec. 19 to comply with the subpoena. After that the council will go to court.

Bush aims to reduce illiteracy, dropout rates among Hispanics

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Bush ordered creation of a federal education task force Wednesday that will seek to reduce relatively high dropout and illiteracy rates among Hispanic Americans.

Bush directed Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos, a Hispanic, to head the Task Force on the Education of Hispanic Americans, saying, "As Hispanics become the largest minority group in the United States — it becomes more and more important to overcome the crisis in Hispanic education."

According to the Census Bureau, there are now an estimated 20.1 million Hispanic Americans, 39 percent more than a decade ago. About a third are under the age of 21.

At a reception for Hispanic corporate leaders at the White House, Bush, flanked by the education secretary, said Cavazos' task force would report back to him with recommendations by the end of February.

"I'll incorporate these findings into our broader efforts to improve American education, mandated by our education summit with the

nation's governors" last September, Bush said.

In his letter to Cavazos, Bush quoted recent statistics that the education secretary provided to the president, including:

—Between 9 percent and 11 percent of Hispanic students drop out of high school each year, the highest dropout rate of any major ethnic or racial group.

—Every major report on adult illiteracy has found that the rate for Hispanics is much higher than for the non-Hispanic population.

—Among Hispanics over the age of 25, 52 percent have not completed high school, and only 10 percent have completed four or more years of college. The figures for non-Hispanics are 24 and 21 percent, respectively.

The president said the new task force, which will be part of his Domestic Policy Council, should:

—Assess the participation of Hispanics in federal education programs.

—Identify barriers that limit Hispanic participation in education programs and suggest remedies.

Gunman kills 11, self at school

MONTREAL (AP) — A man in a hunter's outfit walked through the University of Montreal engineering school on Wednesday firing a rifle "at anything that moved," killing 11 people and wounding many others before shooting himself to death, police said.

Witnesses said the young man roamed the halls, a computer room, the cafeteria and a classroom shooting students indiscriminately.

Montreal police spokesman Serge St. Laurent, reporting on casualties, said several of those wounded were in serious condition.

The man was armed with what appeared to be a semi-automatic .22-caliber rifle.

"All I know is that a crazy guy came in here and began shooting at anything that moved," said Dominique Berube, 22, one of scores of terrified students who ran from the

building. "It's our friends who have been killed." She said some people threw themselves on the floor while others stood paralyzed.

"The gunman is dead and at least five of the injured are serious," said St. Laurent.

He said the shooting began in a classroom at 5:25 p.m. EST.

"He told us to stop everything," said student Eric Chavarie. "And then when we looked at him we thought it was a joke, but he fired a shot in the air and separated us into two groups, the guys in one corner and the girls in (another) corner."

"When that was done he asked the guys to leave, he left the girls in there. We got outside in the hallway and for a couple of minutes he stayed in there and after when he got out he leveled his gun at a group of people who were there and he shot three or four shots."

Chilean fruit market begins winter season

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — The Chilean fruit market, stunned last season by a pair of cyanide-tainted grapes, began the winter season Wednesday with the unloading of a million pounds of grapes and a mixed cargo of other fruits.

Fruit importers were hoping tighter security would help consumers get over any lingering fears from last March when Food and Drug Administration agents found two grapes apparently injected with cyanide in a crate being unloaded at Philadelphia's Tioga Terminal.

The discovery, the result of a telephone tip-off, led to a two-week FDA ban on Chilean grapes and over \$300 million in losses to the Chilean economy.

No other poisoned grapes were found and no one was implicated in the incident, which authorities believe was linked to political unrest in Chile. There also have been doubts whether the testing of the grapes led to a false positive result for the presence of cyanide.

This season will have no such snags, said Robert Maxwell, president of the Maxwell Trading Co., one of 47 importers bringing a half-billion pounds of Chilean fruit

through Philadelphia, which handles 70 percent of Chilean fruit shipments.

Maxwell and his fellow importers showcased the unloading and inspection of the Ionian Sprinter at the Tioga Terminal as part of a campaign by fruit importers to make sure the cyanide scare is history.

"Essentially we wanted to let people know we're here and we're working, we're receiving fruit and we're back in business. And the fruit is safe," Maxwell said.

The importer said his company's privately hired inspectors have checked over randomly picked crates of grapes, and security has been tightened all along the path of the fruit from field to freighter.

"The Chilean fruit companies have a vested interest in making sure their product is not tampered with, and I'm sure they are doing all they can to that end," Maxwell said.

But the improved security was not yet in evidence at the Tioga Marine Terminal on Wednesday.

While there were guard booths and signs reading "No Admission Without ID," it was possible to walk in and out of the warehouse and throughout the area where the grapes were being stored.

John Hamilton, superintendent for the terminal's security firm, the Independent Pier Co., said security was not being strictly enforced until

photo identity badges could be issued to the many new employees.

"I'm dealing with 40 or 50 companies," Hamilton said.

White House gets Christmas tree

WASHINGTON (UPI) — First lady Barbara Bush accepted the traditional White House Christmas tree Wednesday while deftly preventing a potential confrontation between two delivery horses and Millie, the first family's dog.

While giving a proud thumbs-up sign for her husband's performance at his Malta summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, Mrs. Bush scooped up Millie to avoid any conflict with horses Fred and Dick, who hauled the 18-foot Fraser fir by buggy up the White House drive.

"George is going to kill me," she told reporters as the English springer spaniel escaped from the house and threatened to steal the holiday show. "Millie's never seen a horse before."

Although President Bush has reported that Millie has slain more than a dozen unfortunate rodents

on the White House grounds, the dog did not pay much heed to the red ribbon-bedecked Belgian draft horses. "It would just ruin it if you did something," Mrs. Bush scolded the pooch.

For their part, the stoic Fred and Dick, who labor for the National Park Service, appeared unmoved.

