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Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

- P-1 National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
- P-2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
- P-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
- P-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA]
- P-5 Release would disclose confidential advice between the President and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA]
- P-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA]

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- (b)(7) Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
- (b)(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
- (b)(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM
SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

August 23, 1991

	TIME		NAME	ACTION
	PLACED	DISC		
OUT	6:03 AM	6:04	Mr. Kenneth P. Raynor Office, Kennebunkport, Maine 207-967-3494	Tlkd-ok 6:03 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	6:58 AM	7:05	Secretary James A. Baker III (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 7:00 AM via YANKEE ZULU
INC	PM			
OUT	7:03 AM	7:09	General Brent Scowcroft Office, Washington, D.C. White House Signal 7-2260	Tlkd-ok 7:05 AM via YANKEE ZULU
INC	PM			
OUT	9:09 AM	9:12	Mr. Lewis Walker (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 9:10 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	9:16 AM	9:30	Mr. Robert M. Gates Office, Washington, D.C. White House Signal 7-2261	Tlkd-ok 9:17 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	10:13 AM	10:15	Ms. Patty Bruce (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 10:14 AM via YANKEE ZULU
INC	PM			
OUT	10:29 AM	10:32	Ms. Linda Casey Office, Kennebunkport, Maine Kennebunkport Signal 4-0350	Tlkd-ok 10:31 AM via YANKEE ZULU
INC	PM			
OUT	11:09 AM	11:17	Ms. Patty Presock Office, Washington, D.C. White House Signal 7-2199	Tlkd-ok 11:11 AM via YANKEE ZULU
INC	PM			
OUT	11:18 AM	11:23	General Brent Scowcroft Office, Washington, D.C. White House Signal 7-2260	Tlkd-ok 11:20 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	11:39 AM	12:36	Secretary Nicholas F. Brady (b)(6)	WCB 11:40 AM Tlkd-ok 12:24 PM
INC	PM			
OUT	12:14 AM	12:18	General Brent Scowcroft George Washington University Hospital Washington, D.C. 994-1861	Tlkd-ok 12:16 PM
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OUT	AM		Mr. Kenneth P. Raynor Office, Kennebunkport, Maine 207-967-3493	Tlkd-ok 2:34 PM
INC	2:33 PM	2:35		
OUT	AM		Mr. Prescott Bush Office, Greenwich, Connecticut 203-599-1409	LW with Ms. Casey 3:50 PM
INC	3:49 PM			
OUT	AM		Dr. Allen H. Roberts Residence, Kennebunkport, Maine Kennebunkport Signal 4-0348	Tlkd-ok 8:29 PM
INC	8:28 PM	8:30		
OUT	AM		Mr. Willard S. Heminway (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 8:49 PM
INC	8:49 PM	8:50		
OUT	AM		Mr. George W. Bush (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 9:58 PM
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WASHINGTON

AUGUST 23

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PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Kennebunkport, Maine

DATE 23 August 1991

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Proposed & Tentative for Administrative Use Only T Tentative B First Lady • Away from White House				1 B* 9:15 Amer. Embassy Greeting B* 10:00 Kremlin Departure Ceremony B* 10:50 Departure Ceremony Kiev, USSR B* 12:55 Arrival Ceremony • 1:40 One-on-One Mtg. • 2:00 Expanded Bilateral Mtg Luncheon B* 2:35 B* 3:40 Address Supreme Soviet of Ukrainian Republic B* 5:10 Wreathlaying Ceremony B* 6:25 Depart for Andrews AFB B 9:55 Arrive White House RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	2 7:15 Hold • 9:00 Courtesy Call on Capitol Hill 10:00 Cabinet Mtg. 12:00 Lunch with VP 12:30 Press Availability 3:00 Depart for Camp David RON CAMP DAVID	3 RON CAMP DAVID
4 8:00 Arrive White House RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	5 10:00 Staff Time 11:15 Photo Ops 3:15 Mtg. w/General Hatch 3:30 Mtg. with Sec. Cheney 8:15 Helicut B 6:30 Cabinet Dinner RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	6 9:15 Present of All American City Awards • 11:00 "National Night Out" kickoff ceremony 12:00 Lunch with Sec. Baker B 2:00 Diplomatic Credentials Ceremony B 3:15 Depart for Kennebunkport, ME RON KENNEBUNKPORT	7 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	8 • Sports Illustrated Interview RON KENNEBUNKPORT	9 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	10 RON KENNEBUNKPORT
11 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	12 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	13 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	14 • 6:50 Depart f/Pittsburgh Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania • 9:30 Address the Ntl. Fraternal Order of Police • 12:30 Arrive Walker's Point RON KENNEBUNKPORT	15 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	16 • 8:45 Staff Time • 9:00 Press Conference w/Maine Journalists RON KENNEBUNKPORT	17 RON KENNEBUNKPORT
18 B 4:00 Teleconference to the Ntl. Governors Assoc. Mtg. RON KENNEBUNKPORT	19 • 8:00 Press Availability • 12:00 Depart for Washington 2:25 Arrive White House RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	20 10:00 Swearing in cere. f/Bob Strauss as Amb. to the Soviet Union 10:30 Press Conference 11:00 Staff Time 2:00 Depart f/Kennebunkport RON KENNEBUNKPORT	21 • 10:30 Press Conference RON KENNEBUNKPORT	22 • 10:35 Press Conference • 2:05 Press Availability RON KENNEBUNKPORT	23 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	24 Hold RON KENNEBUNKPORT
25 B* Visit with PM Mulroney RON KENNEBUNKPORT	26 B* 12:00 PM Mulroney departs RON KENNEBUNKPORT	27 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	28 • TBD Mtg. w/PM John Major RON KENNEBUNKPORT	29 B* TBD Dinner w/PM Major RON KENNEBUNKPORT	30 B* TBD Bridet. w/PM John Major RON KENNEBUNKPORT	31 RON KENNEBUNKPORT

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1 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	2 RON KENNEBUNKPORT	3 Biddeford, Maine B+ TBD Greet students at Biddeford Elem. School B+ TBD Mtg. w/teachers of Biddeford Elem. School B+ TBD Back-to-school address B TBD Arrive White House	4 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. * 10:00 Cabinet Meeting 11:30 Photo Op 1:30 Mtg. with Sec. Baker 2:15 Video Taping Session 3:00 Admin. Time	5 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. 10:45 Photo Op 12:00 Lunch with VP 3:00 Mtg. w/Special Negotiator Richard Armitage	6 RON CAMP DAVID * 10:00 Address Nat'l Assoc. of Town & Townships annual conference 11:00 Mtg. with Sec. Baker TBD Depart for Camp David	7 RON CAMP DAVID
8 Ronald Reagan TBD Arrive White House	9 Ronald Reagan 9:20 Staff Time 9:30 Interv. w/Education Reporters 3:30 Mtg. with Sec. Cheney	10 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. B 10:00 Arrival Ceremony for President Diouf of Senegal 10:30 Mtg. w/President Diouf B 7:15 State Dinner (Black Tie) Vice Kipper	11 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. 10:00 Cong. Ldrship Mtg. 11:15 Photo Op w/Stan Scott 1:30 Mtg. with Sec. Baker 2:00 Mtg. w/PM Bielecki 3:00 Admin. Time B+ TBD Stan Scott Tribute Dinner Vice Kipper	12 RON CAMP DAVID 10:30 Video Taping Session 11:30 Photo w/D.A.R.E. * 12:00 Republican Eagles Luncheon TBD Depart for Philadelphia, PA * TBD Drug Treatment Facility event * TBD Fund. reception for AG Thornburgh	13 RON CAMP DAVID	14 RON CAMP DAVID
15 RON CAMP DAVID	16 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. 7:30 Arrive White House 10:00 Announcement of SEPI 10:30 Present. of Ntl. Medal of Science & Ntl. Medal of Technology 11:00 Mtg. w/President Jose Eduardo dos Santos of Angola 12:00 Lunch with VP 3:30 Mtg. with Sec. Brady	17 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. 10:00 Cong. Ldrship Mtg. 11:00 Mtg. w/President Fujimori of Peru 12:15 Luncheon w/President Fujimori 1:15 Departure Statements 2:00 Staff Time 2:10 NASA Teleconference 3:00 Admin. Time	18 RON UTAH 10:00 Depart for Arizona * 11:10 Arrive Flagstaff, Arizona * 11:45 Event at Grand Canyon * TBD Depart Arizona en route Salt Lake City, Utah Utah * TBD Church of the Latter Day Saints event * TBD Utah Republican Party Fundraiser	19 RON LOS ANGELES, CA * TBD Depart Utah for Oregon Portland, Oregon * 6:00 Bricht. fundraiser for Sen. Packwood * 10:00 Depart Portland, Oregon en route Los Angeles, California * 12:00 Arrive Los Angeles, CA * TBD Transportation event * 7:00 Fundraising Dinner for Senator Seymour	20 RON CAMP DAVID * 6:30 Depart Los Angeles en route Chicago Chicago, Illinois * 12:00 Arrive Chicago * 1:00 Address the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's Ntl. Convention * 2:00 Depart Chicago en route Andrews AFB * 5:00 Arrive Camp David	21 RON CAMP DAVID
22 RON CAMP DAVID	23 RON NEW YORK CITY New York, New York B+ TBD Address the United Nations General Assembly	24 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. New York, New York B+ TBD UNGA B+ 6:30 New Jersey Fundraiser	25 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. B 8:00 Cere. honoring schools selected by Dept. of Ed.'s Blue Ribbon Schools 10:00 Cong. Ldrship Mtg. 11:30 Award Cere. for Minority Business Development Week 1:30 Mtg. with Sec. Baker 3:00 Admin. Time	26 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. B 10:00 Arrival Ceremony for King Hassan II of Morocco 10:30 Mtg. w/King Hassan 12:00 Lunch with VP 1:30 Photo Op B 7:15 State Dinner (Black Tie)	27 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. 11:00 Mtg. with Sec. Baker	28 RON SEA ISLAND, GA B TBD Depart for Sea Island, Georgia
29 RON SEA ISLAND, GA	30 RON WASHINGTON, D.C. Orlando, Florida B+ TBD Points of Light Event Miami, Florida B+ TBD Address Beacon Council New Orleans, Louisiana B+ TBD Reception for Governor Buddy Roemer					Proposed & Tentative for Administrative Use Only T Tentative B First Lady * Away from White House

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6 Camp David * 12:00 Lunch w/King Juan Carlos RON CAMP DAVID	7 B TBD Arrive White House 3:30 Mtg. with Sec. Cheney RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	8 10:00 Cong. Ldrshp Mtg. RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	9 1:30 Mtg. with Sec. Baker 3:00 Admin. Time * 5:30 NRSC Presidential Roundtable RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	10 11:00 Mtg. w/President Calderon of Costa Rica 12:15 Lunch w/President Calderon 1:15 Departure Statements B* TBD Andrew Mellon Dinner (White Tie) RON WASHINGTON, D.C.	11 11:00 Mtg. with Sec. Baker RON CAMP DAVID	12 RON CAMP DAVID
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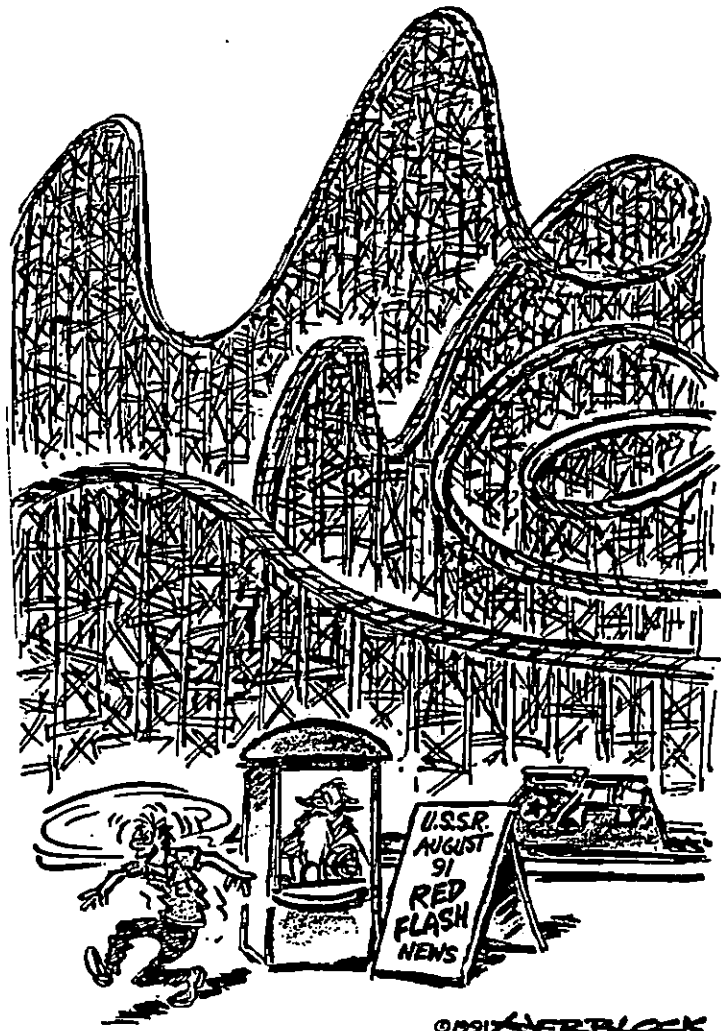


- a look at politics through the eyes of the political cartoonist -

"I don't care a straw for your newspaper articles. My constituents don't know how to read. But they can't help seeing them damned pictures."
(William Marcy "Boss" Tweed speaking of Thomas Nast, 1871)

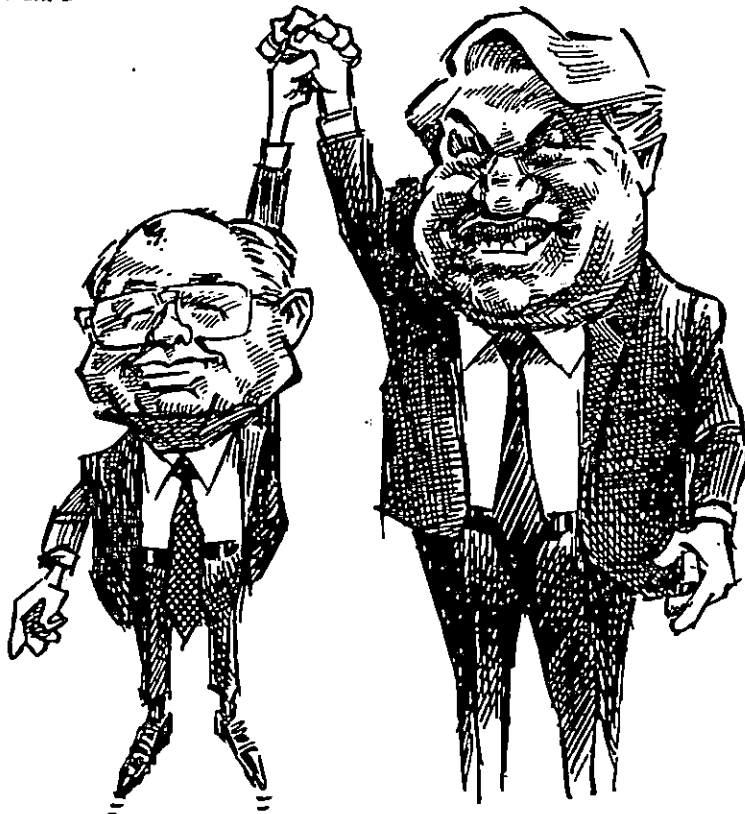
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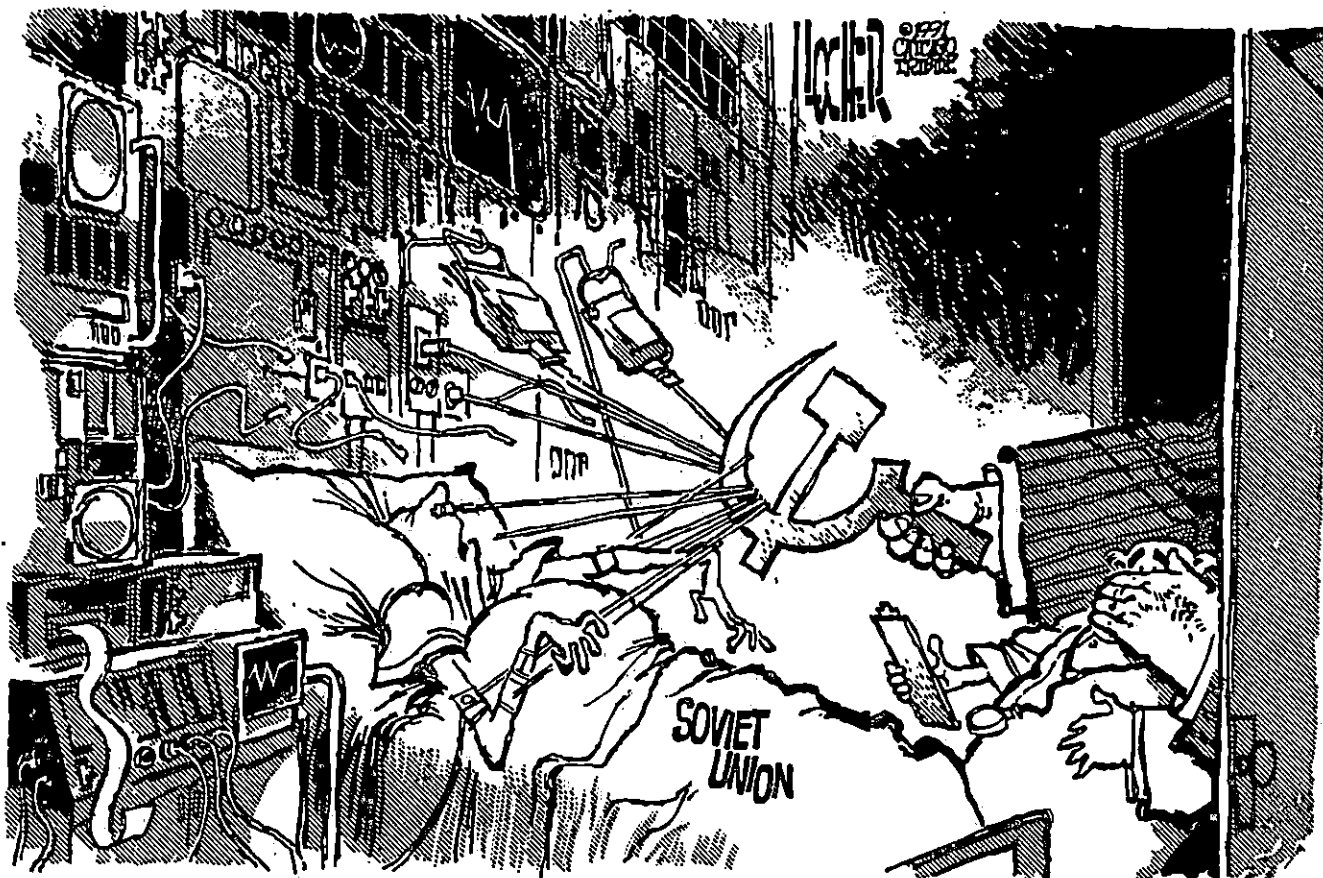
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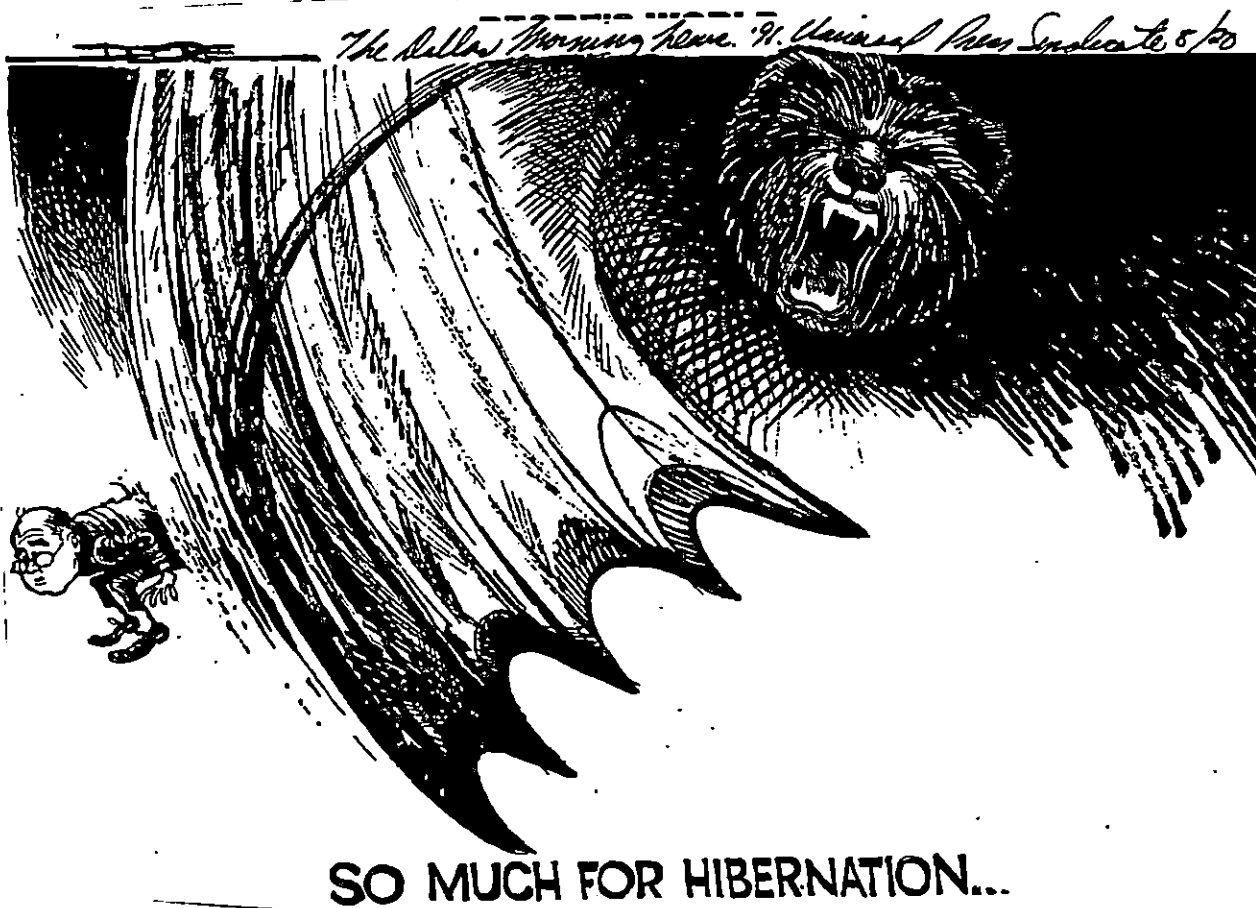


