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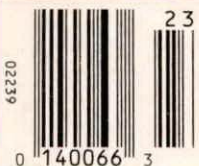
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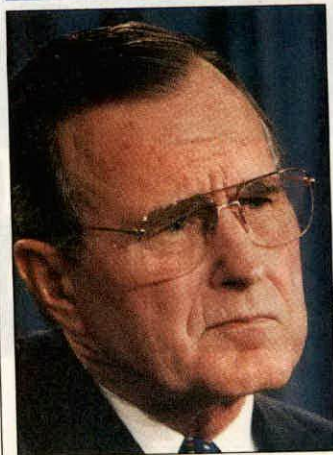
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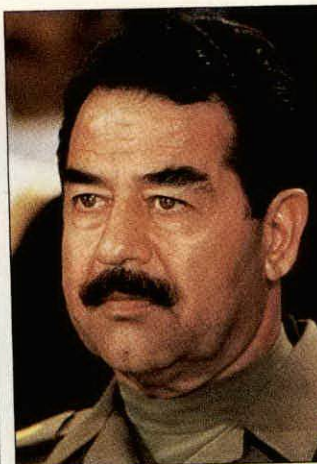
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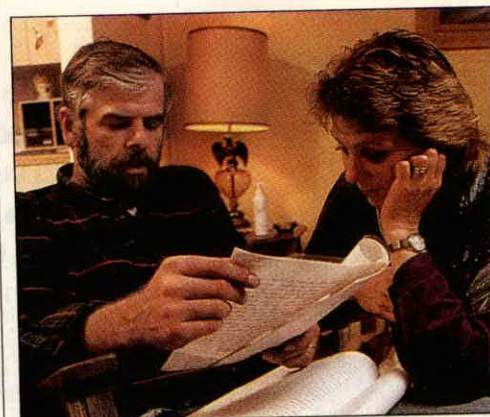
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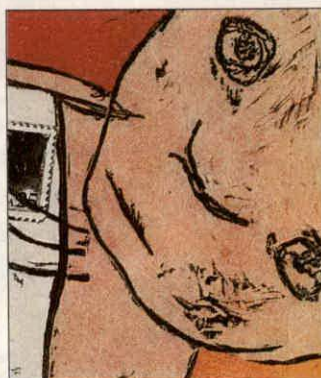
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Mikhail Gorbachev's mastery of Kremlin politics is almost complete. But it hasn't helped him achieve his principal goal: to save the Soviet system from itself. The country is disintegrating; secessionist movements tug at the fringes of the Soviet Union while the republics put parochialism above national interests. Last week's too-little-too-late economic reforms only highlighted the problems. Perhaps no Soviet leader could surmount the obstacles, but Gorbachev seems to lack both understanding and vision. As George Bush hosts him in Washington this week, the question is: how much should America invest in this man? **Special Report: Page 16**

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One year ago China's hard-liners crushed the democracy movement. Now a Chinese photographer who documented the execution of protesters has smuggled his film of the shootings to the West—powerful images that tell an ugly story. Meanwhile, George Bush announced he would extend China's most-favored-nation trading status. **International: Page 28**



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