Asked what her Christmas wish was, she said, "Same one you all have. I want people to be fed. I want no war. I want people to be well."

"I just want the same things everyone wants," she added, "Peace on Earth, good will toward men — and horses."

The tree, grown in Spartansburg, Pa., was presented by three brothers, Duane, Bradley and Meade Berkey. It will be festooned with family ornaments and displayed in the Blue Room, the first lady said.

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Explosion downed jetliner, experts say

BOGOTA, Colombia (Reuter) — The head of Colombia's civil aviation agency said Tuesday investigators have found that an explosive device caused a blast nine days ago on a Colombian airliner, killing all 107 people aboard.

Yesid Castano, director of the Civil Aeronautics Administration Department (DAAC), told a news conference the first phase of an investigation aided by U.S. experts had concluded that an explosive device of an undetermined type brought down the Boeing 727 airliner on Nov. 27.

Hours after the crash an anonymous caller told the Caracol radio station the Extraditables, a group associated with the Medellin drug cartel, had attacked the plane to retaliate against police informants on board.

Castano said the explosive device appeared to have been placed beneath a seat ahead of a row in which one traveler, who checked in but cancelled his trip shortly before the plane took off, had been allotted a seat.

News reports said a telephone number the traveller gave the airline turned out to be false and he has not come forward. Castano said an investigation was underway to determine if the man was linked to the explosion.

The plane, carrying mainly business executives, exploded minutes after taking off for Cali on a domestic flight.

Castano said the explosion ruptured a fuel tank, spilling fuel which ignited, issuing a plume of white smoke seen on the ground, and a second explosion disintegrated the

plane. "It all took about 10 or 12 seconds," he said.

DAAC spokeswoman Astrid Gonzalez said the second phase of the investigation would take up to 20 days.

She said investigators had not used the word "bomb," stressing the type of explosive device was not known.

Castano said he could not speculate who placed the explosive device on board the plane.

Interior Minister Carlos Lemos Simmonds told reporters after meeting Castano that technical investigators believed that "criminal hands" had placed the device.

"This is sad news for the country,"

said Lemos Simmonds, acting president while President Virgilio Barco is on a state visit to Japan. "It is also a warning, albeit a painful one," he added, without elaborating.

The Extraditables declared "total war" on the Colombian establishment on Aug. 24 after the government launched its offensive against the cocaine trade.

The radio station gave little publicity to the call in its reports at the time because it believed it was impossible to verify it, news editors said.

But radio news director Yamid Amat told listeners Tuesday that based on the fresh information from

civil aviation authorities the anonymous call took on greater credibility.

Lemos Simmonds had said Friday he believed it was noteworthy that the Extraditables had not denied the claim made in the call claiming responsibility.

At least 10 U.S. experts aided in probing the crash, including officials from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), a spokeswoman for the aeronautic administration said.

In Washington, an official in the State Department's aviation division said the investigators reached the initial finding that the crash was caused by an explosive device.

Colombia's civil aviation authorities had sent the plane's voice and flight recorders to Washington for computer analysis and review by U.S. experts.

Castano said the voice recorder showed no sign that the pilots had time to be aware of anything going wrong. He said the recording showed normal conversations with an air control tower near Bogota.

He added the government and airlines would step up security at Colombian airports to avoid another such incident.

But he warned that at present it would be impossible to ensure that no explosive devices were ever on board planes.

"There are certain types of explosives, like those of plastics, which cannot be detected by X ray systems," he said.

"This is a permanent concern for world aviation."

Referendum on extradition asked

BOGOTA, Colombia (Reuter) — Colombia's House of Representatives voted Tuesday to put the thorny issue of extradition on a referendum scheduled for next month, a legislative move that was a setback for the government of President Virgilio Barco.

In a stormy session the House, which is the lower chamber of Congress, overwhelmingly voted to include the topic on a referendum scheduled for Jan. 21 that is already set to include electoral reform questions.

The House vote would add the question of whether extradition should be endorsed or repealed.

The House measure must now go to the Senate, the upper chamber of Congress, for consideration, according to government officials.

The House vote was a setback for Barco, who had gone on

television last Friday to urge Congress to exclude extradition from the referendum.

Appearing on television, Barco said drug traffickers would try to sway the vote against extradition using money, terror and intimidation.

Barco re-instituted extradition to the United States Aug. 18 as part of a sweeping anti-narcotics offensive against Colombia's multi-billion dollar cocaine trade.

U.S. officials say extradition is deeply feared by Colombia's drug lords.

Nine lower-level drug suspects have been sent for trial in the United States since September.

The Extraditables, a drug group often identified with the Medellin drug cartel, declared total war on the government Aug. 24 to counter the anti-narcotics offensive, including the extradition measures.

Manfredo: Decision 'only reasonable alternative'

PANAMA CITY, Panama (Reuter) — The Panamanian chosen by President Bush Tuesday to become acting administrator of the Panama Canal said his selection was the "only reasonable alternative" given the state of U.S.-Panamanian relations.

Fernando Manfredo, who is accepting the post at a time when the United States does not recognize Panama's government, said in a statement his only criteria had been "what was most suitable for the country."

The White House said Tuesday Bush's choice of Manfredo as acting

head of the Panama Canal Commission showed the United States was committed to complying with the Panama Canal treaties even though "no legitimate government authority exists in Panama."

Under the 1977 treaties, the Panamanian government is to appoint an administrator, subject to U.S. Senate approval, to assume the post on Jan. 1, 1990. The United States has refused to consider the nominee of Panama. Washington is trying to oust Panama's de facto leader, Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega.

Although there was no immediate

official government reaction to the canal appointment, a front-page government statement in the Sunday edition of Estrella de Panama said the U.S. choice would be "a violation of the treaties that no Panamanian, conscious of his responsibilities as a citizen of this country, could accept."

The newspaper's president and director, Tomas Altamirano Duque, is the Panamanian government's nominee for the post.