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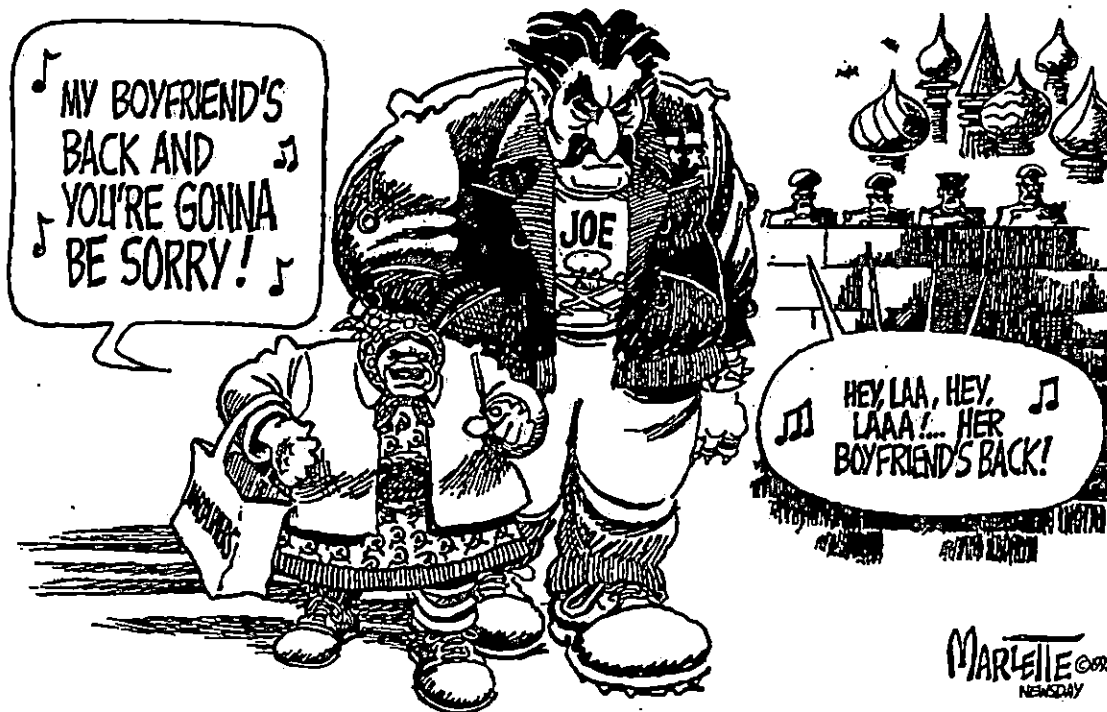
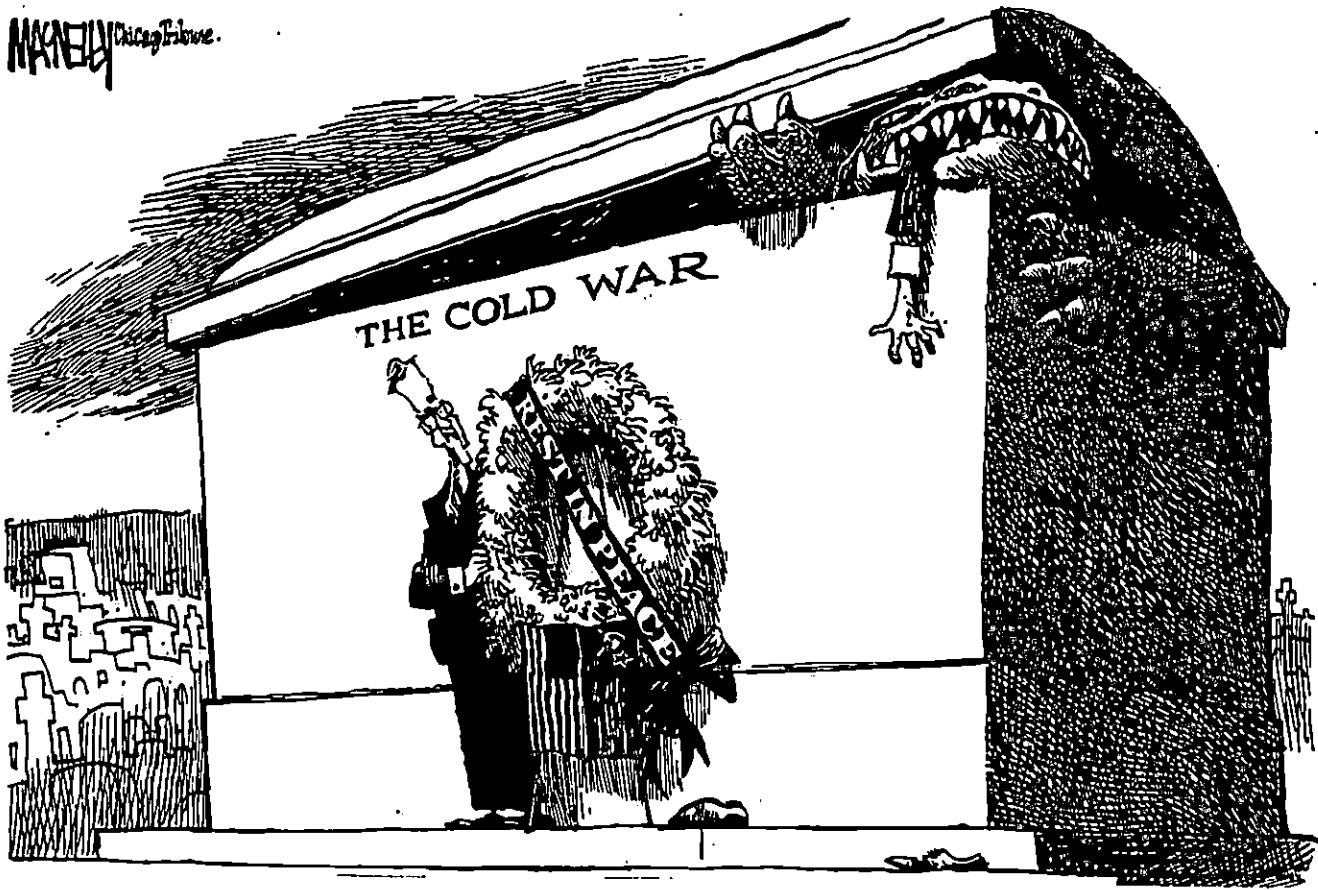
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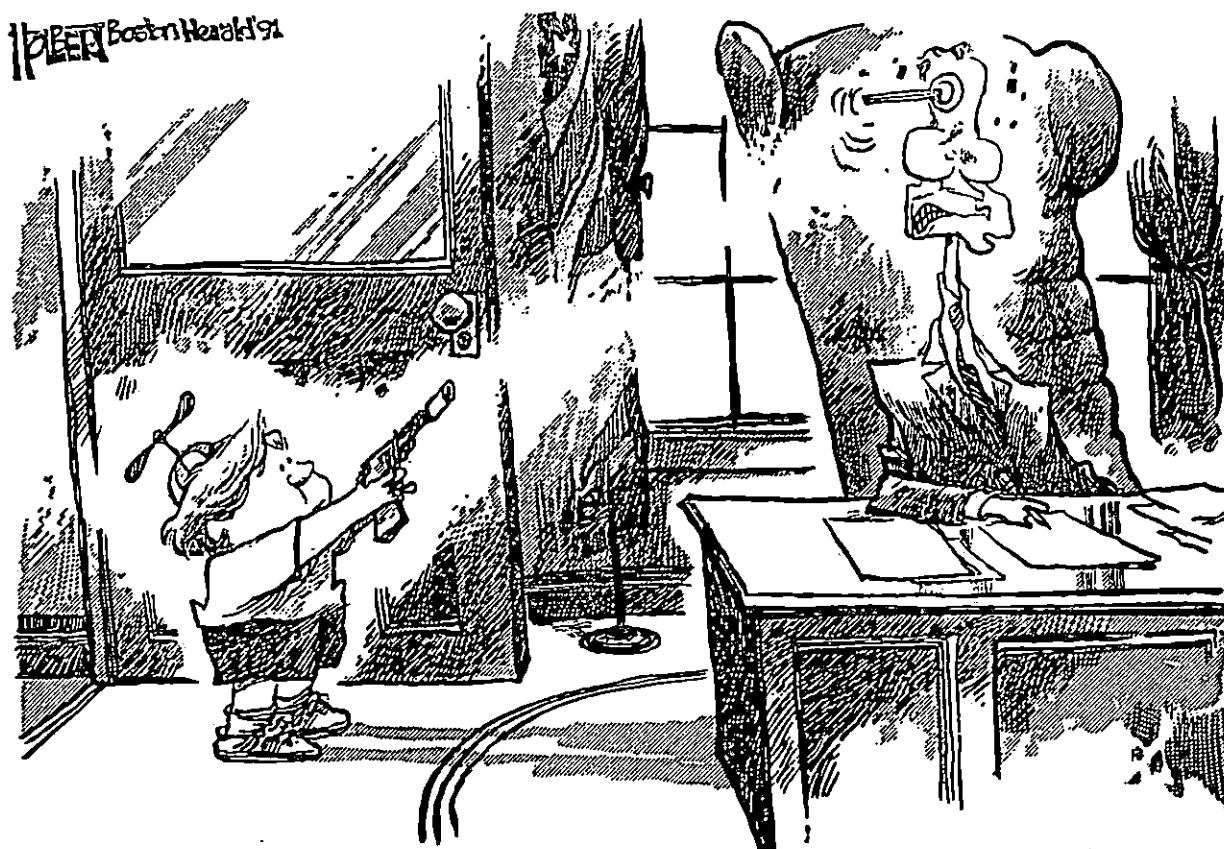




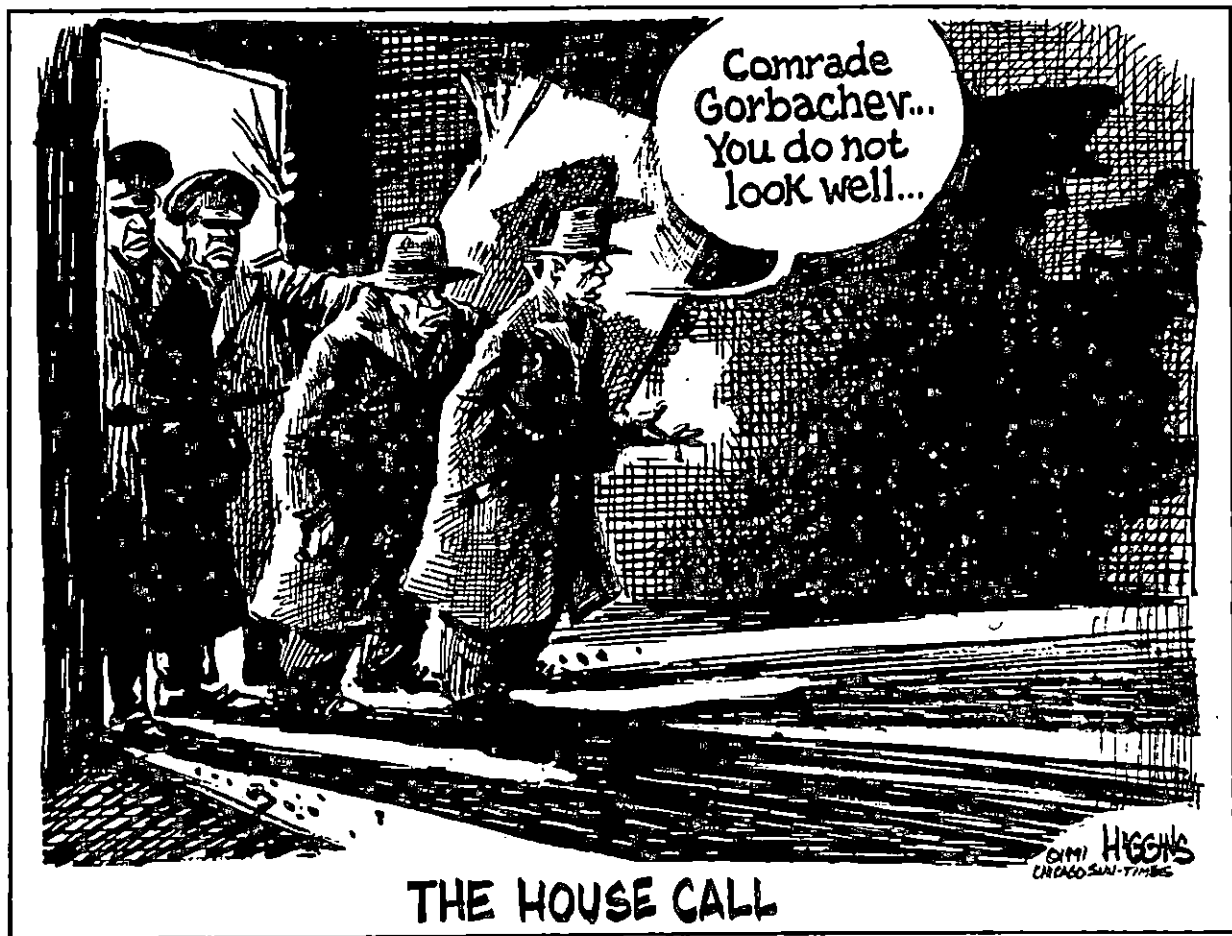
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NEWSDAY



THE SOVIET COUP HAS PUT THOUGHTS INTO YOUNG DAN'S HEAD.





'Do You Do Foreign Stuff?'



"WE'D BETTER GET HOLD OF THE WHITE HOUSE. THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON IN THE USSR IT OUGHT TO KNOW ABOUT."



EXTEND YOUR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS?

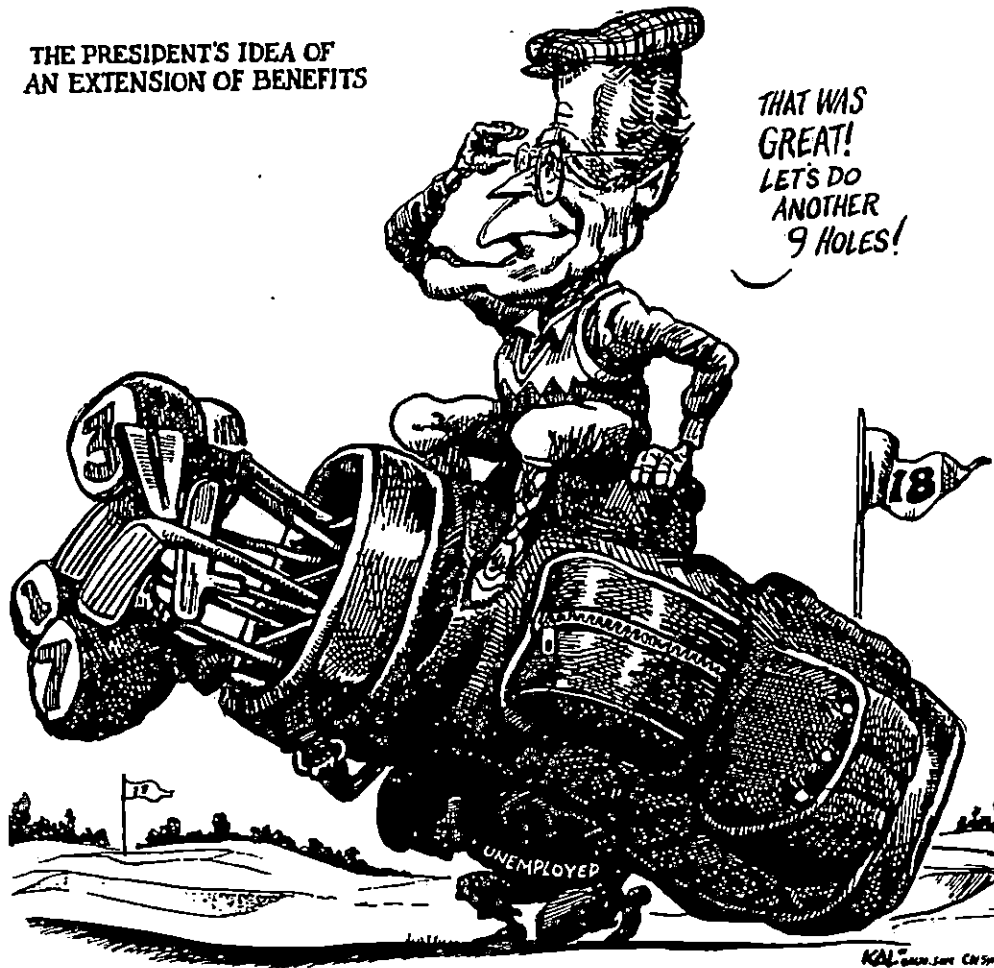
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BUT WE DO HAVE
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T-SHIRT FOR YOU...

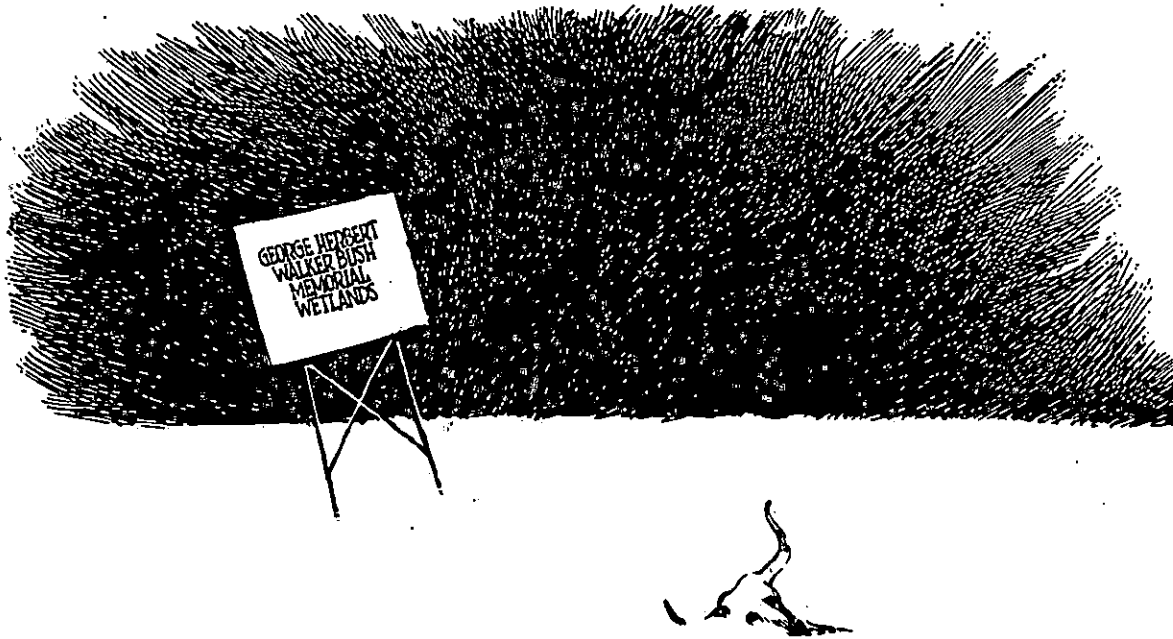


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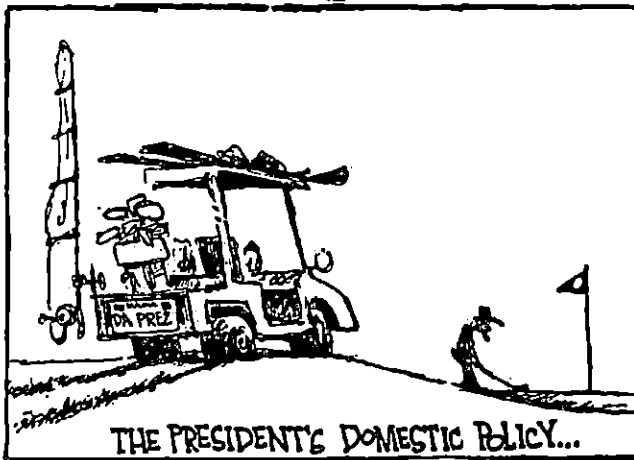
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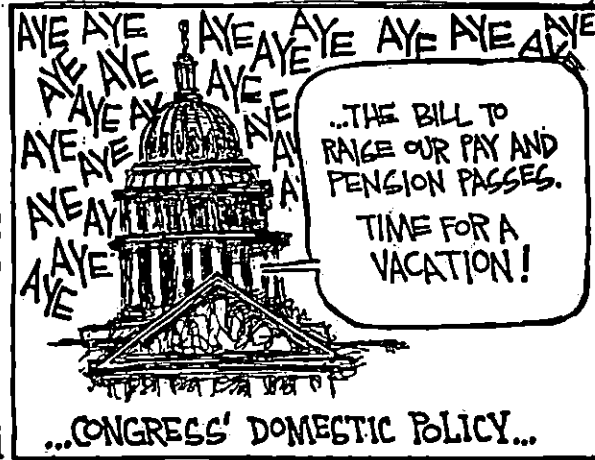
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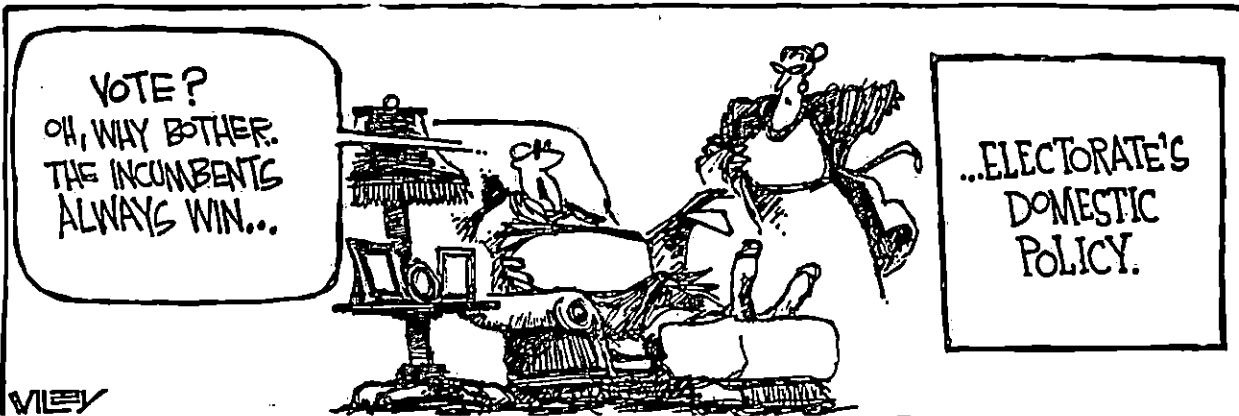
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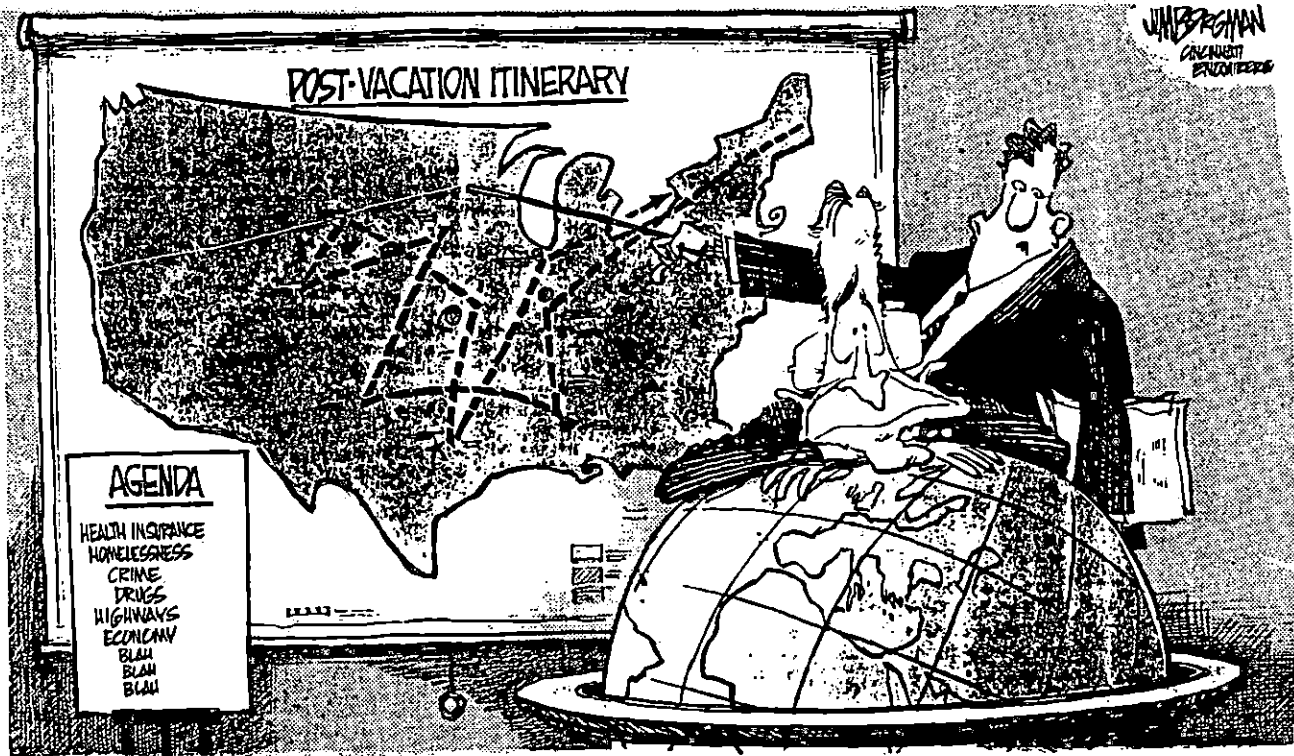
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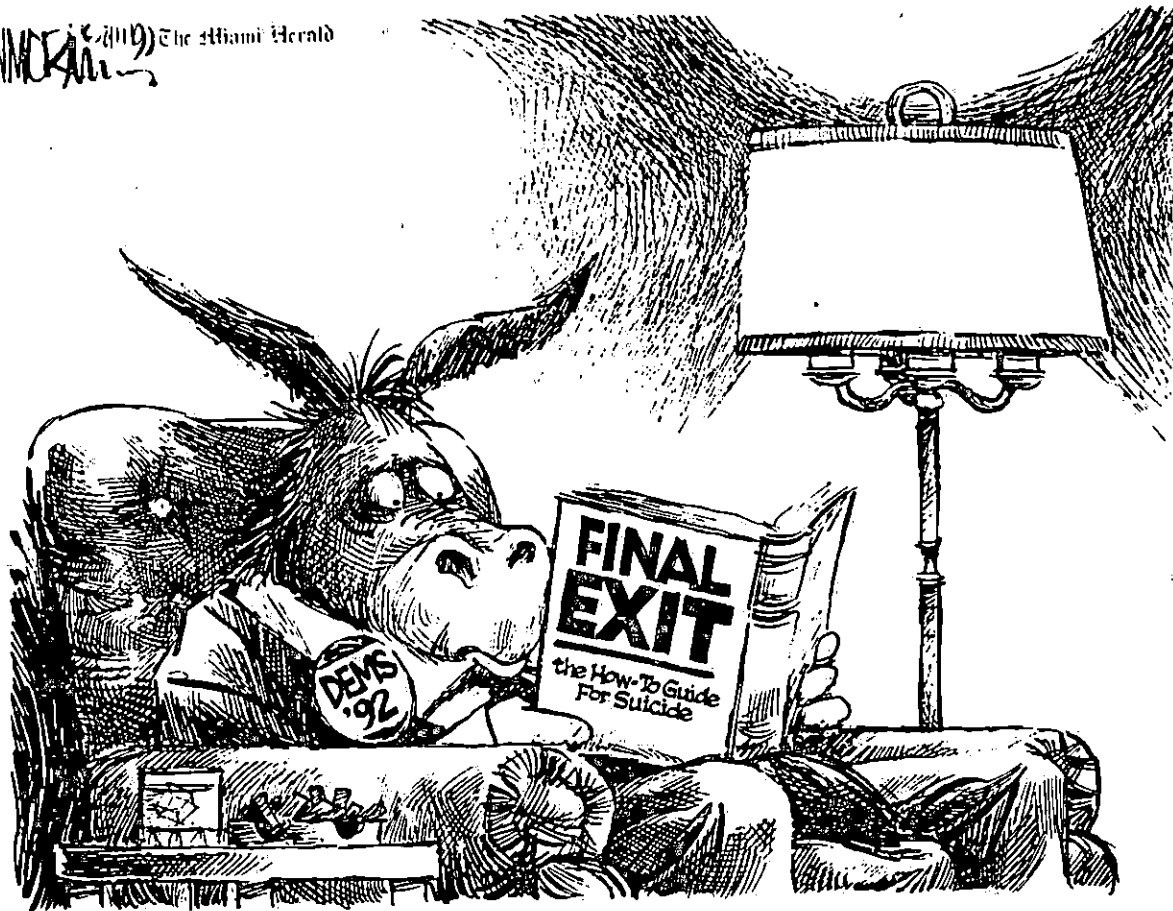


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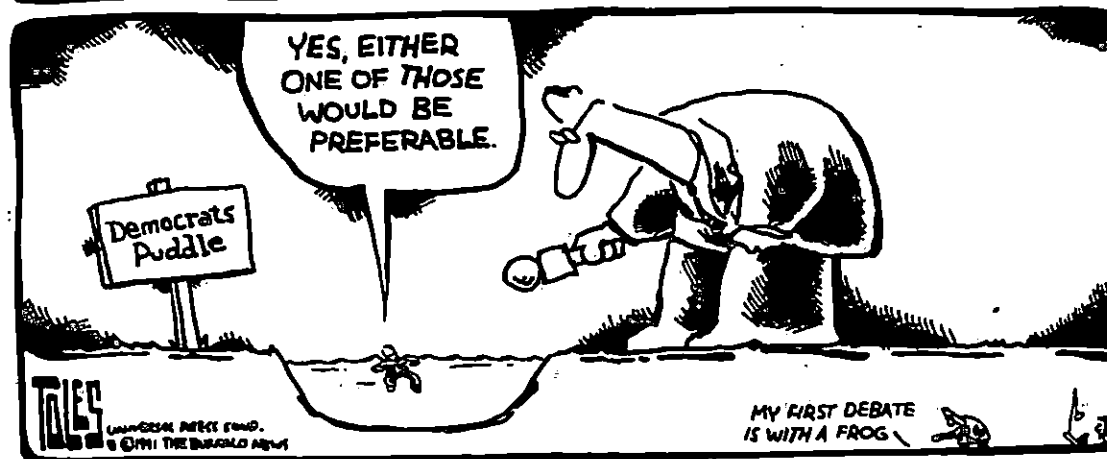
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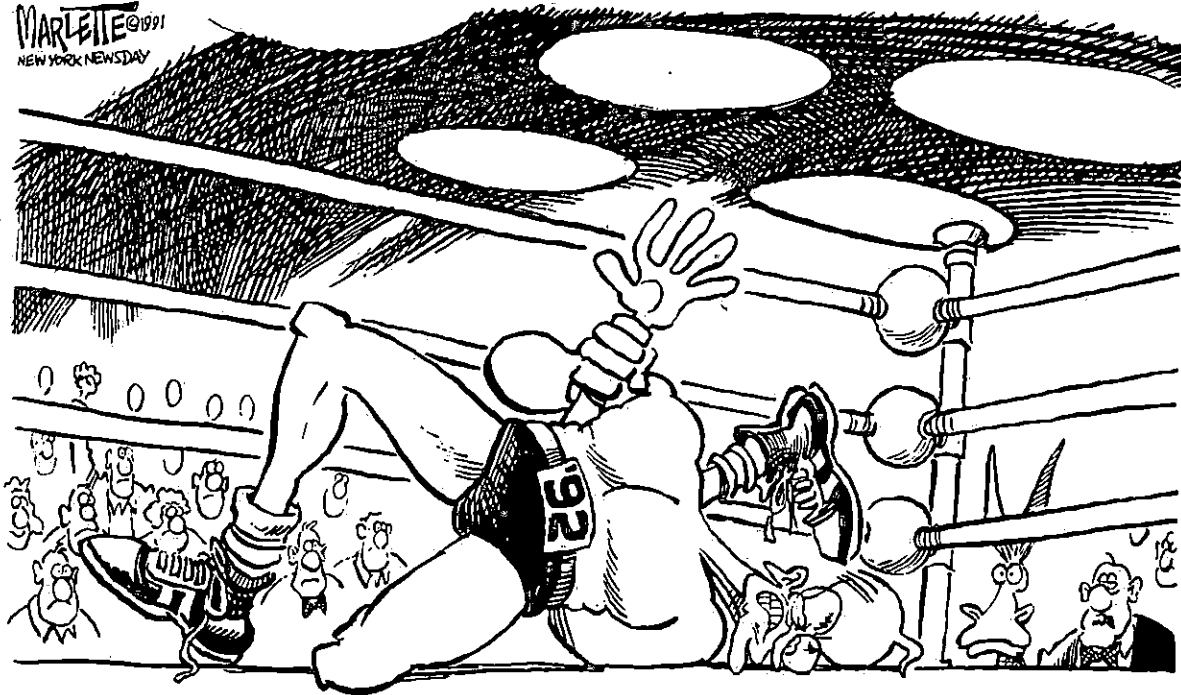