Manfredo, who as deputy administrator had hinted strongly in recent weeks he would accept the post despite harsh criticism in the pro-government press, said he knew

it would be difficult for many Panamanians to understand his decision.

But he said he was confident "that when emotions have cooled and things are seen dispassionately, all will agree that I have taken the right decision."

It was "the only responsible alternative under the present circumstances," he said.

The Panama Canal Commission, formed when the treaties went into effect in 1979 and the canal zone was dissolved, manages, operates and maintains the canal. The canal is to revert to Panamanian control in December 1999.

U.S. woman enters innocent plea in El Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (UPI) — A U.S. church worker, denying she was a rebel-allied terrorist, pleaded innocent to charges she hid weapons for leftist guerrillas, and three foreign Episcopal bishops were detained while attempting to protest the arrests of other church workers.

"The accusations are totally false," Jennifer Jean Casolo, 28, told a Salvadoran military tribunal Tuesday in the capital San Salvador.

"We are innocent and we believe the truth will come out," she said, speaking for herself and two Salvadoran co-defendants, also women. "And it doesn't matter if the truth doesn't come out because we ourselves know that we are

innocent."

The government has said Casolo, of Thomaston, Conn., and the two Salvadoran women were arrested Nov. 26 when security forces tipped by a captured guerrilla raided her San Salvador residence and discovered hundreds of explosives and more than 80,000 rounds of ammunition.

Casolo emerged from the courtroom after the three-hour hearing, saying she had denied being a rebel-allied terrorist. She said she was being moved to a women's jail in Ilopango, 6 miles east of San Salvador.

"They accused me of terrorist acts and of having and-or using weapons, which are false accusations, and I let

them know they were false," Casolo said.

Casolo's Salvadoran lawyer, Salvador Ibarra, said the judge took his client's statement and stated "provisional charges." The judge was expected to decide whether to file formal charges by week's end, Ibarra said.

Casolo works for a U.S. religious group called Christian Educational Seminars, which organizes tours in El Salvador for U.S. lawmakers, religious leaders and other Americans.

Also Tuesday, immigration officials detained three of four Episcopal bishops at San Salvador's Cuscatlan International Airport, according to a Lutheran Church

spokesman who requested anonymity. Two of the four are U.S. citizens; one is Canadian and the other Panamanian, the spokesman said.

The delegation was said to include bishops William Swing of the California diocese, David Reed of Kentucky, William Frey of Colorado and James Ottley of Panama. It could not be determined whether one bishop may be Canadian.

The bishops had traveled to San Salvador "to protest the abuse of the church in El Salvador," said the Rev. Donovan Cook of American Baptist Church in Seattle.

"There is a great need for (international) witnesses here," Cook said.

military news

Illinois loses bid to keep two bases

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (UPI) — A federal judge Monday dismissed a lawsuit by the state of Illinois intended to keep the federal government from closing Chanute Air Force Base and Fort Sheridan.

Judge Richard Mills threw out the suit filed by Attorney General Neil Hartigan because he said the state has "no constitutional or statutory role" in suing the federal government to keep the bases open. The judge also said Illinois failed to show major injury if the bases are closed.

Attorneys on Hartigan's staff said they were "reviewing" the 20-page order Monday but had not made a decision on whether to appeal, said Hartigan spokesman Jim Leach.

Chanute and Fort Sheridan are among 86 bases slated for closure by

the Pentagon as a cost-cutting measure. The state alleged in the suit filed against Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney that a federal base closure commission used bad data and inconsistent criteria to select bases to shut down.

"First, Illinois is not the subject of the (Defense) secretary's action," Mills said in his opinion. "Second, states have no constitutional or statutory role in federal military policy. The authority to provide for the national defense rests with Congress. That is a field in which the state has no place."

Last May, a federal base closing commission empowered by Congress established a list of military facilities that could be closed to save money. Chanute, in the central Illinois city of

Rantoul, and Fort Sheridan in the Lake County city of Highwood are among 86 bases across the country that were approved for closure by Congress in April.

Other suits are still pending around the nation from governmental entities fighting to keep their military bases open. Justice Department attorneys had told Mills that a decision in favor of Illinois could have opened the floodgates for litigation against the federal government nationwide.

State officials estimated the closing of the two Illinois bases could cost the state government \$240 million over four years in lost tax revenue and increased social spending.

The General Accounting Office

also issued a report last week saying the base closing commission overestimated annual savings from the closures by at least \$170 million. Savings from Chanute were overestimated by \$13.6 million, according to the report.

Chanute-area residents vowed to continue their legal effort and said they may file another suit using a different plaintiff.

"Without any doubt it (the ruling) is disappointing considering the amount of interest the state of Illinois and the other governmental entities have to lose," said Carl Weber, co-chairman of a committee to save Chanute.

"If the suit has some merit, I would hate to see it die because we can't find someone with standing."

U.S. will not protest detention in East Germany

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Pentagon said Tuesday it will not protest last week's Soviet detention of two American soldiers in East Germany and disclosed each superpower has detained an equal number of military personnel on its side of divided Germany this year.

"It's my sense from talking to our people at U.S. Army-Europe that no one senses that they were unreasonably detained," Defense Department spokesman Pete Williams said.

The two Army officers, members of the U.S. military liaison mission in East Germany, were detained for about 7 1/2 hours Friday by Soviet military personnel near the city of Halle, about 100 miles southwest of Berlin.

The incident occurred on the eve of President Bush's summit meeting in Malta with Soviet President Mikhail

Gorbachev.

The Army officers, who were in a jeep and on a routine mission to observe East German installations, "thought they were in an East German housing area when their vehicle was stopped by a man dressed in civilian clothing," Williams said.

Greenpeace plans to sue U.S. Navy

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The environmentalist group Greenpeace said Tuesday it plans to take legal action against the U.S. Navy after Navy ships rammed a Greenpeace vessel as it protested a Trident nuclear missile test off the Florida coast.

The Navy has denied ramming the Greenpeace ship, saying instead that Navy vessels "shouldered" the protest ship away from the launch site, which was in an "exclusion

zone" forbidden to other than Navy craft. "Their violence and aggression against us was not only uncalled for, it is illegal," Greenpeace naval expert William Arkin said at a news conference.

Arkin said Navy ships repeatedly rammed the vessel MV Greenpeace Monday in waters off Cape Canaveral, Fla., to prevent a protest against the launch of a Trident missile from a Navy submarine.

personnel, Williams said, and they were later joined by a Soviet investigating officer who "indicated to the U.S. tour officer that that was an overreaction, the puncturing of the tire."

"Our people in U.S. Army-Europe described the Soviet investigating officer as cordial, professional and thorough," Williams said. "No U.S. personnel were threatened. They did not perceive a threat to their safety."

While the two U.S. Army officers were not in a restricted area, Williams said, the United States does not have any plans to protest the detention.

It was the fifth time this year that Soviet troops have detained U.S. officers in East Germany. But Williams also said U.S. troops have detained members of the Soviet military liaison team in West Germany five times.

entertainment

TV guide

Thursday

12:00 a.m. CNN Headline News
12:30 SCN Midday Report
12:40 CNN Sports Latenight
1:00 Donahue...My Father Is Having An Affair
2:00 Another World
3:00 Star Trek
3:48 CNN Headline Newsbreak
4:00 Newton's Apple
4:25 Guiding Light

5:10 General Hospital
5:55 Community Bulletin
6:00 SCN Evening Report
6:30 ABC World News Tonight
7:00 Jeopardy
7:25 Mr. Belvedere
7:50 Amen
8:15 Cagney & Lacey
9:05 Night Court
9:30 NBC Nightly News
10:00 Entertainment Tonight
10:30 Stingray
11:20 SCN Late Night Report
11:30 NBC Tonight Show
12:30 Latenight With David Letterman

1:30 a.m. Nightline

Friday

5:30 a.m. CNN Headline News
6:00 CNN Headline News
6:30 NBC At Sunrise
7:00 NBC Today Show
9:00 Morning Stretch
9:25 Defenders Of The Earth
10:30 USA Today
11:00 Classic Concentration
11:00 I Love Lucy...Ricky's Movie Offer
11:55 Community Bulletin
12:00 CNN Headline News

movies -- Thursday

Howard

6 p.m. I, MADMAN (R) Jenny Wright
Old dime store paperback thrillers have become a passion vor Virginia. A series of gruesome murders propels her into a struggle with a real-life psychotic.
8 p.m. LETHAL WEAPON (R) Mel Gibson

Clayton

6 p.m. INDIANA JONES AND THE LAST CRUSADE (PG-13) Harrison Ford
With an old battered hat and a cracking leather whip our intrepid hero returns once again to vanquish evil and do battle against sadistic Nazis. (Violence)
118 p.m. HONEY I SHRUNK THE KIDS (PG) Rick Moranis
7 p.m. RENEGADES (R) Lou Diamond Phillips

Quarry Heights

7 p.m. THE DREAM TEAM (PG-13) Michael Keaton
Davis
7 p.m. KICKBOXER (R) Jean Claude Van Damme
"Cookie" - A Mafia boss tries to lead a quiet life with a scatterbrained wife and a ferociously independent illegitimate daughter. At the same time he is plotting a sting against his crooked partner.
Adults \$1.50; Children \$1.00

clubs -- Thursday

Naval Station O' Club - Live entertainment; Dining: porterhouse steak; Lunch: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Naval Station Anchorage Club - Dining: chicken in the basket; Lunch: Grill sandwich bar; Breakfast: 6:30-11 a.m.; Games night.

Naval Station CPO Club - A la carte dining.
Howard NCO Club - A la carte dining; Lunch; breakfast.
Howard O'Club - A la carte dining; Lunch.
Bamboo Inn - Lunch: 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Amador O'Club - Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Bayview Room - Lunch
STRAC Club - Open, 4:30-10 p.m.
Red Door - Open every day.
Sherman Community Club - Once a month lunch specials.

Clayton NCO Club - Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Clayton Guest House - Lunch.
Davis Community Club - Lunch.
Quarry Heights O'Club - Available for special functions. Call 289-3506; Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Open for dinner; breakfast.
Espinar Community Club - Available for special functions and parties only. Call 289-5160.
Albrook O'Club - Dining: 2 for 1 steak; Lunch: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Davis Community Club - Lunch.

sports

Duran wants 'Uno Mas' win over Leonard

commentary

by Frederick Bogus

FORT CLAYTON (USARSO PAO) — "UNO MAS." The hype is over. After nine years, World Boxing Council Super Middleweight Champion "Sugar" Ray Leonard and challenger Roberto Duran square off for the third time at the Mirage Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas tonight.

THE EVENT:

Leonard and Duran aren't strangers to big fights. Leonard sports an outstanding 9-1-1 record in title bouts, while Duran is an impressive 16-4-0. What needs to be mentioned, however, is that Leonard has a 4-0-1 mark when in championship bouts in Vegas, including a questionable victory over Marvin Hagler in 1986 and draw against Thomas Hearns in June. On the other hand, Duran has a poor, 1-3-0 record in title fights in the "glitter" city, including the crushing two-round demolition he suffered at the hands of Hearns in 1984.

THE FIGHTERS:

Both are experienced. Duran, the only fighter who has defeated Leonard, first fought professionally in 1967, while Leonard made his pro debut in 1977.

However, Leonard isn't the same fighter he was in the past, befuddling opponents with his amazing hand and foot speed. Those qualities were a big factor when he defeated Duran in their 1980 rematch.

While Leonard's one-time invincibility seems to have deserted him, Duran has been fighting with reborn vigor. He stunned the boxing public when he decisioned WBC

Middleweight Champion Iran Barkley in a 12-round title bout, a victory that put him line for his long awaited rematch with Leonard.