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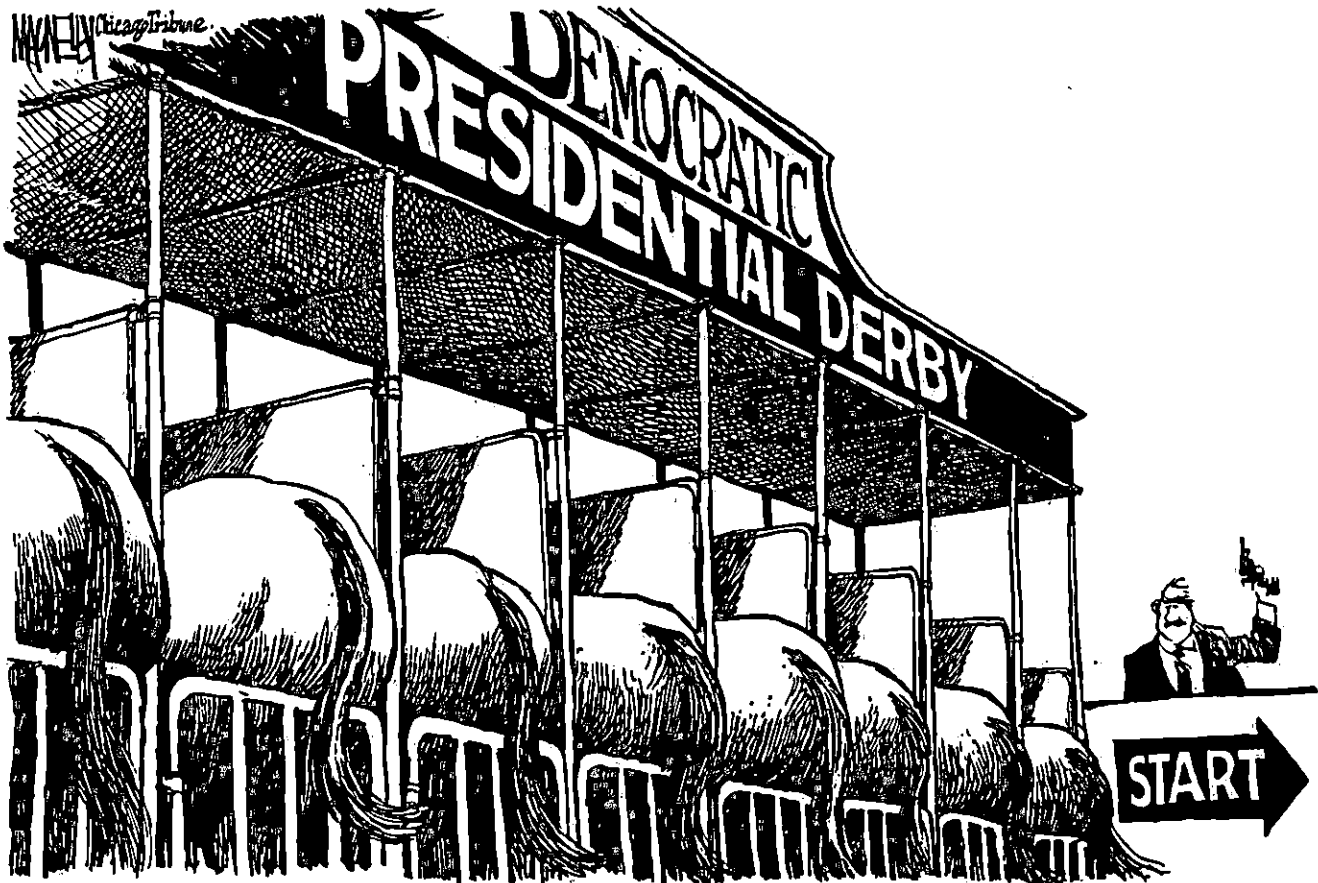
MY FIRST DEBATE IS WITH A FROG

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"... AND JUST THINK HOW EXCITING IT WOULD BE IF HE HAD AN OPPONENT! "

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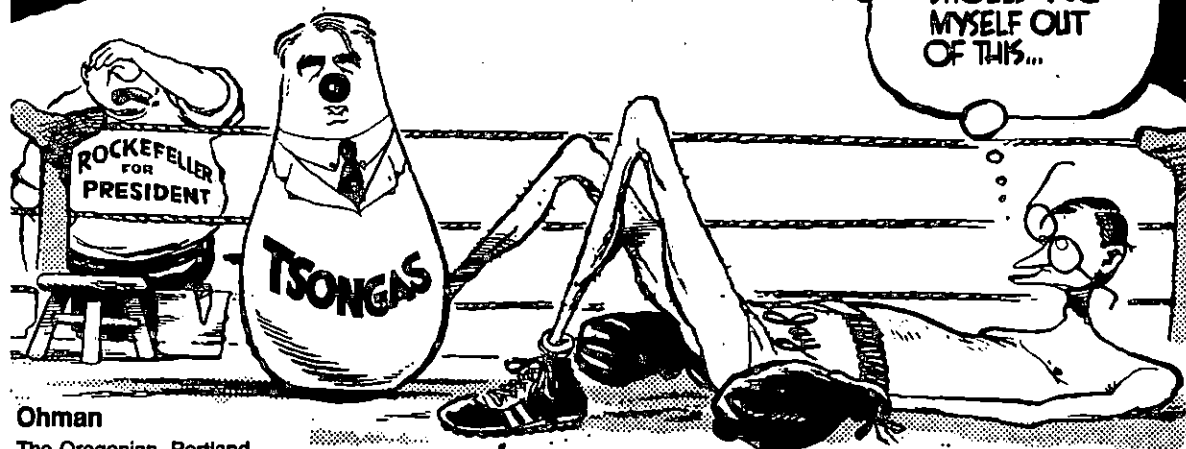


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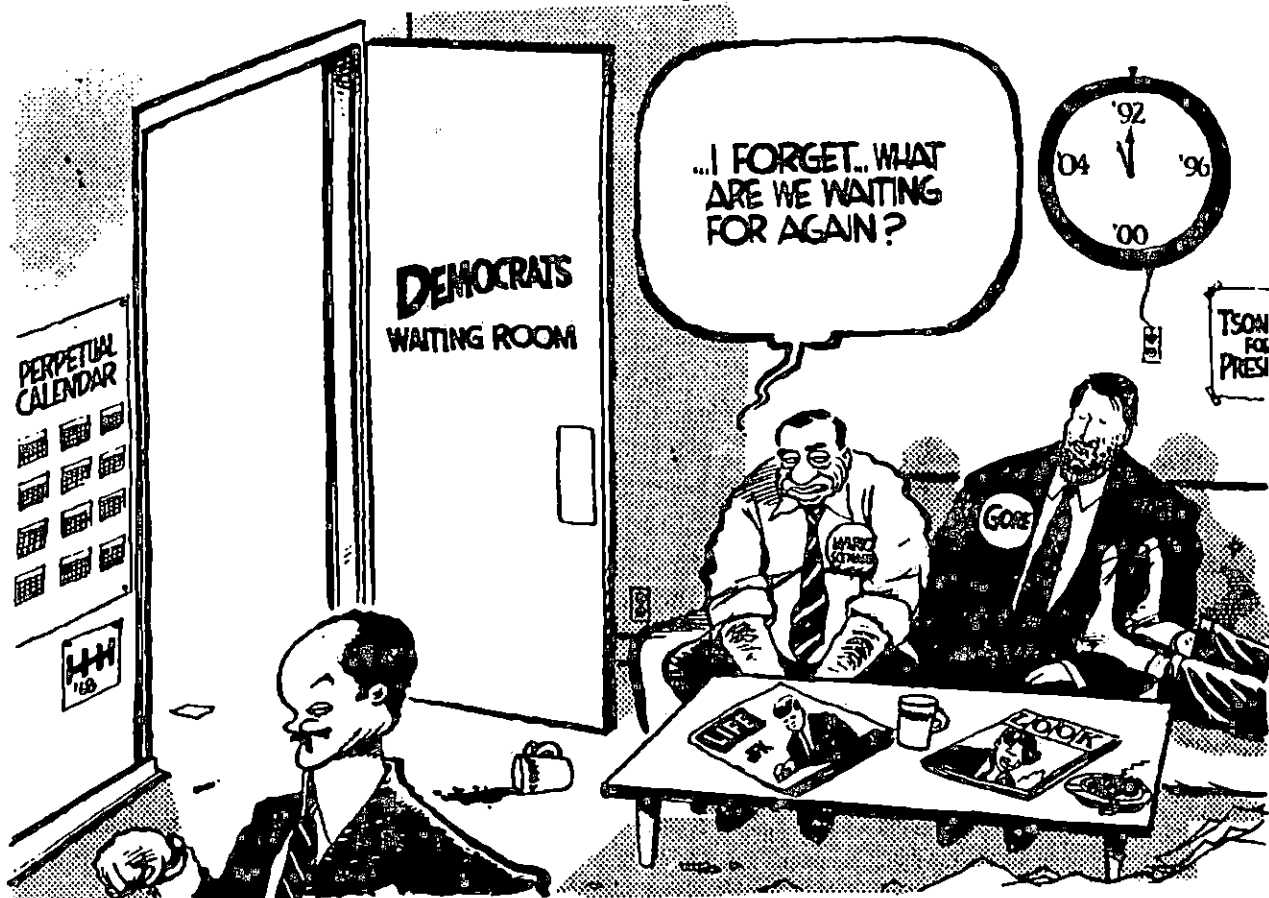
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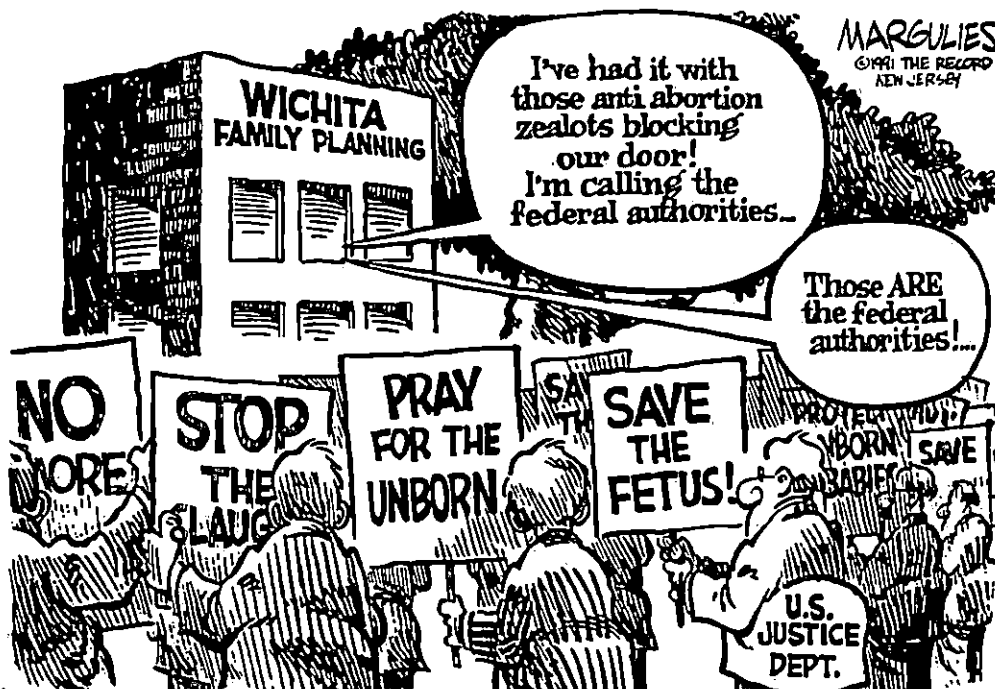
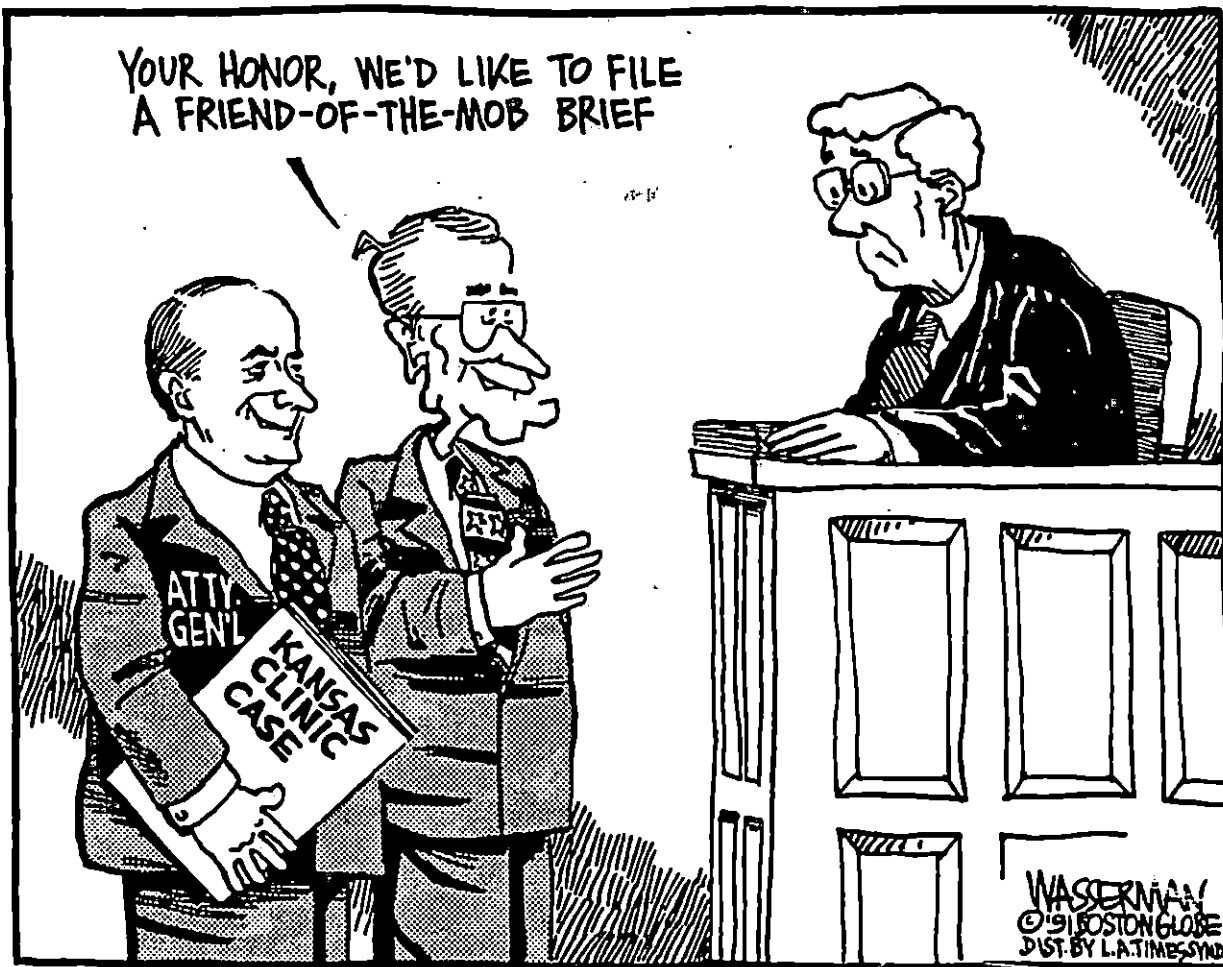
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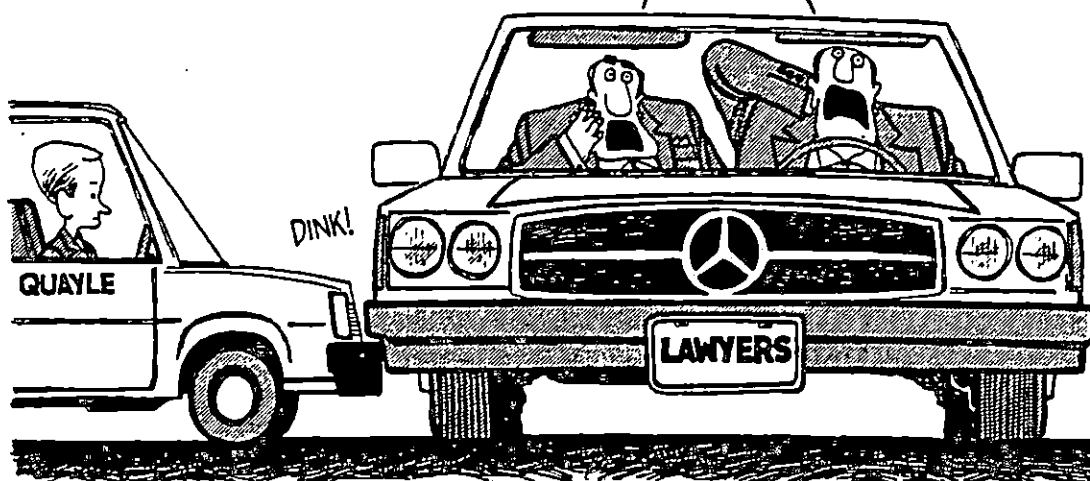


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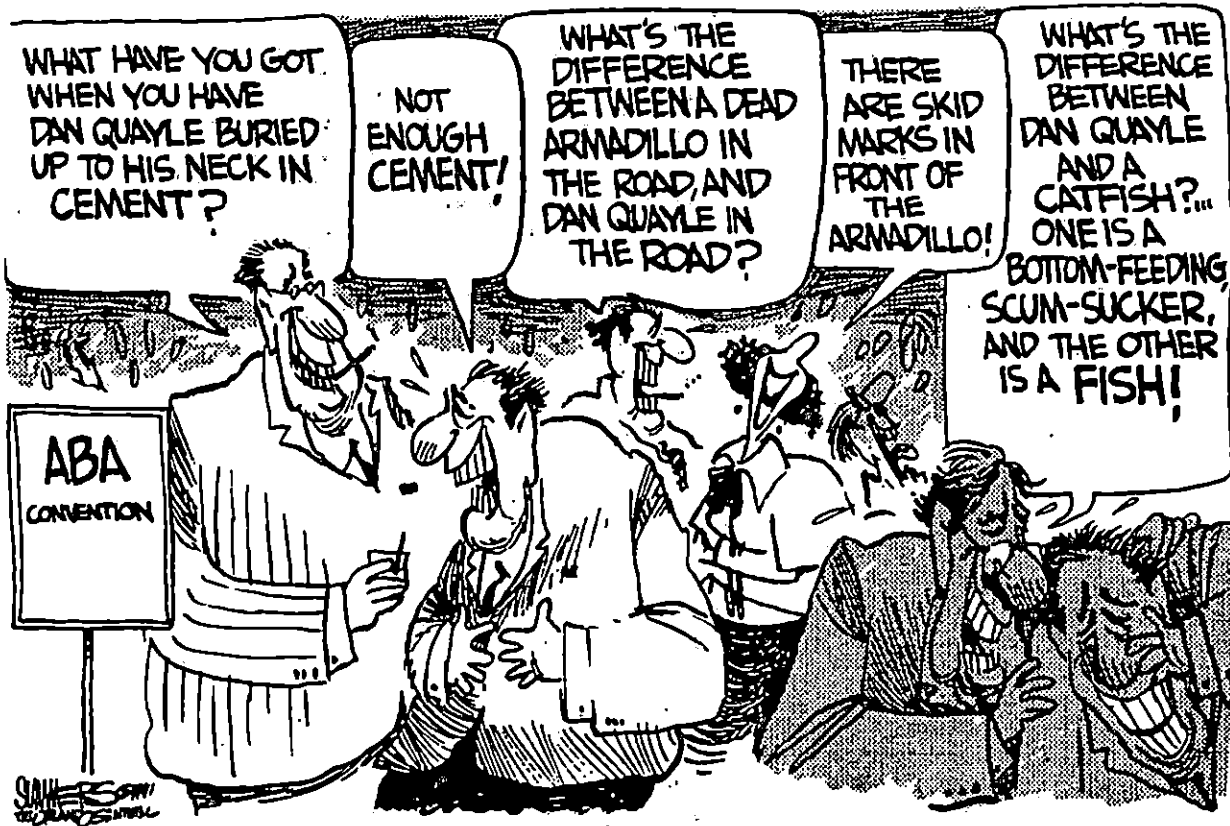
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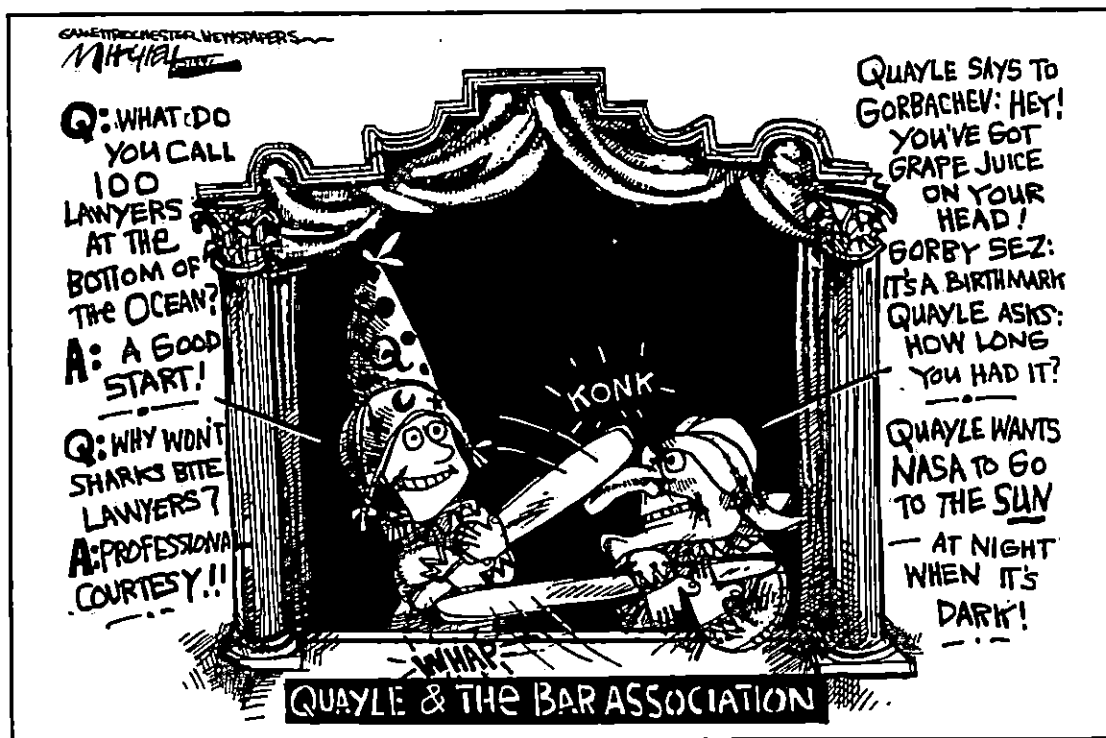