Both champions are more susceptible to being hit by the "big" punch now than in years past. But age isn't a factor, with Leonard coming in at 33 and Duran 38. Leonard comes in with a sparkling 35-1-1 (25 KO's) record while Duran sports a tough 85-7-0 (60 KO's).

KEYS TO VICTORY:

For Duran to win, he must be the aggressor, maintain a relentless attack, keep Leonard tied up on the ropes and make it a "rock'em, sock'em" affair. Duran should have no stamina problem. He had a good training session and says he is in the best shape of his career. Duran might have to take some shots to get to Leonard, but his chin should be able to absorb them.

For Leonard to win, he must extend the ring and somehow regain the form he showed against Hagler. He used his foot work, frustrating jabs and furious combinations to beat Hagler. Ray must "stick and move," make Duran chase him for at least half of each round and flurry as the round ends.

PREDICTION:

This fight could be the best fight of the decade, and with these two legends going at it, I think it will. Both have something to prove, but Duran has a slight edge. First, he wants to prove he can win a big fight against a legendary champion in Las Vegas. Second, he wants to erase the disgrace of the tragic "NO MAS" bout in 1980. Leonard needs foot speed and punching quickness to win, and I believe he's lost too much of both to keep Duran at bay. I like Duran by 11th round knockout.



Roberto Duran, no stranger to big fights, sports an 85-7 record and is 16-4 in title bouts. He is also the only boxer that has defeated Sugar Ray Leonard. (photo by Grover Matheny)

Arum may be indicted for selling television rights

LAS VEGAS (Reuter) - Boxing promoter Bob Arum said Tuesday the U.S. Treasury Department had threatened to indict him for selling the broadcast rights for the Sugar Ray Leonard-Roberto Duran fight to a Panamanian government-owned television attention.

Arum, who is promoting the fight here Thursday said his New York office received a call from a Treasury Department agent Monday.

He said the agent claimed Arum's company, Top Rank, was violating a

U.S. statute by selling the rights to the fight to Channel 2, which he said was owned by the Panamanian government.

"They said we committed a felony and the officers of the company would be indicated because we sold the rights to Channel 2," Arum said.

A Treasury Department spokeswoman in Washington D.C. said U.S. citizens are banned by law from dealing with that channel.

Arum said the Treasury agent who called his office said it had declared

Panamanian leader Manuel Antonio Noriega an agent of Cuba Oct. 31 and therefore U.S. citizens were prohibited from doing business with him.

"We told the Treasury Department that we sold the rights to Channel 2 before Oct. 31, but they said if we sold the rights to Channel 2 they would bring criminal charges against us," Arum said.

Since the latest aborted coup against Noriega failed Oct. 3, the Bush administration has tightened

sanctions aimed at bringing down Noriega, who has been indicted in the United States on drug trafficking charges. He has denied the charges.

Arum said he transferred the rights to the fight, which he had sold for \$75,000, to Telemetro-Canal 13, a 100 percent privately-owned station.

"I just think it's outrageous," Arum said. "It's Mickey Mouse.... What difference does it make whether Channel 2 or Channel 13 shows the fight?"

Arum puede ir a juicio por venta de derechos de TV

LAS VEGAS, Reuter - El promotor de boxeo Bob Arum dijo el martes que el Departamento del Tesoro de los EE.UU. había amenazado con enjuiciarlo por vender los derechos de transmisión de la pelea Sugar Ray Leonard-Roberto Durán a una estación de televisión perteneciente al gobierno de Panamá.

Arum, quien promueve la pelea a celebrarse aquí el jueves, dijo que su oficina en Nueva York recibió una llamada el lunes de un agente del Departamento del Tesoro.

Arum señaló que el agente dijo que su compañía, Top Rank, estaba violando un estatuto estadounidense al venderle los derechos de la pelea a

canal 2, que dijo pertenecía al gobierno de Panamá. Durán es panameño.

Una vocera del Tesoro en Washington dijo que a los ciudadanos estadounidenses por ley les está prohibido hacer negocios con ese canal.

Arum dijo que el agente del Tesoro que llamó a su oficina señaló que el 31 de octubre el departamento había declarado a Manuel Antonio Noriega como agente de Cuba y por lo tanto, a los ciudadanos estadounidenses se les estaba prohibido negociar con él.

"Le dijimos al Departamento del Tesoro que les habíamos vendido los derechos al canal 2 antes del 31 de

octubre, pero ellos dijeron que si le vendíamos los derechos al canal 2 formularían cargos en nuestra contra", dijo Arum.

Desde que el último golpe contra Noriega fracasara el 3 de octubre, la administración de Bush ha apretado las sanciones diseñadas para derrocar a Noriega, quien ha sido enjuiciado por narcotráfico en los Estados Unidos. Este ha negado las acusaciones.

Arum dijo que transfirió los derechos a la pelea, que vendió por \$75,000, a Telemetro-Canal 13, una estación de propiedad 100 por ciento privada.

"Pienso que es insólito", dijo Arum. "Son cosas de Mickey

Mouse....Que diferencia hay si es el Canal 2 o el Canal 13 el que transmite la pelea?"

City to be in standstill

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) — Nationalistic fervor whipped up by the government is turning the title fight Thursday between Sugar Ray Leonard and Roberto Duran into a symbolic political clash.

This capital city is expected to come to a standstill Thursday night during the live television broadcast of the fight. Giant screens are being put up in low-income neighborhoods to make it easier for fans to watch and cheer Duran.

U.S. hockey fans losing interest in Soviets

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — Soviet hockey may be losing its drawing power in North America.

Fewer than 6,000 tickets have been sold for Wednesday night's game between the NHL's Edmonton Oilers and Khimik Vostresensk of the Soviet Union.