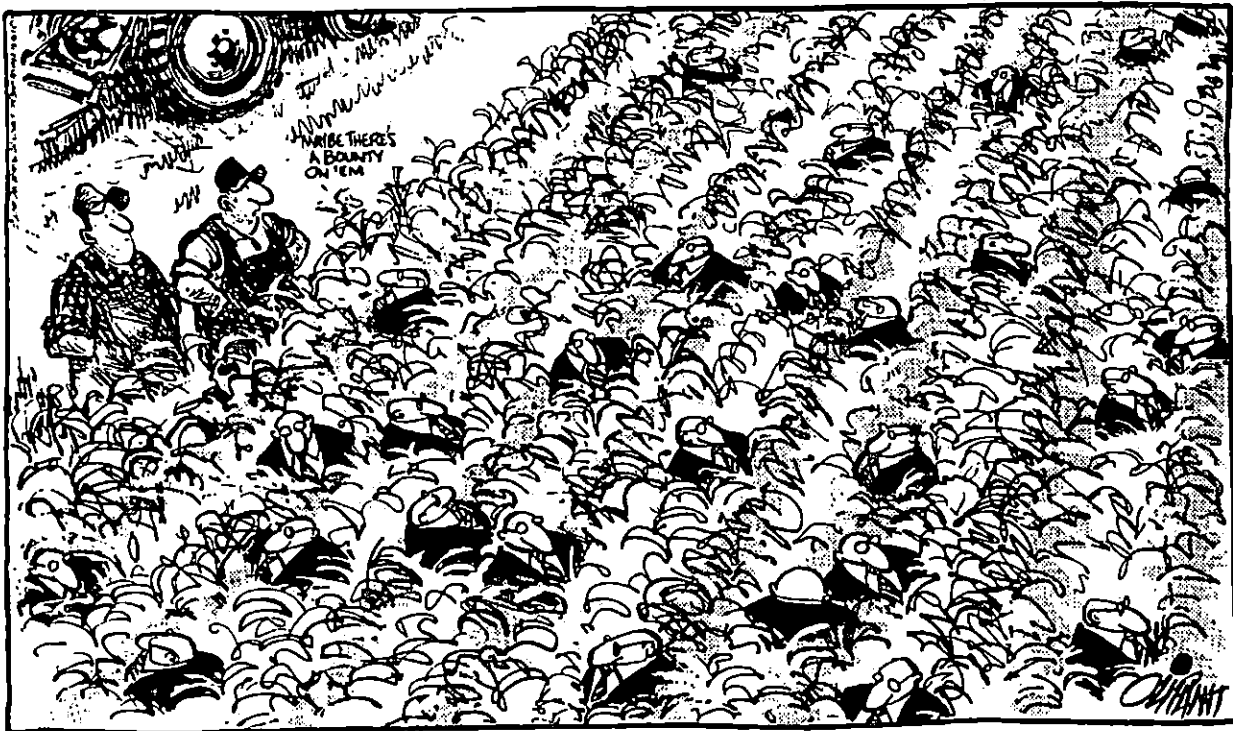
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THE LITTLE
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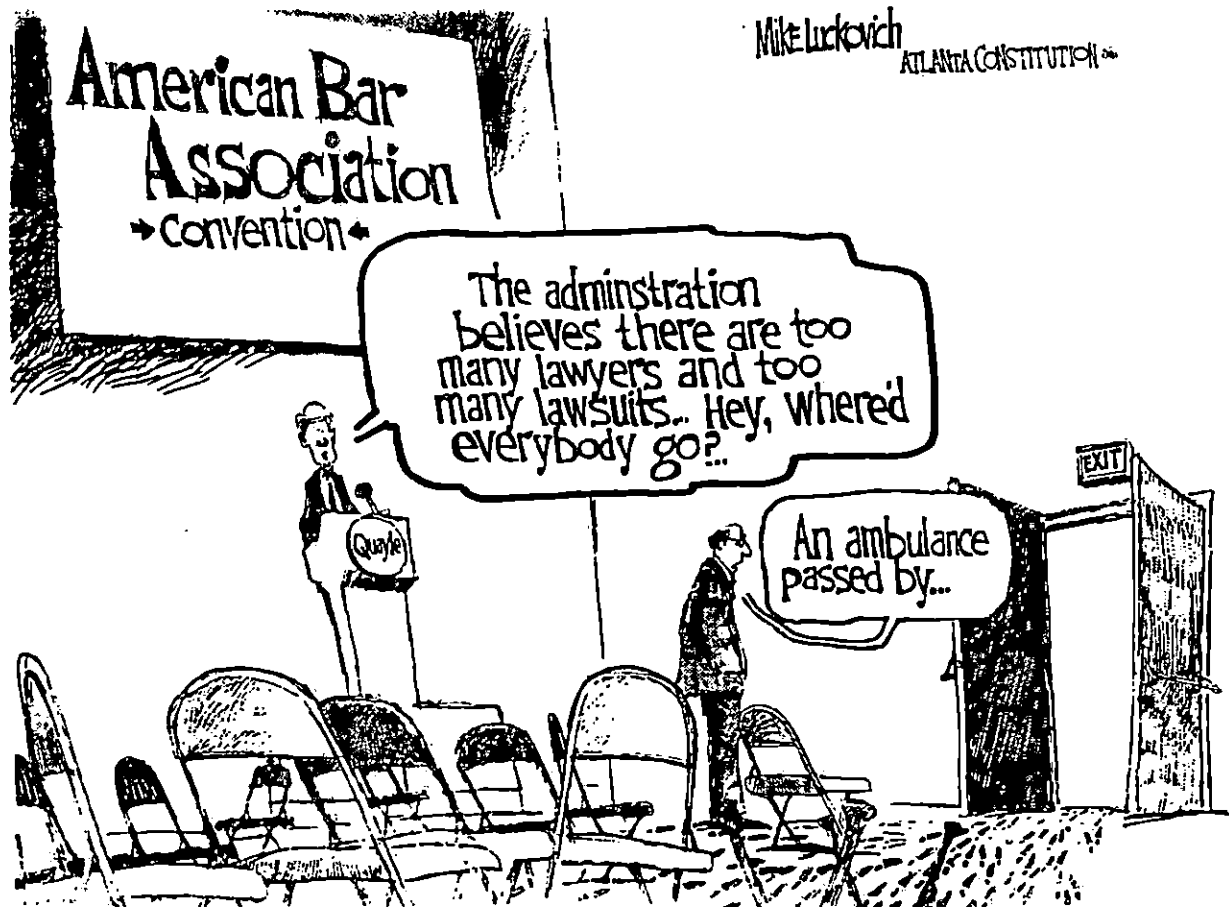
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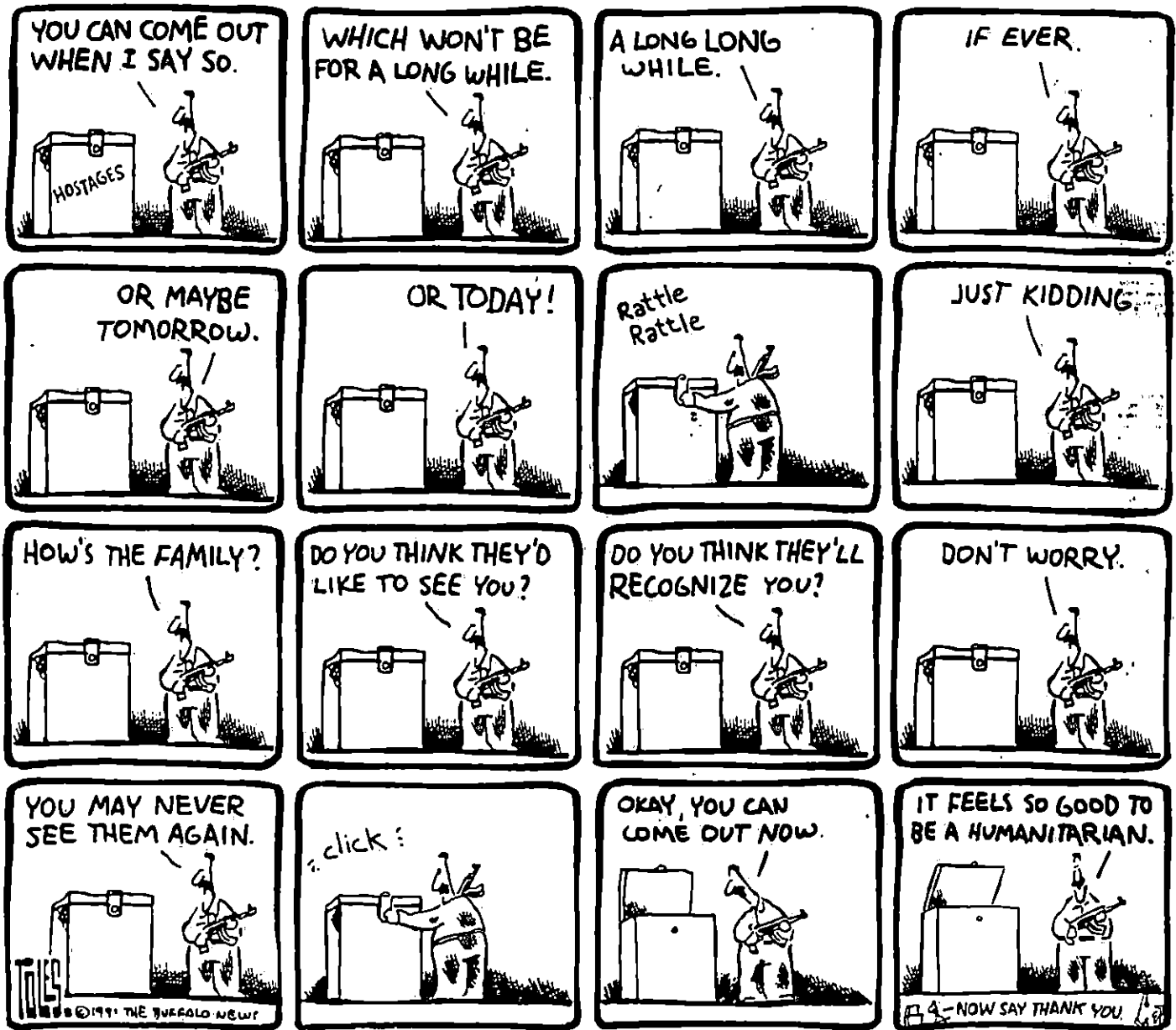




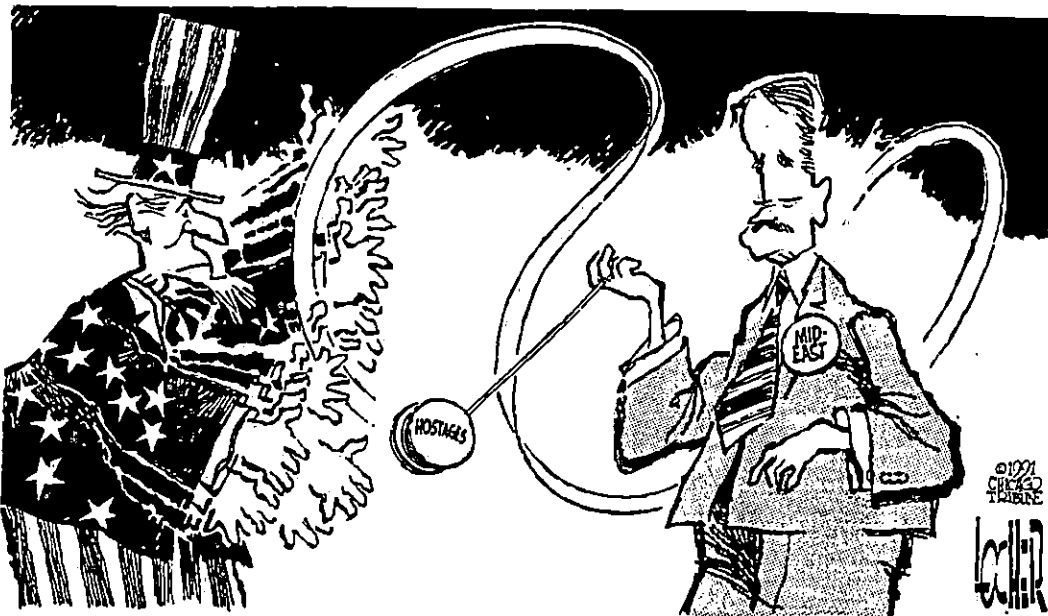
'Looks like that Mr. Quayle was right. We're gonna have to spray for lawyers!'







Tom Toles





"YITZHAK, DEAR — COME MEET YOUR NICE DATE!"

U.S. BANKS

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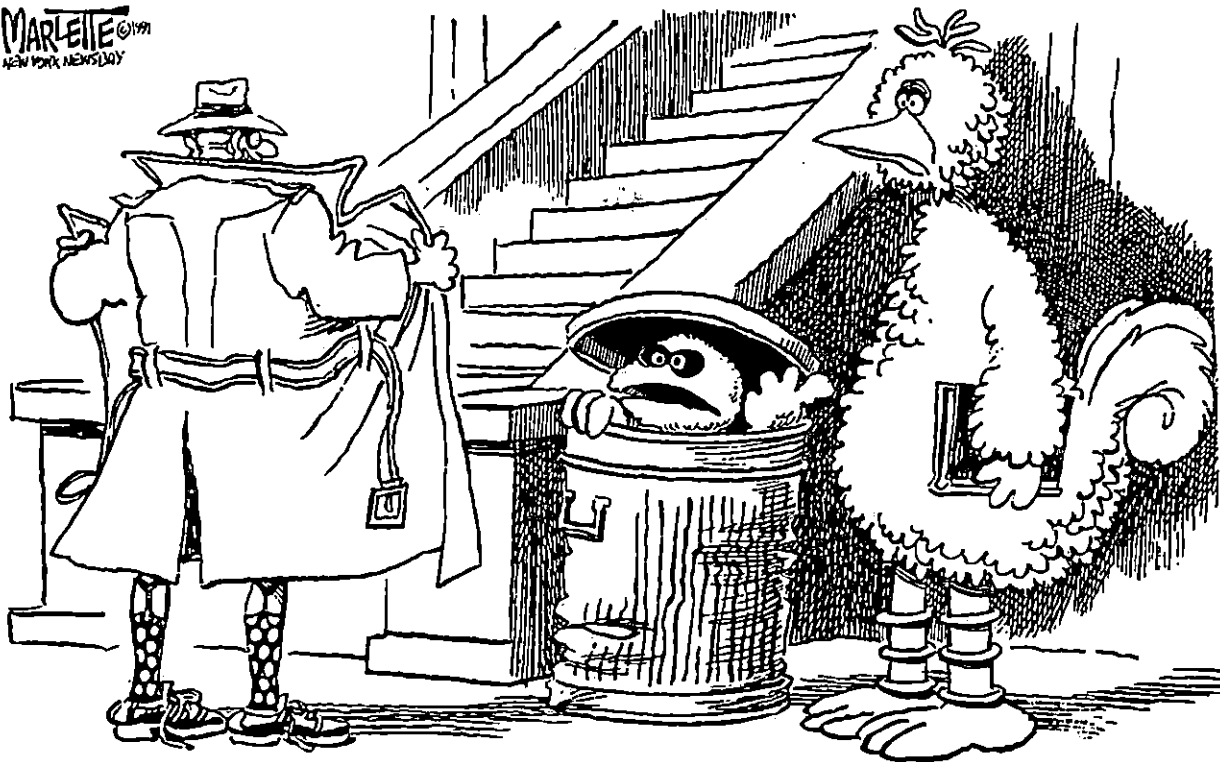
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HOW LONG YOU
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"NO, THIS IS SESAME STREET—PEE WEE'S PLAYHOUSE IS AROUND THE CORNER!"



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Schools mirror Congress' image:
Public sees big problem, but
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IS THAT GRAY POO-POO?

On 11/5, Philadelphians
will vote for Senator and
Mayor but not to fill Rep.
Bill Gray's House seat. By
timing his resignation to
avoid an 11/5 special, Gray
may have ended up giving
brotherly love to his old
tormenter, Dick Thornburgh.

Largely unknown Dem Sen.
Harris Wofford, appointed
to the seat of the late
John Heinz (R), needs every
Dem vote he can get against
Thornburgh. But no black is
running for Mayor, so with
no contest in PA 02, black
turnout could be minimal.

Gray may have wanted to
thwart Lucien Blackwell and
buy time for other possible
successors. But if the
House contest comes just 7
days later, Wofford may end
up hotter than the race.

(See #17 and #19)

===== QUOTE OF THE DAY =====

"A real Pennsylvanian doesn't have to take two to three weeks to
sit down with a pollster and formulate what the best issues are."

-- Wofford manager Paul Begala on Dick Thornburgh,
PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER, 8/23; #17

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Is CNN using its 1992 "Almanac of American Politics"? Last night, Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-MD) was identified as "Majority Whip."

*1 BUSH: SO MANY SOVIETS, SO LITTLE TIME

The president's next move on the Soviet leadership situation will be closely watched. Unsolicited advice:

W.S. JOURNAL: "Bush faces a new quandary on how far to jump on the Yeltsin bandwagon. ... Even if Yeltsin's power rises, Bush feels he still needs Gorbachev on basic foreign policy issues that the Soviet president controls ... Some European allies fret that Yeltsin's radical reforms will produce chaos" (8/23).

EX-PENTAGON AIDE RICHARD PERLE: "If there is chaos, it is because the economy has collapsed" (W.S. JOURNAL, 8/23).

Manchester UNION LEADER: "Bush's heart may belong to Gorbachev, but Gorby's heart belongs to communism. ... Bush favors 'modern' Communist Gorbachev, but the Russian people clearly prefer repentant Communist Yeltsin" (editorial, 8/23).

DAILY OKLAHOMAN'S PATRICK MCGULGAN: "It's hardball time. President Bush, please don't stop halfway as we did in Iraq. Support the forces of liberty, not the tired and discredited Mikhail Gorbachev and his warmed-over quasi-Marxism" (8/22).

CONSERVATIVE ACTIVIST PAUL WEYRICH: "The only ball game now is Boris Yeltsin" (DAILY OKLAHOMAN, 8/22).

COLUMNIST GEORGE WILL: "Gorbachev now has the prominence of a ship's figurehead. Yeltsin is on the ship's bridge" (WASH. POST, 8/23).

EVANS & NOVAK: "It is up to George Bush to understand that a new day has dawned in the Soviet Union, that his old friend Mikhail is history, and that his new friend Boris needs the material assistance that before the coup would have been swallowed whole and lost by the system Gorbachev could never bid farewell" (WASH. POST, 8/23).

WASH. POST'S HAYNES JOHNSON, on Bush policy that "further assistance [to USSR] must be tied to tangible signs of reform": "Solid ground exists for such a way position. Throwing money at problems never makes sense ... Yet common sense dictates that the [U.S.] ... must do everything possible not to let this historic moment pass. Failure of the second Russian Revolution would affect Americans profoundly for generations" (8/23).

AEI'S WILLIAM SCHNEIDER: "Bush assumed that Yeltsin derived his legitimacy from Gorbachev. The situation now is that Gorbachev derives his legitimacy from Yeltsin. And I think [Bush] has to get with the program very fast" (CNN, 8/23).

*2 '92 OUTLOOK: BUSH AND THE DEMS, POST-PUTSCH

WH political dir. Ron Kaufman perhaps summed up the current punditry among GOPers: "I'll be more than happy to fight the campaign on the question of whether George Bush spends too much time on foreign affairs" (CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 8/22). In a CNN roundtable last night, CNN's Ken Bode, Bob Novak, and AEI's William Scheider pondered the week's events on '92.

ON BUSH: Bode: "The easy answer for George Bush is that it cements his biggest advantage, which is his experience in foreign policy. ... On the other hand, it also makes clear that there really isn't a whole lot of a threat left inside the Soviet Union." Bob Novak: "President Bush really looks good. ... He comes over ... as an impresario running this thing. And that's nonsense. He bet on the wrong horse, Gorbachev. ... [But] this is one place where you bet on the wrong horse and you still collect the winning bet." Schneider: "There is a stature gap,

and it is growing wider by the day. President Bush has the stature of a world leader. The President of the world, even more than he is the President of the United States. And the [Dems] are finding it harder and harder to match him in terms of prestige and stature."

ON DEMS: Bode: "It may well be that, finally, those [Dems] who say, it's now time we can now actually cut defense spending and begin spending some money on domestic policy, will be able to do that. The sadder part is what it showed about the [Dems] once again." Schneider, on Dem attacks on Bush's domestic policy during the "inter-crisis period": "The economy was hurting Bush, not the Democrats." Bode: "A lot of people said we don't want to hear from the [Dems] at this point. I do want to hear from the [Dems]. One of them may wind up running this country. It seems unlikely at this point. I'd like to know what they would have done in a foreign policy situation like this, not second-guess it afterwards. ... The trouble with the [Dems] is they have just been miserable as an opposition party, especially at times like this." Novak: "[Dems] I have talked to this week say ... it looks like a two man race" -- Harkin and Clinton, "with probably Harkin the winner. And Tom Harkin, they're talking about as the kind of candidate who is capable of really losing in a landslide to Bush, and Bush getting 60%. ... I find [Dems] trying to plead with Mario Cuomo to come into the race, not to win it, but to hold down the Bush victory so you don't have trouble on the congressional races." Bode: "During the coup, you couldn't find Gore. He was on a houseboat. Harkin's on a train. And one of the networks even dusted off Gary Hart and brought him out and let him speak for the Democrats." Schneider, on Dem calls for financial aid to the Soviets: "They're suddenly born-again internationalists, and they can't sell that." Bode: "Gore was one of the people who had some potential on foreign policy for the [Dems]. ... We don't know very much about Paul Tsongas ... about Doug Wilder or Tom Harkin, or Bill Clinton on foreign policy, which is why they should have spoken out during this crisis. ... But Gore went out for good reasons, his family, and the simple political fact that had he lost this time, too, he would have gone into 1996 a two-time loser" (8/22).

*3 WILDER: COMING SOON TO A PRIMARY STATE NEAR YOU

His itinerary in NH next week "reads like the schedule of a full-fledged candidate" (Norman Gomlak, Fairfax JOURNAL). U. of Richmond's Thomas Morris: "My view is the decision has already been made. I can't imagine what he'll discover from a 2-day, 3-day visit" to NH. Dem consultant/Wilder adviser Joe Trippi: "I think it's important to see what the new lay of the land is up there, given all of the people who've gotten out of the race, to see how the governor's message [plays], and moreover, how comfortable he feels being on the stump, how comfortable he feels with retail politics." NH voters "don't know Wilder, but it's not too late for Wilder to get in because the field is so small," said Portsmouth mayor Eileen Foley: "This isn't anybody who has a name in our area. He's like Jimmy Carter. A lot of people didn't know who he was either." An "impressed" Foley on the "local politicians Wilder has lined up": "I think he's got some names there and I'm sure he's doing exactly what he's supposed to do. That sounds like an itinerary he should cover." NH activist/'88 Simon supporter Merv Weston "estimates that 95 percent of the state's activists have not yet signed on with a candidate -- something that bodes well for Wilder." But he

added: "If he's serious, he has to come up. He has to make commitments. He has to get a steering committee together and get things moving." UVA's Larry Sabato: "He's always good on the one-on-one campaigning. I'm sure he'll come back pumped up from New Hampshire. I doubt he'll run across many signs that will discourage him. Candidates see what they want to see" (8/23).

*4 HIGHTOWER: DRAFT MOVEMENT "AFOOT"

"Progressives in Austin and other U.S. cities have launched a 'Draft Jim Hightower for president' movement, and while the outspoken former [TX] agriculture commissioner says he has no plans to run, he won't rule it out" (David Elliot, AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN). "Dozens of 'Hightower for President' posters and t-shirts were spotted [8/21] at a state AFL-CIO convention where Hightower preached his populist philosophy to the crowd." Hightower: "I am not seeking the presidency and I am not encouraging anyone to do this. It's very flattering that that is occurring." Hightower has made several appearances around the country, "particularly on the West Coast, and is attempting to launch a nationwide radio program": "I'm going to be sort of a Paul Harvey of the prairie, if I can get away with it." In his speech to the TX AFL-CIO, Hightower "sharply criticized the national Democratic Party for participating in a 'Republican look-alike contest.' The Democrats, Hightower, said have 'too many people who want to be in the union hall and the country club at the same time. ... Some people say we need a third party. ... I say we need a second party, the Democratic Party." Hightower added later the two parties "are operating under a 'political tent in this country that has shrunk down to Wall Street and Washington. I want to expand the tent back out all across America. My tent is the Democratic Party. So I'll be making my fight within the party. I have no plans to be running for anything right now. I think this draft Hightower sentiment ... is simply, but also importantly, a sense of deep frustration people have for the process and also a sense of betrayal they have for their existing political leaders.'" Hightower also "said it is more important to focus on the 1996, 2000 and 2004 elections than the upcoming 1992 race" (8/22).

*5 DEM "CANDIDATE" SCHEDULES

CLINTON: With family on vacation.

CUOMO: In NY all weekend. No public appearances scheduled.

HARKIN: On train trip with family.

JACKSON: 8/23 walk through DC communities; On 8/27, travels to Anaheim, CA for speech to Nat'l Assn of Federal Govt Employees

KERREY: In NE through next week, holding town meetings on health care.

TSONGAS: On vacation through 8/31. Travels to NH on 9/3 and DC from 9/4-5.

WILDER: In VA this weekend. Travels to NH 8/27-28 attending receptions and \$-raisers. On 8/27, meets with Nashua Mayor/'90 senate candidate Jim Donchess; reception at office of ex-NH Dem chair Robert Boyer; addresses NH meeting of European Parliament hosted by Rep. Dick Swett (D-01); reception at NH Dem HQs. On 8/28, luncheon at UNH; meets Portsmouth Mayor Eileen Foley; Manchester Chamber of Commerce picnic.

*6 GATES: CNN "SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT" PROBES IRAN-CONTRA LINKS

Catherine Crier's intro: "The Iran-Contra scandal looms like a shadow over the career of Robert Gates, the man nominated by President Bush to head the CIA, yet it remains to be seen whether the arms-for-hostage deal will dampen his prospects with his confirmation hearings less than a month away." Brian Barger's report opens with scenes from previous hearings noting Gates then testified "he was kept in the dark" from Oliver North's dealings with the Contras. Barger: "But a White House official now tells CNN that at the same time North was running his illicit supply missions, Gates was put in charge of an official military aid program to the Contras. A program that included some of the same officials involved in the illegal arms network. Gates was given the assignment in May, 1986, in anticipation of Congress lifting its ban on military aid to the Contras." Barger also reported Gates "attended regular meetings as head of an inter-agency program, which included North and other officials involved in the secret arms network. During those meetings, details of North's weapons shipments were discussed. But senior officials who attended the meetings said they did not discuss how North's operation was funded." Noting Gates has testified on Iran-Contra on four occasions, Barger adds: "A review of that testimony shows that at no time did he disclose what now appears to be the central role he played in the renewal of covert, but legal, U.S. assistance to the Contras. As the official in charge of the Contra aid effort, Gates headed a task force that included Oliver North, as well as senior CIA, State and Defense Dept. officials. Meeting once or twice a month, they set policy objectives on Contra aid and established the infrastructure for rebel training and CIA weapons deliveries in anticipation of Congressional approval." Barger reports this "helps explain" a 7/86 White House computer message, which indicates Adm. Poindexter went to Gates to suggest he "take operational control of North's arms network. Gates has said he knew little about that network until details became public several months later," 11/86. Barger also reported that, at the same time, the CIA was given a 17-page specific inventory of the North supply effort: "It is unknown if Gates saw a copy of the inventory. The document also recommended the CIA take over the network's aircraft and other assets for about \$4 million. But the CIA turned down the offer. Officials said Gates did not want the agency tainted by association of several key players assisting Oliver North." Sen. Dennis DeConcini (D-AZ): "He's got a problem. ... I don't want to charge him with perjury or not telling the whole committee until he gets a chance to tell us." Barger closed, referring to the 7/9 guilty plea of ex-CIA official Alan Fiers. He also noted Gates is a "subject" of the grand jury probe: "There are no indications that he faces criminal charges, although his activities fall within the scope of the investigation." Also, special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh will seek indictments in the next few weeks of "at least three current and former CIA officials" on cover-up charges (8/22).

*7 ABORTION: WICHITA'S WAR OF WILLS WON'T WANE

ABC's Jennings reported Judge Kelley's threat that pro-life demonstrators may have their financial assets seized if they continue their protests: "The protests have been going on for

five weeks now, and there is no sign of them letting up." ABC's Chris Bury: "The get-tough policy of a federal judge has escalated into a war of wills." Operation Rescue's Rev. Pat Mahoney, announced he would go on a hunger strike. Mahoney, on tape, over a still photo of him being led away by authorities: "I cannot eat food while I am being held as a political prisoner in America." Bury: "National leaders of mainstream organizations opposed to abortion have been reluctant to support or criticize Operation Rescue. Many welcome any new attention to the abortion issue, but also worry about the tactics in Wichita. ... The continued use of children to block abortion clinic gates has alienated Catholic clergy who had first publicly supported the group's efforts." Bury, over shots of police dragging demonstrators and breaking up screaming altercations: "The repeated rushes to block cars of clinic patients, the harassment and confrontation have made more moderate opponents of abortion uneasy." ABC immediately moved to a clip of Bush on the golf course from 8/17: "When you hurt somebody else's rights, that's what I disapprove of." Bury's close: "National organizers had planned to leave town this weekend. But now that Operation Rescue leaders are in jail, the group vows to stay. And many here believe the tension will only worsen" (8/22). The big Operation Rescue rally, scheduled for Sunday 8/25, will now be led by Kansans, rather than national Operation Rescue figures (WICHITA EAGLE, 8/23).

===== HOTSPOTS =====

*8 CONNECTICUT: WEICKER WINS -- INCOME TAX PASSES WITH BUDGET

"After six months of anguished budget deadlock," the CT Legislature approved Gov. Lowell Weicker's (I) 4.5% income tax plan, along with a \$7B budget. "The plan was a victory for Weicker ... who after being elected made the establishment of an income tax the centerpiece of his first year in office." Weicker at the signing ceremony: "When I sign this budget, [CT] will be closing the book on its past and it'll be facing toward the future." But "some legislators contended that the Weicker [admin.] had simply pressured or bought out opponents with promises of local tax disbursements and pledges to consider pet projects. ... Weicker denied that the budget was the result of any improperly applied pressure tactics." The passage of the income tax leaves only 9 states without an income tax: AK, FL, NV, NH, SD, TN, TX, WA, WY. The CT law raises taxes and fees by \$1B, but cuts CT's 8% sales tax to 6% (Kirk Johnson, N.Y. TIMES, 8/23). N.Y. TIMES editorial: "It's a measure of his courage, and the tenacity of the [Dem and GOP] legislators who refused to face up to the problem, that it took three ... budget vetoes before good sense prevailed" (8/23).

*9 ILLINOIS: AG PLAYS PARTY POOPER

Ex-AG Neil Hartigan (D) "'postponed' a reunion" of his '90 gov. campaign staff. The reason: Reports that AG Roland Burris' (D) "political operatives told employees they could lose their jobs if they attended." Hartigan: "I didn't want to jeopardize their livelihoods" (O'Malley/Collin, CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 8/21).

*10 MASSACHUSETTS: WH AIDE PONDER'S '94 KENNEDY CHALLENGE

Andy Card (R), chief deputy to WH CoS John Sununu, acknowledged 8/22 that he is considering a '94 bid against Dem Sen. Ted Kennedy (John Mashek, BOSTON GLOBE). Card "said some GOP officials had talked to him recently after a poll showed Kennedy's negative rating to be high among state voters" (see HOTLINE 8/2). GOPers, "who for the most part have fielded only token candidates to challenge Kennedy in the past, suddenly see the possibility of defeating a Kennedy in [MA], once an unthinkable prospect." WH political dir. Ron Kaufman -- Card's brother-in-law -- "is among those urging Card to consider the race." LG Paul Cellucci (R) said Card would be an "excellent candidate," and brushed aside suggestions that he or [Gov. Bill] Weld would also be interested in seeking the Senate seat." Other possible GOPers: State Treasurer/'88 Kennedy opponent Joe Malone and US Atty Wayne Budd (8/23).

WELD SAYS, THANKS BUT NO TANKS: "It appears that the image of Michael Dukakis' goofy headgear, worn during that ill-fated presidential campaign tank ride, will never fade." A Cape Cod resident "whose husband piloted the helicopter in which" Gov. Weld rode "to survey damage from Hurricane Bob wanted a picture of her husband in the craft with Weld. She was too shy to approach the governor herself, so a reporter obliged; using the woman's 35mm camera to get close-ups of the guy and pilot. When Weld spotted the camera, he offered to don the large, sound-muffling headset he was required to wear while the helicopter was under way. But assistant press secretary Virginia Buckingham, visions of Dukakis' smiling visage apparently dancing in her head, was horrified and intervened immediately. 'No, no --

please, don't,' she pleaded with Weld, who appeared nonplussed. 'Why not?' he said teasingly when he saw her discomfort. 'This isn't running in the paper.' She held firm: 'You never know where it will show up,' she admonished him. Weld simply laughed, and set the headset down" (Teresa Hanafin, GLOBE, 8/22).

*11 MICHIGAN: ENGLER GETTING IT FROM BOTH SIDES

"Some tax-cut activists who backed Gov. John Engler [R] in last fall's election said ... they are so angry with him ... for agreeing to a property tax freeze ... they may join the campaign to recall him" (Chris Christoff, DETROIT FREE PRESS). Leaders of Taxpayers United for MI, "angry because Engler no longer supports their efforts to cut property taxes 20 percent over two years," will meet 8/24 "to decide whether to join" the recall movement, which, thus far, "has been led by people irked over Engler's attempts to slash government services." Taxpayers spokesperson William McMaster "met this week with recall leaders to ask if they want help collecting 200,000 more signatures to force a recall vote": "They said they'd love it. I think they're within striking range." Recall spokesperson Bob Alexander: "We offer a mode to replace the administration. We don't agree with the reasons, but we agree with the need." Engler spokesperson John Truscott on the Taxpayers joining the recall movement: "[It's] just an absolutely foolish thing to do. The governor has supported the Headlee proposal [for a 20% cut in property taxes]. He's encouraged the Board of Canvassers to approve it. I think [McMaster] has spoken before he's thought through his actions" (8/22).

*12 NORTH CAROLINA: GARDNER PLANTING SEEDS FOR '92 GOV HUNT

Raleigh NEWS & OBSERVER's Ferrel Guillory writes, "Regardless of whether he actually intends for it to be a gubernatorial campaign issue," LG James Gardner (R) "may well set in motion a major debate over how [NC] conducts economic development." A "sharp debate" over this issue could evolve if Gardner faces ex-Gov. Jim Hunt (D). Gardner, "the leading candidate for the GOP nomination," has taken "a series of positions that add up to a distinct approach to economic development. The Gardner approach would have state government dispose of some assets, refrain or retreat from certain initiatives and, overall, lower its profile." Hunt, "by virtue of his record ... is positioned to make the case for a high-profile government as economic catalyst." While Dems "have not yet joined the debate" with Gardner, AG Lacy Thornburg (D) "hasn't spelled out a comprehensive economic development position, but the issue offers him an opportunity he can hardly afford to pass up" (8/23).

*13 OREGON: SPACE CASE

Rep. Les AuCoin (D) told Labor and Dem Leaders 8/20 that Sen. Bob Packwood (R) "is out of touch with the economic needs of working people": "Earth to Bob, Earth to Bob. The priorities are here on terra firma" (John Griffith, Portland OREGONIAN). "AuCoin was criticizing Packwood's recent approval of a bill that included money to ultimately send a manned flight to Mars." AuCoin: "The project thrills me, but it costs 50 billion bucks." AuCoin, when asked his opinion on abortion: "It ought to be (a woman's) choice and ... the government ought to have no business sticking its big fat nose in her business" (8/22).

*14 SOUTH CAROLINA: DEM LEG. LEADER PONDERES PARTY SWITCH

House speaker pro tem David Beasley (D) "said ... speculation that he may soon leave the ranks of the Democratic Party and become a Republican is not unfounded" (Jim Faile, Darlington NEWS AND PRESS). Beasley: "There's no doubt that I've given it serious consideration. I've been a Democrat all my life, but in the last few years the trend of the ... Party, especially at the national level, has been totally out of kilter with my philosophy." Beasley "said he will make a final decision soon ... He insisted that if he makes the switch, it will be not out of any opportunistic desire to position himself for higher office." But "speculation has intensified recently" that Beasley would switch to position himself for a '94 statewide office bid, and he even said on a recent radio show that he would like to run for LG in '94. Beasley's possible switch "is a prospect that has some Republicans drooling." SC GOP exec. dir. Mike Burton: "We would embrace him because we certainly feel he's a politician most people agree has a bright future in state politics." But Burton said the GOP "has made no effort to woo him." Burton added the Dem leadership "has written Beasley off as a party leader, despite the fact that he holds the post of speaker pro tem" in a Dem-controlled House. Beasley's "cozy" relationship with Gov. Carroll Campbell (R) and GOP House members, and "his conservative stance on many controversial issues, including abortion ... have prompted some to wonder why he has not switched sooner." SC Dem exec. dir. Elizabeth DuRant said the state party "has always been a mainstream party": "It sounds to me like David Beasley is just looking for an excuse to switch parties" (8/22).

STING UPDATE: The federal probe into statehouse corruption "netted its 28th and final" defendant, state Sen. Bud Long. Long is the 18th current or former legislator indicted. All but two have either pleaded guilty or been convicted for accepting bribes in the FBI sting, "Operation Lost Trust" (AP, 8/21).

*15 WASHINGTON: WHO SAID MONEY DOESN'T GROW ON TREES?

The Weyerhaeuser "tree-growing" company "may be growing opposing candidates for governor in 1992" (Rebecca Boren, SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER). "Several sources" said company chair George Weyerhaeuser "has agreed to co-chair" the finance cmte for Sen. Dan McDonald (R), but "the agreement hinges on McDonald's ability to line up an impressive membership." This "would pit Weyerhaeuser directly against another heir of the giant timber company" -- Gov. Booth Gardner (D) -- "who has relied heavily on his family fortune in his two previous campaigns for governor." McDonald on hiring Weyerhaeuser: "All I can tell you is, we have talked about his help on a campaign. Beyond that, I can't go." While Weyerhaeuser's move "gives credence to hints that Gardner may not seek a third term, members of Gardner's staff ... say they hope Weyerhaeuser's overt opposition will finally put to rest old fears that [Gardner] is a captive of the timber company." Gardner's staff has "kept open three options: re-election, a U.S. Senate campaign or retirement." Gardner spokesperson Denny Heck: "He doesn't have to make a decision now. If he did, he would probably run for re-election" (8/22).

*16 WEST VIRGINIA: PALUMBO HITS CAPERTON ON "CREDIBILITY"

AG Mario Palumbo (D) "soon will officially announce that he's a candidate for governor" against Dem Gov. Gaston Caperton

(Palmerine, FAIRMONT TIMES-WEST VIRGINIAN). Palumbo "traveled throughout the state getting responses about his candidacy": "I've been getting a terrific response. I'm very encouraged. I hope to make a decision by Labor Day ... I detect a tremendous amount of dissatisfaction around the state. Primarily because [Caperton] ran on a no-tax ticket and then gave us the biggest tax increase in the history of the state. That's his major problem, credibility." Palumbo said 70% of the graduates at WVU "will go out-of-state for jobs": "To me that's the basic underlying problem. Young people are leaving." Palumbo also "said that in the economic programs ... we put in political and social friends": "We don't staff it with professionals. To me, you can do basic things like that to help the economy. It's worked in other states and it will work here." On being Italian: "We're ready for a governor that's going to shake this state up and turn it around whether he's Italian or anything else" (8/19).

*17 PENNSYLVANIA SENATE: IT'S JUST LIKE RIDING A BIKE

"Philadelphia got its first glimpse in nine years" of ex-AG Dick Thornburgh (R) "as a candidate -- and along with it a preview of how he intends to campaign" (Katharine Seelye, PHILA. INQUIRER). In "informal remarks" to a group of seniors, Thornburgh "leaned heavily on his association with President Bush and his accomplishments for older folks" as gov. "Many questions concerned the PACE program," which pays eligible seniors' prescription drug costs, and why seniors had to increase their contribution. Thornburgh: "The PACE program was created when I was [gov.]. If you want to know why it's now \$6, ask the [gov.] who's in Harrisburg now." Questioner: "I did. He told me to ask you." Dept. of Aging's Kevin Murphy, "reached later by phone ... said that the price went up because under Thornburgh, the state agreed to pay pharmacists the full retail price for the drugs and those prices had skyrocketed." Yet, "the audience didn't seem to hear that answer. Nor did they seem aware that Thornburgh had initially tried to limit the pace program because he was worried about its costs." Overall, one of Thornburgh's "big advantages seemed to be that people knew him; very few ... had even heard of" Sen. Harris Wofford (D). Asked what the "theme" of his campaign would be, Thornburgh responded, "I think it's probably too early to tell. I've only been back from Washington for three days. ... We'll develop those issues as time goes on." Wofford manager Paul Begala "criticized Thornburgh's lapproach": "How can you look at [PA] and not know what the issues are? It's an older state, a poorer state, and it's been hit harder by the recession than a lot of other states. A real Pennsylvanian doesn't have to take two to three weeks to sit down with a pollster and formulate what the best issues are" (8/23). Bush will visit PA "at least twice" for Thornburgh \$-raisers. He will attend a 9/12 event in PA and a 10/2 event in Pittsburgh. Thornburgh manager Michele Davis: "This is a race about who is best for [PA] and who can fight for [PA], and having the additional blush of presidential approval is obviously going to help us" (AP/Harrisburg PATRIOT-NEWS, 8/22).

*18 KENTUCKY GOVERNOR: HOPKINS GOTV EFFORT RAISES QUESTIONS

"In an apparently legal gambit that was tantamount to spreading cash," Rep. Larry Hopkins' (R-05) primary campaign "issued about \$15,000 in blank checks" in the 5th CD and "payee's names later were inscribed on the checks by political operatives (Garrett/Cross, Louisville COURIER-JOURNAL). The move "may have saved" Hopkins from defeat in the "photo-finish" GOP primary by atty Larry Forgy. Hopkins managers "denied ... that any vote buying was intended or occurred." Yet, the C-J "found seven cases in which the money apparently did not wind up with the person named in the Hopkins report," and some workers "said they regarded the money as a gift or reward for their support." Ex-state Rep. Charles Siler (R) noted that while the payments were "relatively small," they may have "been crucial to Hopkins' victory": "Nobody in these mountain counties (is) going to get out and really hustle for anybody unless they're getting something" (8/21). Members of the Registry of Election and Finance said the agency "should find out what happened to at least six blank checks that ... Hopkins' campaign said went to people who now deny receiving them" (Cross, C-J). Board member

Joe Terry (D): "The public needs to know if there's any discrepancy in the campaign, and what the campaign and the individuals involved are saying about it." Member George Troutman (R): "I want to see it brought to a head as soon as possible." Board chair Wayne Stratton (D) "said the matter would be resolved before the election because the registry is for the first time auditing major campaigns while they were in progress, not just accepting periodic reports": "If in fact there are errors on the report ... and they are not explained, ... at our [9/91] meeting we would have some report due in ... and if there are violations, we would take some action on it." Hopkins manager Bill Lacy said the matter "has been blown all out of proportion": "This whole situation was handled above board, it was handled in the open, it was reported properly to the proper officials" (8/22). Hopkins treasurer James Martin sent a letter to the board 8/22 saying, "First, we resent greatly this 'trial by media' [8/22 C-J article]. ... I do not appreciate reading about [the alleged discrepancies] in the newspapers before even so much as a call. ... Secondly, the alleged 'discrepancy' simply does not exist." Copies of six cancelled checks were included in the letter which "show that the payees were correctly reported and that the checks were endorsed in the payees' names" (Hopkins release, 8/22).

*19 PA 02: NOVEMBER SPECIAL A GOODE BET?

Retiring Mayor Wilson Goode (D) and city Dem chair Bob Brady "are pushing for a special election in November to replace" outgoing Rep. Bill Gray (D) (Cynthia Burton, PHILA. DAILY NEWS). Goode said residents of the city's most depressed neighborhoods "should not go without representation." While Brady "advocates" the 11/12 election date -- one week after the 11/5 elections -- Goode "just wants an election soon." Fred Voigt, chair of the election watchdog group, Cmte of Seventy: "This is one of the truly stupidest ideas I've ever heard." City Commission chair Margaret Turiaglione "said there won't be a machine in the state that's available for any kind of election" until after 11/23 because they "will be in use [11/5] and must remain impounded until results are certified." Voigt, on Brady's suggestion the 2nd CD machines "could be held an extra week for the congressional vote": "[That] would forever taint and destroy the validity of the [11/5] election." Voigt did propose a law suit "arguing ... [PA's] 60-day requirement has the unintended effect of depriving 2nd [CD] residents of any such representation for months to come." Meanwhile, "a shadow campaign for the election without a date is in full swing. The would-be candidates include" ex-City Councilman Lucien Blackwell, ex-Sec/Welfare John White, and state Sen. Chaka Fattah. Ex-Sec/Commonwealth Delores Tucker "has also expressed an interest." Since an early special election would give the advantage to Blackwell "because he's best known, has campaigned the longest, and has strongest ties to the ward leaders" who choose the nominee. The others could "run as independents -- an uphill struggle -- or bide their time" until the Dem primary in April. White hopes for a 4/23 special election "so he'll have the time to raise money and assemble a campaign staff" (8/22).

===== POLL UPDATE =====

*20 GALLUP: SURVEY ON ATTITUDES TOWARD EDUCATION

1500 adults, interviewed 5/91; margin of error +/- 3% (Phi Delta Kappa release, 8/22). Phi Delta Kappa Int'l, "the professional fraternity in education," has conducted a similar annual poll for 23 years.

QUESTION: Biggest problem confronting the local public schools.

	1991	1990
Drug use	22	38
Lack of discipline	20%	19%
Lack of school funding	18	13

QUESTION: Grading the public schools. GRADES OF "A" OR "B"

The nation's public schools	21%
Their local public schools	42%
The schools their oldest children attend	73%

QUESTION: Reform ideas for public schools. FAVOR OPPOSE

Requiring local public schools to conform to national goals and standards.	81%	12%
Requiring use of standard natl curriculum.	68	24
Use of standardized national tests.	77	17
Making tax-supported pre-schools available for 3-4 year-olds whose parents want them.	55	40
Schools showing progress toward natl goals should be rewarded with state and fed \$\$\$.	64	26
Withhold \$\$\$ from less successful schools.	33	57
Don't renew teacher/principal contracts in schools that show no progress.	57	32
Extend school year by 30 days to 210 days.	51	
Extend the school day by one hour.	46	48

QUESTION: Parental "choice." FAVOR OPPOSE

Allowing students and parents to choose which public schools the students attend.	62%	33%
The use of school vouchers to enable parents to choose their children's schools.	50	39
"Allowing students and parents to choose a private school to attend at public expense."	26	68

Note: "Few parents whose children attend public school say that their children would change schools if given the choice." The 26% who favor vouchers for choice of a private schools also favor accountability to public authorities for those schools, by 63%/27%.

ALSO: The public strongly backs the 6 national education goals of the President/Governors, with consistent demographic support. But skepticism toward reaching them by 2000 is also high and demographically consistent. Skepticism is highest over Goal One ("Children will start school ready to learn") with only 47% saying attainment is likely/very likely. By 3/1, the public favors "public school report cards" on progress toward the goals.

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TV MONITOR =====

*21 THIS MORNING: All nets led with the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Aleksandr Bessmertnykh and the suspension of Soviet Speaker of Parliament Anatoly Lukyanov. ABC's "GMA" interviewed Russian dep. Foreign Minister Andrei Fedorov. NBC's "Today" interviewed Sen. Bill Bradley (D-NJ) and dep. Sec/State Lawrence Eagleburger. "CBS This Morning" interviewed Soviet commentator Vladimir Pozner (8/23).

A.M. QUOTABLES: Bradley, on US' next step: "I don't think that the Soviet Union is entitled to massive aid from American taxpayers any more now than they were before. ... They have to put their economic house in order." Eagleburger: "The clear point is, there is no sense for our providing massive economic assistance to the Soviet Union unless they are willing to make major structural reform ... we are not going to write checks without reform" (NBC, 8/23).

LAST NIGHT: All nets led with Gorbachev's return to power. CNN's "Larry King Live" hosted CA Reps. David Dreier (R) and Nancy Pelosi (D), Soviet analyst Richard Krickus and author Gail Sheehy. PBS' "MacNeil/Lehrer" hosted George Kennan, identified as the "foremost scholar of U.S./Soviet relations." CNN's "Crossfire" examined the Baltics with AP's Barry Schweid and Lithuanian Information Center's Victor Nakas." ABC's "Nightline" focused on the beginning of the coup (8/22).

GORBY'S BACK ... FOR GOOD? ABC's Peter Jennings: "In the Soviet Union today, Mikhail Gorbachev is in charge. The question is, how much in charge? He says the last three days have convinced him he must move faster to change the Soviet way of life. The man who did much to save him, Boris Yeltsin, tells the people that he will force the pace." NBC's Tom Brokaw: "Mikhail Gorbachev returns to Moscow tired and angry, but still defending a place for the Communist Party. ... His power and his future seem to be significantly diminished." NBC's John Chancellor, on Gorbachev and Yeltsin: "Is Moscow big enough for both of them?" CBS' Jonathan Sanders, over shots of Yeltsin waving the Russian Republic flag before a massive cheering crowd: "This week in the Soviet capital, three chants became synonymous -- Freedom, Russia, Yeltsin." CBS' Dan Rather: "Pretty extraordinary four days." CNN's Catherine Crier: "The scenery is changing on the stage of Soviet history. The players are shifting their positions and reworking their lives" (8/22).

MAINE EVENT: Bush, with his voice played over shots of Russians protesting, including one man on the ledge of a government building waving the Russian Republic flag: "I think anybody attempting another coup from the right would have to be out of their minds to take on hundreds of thousands of people who clearly, in spite of economic problems, want to see democracy prevail. And that's what it was about, that's what the message was about. That's what the survival of Gorbachev was about. That's what the strength of Yeltsin was about" (CNN). ABC's Jennings: "The President's focus now is to encourage more reform in the Soviet Union, to get Mr. Gorbachev to move faster." ABC's Brit Hume, on Bush's Kennebunkport statements: "By this afternoon, the President was back in shirt-sleeves and the sense of emergency here had passed. ... The repeated references to Yeltsin reflect his new standing, but the President was quick to argue that Gorbachev has not been diminished by the failed coup."

NBC's John Cochran, referring to Gorbachev's appointment of "suspected hard-liner" Gen. Moiseyev as Defense Minister: "The Kennebunkport White House gave a restrained welcome back to Gorbachev. The President himself said all the right things in public. But his aides, who have the advantage of anonymity, were downright critical of Gorbachev. And I'm told that is how Bush himself really feels. ... So Bush is sending a message, politely but firmly. The hard-liners are in disarray, and you, Mikhail Gorbachev, no longer have any excuse for moving so slowly toward reform. It is time, Bush thinks, for the real Gorbachev to stand up." All nets quoted a senior U.S. official as saying he wouldn't want Moiseyev "behind him in a dark hallway." But NBC's Fred Francis reported one Pentagon official called that a "cheap shot." Francis reported JCS chair Gen. Colin Powell was recently the guest of the Moiseyevs and showed video of him kissing the hand of Mrs. Powell and many shots of Powell and Moiseyev. CNN also showed Powell with Moiseyev (8/22).

HISTORY: Soviet expert George Kennan: "The Russian people, for the first time in their history, have turned their back on the manner in which they've been ruled. ... They have demanded a voice in the designing of their own society, their own future. And they have done so successfully. ... Even 1917 had nothing quite like this. It's the most hopeful turning point I have seen in Russian affairs" ("M/L," 8/22).

===== TV SOUNDBITE =====

"The get-tough policy of a federal judge has escalated into a war of will."

-- ABC's Chris Bury on Wichita, 8/22

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News Summary

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(Washington Post, Chicago Tribune)

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(Reuter)

REPUBLICS TAKE REPRISAL AGAINST BACKERS OF COUP -- With tanks gone from the streets and leaders of the botched coup under arrest, governments across the Soviet Union began ordering purges and criminal investigations of its supporters.

(Washington Post, Boston Globe)

NATIONAL NEWS

TEACHERS GROUP OPPOSES THOMAS -- The American Federation of Teachers said Thursday its governing board has voted to oppose the nomination of Clarence Thomas.

(Washington Post)

NETWORK NEWS (Thursday evening)

SOVIET COUP -- Mikhail Gorbachev is again in charge. The question is, how much in charge?

SOVIET COUP/PRESIDENT'S REACTION
-- The President's focus now is to encourage more reform in the Soviet Union

ESTONIA -- Estonia Thursday outlawed the Communist Party.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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During his first 24 hours back in office...Gorbachev named replacements for the government ministers who took part in the coup attempt, resumed command of the armed forces and scheduled a meeting Friday with leaders of Soviet republics to discuss the aftermath to the crisis....

Gorbachev promised to purge the ruling Communist Party of "reactionaries" who had collaborated with the plotters and called on Soviet officials who had failed to protect the constitutional order to resign en masse. But he also made clear that he remained committed to the "socialist idea," saying he had no plans to resign his post as the party's general secretary.

President Yeltsin called for more radical measures Thursday to dismantle the vestiges of Communist power, including confiscation of Communist Party property and the closing or reorganization of its newspapers, such as Pravda.

(Michael Dobbs, Washington Post, A1)

As Gorbachev Regains Control, Yeltsin Shows Real Power

MOSCOW -- President Gorbachev moved swiftly to reassert his control Thursday, appointing new heads of the KGB, armed forces and Interior Ministry, but admitted that his own serious errors of judgment had contributed to the coup that briefly forced him from power....

Even as President Gorbachev was acknowledging his mistakes, President Yeltsin was busily consolidating his role as the nation's dominant politician, by all accounts at Gorbachev's expense.

Yeltsin ordered the Communist party on Thursday to disband its cells in the armed forces and declared that Russia had saved the Soviet Union from totalitarianism.

(Vincent Schodloski & Thom Shanker, Chicago Tribune)

Yeltsin Outlines Rapid-Fire Change

...President Yeltsin promised not only to prosecute ring leaders of the coup, but collaborators as well. He also:

Outlined an agenda to completely transform Soviet society, neutralizing the influence of the Communist Party.

Announced that Russia is dropping use of the hammer and sickle on its flag, replacing the banner with a white, blue and red pre-revolutionary flag.

Banned Communist Party cells from the military.

Fired the head of Soviet Central Television, a President Gorbachev appointee, for obeying committee orders to close down the republic's own broadcasts. Called for formation of a Russian national guard.

(Marilyn Greene, USA Today, 4A)

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Russian Radio said Ivan Laptev, the Supreme Soviet's deputy chairman will succeed Lukyanov.

There was no immediate confirmation of the report.

(Gerald Nadler, UPI)

FAILED COUP HASTENS END OF TOTALITARIAN SYSTEM

MOSCOW -- ... "This is the end of communism. The party must be thrown out of power once and for all. If President Gorbachev does not make a clear break with the party, he will lose popular support," said Shatalin, former economic adviser to Gorbachev.

"The party dug its own grave," said Yevgeny Ambartsumov, a political scientist and member of the Russian parliament. "The days of communism are over."...

Russian Defense Minister Kobiets said in an interview that Communist Party cells in the armed forces must be dismantled. He also called for a purge of the Soviet general staff which, in his view, should be responsible to a collegium made up of representatives of all the Soviet Union's 15 republics.