Oiler general manager Glen Sather said with Soviets now playing in the NHL, the Soviet mystique may have completely disappeared. Some other go further than that.

"It's an unnecessary nuisance," said general manager Jimmy Devellano of the Detroit Red Wings.

He said Joe Louis Arena is sold out for Detroit's game against Khimik next week but only because he included the game in his season-ticket package.

"The last thing a team needs is an exhibition game," he said. "If it was voluntary, we wouldn't play it. Nobody knows this bloody team. And this Russian thing isn't that big a deal anymore."

He said there are nine Soviets playing in the NHL now and the influx from the USSR hasn't been an overwhelming success. He praised Buffalo's Alexander Mogilny and

Calgary's Sergei Makarov "and that's it."

General manager David Poile of the Washington Capitals also expects a sell-out. He also put his club's game against Khimik, the No.-1 team in the Soviet Union, in the season-ticket package.

"Everything is different with every team," he said. "We have a special situation. We went to Russia for our training camp this year. There is a lot of interest because of that."

"We think sending two teams to the Soviet Union is great and we think this game is great."

The Calgary Flames, the other team to take a tour of the Soviet Union, didn't put the game in the season-ticket package. As of Monday, less than 8,000 tickets had been sold.

"With two Soviets on our team, we aren't sure what to make of it," Flames spokesman Rick Skaggs said. "I think there are a lot of factors. One, to me, is that the game is so much earlier."

He said while the NHL now has most of the Soviet Union's most famous players, they are older players.

sports briefs

Trophy winner

NEW YORK (AP) — Mohammed Elewonibi, a 290-pound guard from Brigham Young University, was named winner Wednesday of the Outland Trophy as the outstanding college football lineman in America.

Track may close

HIALEAH, Fla. (AP) — Hialeah Park owner John Brunetti may close the historic racetrack soon because he's losing an expensive battle for bettors with nearby Calder Race Course.

Aussie Open entries

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP)

The top four tennis players in the world all have confirmed their entries for the men's singles at the Australian Open in January, Tennis Australia announced Wednesday.

Ivan Lendl, Boris Becker, Stefan Edberg and John McEnroe have all the first grand slam event of the year, scheduled Jan. 15-28.

Hrbek signs pact

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Free agent Kent Hrbek, wooed by big money from several teams, reached agreement Wednesday on a five-year contract to stay with the Minnesota Twins, the team said.

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Ganador de trofeo

NUEVA YORK (AP) — Mohammed Elewonibi, un guardia que pesa 290 libras, de la Universidad Brigham Young, fue el ganador del trofeo Outland, como el más sobresaliente delantero del futbol universitario en América.

Posible cierre

HIALEAH, Fla. (AP) — John Brunetti, dueño del histórico hipódromo de Hialeah, quizás cierre debido la costosa lucha con apostadores del cercano hipódromo Calder.

Entradas confirmadas

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP)

Los cuatro grandes jugadores de tenis del mundo han confirmado sus entradas para los juegos en Australia en enero. Ivan Lendl, Boris Becker, Stefan Edberg y John McEnroe están todos preparados para el primer evento del año programado para los días del 15 al 28 de enero.

Firma contrato

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Kent Hrbek agente libre, famoso por las grandes cantidades de dinero que le ofrecieron varios equipos, llegó a un acuerdo el miércoles firmando un contrato por cinco años con el equipo de los Mellizos de Minnesota, informó el equipo.

NHL fast facts, stars

STREAKS

Detroit is unbeaten in three games (1-0-2), but 4-12-4 in its last 20 games.

"It's something to build on," Detroit coach Jacques Demers said. "It's a modest undefeated streak with some important people out." Washington has a four-game winning streak on the road and is 4-1 in its last five games. The New York Islanders have a three-game winning streak.

STARS

Tuesday Mark Fitzpatrick, New York Islanders, made 33 saves for his second shutout in three games in the Islanders' 3-0 victory against Buffalo. "The defense was consistent," Fitzpatrick said. "I only had to make the first save."

Alan May, Washington, scored two goals in the Capitals' 4-3 victory at Philadelphia. "When you're on the fourth line, you don't get as many breaks; you have to create them," May said.

Claude Loiselle and Sergei Mylnikov, Quebec. Loiselle scored two goals and goaltender Mylnikov made 31 saves in the Nordiques' 3-3 tie with Boston. "I had no shots and two goals," Loiselle said of his goals that deflected into the goal of his stick and body.

SWITCHES

The Pittsburgh Penguins fired general manager Tony Esposito and head coach Gene Ubriaco and named Craig Patrick general manager and interim head coach Tuesday. "We feel confident Craig Patrick will be able to lead this team in the direction we would like to see it go," Eddie DeBartolo Jr., son of Penguins owner Edward DeBartolo, said at a news conference.

SHOTS ON GOAL

Quebec scored on its first shot on goal against Boston on Tuesday when defenseman Brian Fogarty's shot from the slot beat goaltender Andy Moog at 3:15 of the first period.

SCOUTING

Goaltender Tom Draper made 34 saves and Danton Cole scored two goals as the Moncton (Jets) defeated Sherbrooke (Canadiens) 4-1 in the AHL at Sherbrooke, Quebec, on Tuesday night. Guy Larose and Ron Wilson added goals for Moncton.

SPEAKING

"It was the worst game of the year." — Buffalo coach Rick Dudley after the Sabres' 3-0 loss to the New York Islanders on Tuesday.

NC State tans Redmen

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina State's backcourt of Rodney Monroe and Chris Corchiani scored 22 points each Tuesday night and the 19th-ranked Wolfpack used a six-point play to beat No. 15 St. John's 67-58 in the fourth game of the ACC-Big East Challenge.

Seton Hall beat Wake Forest 76-74 in overtime in the first game of the doubleheader, giving the Big East a 2-1 lead in the eight-game series.

North Carolina State's exceptional backcourt evened things in the second game.