(Michael Dobbs, Washington Post, A1)

Gorbachev On Way Out?

Former Soviet spokesman Vladimir Pozner told "Good Morning America" Gorbachev is "on his way out." Pozner says he thinks Gorbachev "came out much weaker" after the coup. "Gorbachev has shown he doesn't know how to pick the people around him.... He brought in all these people who virtually could have destroyed the country."

("Update," USA Today, 3A)

Republics Take Reprisal Against Backers Of Coup

MOSCOW -- With tanks gone from the streets and leaders of the botched coup under arrest, governments across the Soviet Union began ordering purges and criminal investigations of its supporters.

In Georgia, there were demands for a public trial of Communist Party leaders for supporting the coup-inspired state of emergency and suggestions that all army property in the republic be nationalized....

Lithuanian lawmakers approved legislation banning the republics' Communist Party....

Sweden announced that it will recognize the Baltics' independence after Soviet troops there are withdrawn, and German Foreign Minister Genscher said he will ask the EC to discuss the issue....

Chancellor Kohl said it would be "clever" now to nurture contacts not only with President Gorbachev but also with "the republics themselves," including especially the Baltics.

(Margaret Shapiro, Washington Post, A26)

After Victory, Anti-Communist Ferment In The Air

MOSCOW -- The mass movement that President Yeltsin inspired against Monday's coup showed signs of turning into an anti-communist revolution Thursday as victorious Russian leaders called for dismantling of the KGB and a purge of military commanders.

As a first symbolic step, cranes Thursday night removed the giant statue of the first leader of the KGB, Felix Dzerzhinsky, from its base to the sound of cheers and fireworks....

Gennady Burbulis, the closest aide to Yeltsin, gave an illuminating insight into the thinking in the Yeltsin camp when he said at the rally that Russia supported the people in "the communist republics of the former union" who were struggling for their rights.

And throughout the day, Russian legislators made it clear that they expected a new lead role in what was left of the Soviet Union....

In Riga, legislators also debated outlawing the Communist Party but were unresolved because of a dispute over who would take control of party property....

And in Moscow itself, major media organizations began to move against their leaders and owners. Izvestia staff members announced that they would ignore their editor until he was officially dismissed....

Lithuanian legislators approved legislation to ban the republic's Communist Party, claim ownership of its property and demand that the party turn over all files, said parliamentary spokesman Musteikyte.

Moscow mayor Popov called for an investigation into the role of the party in the coup and publicly urged President Gorbachev to follow Yeltsin's example and leave the party....

The suspected plotters of the coup, Izvestia reported Thursday, will be charged with treason.

(Paul Quinn-Judge, Boston Globe)

Reform Breathes New Life

MOSCOW -- ..."Yeltsin! Yeltsin!" tens of thousands of flag-waving, demonstrators shouted on Red Square, just beyond the walls of President Gorbachev's office. They demanded that Gorbachev resign and suggested that he go on another vacation....

Miners in the who had answered President Yeltsin's strike call during the takeover, went back to work. But they refused to ship any coal until coup leaders are punished.

(Brian Friedman, Washington Times, A1)

Moscow's City Council Suspends Communist Party Activity

MOSCOW -- Moscow's radical city council has suspended the activity of the capital's Communist Party following this week's failed hard-line coup, a council spokesman said Friday.

A decree signed by Moscow Mayor Popov Thursday also suspended the tiny Liberal Democratic Party, which openly supported the hard-line "Emergency Committee."

"These parties will be suspended until the end of an investigation into how much they cooperated with the coup organizers," the spokesman said.

(Reuter)

TIME WILL TELL IF SOVIET COUP FABRICATED TO HELP GORBACHEV

PARIS -- The president of Georgia said in an interview published Friday time would tell whether the failed Soviet coup was deliberately staged to strengthen President Gorbachev's position.

"This business gives Gorbachev enormous credit, huge popularity. Today his enhances of winning Soviet presidential elections are good.... That's why I can imagine a special set-up being staged to deceive the people," Zviad Gamsakhurdia said in an interview with the daily Le Figaro. (Reuter)

'I WANT TO BREATHE THE AIR OF FREEDOM IN MOSCOW'

MOSCOW -- ...At a press conference and in a speech before the Soviet people on national television Thursday night, President Gorbachev revealed how much the event had changed him and to what extent he remained committed to the reform of the state and the Communist Party.

But the transformation may be limited. Gorbachev, in his various appointments Thursday, seemed once more to lean on members of the traditional apparatus. He may even have made what some Russian commentators viewed as a dangerous choice when he appointed General Moiseyev as acting defense minister.

The usually reliable Russian news program "Vesti" reported Thursday night that Moiseyev signed "secret coded orders" to move troops into Moscow during the coup.

(David Remnick, Washington Post, A1)

U.S. WARY OF MOISEYEV APPOINTMENT**Role In Coup Murky, Opposition To Several Reforms Apparent**

General Moiseyev, whose appointment as Soviet defense minister Thursday drew unusually blunt criticism from a top Bush Administration official, is a controversial figure among U.S. analysts.

Some experts here regard him as tainted by an ambiguous role in this week's failed Kremlin coup and hostile to the reformist agenda of shrinking the Soviet military and placing it under new forms of constitutional control....

An Administration official described Moiseyev's role in the coup as "ambivalent at best" and argued that Gorbachev should purge his government of its conservative forces.

But other analysts described Moiseyev as an exceptionally bright pragmatist, less polemical and political than his predecessor, Marshal Yazov. (Barton Gellman, Washington Post, A26)

Bush Aide Not In Tune

KENNEBUNKPORT -- The White House spoke with two voices Thursday on President Gorbachev's post-coup decision to make General Moiseyev defense minister.

A senior adviser anonymously attacked the general -- "I wouldn't want that guy behind me in a dark hall now" -- and President Bush responded, "That's their business."

Despite that, Bush said the U.S. will "hold back a little on military-to-military contacts until we see this work out."

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A1)

BUSH SEES WAY CLEAR FOR REFORM
But Gorbachev's Early Moves Disturb Some Senior Officials

KENNEBUNKPORT -- President Bush said Thursday that the failure of the coup against President Gorbachev should free him to move more swiftly on a reform agenda, including granting independence to the Baltics, but other senior officials expressed concern about some of Gorbachev's early moves.

Bush in a news conference with Secretary Baker here, said, "I see nothing in here but good news in terms of speeding up the pace" of democratic reform....

Neither Bush nor his aides predicted that Gorbachev would accelerate reform. And one senior aide expressed immediate concern with the announcement that General Moiseyev had been named to replace Dmitri Yazov as the new defense minister. -

Questioned about Moiseyev, an anonymous official suggested that if Gorbachev wanted to signal a real change, he would have appointed as defense minister the commander of the airborne divisions, who supported Gorbachev, or "somebody else who had clearly supported Gorbachev." And he remarked about Moiseyev, "I wouldn't want that guy behind me in a dark hall now."

(Ann Devroy, Washington Post, A21)

Bush Urges Swifter Change In Soviet Union

KENNEBUNKPORT -- President Bush suggested Thursday that President Gorbachev, having survived a hard-line coup, should move quickly toward more economic and democratic reforms, including independence for the Baltic republics....

Bush said he thought that "the quicker independence can be granted to the Baltics, the better." With the failure of the coup, he said, "let's hope out of this now we will see genuine negotiations between the Baltic states and the center to accomplish this end."...

"With some of the hard-liners on the sidelines, clearly that perhaps frees up President Gorbachev to work very closely with President Yeltsin to see that these reforms continue," Bush said.

The reference to President Yeltsin was another concession by Bush to the enhanced position of Yeltsin....

Bush's nudges for economic reforms and recognition of the Baltic republics included the customary qualifying statements that the U.S. did not mean to intervene in internal Soviet affairs. But Bush appeared to be coaxing Gorbachev into taking additional steps.

(John Mashek, Boston Globe)

U.S. Insists That Aid Of Soviets Depends On Economic Reforms

The U.S. is willing to consider increasing humanitarian help for the Soviet Union with President Gorbachev's return to power but is holding off on wider-ranging aid pending economic reform moves by Moscow, U.S. officials said Thursday.

They said the humanitarian assistance would most likely come in the form of food aid should shortages develop during the harsh Soviet winter.... President Bush made it clear that Moscow must first act to reform its crumbling economy and strike a power-sharing treaty with the republics if it wants billions of dollars from the West.

(Rich Miller, Reuter)

Congress Seems Ready To Loosen Purse Strings

The chairman of the House and Senate foreign aid panels said Thursday they will push for more assistance to the Soviet union and its republics.

"We have been behind the curve in responding to Gorbachev's call for help, and we almost paid a terrible price for it this week," said Rep. Obey.

Sen. Leahy warned the will of Congress may be bigger than its wallet, permitting only "symbolic" forms of assistance for the time being....

Leahy said what little aid is available should be redirected toward the republics.

"It will be small, more symbolic than anything else, but I intend to put some direct amounts in the foreign aid bill to the republics, or at least some of the republics," he said.

(Richard Wolf, USA Today, 5A)

G-7 UNITY MAY SPLIT ON AID TO SOVIETS

PARIS -- Western harmony on economic aid to the Soviet Union could be an early casualty of the failed coup against President Gorbachev, officials and independent economists said Thursday....

President Mitterand assured Gorbachev Thursday he believes the G-7 should increase aid to the Soviet Union.

Gorbachev, who telephoned Mitterand, said he was counting on international aid to help restore the Soviet economy back to health, French officials said.

(Alan Wheatley, Washington Times, A8)

Bonn Presses For Added Aid To Soviets

BONN -- A cross section of German politicians called Thursday for Western nations to give President Gorbachev an immediate and hefty increase in financial aid, even as they agreed that Germany had already reached the limit of its ability to help....

Foreign Minister Genscher called on Western nations to "consider their share in responsibility" for the Soviet putsch. And Genscher said other Western nations -- aides said his comments are directed largely at Japan, the U.S. and Britain -- should "follow the example" of Germany....

In London, Prime Minister Major was reported ready to propose to President Bush next week that Gorbachev's close call requires the industrialized nations to speed more aid.

(Marc Fisher, Washington Post, A26)

Britain Acts To Open EC Markets To East

LONDON -- In the wake of the near-overthrow of President Gorbachev, the British government Thursday vowed to push other nations in Western Europe to open their markets to products from the newly democratic countries of Eastern Europe...

In addition to the market-opening measures, official said that Britain also wants the EC to quickly grant some sort of affiliation to the new democracies to tie them more tightly, politically and economically, to the West.

(Stuart Auerbach, Washington Post, B1)

U.S. PLANS TO BUILD CONTACTS WITH SOVIET REFORMERS

One of the lessons the Bush Administration has learned from the Kremlin coup is the need to broaden contacts with reformers in the Soviet Union, shifting U.S. policy from its near-exclusive focus on President Gorbachev....

"We will support reformers in the Soviet Union wherever we find them, at the center, at the republic, and at the local levels," said a senior Administration official....

"In very practical terms, Yeltsin is a lot more powerful than he was before," said an Administration official. "And Gorbachev is maybe not commensurately weakened, but he certainly has not improved his position."

A subtle sign of this shift is that President Bush and other Administration officials rarely used Gorbachev's name last week without in the same breath mentioning Yeltsin.

(Terry Atlas, Chicago Tribune)

BALTICS ASK U.S. TO RECOGNIZE INDEPENDENCE

Representatives of the three Baltic states presented the State Department on Thursday with a formal request for recognition of their respective declarations of independence.

In Kennebunkport, President Bush indicated strong sympathy for the independence of the Baltic states but suggested formal recognition would be premature at this point. (George Gedda, AP)

ICELAND RECOGNIZES ESTONIA AND LATVIA AS INDEPENDENT

REYKJAVIK -- Iceland recognized Estonia and Latvia as independent Thursday, offering immediate talks toward setting up diplomatic relations with the two Baltic republics.

Prime Minister Oddsson said Iceland would also consider extending the same recognition to the Russian republic, if it decided to quit the Soviet Union. (Reuter)

U.S. AIDES SAW COUP UNRAVELING

Government Spent 61 Tense Hours Trying To Gauge, Influence Events

...One of the CIA's most experienced Soviet analysts could not find the tell-tale warning signs on his computer of the coup against President Gorbachev that had just been announced in Moscow....

U.S. intelligence had mentioned in an analysis provided to top policymakers just before the coup that hard-liners in Moscow might seek to take some action to block the scheduled signing this Tuesday of the Union Treaty. However, officials familiar with the intelligence reports said no warning of an impending coup was issued. (Don Oberdorfer & Ann Devroy, Washington Post, A21)

EXPERTS SAY THROWING WEIGHT BEHIND GORBACHEV RIGHT MOVE, FOR NOW

The U.S. had few diplomatic options as the Soviet coup unfolded this week, but President Bush's clear support of the forces of democracy provided a subtle weapon against the tanks of the usurpers....

Soviet specialist also agree that Bush's message -- that the U.S. stood behind President Gorbachev, President Yeltsin and other advocates of democratic reform -- were heard and heeded in the Soviet Union....

Bush's statements added an aura of legitimacy to Yeltsin's forces. His coordination of the international opinion may have heightened the growing disarray among Gorbachev's would-be successors....

Linas Kojelis, president of the U.S. Baltic Foundation, said that while Bush's actions were "very appropriate," the President could damage himself "if he continues to throw the weight and prestige of the U.S. behind Gorbachev."

"The insistence we back one sole individual is very shortsighted thinking," Kojelis said, adding that "in five years there will be no Soviet Union."
(Jim Abrams, AP)

SOVIET AMBASSADOR TURNS ABOUT, BASKS IN JUNTA'S FAILURE

Viktor Komplektov, the Soviet ambassador to Washington, was aglow Thursday in the aftermath of the failed Moscow coup. He warmly welcomed the return of President Gorbachev and eagerly pledged support of the Soviet president's progressive policies.

For the previous three days, however, Komplektov had appeared to represent the eight-man junta that attempted to seize power in Moscow.
(Gary Lee, Washington Post, A26)

U.S. WAS SET FOR WORST

KENNEBUNKPORT -- The Bush inner circle unanimously concluded late Tuesday morning that the Moscow coup would succeed and left the door open to deal with the junta on two secret issues involving nuclear weapons, a senior Administration official disclosed Thursday.

The private conclusion ran contrary to the public position that President Bush was taking and came just hours before reports from Moscow that the coup was beginning to unravel....

In an interview Thursday, the anonymous official said President Bush's apparently prescient Monday comment that a coup lacking public support might fail actually was largely a ploy to encourage the kind of resistance that occurred.

(Frank Murray, Washington Times, A1)

POLL: U.S.S.R. SOON WILL BE A DEMOCRACY

Communism's homeland will be a democracy within five years, say 54% of those polled nationwide Thursday by USA Today....

(Sharen Johnson, USA Today, 1A)

GORBACHEV BACKS SANCTION SON IRAQ

...The Iraqi news agency says President Gorbachev sent a message to Saddam saying the Soviet Union will honor U.N. Security resolutions authorizing war and punishing Iraq.

("Update," USA Today, 3A)

BUSH HANDLING OF SOVIET EVENTS SEEN BOOSTING 1992 ELECTION BID

KENNEBUNKPORT -- This week's tumultuous events in the Soviet Union gave President Bush a political boost like the lift he got from routing Saddam and he now seems almost invincible going into the 1992 election campaign....

"Bush continues to draw an inside straight," said Democratic strategist Michael McCurry.

"He clearly made the right phone calls at the right time, and he certainly said the right things at the right time," McCurry said....

"I think the fact that our major candidates have not stepped up to provide some clearly articulated alternative view is a real problem for us," McCurry said.

(Gene Gibbons, Reuter)

**ISRAELIS CRITICIZE PALESTINIAN SUPPORT FOR COUP
Verbal Sparring Signals Renewal Of Maneuvering
Over Terms Of Peace Conference**

JERUSALEM -- ...Prime Minister Shamir and other senior government spokesmen have rushed to point to what they say was an outburst of Palestinian enthusiasm for the move by hard-liners against President Gorbachev, arguing that it creates new doubts about Palestinian participation in peace talks....

Shamir and other Israeli officials said Thursday they expect that the conference will go ahead as planned, though Shamir added that the Soviet crisis might delay it "a few days."...

Opposition to the conference has been growing among local Palestinian leaders ever since Secretary Baker informed the two senior politicians with whom he has been negotiating, Faisal Husseini and Hanan Ashrawi, that they could not join the Palestinian delegation because of Israeli objections.

(Jackson Diehl, Washington Post, A14)

**GORBACHEV'S RETURN TO POWER KEEPS MIDEAST
PEACE PROCESS ON TRACK, ARAB LEADERS SAY**

AMMAN -- Arab leaders said Thursday that the return of President Gorbachev to power in Moscow would keep the Middle East process on track.

"We consider it as a victory for democracy," Adnon Abu Odeh, an aide to King Hussein of Jordan, said in an interview.

Foreign Minister Sharaa of Syria told reporters in Alexandria that Soviet sponsorship of peace negotiations "will not be affected by the latest events it [Soviet Union] has passed through."

(Adam Pertman, Boston Globe)

NORIEGA SAYS BUSH WANTED HELP WITH WEAPONS SHIPMENTS

MIAMI -- Manuel Noriega allowed weapons to be shipped illegally through his country at the request of George Bush, then director of the CIA, Noriega's attorney said in a court document released Thursday.

Noriega also permitted illegal drug shipments through Panama under the direction of the U.S. DEA, the document alleged....

IN a document dated March 22, Noriega defense attorney Frank Rubino referred to seven former CIA directors, including Bush. Rubino alleged that all seven "requested and authorized General Noriega to allow shipments of weapons to either pass through Panama or be unloaded in Panama for transshipment to Honduras or Nicaragua." (Reuter)

CHINA/EMBARRASSMENT FOR BUSH

China lurks as a potential embarrassment for President Bush. Human-rights groups press him to protest the jailing of two Chinese dissidents who have begun a hunger strike. The State Department responds with a low-level letter of concern. Bush's differing actions bring "cheers in Moscow but tears in Beijing," asserts Rep. Pelosi. (Wall Street Journal, A1)

UNIONS: FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BAD DEAL FOR WORKERS

SAN DIEGO -- Tearing down trade barriers between the U.S. and Mexico will leave Americans jobless and force Mexican workers to toil for even lower wages, labor leaders said Thursday at a hearing on the North American Free Trade Agreement.

In testimony before a federal committee seeking public input on the controversial agreement, representatives of California unions and labor organizations said that the pact, would actually inspire more companies to move their operations to Mexico.

(Hilmer Anderson, UPI)

U.S. FORGIVES 10 PERCENT OF BOLIVIA'S FOREIGN DEBT

The U.S. Thursday signed agreements forgiving \$372 million owed by Bolivia in a move that wiped out 10 percent of the South American country's total foreign debt.

The debt-reduction plan was worked out under President Bush's Enterprise for the Americas Initiative and a law that Congress approved in 1989 that forgives indebtedness by countries that fulfill what Washington calls "adjustment and reform programs."

(Jorge Banales, UPI)

NATIONAL NEWS

TEACHERS GROUP OPPOSES THOMAS

The American Federation of Teachers said Thursday its governing board has voted to oppose the nomination of Clarence Thomas.

Albert Shanker, president of the union, said Thomas's record "shows he would not support the aspirations of working people, minorities and trade unionists."

Shanker said AFT leaders saw nothing in Thomas's judicial career to convince them "he will rise above his ideological biases or be able to offer the insights required of those who sit on the nation's high court." ("Short Takes," Washington Post, A17)

MAJORITY IN POLL FAVOR EXTENDING SCHOOL YEAR 51% Back More Days In Class, Survey Finds

For the first time, a majority of American adults surveyed in an annual Gallup poll supported a longer school year as a way to meet international academic standards, the pollsters announced Thursday.

The public opinion survey conducted for Phi Delta Kappa found that 51 percent in the random poll of Americans supported extending the typical school year by 1.5 months....

The survey also found strong opposition to making a longer school year optional and requiring parents who take that option to pay the extra cost. Secretary Alexander suggested such an optional plan soon after being confirmed last March....

The survey also found overwhelming support for many elements of President Bush's education strategy: 81 percent backed national achievement standards, 77 percent favored standardized national tests and 62 percent supported parental choice of public schools. But 68 percent were opposed to the idea of parents sending their children to private school at taxpayer expense.

(Kenneth Cooper, Washington Post, A3)

Americans Say National Standards Are Needed To Improve Education

Most Americans say education reform will come with a national curriculum, national standards, national achievement tests, and the firing of teachers and principals whose schools do not show progress, a new public opinion poll by Phi Delta Kappa shows....

The poll found the general public at odds with the nation's teachers union, which are lobbying hard against meaningful testing and parental choice. (Carol Innerst, Washington Times, A1)

ABORTION FORCES ALREADY BATTLING OVER 1992 REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The Republican National Convention is still a year away but party activists are already at war over the stance to be taken at the convention on the contentious abortion issue....

Republican activist Phyllis Schlafly has already gathered signatures from some 500 Republican office holders and party officials on a petition urging delegates to the 1992 convention to retain the 1988 platform language....

"If we don't get what we want in the platform, we are going in prepared for a floor fight," said Ann Stone of Republicans for Choice. (Irwin Arieff, Reuter)

JOBLESS CLAIMS UP 22,000 IN AUGUST

The number of Americans seeking unemployment benefits jumped in early August to its highest level in almost two months, the Labor Department said Thursday, underlining the tentative nature of the economic recovery. (Stella Dawson, Washington Post, B1)

NETWORK NEWS

(Thursday evening, August 22)

SOVIET COUP

ABC's Peter Jennings: In the Soviet Union, Mikhail Gorbachev is again in charge. The question is, how much in charge? He says the last three days have convinced him he must move faster to change the Soviet way of life. The man who did much to save him, Boris Yeltsin, tells the people that he will force the pace. Since late last night, much of the world has waited to hear Mr. Gorbachev's version of what it was like to be suddenly cut off from the power he has so wielded for six years. When Gorbachev, his wife and one granddaughter got off the plane in Moscow last night, it was clear they'd been through a difficult experience. Even this morning, when he met the world's press to discuss what had happened, it took a moment to get his composure.

(Gorbachev: "On the 18th of August, at 10 to 5 p.m., I was told by the head of my guard that a group of people had arrived asking to see me. I said I wasn't expecting anybody, hadn't invited anybody and hadn't been told of this. Then why are they here?") The chief of the guards said he did not know, but he recognized one among them group.

(Gorbachev: "Lehanov [phonetic], the head of the KGB guard, had showed up with them. Otherwise, our guard wouldn't have let them through.")

Gorbachev went to the phone to see who had sent them.

(Gorbachev: "I picked it up. It was cut off. [Inaudible] I picked up the internal phone -- all dead. I was cut off -- incommunicado. Then, I understood.")

Gorbachev gathered his family together and told them what was happening.

(Gorbachev: "And I would stick to my positions right to the end -- no blackmail, no threats, no pressure would have any effect on me.")

Raisa, he said, had handled it better than anyone. Gorbachev then met with the intruders and learned the details of the government's takeover.

(Gorbachev: "I said, you and everyone who sent you are adventurous. You're simply going to ruin the country, but to hell with you.")

When the conspirators announced that he was sick, he was calm but deeply distressed.

(Gorbachev: "The doctor wrote his opinion in several copies and he distributed it so that everyone would know the true state of the health of the president.")

Gorbachev said how pleased they were to have found an old radio in the house.

(Gorbachev: "And the people from the guard managed to hook up an antenna and find out what's going on. We got the BBC, first of all.")

Though he was not completely clear about it, Gorbachev said the family took pictures while they were held.

Jennings continues:

(Gorbachev: "Seventy-two hours of full isolation ensued. This was the idea, obviously, to break the president psychologically. It was very rough, but that's how it went on.")

Last night and today, Gorbachev made it a particular point to thank Boris Yeltsin, who will clearly be an even more potent political force. Gorbachev may find his most significant challenge now comes from those like Yeltsin, who will no longer tolerate Gorbachev dragging his feet on reform. (ABC-Lead)

ABC's Jim Laurie reports Yeltsin declared the Russian republic would fly the tri-colored flag, minus the hammer and sickle. Gorbachev preferred to thank Yeltsin and the people with the formalities of a TV address and the controlled environment of a news conference. For all his trauma, Gorbachev appears to remain essentially unchanged.

(Gorbachev: "I've never tried to conceal my position. I am a committed socialist and I see nothing wrong in that.")

Former Foreign Minister Shevardnadze told the crowds: Those who died this week should be honored by burial in the Kremlin wall, and if there's no room, there are some comrades who could be dug up. Yeltsin today demanded that moves to remove communist party cells from the military and workplaces be stepped up. He blamed them for promoting the coup. He also called for an independent defense force for the Russian republic. Gorbachev rejects such radical thoughts, but did vow to work closer with the republics.

(Gorbachev: "We will act together with Boris Yeltsin, together to make consensus and cooperation a permanent factor.")

Tomorrow, Gorbachev will meet with Yeltsin and other republic leaders on their power-sharing treaty and consult with them on permanent replacements for the coup conspirators. As for the plotters, Gorbachev denounced them as primitive, crude and crafty. When a reporter asked why he had appointed them, Gorbachev admitted he had made a mistake.

(Gorbachev: "Maybe I didn't know certain things. That doesn't excuse it. I should have known. You see a man with a great personal drama. This is a severe test for me to be so disappointed.")

Interior Minister Pugo apparently shot himself just before police arrived to arrest him. Defense Minister Yazov and KGB boss Kryuchkov are under arrest. Prime Minister Pavlov is under guard at a government hospital. From what he called the most difficult trial of his life, Gorbachev held out hope that he had learned some lessons.

(Gorbachev: "I have learned to be decisive in moving forward with all our reforms, and that means we must regroup our forces.")

Gorbachev said tonight the failed coup could prove to be an enormous opportunity. But Gorbachev will have to show that he can keep up with the fast pace of change evident in the streets in the past four days. (ABC-2)

Jennings reports Gorbachev named some replacements in his government. The leader of the KGB will be Leonid Shebarshan [phonetic], who is said to believe the secret police must be subservient to the president's authority. For the timebeing, Gen. Moiseyev will be the new defense minister. And Vasily Truchin [phonetic] becomes the interior minister. (ABC-6)

ABC's Rick Inderfurth reports more than 100,000 people turned out for a demonstration in Moscow, cheering Yeltsin and Russia while making it clear Gorbachev is not their favorite. Many helped topple a statue of the KGB founder and vandalize KGB headquarters. (ABC-3)

Jennings reports the Kazakhstan president Nazarbayev announced today he has quit the party. Also, Pravda has a new masthead. Instead of calling itself the official organ of the Communist Party, it now is calling itself the all-political newspaper of the Communist Party. (ABC-4)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: Mikhail Gorbachev is back in the Kremlin tonight, still alive, still in office, but his power and his future seem to be significantly diminished. As he begins the process of working that out with Boris Yeltsin and the others who saved him, the people now have reclaimed the streets of their country. (NBC-Lead)

NBC's Bob Abernethy reports the ordeal had caused Raisa Gorbachev to have a bad spell yesterday, her husband said, but he hoped it was temporary.

(Gorbachev: "I recognize the role played by the Russian people and by their president, Boris Yeltsin.")

Gorbachev was asked many times why he had appointed the kind of men who would attempt a coup. I trusted them, he said, especially Yazov and Kryuchkov. He acknowledged his mistake.

(Gorbachev: "This is a severe test for me to be so disappointed.") (NBC-2)

Brokaw reports Yeltsin and his counterpart in the Ukraine said today they will form their own national guard. (NBC-6)

Brokaw reports Gorbachev worried the entire family would be killed during their house arrest.

(Gorbachev: "It was very difficult, both for Raisa and the children. She didn't feel well.") (NBC-11)

CBS's Dan Rather: This is the day they tore down the statue of the KGB -- a new beginning for Mikhail Gorbachev and the Soviet Union. Gorbachev's back and cleaning some house and denouncing those who plotted to overthrow him.

CBS's Anthony Mason reports on Gorbachev's return.

(Gorbachev: "People whom I myself promoted, whom I believed, whom I trusted, and they turned out to be not only participants in the plot, but organizers of that conspiracy.")

Gorbachev produced a tape of a statement he recorded in captivity -- the real story, which he was hoping to have smuggled out. Yazov, Gorbachev said, seemed moderate, and he thought Kryuchkov a cultured man. The democrats who saved Gorbachev are fast moving away from the party. Gorbachev said today he's learned some valuable lessons in the last 72 hours, but many democrats are already saying the coup did not teach him enough. (CBS-Lead)

Rather reports CBS News has obtained a videotape of two of the coup leaders, showing them in captivity tonight in an undisclosed location outside Moscow. Kryuchkov and Yazov spoke with a Soviet journalist. Afraid, both men expressed regret for what they did, and Yazov said he still has deep respect for Gorbachev. (CBS-2)

SOVIET COUP/PRESIDENT'S REACTION

Jennings: The way President Bush put it today, isn't the world an awful lot better off now than it was 48 hours ago? The President's focus now is to encourage more reform in the Soviet Union, to get Mr. Gorbachev to move faster.

ABC's Brit Hume: By this afternoon, the President was back in shirtsleeves, and the sense of emergency here had passed. After he and Secretary Baker watched the Gorbachev news conference, Mr. Bush announced a step toward putting things back to normal.

(President Bush: "I've made a decision today to lift the hold we have had on the various economic programs that I think will clearly benefit the Soviet Union.")

But that does not mean the Administration is ready to provide any additional economic aid until it sees further economic reforms, and it now expects those reforms to accelerate.

(President Bush: "Now, with some of the harder liners on the sidelines clearly, that perhaps frees up President Gorbachev to work very closely with President Yeltsin to see that these reforms continue.")

Similarly, the President indicated he now wants the negotiations over freedom for the Baltic states to be speeded up.

(President Bush: "There have been some reasons -- some of which have now been gotten out of the way -- that this process has gone much slower than I want. I think slower than Gorbachev might want, but clearly slower than Yeltsin wants.")

The repeated references to Yeltsin reflect his new standing. But the President was quick to argue that Gorbachev has not been diminished by the failed coup.

(President Bush: "I don't see that his stature has been weakened by it. Here's a man who stood by his desire for reform and democracy, and he was seized and put under house arrest.")

And Mr. Bush refused to criticize Gorbachev's naming of Gen. Moiseyev, whose loyalties during the coup are unclear, as acting defense minister.

(President Bush: "That doesn't exactly come under the heading of our business. I would be a little resentful if somebody told me who I ought to have in my Cabinet from Moscow.")

Privately, though, senior Administration officials were dismayed by the Moiseyev selection. Said one: I wouldn't want that guy behind me in a dark room. And they were also unpleasantly surprised by the continued devotion to the Communist Party displayed by Gorbachev in his news conference.

Jennings discusses the coup with Hume:

Hume: I think the Administration will make a distinction between massive economic aid -- direct cash aid -- to bail out the whole economy, and what could be a large program of humanitarian aid to deal with famine or suffering as a result of a bad winter.

(ABC-8)

Brokaw: With Gorbachev now back in the Kremlin, U.S. officials are taking a hard look at the man that he has appointed as his new defense minister, Gen. Moiseyev.

NBC's John Cochran: The Kennebunkport White House gave a restrained welcome back to Gorbachev. The President himself said all the right things in public, but his aides, who have the advantage of anonymity, were downright critical of Gorbachev. And, I am told, that is how Bush himself really feels. The President's aides may have been playing the bad cop, but Bush was the good cop, refusing, for example, to criticize Gorbachev for choosing a suspected hardliner as his new defense minister.

(President Bush: "That doesn't exactly come under the heading of our business. I would be a little resentful if somebody told me who I ought to have in my Cabinet from Moscow.") And Bush refused to buy the idea that Gorbachev looks weaker because others had to save him, like Boris Yeltsin.

(President Bush: "Now, if you ask me, has Boris Yeltsin's stature enhanced, the answer is clearly yes. But this jumping on Gorbachev, who was taken and held under house arrest with his wife and grandchild -- I'm simply not going to be a part of that.") Bush joined the Japanese and West Europeans in lifting the temporary suspension of economic aid to Moscow. But Bush does have an agenda he wants Gorbachev to follow: Move much faster toward a free-market economy, reduce military spending, cut off help to Castro's Cuba, and most important, agree to independence for the Baltic states.

(President Bush: "Perhaps recent events will speed the day when you'll have an agreed pact set out for independence of these states. In my view, that would do more to enhance goodwill in the United States than almost any other single thing that could be done.")

So Bush is sending a message, politely but firmly: The hardliners are in disarray and you, Mikhail Gorbachev, no longer have any excuse for moving so slowly toward reform. It is time, Bush thinks, for the real Gorbachev to stand up. (NBC-4)

CBS's Susan Spencer: President Bush still insists that formal recognition of the Baltic states would be premature, and that the coup hasn't really changed that. Nonetheless, today he was urging Gorbachev to seize the opportunity and speed up the process of granting the Baltics independence.

(President Bush: "That would be more to enhance goodwill in the United States than almost any other single thing that could be done.")

It also would be an acknowledgement and a tip of the hat to Boris Yeltsin, who has long supported Baltic independence. The Administration is leaving for another day decisions on precisely how it will deal with him, hoping he and Gorbachev will forge an alliance that eliminates the need to pick sides. That would mean the emergence of what one senior official today called the real Gorbachev, one who not only would grant the Baltics independence, but rein in the KGB and the military and work for speedier economic reform. Today, Mr. Bush was pushing for all of them.

(President Bush: "Some of the harder liners on the sidelines clearly, that perhaps frees up President Gorbachev to work very closely with President Yeltsin.")

Spencer continues:

One not so very encouraging sign: Gorbachev's selection today of Gen. Moiseyev to be his defense chief. As one senior Administration official put it, Moiseyev was, at best, ambivalent during the coup, adding wryly, I wouldn't want that guy behind me in a dark hall right now. (CBS-7)

SOVIET COUP/MOISEYEV/MILITARY

NBC's Fred Francis reports the sharp criticism of Moiseyev is a cheap shot, according to one Pentagon official, who described him as a near-perfect pick. The slap at Moiseyev by a senior Administration official was repeated by Soviet specialists, who questioned his loyalty for the job.

(Dimitri Simes, Soviet expert: "He decided to support Gorbachev only when the coup began to collapse and communications between Gorbachev and Moscow were restored.")

But those accusations belie everything the Pentagon and Gen. Powell have learned about Moiseyev. One official said Moiseyev and Powell may not be kissing cousins, but they have become friends. One senior Defense official theorized Moiseyev's selection as the new defense minister was so swift that either he warned Gorbachev of the coup or was warned by Gorbachev to take a few days off. Another analyst said Moiseyev is well respected by the leadership of the Soviet military and his appointment is political reward to them for staying out of the coup. (NBC-5)

Rather reports CBS's Jim Stewart has been told that of the 180 Red Army divisions, only 15 were ever alerted by the coup leaders. Only five divisions ever left their garrisons. (CBS-5)

SOVIET COUP/BALTICS

NBC's Dennis Murphy reports Estonia today outlawed the Communist Party. The government began a hunt for those who collaborated in the coup. The government also demanded the Soviets recall certain commanders and limit the role of their military. The Baltic state leaders think they see real independence now, but recognition is up to the U.S. and the West and the Soviet government.

(CBS-6, NBC-3)

SOVIET COUP/MIDDLE EAST

Jennings: Secretary Baker has had a talk with the Soviet foreign minister and says he believes the Soviets are still every bit as committed to a Middle East peace conference. As for those in the Middle East who praised the coup, Mr. Baker says they've shown an uncanny ability to back losers. "They" include a number of Palestinians.

ABC's Dean Reynolds reports Israelis were happy with the coup's failure.

(Housing Minister Sharon: "Exactly as the world dancing during those terrible nights that Israel has been attacked by the Scud missiles, they are very happy now.")

Reynolds continues:

While the PLO today was backing away from what it called the personal views of some officials, Israeli embassies around the world were handing out statements from Palestinian groups supporting the Soviet junta. Moreover, the Israelis chose this moment to establish a new Jewish settlement in the Hebron.

(ABC-9)

SOVIET COUP/ANALYSIS

Brokaw discusses the coup with William Hyland, editor of Foreign Affairs Quarterly:

Hyland: I think [the Soviet confederation] is nearly gone. I think the rebuilding process that now has to begin is going to be extensive.... I think the old way of doing business is simply gone.

Brokaw: What about the Baltics? Any chance the U.S. will recognize them in the next six months or so?

Hyland: I think the Baltics are on their way to complete independence. Indeed, I think by Christmas, the Baltics will be independent...and the United States will have a substantial bill on its hands to help them out.

(NBC-7)

NORTH KOREA/NUCLEAR

Jennings reports Janes Intelligence Review says North Korea now appears able to make a nuclear device, made possible by a new facility that will allow them to process their own nuclear fuel.

(ABC-10)

CUBAN DETAINEES

Rather reports that in Talladega, Alabama, dozens of armed Cuban detainees at a federal prison are threatening to kill 10 hostages unless the government cancels plans to deport the Cubans.

(CBS-11)

ABORTION/WICHITA

ABC's Chris Bury reports Pat Mahoney of Operation Rescue today announced a hunger strike from jail.

(Mahoney: "I cannot eat food while I am being held as a political prisoner in America.")

Operation Rescue's aggressive style has made more-moderate opponents of abortion uneasy.

(President Bush, August 17: "When you hurt somebody else's rights, that's what I disapprove of.")

(ABC-11)

FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION

SOVIET COUP/PRESIDENT

Germany

"It is a good thing that Bush forced the Germans onto the side of Yeltsin and Gorbachev. This reduces the embarrassment [of German politicians] somewhat." (Frankfurter Rundschau)

"George Bush's reaction to the coup in Moscow -- this view is shared by a large section of the political parties in German -- was simply exemplary."

(Rolf Paasch, Washington correspondent for Die Tageszeitung)

France

"George Bush's very firm attitude has considerably contributed to the failure of the putsch." (Figaro)

"Bush made the right bet." (Liberation)

Italy

"Only one true winner comes out of this event, not a Soviet citizen: George Bush. Once again, as in the Gulf War, the President bet on the winning strategy. From the very beginning he showed determination, not fearing calling the government created by the coup leaders illegal.... In comparison, Europe's mild reaction reveals once again the difference between a great power, aware of its role in the world, and a group of countries, rich and willing but militarily and politically weak." (Il Sole)

"The blind faith in the value of freedom and democracy shown by Bush and Yeltsin won over the cynical reasoning of realpolitik. It was Bush and Yeltsin who demonstrated a greater understanding of reality, because they are convinced that the epoch of the cold war is definitely over." (Columnist Angelo Bolaffi, L'Unita)

Japan

"President Bush immediately took a strong stand, criticizing the coup as unconstitutional and refusing to recognize the new government." (Yomiuri)

Israel

"Bush's determined and unequivocal intervention contributed in no small way to the coup's failure."

(Columnist Yoel Marcus, Haaretz)

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As we discussed,
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President's attention.

A copy has also
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: THE EXECUTIVE CLERK *W/ea*
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT
SUBJECT: Philippine Bases Agreement: Side Letter to Mrs.
Aquino

Philippine Foreign Secretary Manglapus has advised us that he wants to sign the new Bases Agreement this Saturday, August 24. Ambassador Frank Wisner will be executing the Agreement for the United States. To be signed concurrently is a side letter from you to Mrs. Aquino. Similar side letters were executed by Presidents Carter and Reagan in connection with earlier U.S.-Philippine agreements.

The current side letter (Tab A) was prepared by State, has received the necessary interagency clearances, and is consistent with both the Circular 175 Closing Authority and the Deputies Committee decisions on the substantive points.

Following the execution of the underlying agreement and the side letter, State will make the requisite notification to Congress.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign that side letter to Mrs. Aquino at Tab A.

Attachment:
Tab A Bush/Aquino Side Letter

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Letter from George O'Neil

8-28-91

Dear Mr. President,

I wish to thank you for the wonderful morning (8-23-91) of blue fishing in company of Joe Rich and yourself aboard the "Fidelity". You got one 12 lb. beauty, Joe got nothing, and I had the fun of playing a nice one right up to the boat and into the "prop", before I lost your lure (which I intend to replace via Lou Walker).

Please also accept my appreciation for a couple of dips in your pool - most refreshing!

I hope they removed that poor whale from practically under your and Barbara's noses before the stench set in, It looked to be a hefty one!

It was a delightful privilege to be at dinner with the two of you at the Walker's - a most enjoyable evening. I hope you found it so too, despite the fact that someone did drop his cocktail!

Please give my kindest wishes to "Bar", and best of everything to you.

Respectfully, George O'Neil

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in our daily file
(8/23/91)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

8/23
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Mr. President:

Given the significance of this week's events, we thought you might find the attached White House Comment **THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN** reports of interest. The volume of calls was less than one might have expected.

Thank you.

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DAILY TALLY SHEET

Phil
7/4/89

NAME <i>Daily Summary</i>		STATION #	DAY - (M) T W T F	DATE - 8 91 AUG 20 91 PM 12:38
SECTION 1 - INDIVIDUAL				TOTALS
Expression of Feeling Toward the President	+			26
Expression of Feeling Toward the First Lady	+	<i>Blame Patrus for event in USSR</i>		50
	-			1
Greeting Requests				0
Referrals (Gov't/WH Offices)				56
Personal and Nonsubstantive				30
Questions				82
Miscellaneous Issues				18
SECTION 2 - ISSUES				TOTALS
1 PRESIDENT'S PRESS BRIEFING OF <i>a-m. Comments</i> SPEECH OF		POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	
		1	2	3
2 GORBACHEV OUSTER		18?	*	413
3 ECONOMIC AID TO THE USSR		10	32	42
4 POTUS MUST DECLARE STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT EXTENSION BILL		86	0	86
5 POTUS MUST FOCUS ON SOLVING OUR DOMESTIC PROBLEMS/ECONOMY/ UNEMPLOYMENT		89	0	89
6 SENATE PAY RAISE		0	34	34
7 PRO LIFE (POSITIVE COLUMN) PRO CHOICE (NEGATIVE COLUMN)		98	46	144

* ALSO CONCERNS AND ADVICE FOR FUTURE EVENTS IN THE USSR. ALSO, MUCH CONCERN EXPRESSED FOR THE SAFETY OF GORBACHEV. (OVER)

RE: COUP - THE CALLERS ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT FUTURE EVENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION - THEY WORRY THAT GORBACHEV AND YELTSIN WILL BE KILLED.

ALARM AND CONCERN ABOUT THE COUP. POTUS MUST TAKE STRONG ACTION.

WE SPEND 30 BILLION ON INTELLIGENCE AND WE FAILED TO SEE THIS COUP COMING JUST AS WE FAILED TO SEE THE INVASION OF KUWAIT.

LET US HAVE A STRONG STATEMENT SHOWING WE CONDEMN THIS COUP.

WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING TO MAKE SURE THE COUP DOESN'T SUCCEED. WE'VE GONE TOO FAR TO LET IT BE DESTROYED.

RESTORE CUTS TO THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT.

CALLER PERCEIVES THAT ECONOMIC AID TO RUSSIA WOULD HAVE PREVENTED THE COUP.

WHERE IS OUR NATIONAL SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE WHEN THAT MANY COULD MOVE AND IT BE A COMPLETE SURPRISE?

WE'VE KNOWN FOR YEARS THAT THE KGB WOULD TAKE OVER RUSSIA AND THE BALTIC STATES AND PROBABLY THE OIL FIELDS. WE SHOULD, THEREFORE, NOT BE CLOSING OUR MILITARY BASES. DO NOT RECOGNIZE THE INSTIGATORS OF THIS COUP.

POTUS AND OTHER LEADERS BLEW IT. THEY DIDN'T GIVE HIM HELP WHEN HE NEEDED IT. HE'S ALSO BLOWING IT POLITICALLY IN NOT EXTENDING UNEMPLOYMENT.

STOP IMMIGRATION AND ALL FUNDING AND CREDITS TO THE USSR. TAKE A HARD LINE.

DEMAND THAT THEY SHOW GORBACHEV IS ALIVE. YELTSIN MAY BE NEXT.

AGAIN, POTUS MUST TAKE A HARD LINE. WE WILL NOT NEGOTIATE WITH THE KGB AND THE RIGHT WING. COME OUT SO STRONGLY IT WILL SCARE THEM OUT OF THEIR BOOTS. RIGHT NOW WE'RE VERY CONCERNED. IT'S SCARY IN BOTH PARTS OF THE WORLD. URGE THE COMMON MAN TO REBEL. ALL THAT THEY HAVE GAINED WILL BE SNATCHED AWAY. AMERICA IS NOT GOING TO TOLERATE THESE BULLIES.

GO AHEAD WITH S.D.I.

DON'T LET EVENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION DEPRESS YOU AND DON'T LET THOSE PEOPLE SET OFF A NUCLEAR BOMB.

ASK/DEMAND TO SEE GORBACHEV LIVE ON T.V. CALLER IS AFRAID HIS HUMAN RIGHTS ARE BEING VIOLATED.

RE: UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - "HIS STOMACH IS FULL - HE HAS TIME TO PLAY GOLF.....WHILE THE UNEMPLOYED ARE LOSING THEIR HOMES."

CALLER SAID HE'S BEEN LISTENING TO ALL THE NEWS PEOPLE AND SAID HE FINDS THAT THIS SITUATION DEMONSTRATES THE SERIOUS RISK OF BASING OUR FOREIGN POLICY ON ONE MAN - IN A COUNTRY SUCH AS SOVIET UNION.

CALLER FROM CALIFORNIA HAS FEAR THE SAME THING WILL HAPPEN IN THIS COUNTRY IF THE PRESIDENT DOES NOT TAKE CARE U.S. PROBLEMS.

POTUS MUST NOT BE AMBIVALENT. CONDEMN IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS THE TAKEOVER.

YOU ARE THE ENEMY OF FAMILY PLANNING - LISTEN TO THE GOVERNORS - YOU HAVE ABANDONED THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA.

OTHER SUBJECTS - WETLANDS POLICY, D.C. FUNDING BILL, SUPPORT FOR JUDGE THOMAS, HELP CROATIA, SLOVENIA, LITHUANIA, GUN LEGISLATION, GREETING REQUEST, HIV TESTING, CUT IMMIGRATION, INFORMATION CALLS, RAISING THE INTEREST RATES, AND OUR DAILY FREE THE SILVER SPRING MONKEYS CALL.

TOTAL CALLS AS OF 2:00pm - 837

	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
COUP OUSTING GORBACHEV	7	230
DECLARE STATE OF EMERGENCY RE UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	58	
POTUS MUST FOCUS ON SOLVING OUR DOMESTIC PROBLEMS/ECONOMY/ UNEMPLOYMENT	62	
PRO LIFE	96	
PRO CHOICE	25	

SOME CALLERS FEEL WE GAVE THE GO AHEAD TO HARD LINE TAKE OVER WHEN WE DID NOT SUPPORT THE INDEPENDENCE OF OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE SOVIET UNION.

DISAPPOINTED PRESIDENT BUSH DID NOT MEET WITH THE PRO LIFE OPERATION RESCUE PEOPLE.

OBJECT TO SPENDING MONEY ON AMERICA 2000 - IT IS TOO EXPENSIVE.

CAN'T BELIEVE OUR GOVERNMENT DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT GORBACHEV AND RUSSIAN TURMOIL.

PRESIDENT SHOULD NOT SUBMIT THE START TREATY TO CONGRESS - CAN'T TRUST RUSSIA.

RUSSIA IS STILL DANGEROUS TO US - MAKE NO MORE DEALS - USA HAS TO MAINTAIN A STRONG MILITARY.

DO NOT SUPPLY TECHNICAL AID TO THE SOVIET UNION

DO NOT GET RID OF "RADIO FREE EUROPE."

AUSTRALIA IS MUCH CONCERNED AND HOPE POTUS WILL DO THE RIGHT THING.

CALLER WHO JUST RETURNED FROM THE USSR FELT THAT THE PRESIDENT SHOULD HAVE GIVEN MORE SUPPORT FOR THE BALTIC STATES.

CUTTING DOWN OUR DEFENSES, SIGNING TREATIES PLAYED RIGHT INTO THEIR HANDS.

DO NOT CLOSE TRAINING BASES FOR MILITARY. WE NEED TO BE EVER PREPARED FOR MILITARY THREATS.

I WAS NOT SOLD ON ROBERT STRAUSS BEFORE, AND CERTAINLY NOT NOW AS AMBASSADOR TO USSR.

BRAVO DAN QUAYLE. THE LAWYERS ARE DESTROYING THE ECONOMY OF THIS COUNTRY.

MR. BAKER GAVE THE COMMUNISTS THE GREEN LIGHT IN YUGOSLAVIA. NOT IT'S TIME TO GIVE THEM A RED LIGHT.

CALLER PERCEIVES THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS LIED ABOUT HIS ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS AND HE WILL NOT VOTE FOR HIM AGAIN UNLESS HE STICKS TO HIS CAMPAIGN PROMISES.

POTUS IS CALLOUS TO THE NEEDS OF OUR COUNTRY - RE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

BUSH DOESN'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO HAVE NO MONEY. THE RECESSION HAS HIT THE MIDDLE CLASS.

POTUS SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF HIMSELF COMING DOWN TO WASHINGTON, LEAVING HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN IN KENNEBUNKPORT TO DEAL WITH A HURRICANE THAT'S COMING IN ANY TIME.

CALLER SAYS EDUCATION 2000 SOURCE BOOK IS RHETORIC - ALSO IN REFERRING TO MRS. BUSH' GOLF - IT SHOULD BE STANK INSTEAD OF STUNK. CALLER TAKES ISSUE WITH POTUS STATEMENT THAT OUR UNIVERSITY SYSTEM IS THE FINEST IN THE WORLD. HE ALSO MAKES CONTRADICTORY STATEMENTS IN THIS SOURCE BOOK. THIS FROM A TEACHER WHO DOES NOT LIKE THIS SOURCE BOOK.

YELTSIN HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO POTUS - CALLER HOPES THE ANSWER WILL BE FAVORABLE TO THE PEOPLE OF RUSSIA.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO SEE GORBACHEV TO BE SURE HE'S ALRIGHT BEFORE SEEING THE NEW GROUP THAT TOOK OVER RUSSIA.

PRESIDENT'S HOME IN MAINE SHOULD BE REFERRED TO AS "KENNEBUNKPORT WHITE HOUSE" TO ALIENATE IMPRESSION HIS STAT THERE IS STRICTLY VACATION. ★

RELEASE JONATHAN POLLARD AS PART OF THE PACKAGE FOR RELEASE OF AMERICAN HOSTAGES.

IF PRESIDENT BUSH RECOGNIZES THE NEW SOVIET GOVERNMENT, IT WILL COST HIM THE NEXT ELECTION - MANY CALLERS EXPRESSED THIS VIEW.

THE SOVIET MILITARY IN CHARGE WON'T PLAY GAMES. THEY'RE AFTER THE WORLD AGAIN. WE MUST DISCONTINUE DEPLETING OUR MILITARY. BUSH IS BEING NAIVE.

BLANKET AMNESTY FOR ANY SOVIET TRAVELERS IN THE U.S.

WE CLEARLY DON'T HAVE ANY "CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE."

JOIN WITH MITTERAND TO INSURE SAFETY OF GORBACHEV.

PUT EVERYTHING ON HOLD WITH OUR MILITARY CUTBACKS. INCREASE TAXES IF NEED BE.

SOUNDLY DENOUNCE SOVIET ACTIONS AND RESTORE THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT. APPLY PRESSURE THROUGH THE UN.

DAILY TALLY SHEET

Phil -
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SECTION 1 - INDIVIDUAL					TOTALS
Expression of Feeling Toward the President	+				51
	-				36
Expression of Feeling Toward the First Lady	+				0
	-				0
Greeting Requests					55
Referrals (Gov't/WH Offices)					41
Personal and Nonsubstantive Questions		<i>Fuel moon on the 25th</i>			107
Miscellaneous Issues					52
					189
SECTION 2 - ISSUES			POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTALS
1 PRESIDENT'S <u>PRESS BRIEFING</u> OF <u>8/20</u> SPEECH OF _____			55	20	75
2 U.S. MUST HELP GORBACHEV AND YELTSIN. TAKE STRONG STAND AND INTERFERE IF NECESSARY			395	13	408
3 ECONOMIC AID TO USSR			7	52	59
4 POTUS MUST DECLARE STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE EXTENSION BILL			57	8	65
5 POTUS MUST FOCUS ON SOLVING OUR DOMESTIC PROBLEMS/ECONOMY/ UNEMPLOYMENT			68	0	68
6 PRO LIFE (POSITIVE COLUMN) PRO CHOICE (NEGATIVE COLUMN)			74	15	89
7 GUN LEGISLATION			2	24	26

(OVER)

RE: PRESS BRIEFING

FROM VERMONT - TELL THE PRESIDENT HE IS AWESOME.

PRESIDENT HANDLED THE BRIEFING BEAUTIFULLY.

POTUS IS ON THE RIGHT COURSE. GOD BLESS HIM.

CONGRATULATIONS ON NEWS CONFERENCE. THE PRESIDENT IS GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

WONDERFUL LANGUAGE SO THE LAY PERSON COULD UNDERSTAND. IT SEEMED TO CALM THE WORLD.

THE PRESIDENT JUST GETS BETTER IN HIS NEWS CONFERENCES. HIS LANGUAGE IS GOOD AND HE COMES ACROSS WITH SUCH LEADERSHIP.

THE PRESIDENT IS COOL UNDER PRESSURE. HE'S QUITE A MAN.

DO NOT SEND STRAUSS TO RUSSIA AT THIS TIME.

AN EX DEMOCRAT CALLED AND LIKED PRESIDENT BUSH'S SPEECH VERY MUCH. HE SAID "KEEP THE DEMOCRATS OUT."