St. John's (5-2) led 50-44 on Boo Harvey's 3-pointer with 11:37 to play. He became a key figure in the six-point play when he fouled Tom Gugliotta of the Wolfpack (5-1) 26 seconds later. Harvey slammed the ball down on the floor and was assessed a technical foul.

North Carolina State's Mickey Hinnant went to the foul line and made one of two free throws. St. John's then called a timeout and during the stoppage of play it was discovered that the wrong shooter

had taken the free throws.

That is a correctable error and Gugliotta then made both free throws and Corchiani followed by making both free throws for the technical.

With the possession, Corchiani made a jumper and the game was tied with 10:39 left.

Gugliotta stripped St. John's Robert Werdann of the ball after a rebound and the Wolfpack led 52-50 with 9:24 left. Werdann did tie it 22 seconds later but Corchiani nailed a 3-pointer with 8:00 left and the Wolfpack was never headed.

The Redmen managed just eight points in the final 11 minutes as they never seemed to recover from the six-point play.

Gugliotta finished with 13 points and Werdann led St. John's with 19.

Corchiani gave North Carolina State a 32-31 halftime lead with a bank shot with five seconds left in the half and just two seconds left on the 45-second shot clock. He had stood alone at midcourt dribbling the ball while St. John's stayed back on defense.

NBA, NHL scoring leaders

Name	Scoring		
	G	Pts	Avg
Jordan Chi.	15	476	31.7
Ewing N.Y.	16	467	29.2
Malone Utah	14	396	28.3
Mullin G.S.	15	410	27.3
Wilkins Atl.	15	376	25.1
Ellis Sea.	16	393	24.6
Chambers Phoe.	13	318	24.5
Campbell Minn.	16	390	24.4
Malone Wash.	16	379	23.7
Barkley Phil.	14	330	23.6
Miller Ind.	13	298	22.9
Bird Bos.	16	365	22.8
McDaniel Sea.	16	365	22.8
Pierce Mil.	14	311	22.2
Robinson S.A.	14	304	21.7
Catledge Orl.	12	259	21.6
Johnson LAL	15	319	21.3
Malone Atl.	14	296	21.1
Richmond G.S.	15	317	21.1
Worthy LAL	15	316	21.1

	SCORING			
	Gms	G	A	Pts
Gretzky LA	26	12	43	55
Lemieux Pgh	26	16	35	51
Messier Edm	29	18	29	47
Nicholls LA	26	18	26	44
Turgeon Buf	28	15	29	44
Sartner Min	28	20	20	40
Dates StL	26	10	29	39
Hull StL	26	20	17	37
Yzerman Det	27	16	21	37
Makarov Cal	29	7	30	37
Robitaille LA	26	20	15	35
Nieuwendyk Cal	29	17	18	35
Kurri Edm	28	16	19	35
Richer Mtl	30	15	20	35
Francis Hart	28	13	22	35
Bourque Bos	26	4	31	35
MacInnis Cal	29	9	25	34
Bellows Min	28	18	15	33
Broten Min	28	10	23	33

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RP opposition critical of Bush's choice to run PCC

WASHINGTON (AP) — Panamanian opposition leaders are criticizing President Bush for ignoring the government's nominee to run the Panama Canal, choosing instead to name a longtime Panamanian canal official to the post on an acting basis.

The Panama Canal Treaties of 1977 stipulated a Panamanian national must become administrator of the Panama Canal Commission on Jan. 1, for the first time in the 75-year-history of the canal.

The treaties specify that it was up to the government of Panama to nominate the canal administrator and the U.S. president to appoint him, subject to Senate confirmation.

But Bush is circumventing that process because the United States does not recognize the government installed by Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega after the results of last May's

elections in Panama were nullified.

Instead, Bush announced he has asked the canal's deputy administrator, Fernando Manfredo, to take over as acting administrator.

"I have accepted because I consider it the only responsible option under the circumstances," Manfredo said in a written statement in Panama.

Opposition leaders warned that Bush's action "creates an irregular situation not foreseen in the treaties."

"We warn the United States that because of its irregularity this situation disrupts the orderly process of nationalization of the canal that we Panamanians claim as an irreversible process," said the statement from former opposition presidential candidate Guillermo

Endara and his vice presidential running mates Ricardo Arias and Guillermo Ford.

The man recommended by the Panamanian government for the job, Tomas Altamirano-Duque, director-president of Panama's biggest newspaper and a former lawmaker for the Democratic Revolutionary Party, published a letter in his newspaper last month saying Manfredo would be guilty of treason if he accepted the position.

There was no official government comment.

The White House said a permanent appointment would be made "at such time as a legitimate Panamanian government exists and proposes its candidate for administrator in accordance with the

procedures set forth in the treaty and applicable law."

Manfredo would succeed Dennis McAuliffe, a former commander of U.S. military forces in Panama who has been administrator of the canal commission for a decade.

The treaty also requires that an American be named deputy administrator in 1990. The White House said that decision will be made later by the board of directors of the canal commission.

The transfer of power to Panama will be completed at the end of the century, when Panama assumes full control of the canal.

Bush announced last week he is banning Panamanian-flag vessels from entering U.S. ports after Jan. 31.

noticias breves

Renunció Krenz

BERLIN ORIENTAL (AP) — El miércoles renunció el ex-mandatario del Partido Comunista Egon Krenz, quien era el presidente de Berlín Oriental, y un miembro no-comunista asumió el cargo como jefe de estado por primera vez en la historia de ésta nación.

Mueren 35 en explosión

BOGOTÁ, Colombia (AP) — Explotó un camión con una bomba el miércoles durante la hora de más ajetreo en el centro de Bogotá, y oficiales dijeron que por lo menos 35 personas habían fallecido y 950 heridas cerca a un edificio donde residen miembros de la policía federal de Colombia.

No habrá recesión

WASHINGTON (AP) — La economía estadounidense continuará en baja el próximo año pero no habrá una recesión ni ningún cambio substancial en el desempleo, predijeron el miércoles los altos economistas de la nación.

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Unmarried girls under age 18 would have to get parental permission before obtaining an abortion in Michigan under a bill passed Wednesday by the House despite the governor's promise to veto it.

Before passing the measure by a 65-39 vote, lawmakers rejected nearly 50 amendments, including one to require boys to take some responsibility for preventing teen-age pregnancy by wearing condoms.

The Senate, which already has passed a similar measure, is expected to take up the legislation before it breaks for the holidays next week.

Veto promise

That sets up a promised veto by Gov. James Blanchard, who has pledged to strike down any measure restricting abortion rights.

William Kandler, a spokesman for Blanchard, said the governor wouldn't change his mind despite a survey by The Detroit News that suggests Michigan residents favor a parental consent requirement by a 3-1 margin.

"I'm hopeful the governor will think about parents and not his own personal beliefs," said Barbara Listing, president of Right to Life of

Michigan.

Margy Long, a spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood of Michigan, said she was encouraged by at least 40 signatures collected on the House floor asking the governor to veto the bill.

Enough votes

That is more than enough to sustain a veto in the 109-member House, although the anti-abortion side says it has enough votes for an override in the Senate.

The Legislature has overridden only one veto in the past 38 years, that in 1977 on an obscure administrative rules bill.

The legislation allows a girl to petition a probate court to have an abortion if she believes she can't tell her parents or if her parents refuse to let her have an abortion.

Only two substantive amendments were successful during the lengthy floor debate.

Judge's OK

One would require schools to provide information about the law and tell girls how they could seek a judge's permission for an abortion.

The other would allow a psychologist or psychiatrist who has

been treating the child to petition the court on her behalf if they believe the girl would commit suicide if she couldn't obtain an abortion without telling her parents.

Opponents of the bill say it's merely intended to make it more difficult for girls to get an abortion, because at least 70 percent of pregnant minors in Michigan already bring at least one parent to an abortion clinic with them.

Tragic situations

Rep. Maxine Berman said the bill might encourage girls in tragic situations to resort to desperate measures.

"This bill is meant to put the squeeze on teen-agers with no regard to the horrible alternatives they may seek," said Rep. Maxine Berman. "Can any of you live with yourself if a woman resorts to a back-alley abortion, or to crack cocaine to induce abortion, or to suicide? I don't want any more young people to die."

"We're talking about the very bedrock of our society, family," countered Rep. Michael Griffin, sponsor of the bill. "We recognize there are families trouble, that's why we put the judicial bypass in there."

Drug flow into Southwest reaches unprecedented levels

SAN ANTONIO (UPI) — The flow of illegal drug proceeds through the Southwest has reached unprecedented levels because the area is near major drug routes, the House Banking Committee was told Wednesday.

Florida's crackdown on drug trafficking has also driven drug dealers to Southwestern states, the committee learned during a public hearing on money laundering held in San Antonio.

Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, D-Texas, who heads the committee, said at the start of two days of hearings that the San Antonio District's Federal Reserve Bank had received \$2.3 billion in excess currency between October 1988 and this past September alone.

Excess currency is considered by federal authorities to be a prime indicator of money laundering activity and the increase now ranks the San Antonio federal reserve branch third in the nation in surplus currency, trailing only Los Angeles and Miami.

"Such an influx of cash — particularly in small bills — is reportedly an indicator the deposit is the result of an illegal drug sale," said Gonzalez, whose home is in San Antonio.

One report on 1987 currency surpluses in the San Antonio district showed 88 percent of the excess came from within 15 miles of the Mexican border, the committee was told.

The banking committee is to decide whether to again change the Bank Secrecy Act of 1970, which was the first federal effort to crack down on money laundering. The law was amended in 1986 and 1988.

Gonzalez suggested revamping other laws to tighten regulations may also help alleviate the problem and said more money and manpower may be the answer. But he added he was not yet ready to make specific recommendations.

Banks are only one resource for laundering money, Gonzalez said, pointing out "the proliferation of cash-oriented storefront businesses" that cash checks, sell money orders and transmit funds overseas. Gonzalez cited reports that such businesses are responsible for sending billions of dollars to drug dealers in South America and Asia.

"Yet most of these businesses are illegal, unlicensed and unregulated," he said. "Texas, for instance, has no laws regulating check-cashing businesses."

Texas Banking Commissioner Kenneth Littlefield said money order

and check cashing firms provide a needed service, especially in poor, urban neighborhoods where banks have no branches.

"Unfortunately, some of these entities have recently provided money-laundering services for the drug trade," Littlefield said.

Pearl Harbor ceremonies today

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii (AP) — A service aboard the USS Arizona Memorial highlights ceremonies today to mark the 48th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, which plunged the United States into World War II.

The sunken Arizona is the final resting place for 1,102 Navy men and Marines killed in the early morning attack Dec. 7, 1941. The memorial spans the hull of the battleship, which still flies the U.S. flag. It is the only Navy ship not in commission that is allowed to do so.

The memorial service would include prayers, presentations of wreaths, a 21-gun salute and the playing of echo taps.

A moment of silence would be observed throughout the naval base at 7:55 a.m., the exact moment of the Japanese attack.

To end the minute of silence,

F-15 jets from the Hawaii Air National Guard will fly over the memorial in a "missing man" formation.

Because of limited space aboard the memorial, attendance is by invitation only, but numerous survivors of the attack and members of various veterans and patriotic groups are expected to be on hand.

The National Park Service, which manages the memorial and its nearby visitor center, will hold a simultaneous observance on shore for the general public.

The park service planned special activities Thursday, including lectures by survivors, special exhibits and footage of the attack. The U.S. Navy Pacific Fleet Band is to perform later in the day.

A memorial ceremony is also scheduled at nearby Hickam Air Force Base.