MR. MC KAY FROM OREGON LIKED THE SPEECH AND COMMENTED ON THE "LOW KEY" POLICY AS BEING GOOD.

PRESIDENT IS RIGHT ON THE MONEY ON EVERY FOREIGN POLICY ISSUE.

THE PRESIDENT LOST GORBACHEV.

APPRECIATES WHAT PRESIDENT SAID AND IS GRATEFUL THAT HE IS "HANGING TOUGH."

SOME CALLERS FELT POTUS SHOULD CUT HIS VACATION SHORT AND REMAIN IN THE WHITE HOUSE DURING THIS CRISIS - SOME WERE NASTY.

APPRECIATE PRESIDENT'S STAND ON RUSSIA AND GOD BLESS HIM.

DON'T GET MIXED UP WITH PROBLEMS OF RUSSIA.

WE ARE SO FORTUNATE TO HAVE PRESIDENT BUSH AS OUR PRESIDENT AT THIS HECTIC TIME IN RUSSIA INSTEAD OF MICHAEL DUKAKIS.

WE PEOPLE IN ENGLAND LOVE PRESIDENT BUSH TOO.

CONCERNED ABOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN RUSSIA IF THERE IS A CIVIL WAR.

I TOLD YOU -- YOU COULDN'T TRUST THE RUSSIANS. DISARM AND THEY'LL GET US.

WHEN THE CHINESE WERE DEMONSTRATING AND PEOPLE BEING KILLED, THE PRESIDENT TOUCHED IT LIGHTLY. NOW, POTUS IS ALARMED BY THE TREATMENT IN RUSSIA. BE CONSISTENT.

I THINK YOU'RE DOING A WONDERFUL JOB.

THE PRESIDENT SHOULD DECLARE A DAY OF PRAYER FOR RUSSIA.

THE PRESIDENT IS DOING AN OUTSTANDING JOB OF HANDLING THE RUSSIAN CRISIS AND HE SHOWS GREAT STRENGTH.

THERE IS GOING TO BE A TAX REVOLUTION IN THIS COUNTRY - TOO MANY PEOPLE FEEL THAT WAY. MONEY TO ISRAEL, NEA AND ALL OVER.

PRESIDENT IS NEGLECTING THE U.S. CITIZENS. HE VETOES EVERYTHING POSITIVE SUCH AS THE UNEMPLOYMENT EXTENSION BUT GIVES AWAY TO OTHERS.

IN RUSSIA THERE IS NO FOOD TO BUY. IN THE U.S., THERE IS NO MONEY TO BUY FOOD.

DISAPPROVE OF HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE TO ISRAEL.

WE NEED PRESIDENT BUSH FOR A 2ND TERM BECAUSE HE HAS DONE SUCH A GOOD JOB ON FOREIGN POLICY, BUT THE ABORTION ISSUE WILL PROBABLY DEFEAT HIM. THE GENTLEMAN SAID HE IS A GOOD REPUBLICAN BUT CONCERNED.

LAWYER WHO IS A MEMBER OF 4 BARS SAID "THE RECENT VICE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH TO THE ABA WAS RIGHT ON TARGET AND I FULLY AGREE WITH HIM."

GET CAPITAL GAINS TAX REDUCED.

REVISE THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT TO GIVE MORE PROTECTION TO THE ECONOMY IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

UN SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD CONVENE TO CONSIDER THE RUSSIAN SITUATION.

RELEASE THE SILVER SPRING MONKEYS - THEY HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO BE RELEASED JUST LIKE THE HOSTAGES DO.

THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT IS BEING MISUSED, OVER WORKED, AND NEEDS TO BE REWRITTEN.

CONTINUE WITH "RADIO FREE EUROPE."

WE SHOULD MAKE A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO RUSSIAN PEOPLE IF THEY REQUEST OUR HELP.

MR. DERWINSKI OF VA SHOULD BE REPLACED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

CASTRO AND SADDAM ARE A LARGE PART OF THIS COUP.

A NUMBER OF CALLERS OPPOSE STRAUSS AS AMBASSADOR TO SOVIET UNION BECAUSE HE IS NOT A TRAINED FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER. OTHERS FEEL THAT IT IS TOO DANGEROUS THERE - MANY SAY THAT WOULD BE RECOGNIZING THE NEW REGIME.

A LADY CALLER SAID WE SHOULD REPLACE STRAUSS WITH ARNOLD SCHWARTZNEGGER - ARNOLD IS SO SMART AND WONDERFUL ----

A NUMBER OF CALLERS ASK POTUS TO SIGN THE "MUST CARRY" ACT REGARDING CABLE TV. CHRISTIAN BROADCASTS MUST BE ALLOWED ON ALL CHANNELS.

WICHITA CALLER SAYS MEDIA IS MISREPRESENTING THE SITUATION. JUDGE KELLY IS OUT OF CONTROL AND INCITING VIOLENCE.

THE PRESIDENT SHOULD SUPPORT THE SMALL DAIRY FARMER AND THE TWO TIER SYSTEM.

DUE TO TODAY'S EVENTS, THE PRESIDENT NEEDS TO RELY ON A STRONG MILITARY.

DAILY TALLY SHEET

NAME <i>Daily Summary</i>		STATION #	DAY - M T <u>W</u> T F	DATE - <i>8/21/91</i>	1,257
SECTION 1 - INDIVIDUAL					TOTALS
Expression of Feeling Toward the President	+				57
	-				16
Expression of Feeling Toward the First Lady	+				~~2~~
	-				~~0~~
Greeting Requests					54
Referrals (Gov't/WH Offices)					14
Personal and Nonsubstantive					44
Questions					33
Miscellaneous Issues					167
SECTION 2 - ISSUES			POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTALS
1 PRESIDENTS <u>PRESS BRIEFING</u> OF <u>8/21</u> SPEECH OF _____			16	~~0~~	16
2 U.S. MUST HELP GORBACHEV AND YELTSIN. TAKE STRONG STAND AND INTERFERE IF NECESSARY			89	28	117
3 ECONOMIC AID TO USSR - <i>Supply Food now.</i>			58	59	117
4 AMBASSADOR STRAUSS TO MOSCOW			8	1	9
5 POTUS MUST DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE EXTENSION BILL			27	1	28
6 POTUS MUST FOCUS ON SOLVING OUR DOMESTIC PROBLEMS/ECONOMY/ UNEMPLOYMENT			38	~~0~~	38
7 PRO LIFE (POSITIVE COLUMN) PRO CHOICE (NEGATIVE COLUMN)			51	11	62

(OVER)

WHILE THE PRESIDENT WAS GIVING HIS PRESS BRIEFING THIS MORNING, WE HAD A NUMBER OF CALLERS WHO WERE WORRIED ABOUT THE PRESIDENT'S HEALTH BECAUSE HIS SHIRT COLLAR LOOKED OVER 3 TIMES BIGGER THAN HIS NECK. THEY FEEL HE HAS LOST A LOT OF WEIGHT AND MAY BE ILL. THEY SAID THE LOOSE COLLAR MADE HIM LOOK TOO THIN.

YOU ARE HANDLING THINGS IN AN EXEMPLARY MANNER FROM THE PERSIAN GULF TO THE PRESENT PROBLEM. HOORAY.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GEORGE BUSH FOR HIS HANDLING OF THE RUSSIAN SITUATION. YOU'RE A COOL CAT.

DOING A GREAT JOB - I SUPPORT YOU AND DAN QUAYLE.

FROM ST. LOUIS - WE REALLY SUPPORT YOU AS PRESIDENT OF THE U.S. YOU'RE DOING A GOOD JOB.

VERY PROUD OF PRESIDENT BUSH AND THE WAY HE IS HANDLING THINGS - CALLER WAS WATCHING POTUS ON TV WHEN HE CALLED.

GRAIN FOR OIL - LETS TRADE.

SURELY THE PRESIDENT WILL NOT TRUST THIS RATTLESNAKE. IT'S A PUT UP DEAL.

GORBY PLANNED THE WHOLE THING FOR A GRAND RE-ENTRY. MAYBE NOW HE'LL GET THE GREEN BACKS.

CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR ACTIONS THE LAST FEW DAYS. YOU WERE GREAT AND WE ARE PROUD OF YOU. LAUREL, MARYLAND.

DON'T CUT S.D.I.

NOW, YOU CAN START TAKING CARE OF U.S. PROBLEMS.

WHY ISN'T PRESIDENT BUSH SUPPORTING A DEMOCRATIC CROATIA?

CALLER URGES THE PRESIDENT TO DECLARE A DAY OF PRAYER OVER THE RUSSIA CRISIS.

THE CRISIS IN RUSSIA IS 100% PHONY.

CALLERS ON THE WICHITA ABORTION CLINIC ARE ASKING THAT JUDGE KELLY BE INVESTIGATED AND IMPEACHED. HE IS USING ABUSIVE POWER.

CALLER FEELS THE "CHARADE" IN MOSCOW IS JUST A PUT-ON IN ORDER FOR RUSSIA TO GET MORE AID FROM THE U.S. AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

CALLER WANTS TO KNOW WHY THE PRESIDENT APPOINTED A JEW TO BE THE AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA?

MR. BUSH IS A GENIUS. THE COUP IN RUSSIA WOULD STILL BE GOING ON IF IT WEREN'T FOR HIM. HE CAN REMEMBER SO MANY FACTS WHEN ASKED A QUESTION - JUST A WONDERFUL PERSON AND SO SMART.

PRESIDENT BUSH DID A WONDERFUL JOB IN HELPING TO GET GORBACHEV BACK - NEXT STEP IS TO FREE THE BALTIC STATES.

CALLER REMINDS THE WHITE HOUSE THAT LENINGRAD HAS BEEN CHANGED TO ST. PETERSBURG AND HOPES THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE PRESS CAN REMEMBER THAT AND REFER TO IT AS SUCH.

AL CROOK OF DE KALB, ILLINOIS SAID YOU DID A GOOD JOB.

SEND THE VICE PRESIDENT TO WICHITA TO SEE FIRST-HAND HOW PEOPLE ARE BEING MISTREATED.

ANY AID GIVEN TO THE USSR SHOULD BE IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR OIL. IF NOT, WE WILL NEVER BE REPAID.

KEEP OUR MILITARY UPDATED AND NEVER LOWER STANDARD OF READINESS.

CALLER FROM WICHITA IS VERY DISTURBED THAT SO MANY PRO LIFERS ARE IN JAIL. DISAPPOINTED POTUS DID NOT MEET WITH MAHONEY IN KENNEBUNKPORT. FEELS THE DISSENTERS WERE TREATED TOO ROUGHLY.

CALLERS ON THE WITCHITA ISSUE ARE COMPARING THEMSELVES TO THE CRISIS IN THE SOVIET UNION - YELTSIN IS SHOWING CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE BUT POTUS SUPPORTS HIM - THEY ARE SAVING BABIES FROM BEING MURDERED AND THEY ARE BEING JAILED FOR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE.

DAILY TALLY SHEET

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SECTION 1 - INDIVIDUAL					TOTALS
Expression of Feeling Toward the President	+				27
	-				14
Expression of Feeling Toward the First Lady	+				0
	-				0
Greeting Requests					38
Referrals (Gov't/WH Offices)					23
Personal and Nonsubstantive					57
Questions					36
Miscellaneous Issues					125
SECTION 2 - ISSUES			POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTALS
1 PRESIDENT'S PRESS BRIEFING OF _____ SPEECH OF _____					
2 POTUS HANDLING OF SOVIET CRISIS			63	9	72
3 SUPPORT FOR YELTSIN COUP-HOAX PLANNED BY GORBACHEV			32 21	0 0	32 21
4 ECONOMIC AID TO USSR - FINANCIAL FOOD ONLY			41 24	121 -	162 24
5 POTUS MUST DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE EXTENSION BILL			71	0	71
6 POTUS MUST FOCUS ON SOLVING OUR DOMESTIC PROBLEMS/ECONOMY/ UNEMPLOYMENT			63	0	63
7 PRO LIFE (POSITIVE COLUMN) PRO CHOICE (NEGATIVE COLUMN)			54	8	62

(OVER)

YELTSIN IS THE NEW LEADER IN RUSSIA.

RE; GORBACHEV'S PRESS CONFERENCE - IT SHOWS HIM AS A "HARD PRESSED COMMUNIST" WITH OLD COMMUNIST IDEAS - HE IS OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE REALITY OF THE COUP IN THAT PEOPLE HAVE HAD A TASTE OF FREEDOM AND WILL NOT GO BACKWARDS EVER AGAIN. THE REAL GORBY SURFACED DURING THIS CONFERENCE. WATCH HIM, GEORGE BUSH.

THE "USSR COUP" WAS NO COUP - AIRPORTS OPEN, MASSIVE PRESS COVERAGE TV. IT WAS A SET-UP AND THE USA AND WESTERN WORLD BEST ASK QUESTIONS FIRST BEFORE ANY FINANCIAL/FOOD AID IS GIVEN. WHAT IS NEEDED IS TEACHING - SHOWING THEM HOW TO OPERATE THEIR OWN BUSINESSES - AGRICULTURAL KNOWLEDGE SO THEY CAN USE THEIR LAND TO FEED THEIR PEOPLE. THEY SIMPLY DO NOT KNOW AND NEED TO BE SHOWN AND TAUGHT HOW. THIS COUP WAS ORCHESTRATED BECAUSE NO FUNDS FROM THE "G7" - GORBY WENT ON VACATION WHEN HE WAS WARNED THERE WAS A POSSIBLE COUP. IT IS SO OBVIOUS THAT IT'S PITIFUL.

THE PRESIDENT NEEDS TO RELEASE EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR THE UNEMPLOYED. A NUMBER OF CALLERS FROM THE WEST COAST WERE BEGGING FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE STATING IT WOULD DISASTROUS TO RELEASE ANY FUNDS TO THE RUSSIANS WHEN OUR OWN COUNTRY IS IN BAD SHAPE. WE TOO HAVE HUNGRY, UNEMPLOYED AND WE NEED CHARITY AT HOME NOT ABROAD.

GIVE FOOD AND ADVICE BUT NOT CASH TO YELTSIN AND GORBACHEV.

CALLER APPROVES OF THE PRESIDENT MAKING THE EPA A CABINET POSITION.

PROTECT WILD LIFE IN ALASKA - DO NOT DRILL FOR OIL.

ALL COMMENTS IN REGARD TO WICHITA ASKED TO HAVE JUDGE KELLY'S ACTIONS INVESTIGATED SOON.

THE ECONOMY IS EXTREMELY WEAK. THERE IS NO ECONOMIC RECOVERY. IT'S A HOAX.

GIVE FULL RECOGNITION TO THE BALTIC STATES.

DO NOT RATIFY THE UN TREATY BILL ON CHILD'S RIGHTS.

CALLER THANKED POTUS FOR DOING SUCH A BRILLIANT JOB NOT ONLY IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS BUT FOR MANAGING THE AFFAIRS OF THIS COUNTRY.

JOHN FROHNMAYER OF NEA HAS NOT DISPLAYED CONTROL OF GRANT FUNDS - HE IS HELPING TO DESTROY FAMILY VALUES BY THE EXPLICIT HOMOSEXUAL ART RECENTLY IN MUSEUMS AND FUNDED BY THE NEA. HE SHOULD BE DISMISSED OF THIS CHAIRMANSHIP.

TELL SECRETARY BAKER TO USE WORD "DEMOCRACY" MORE OFTEN.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 23

NOTE FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Linda

Pres. Bush called and hoped to speak to you this evening. I told Mrs. Bush that you have guests and a golf game scheduled, etc., etc., and that you might not be able to get back to him until perhaps tomorrow afternoon. She thought that would be fine, but I did not reach Mr. Bush to ask him.

In any event, just know that he tried to reach you.

LC
got
him
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Bush Presidential Library Photocopy

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable Lamar Alexander
Secretary
Department of Education
Room 4181
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202

THE WHITE HOUSE
August 23, 1991

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The President received the attached letter from his good friend, George Pfau and asked that I forward you a copy for ROUTINE handling. The Lincoln Club is a legitimate California group and the President said if it fits in your schedule, this might be a good event. No pressure, however.

Sincerely,



Patricia Presock
Deputy Assistant
to the President



THE PRESIDENT

E-21

Dear George

1. Yes, I've contacted Boshin
2. Let me see if I can influence Lamar Alexander for March '92
3. Contact Patty Presoch

WALKER'S POINT
KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE

Mr. George H. Pfau, Jr.
100 California Street, Suite 320
San Francisco, California 94111

when you come back.
We have a State Visit
around that time so I'll
be tied down some.

Things are hectic for
obvious reasons even though
I'm glad to be back at Kpoint.

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8/2/91

Dear GB + Bar -

Congratulations on all the

grand things you got settled on

your big trip. -

We missed you at the Bohemian

Grove and thought of you often as

we listened to the countless jokes that

were told in our camp and around the

Grove. Your personal representative,

M. Boskin, was so well received that

we elected him a member of the

Bill Bilies - Don Fisher delivered this

good news to him last Wed in the

White House, and he didn't grab at

it as we hoped! Fisher says he gave a

commitment not to join a camp till

he gets out (?) of public office? What

we need is some gentle persuasion by

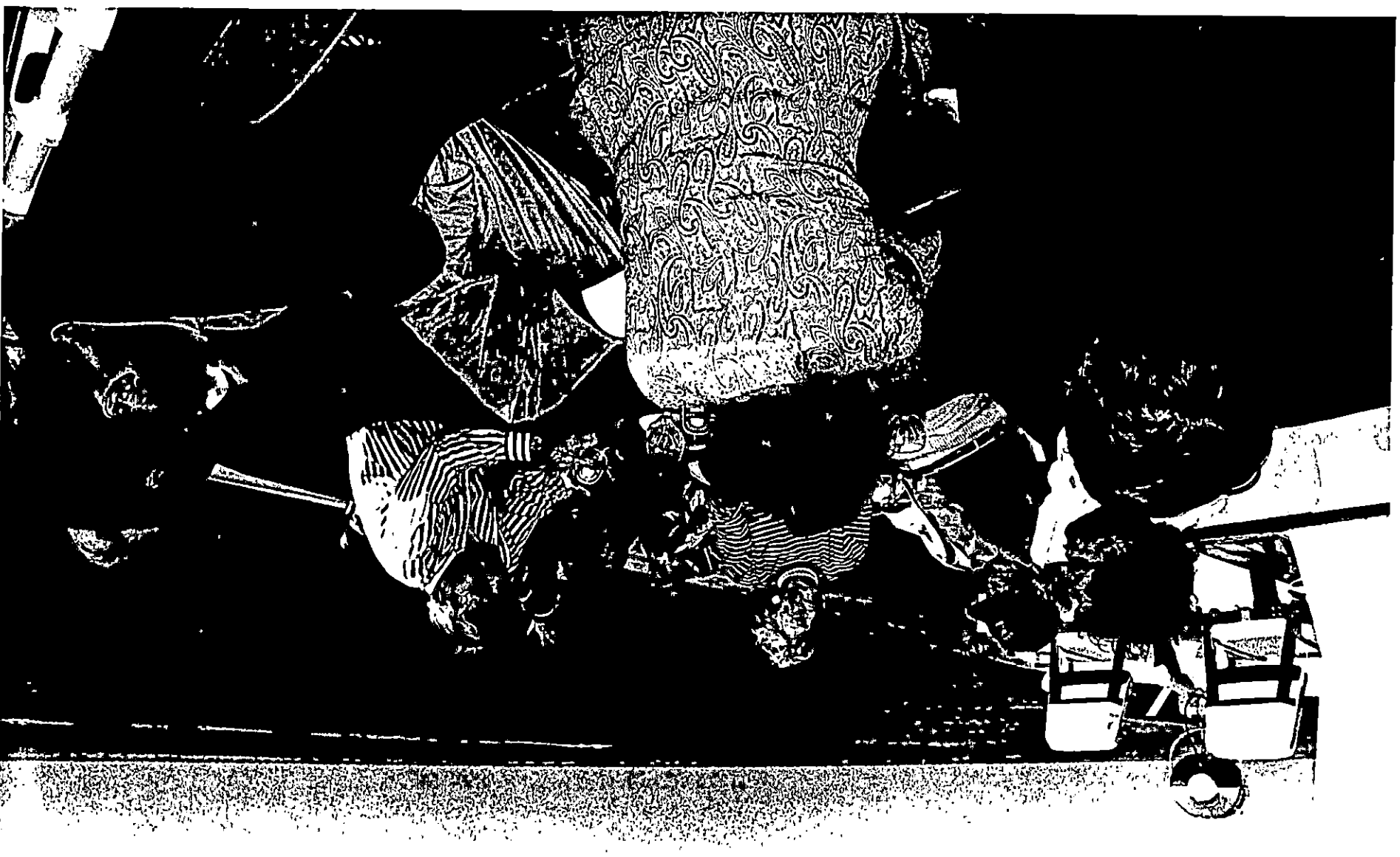
you to clinch the deal. Will you encourage him to do so. Let me know. We're all on the edge of our seats here waiting to know. —

I need another favor too - In March 1992 (20-22) The Lincoln Club has its annual outing at the lodge (Pebble Beach). - They have written Lamar Alexander to be our keynote speaker - would you give him a nudge so we can know whether this is even possible - won't cost him a cent. - Education is the theme - We need him - If we can't get him - how about you ???

Lastly, my next SIPC Board meeting is Sept 26 and I'll be coming into D.C. Wed Sept 25. - If you can squeeze me in somewhere, I would love to see you and Bob for a brief visit. Whatever! Here all hunky dory here as we watch a great summer wind down. I'm still doing my political thing here, but now involved with the Mayor's race in SF. -

Lots of love

George



Job - Looking ' Good About Big Bad Talk.
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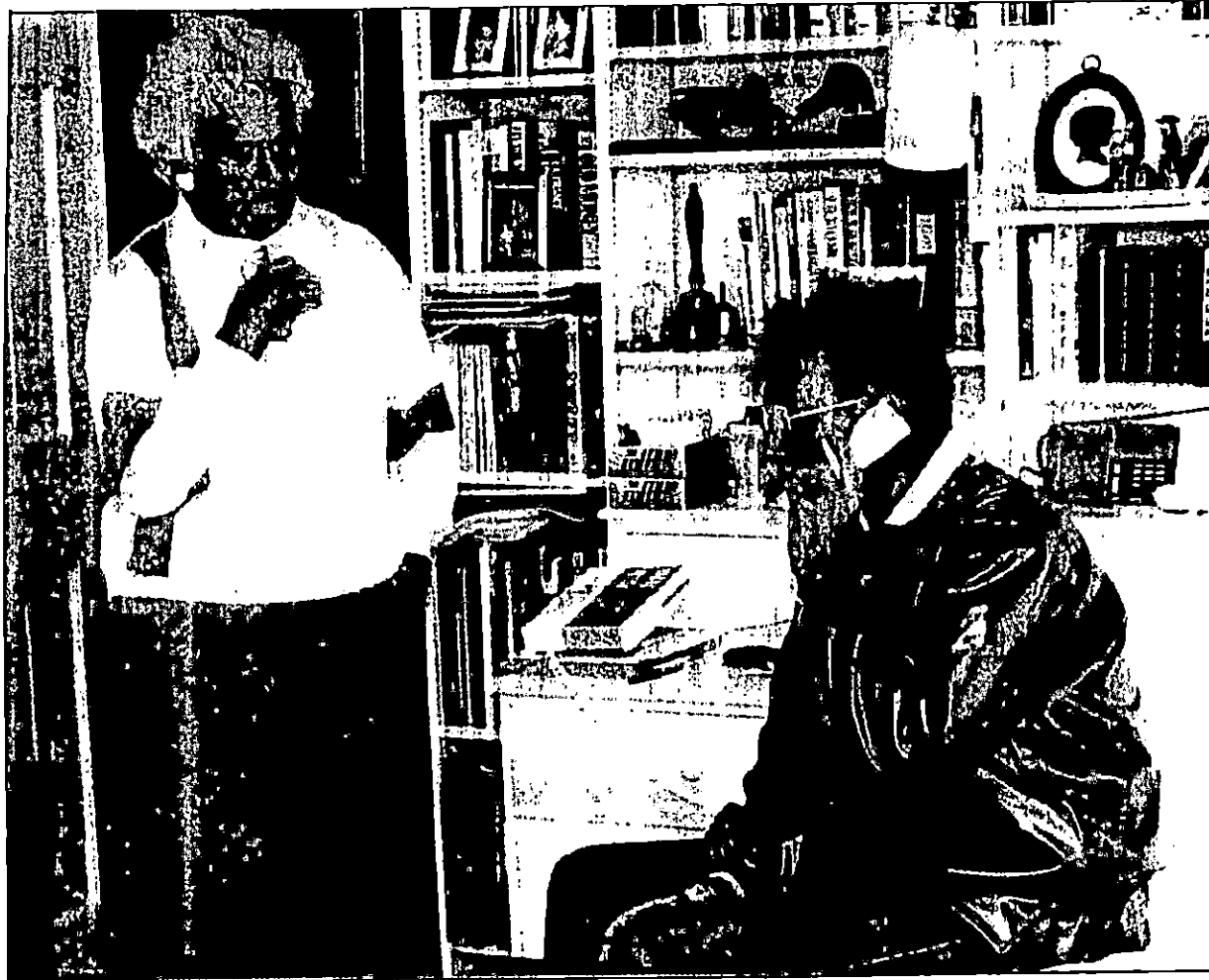
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1991 **



The Washington Times

FAILED COUP IN THE KREMLIN



President Bush talks on the phone with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev yesterday from his home in Maine.

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WASHINGTON WAYS

The Little Princes, Treated to a Tour of Air Force One

By Donnie Radcliffe

Washington Post Staff Writer

For Barbara Bush, the big treat, as she told reporters in London last week, was when Princess Diana brought the royal princelings to Winfield House, residence of the U.S. ambassador.

For the Wales boys, William, 9, and Harry, 6, the big treat was Mrs. Bush and Marine One, not necessarily in that order.

Buckingham Palace had called the traveling White House two days earlier to say that Diana wondered if she could bring her sons with her when they got together. They were dying to meet the American First Lady. They were also dying to see the president's helicopter.

(Helicopters, you'll recall, are big in the royal family: both Uncle Andrew and Aunt Fergie are licensed to fly them.)

Diana arrived, the boys with her, and everybody trooped off to see the helicopter, poised on Winfield's grounds. Afterward, Mrs. Bush asked if they'd also like to see Air Force One.

"Yes," they said.

"Yes, what," nudged their mom. "Yes, please," both dutifully replied.

(P.S. Mrs. Bush was as good as her invitation. While she and Diana went off to visit AIDS patients at Middlesex Hospital, William and Harry were tucked into a limousine and whisked

off to Air Force One for a private tour.)

Mrs. Bush, who claims she got herself in trouble from all the headlines, says she hasn't changed her mind about Saddam Hussein. But she's toned down her answer since blurring out last spring that she would "like to see him hung, if he were found guilty."

Asked in London by UPI White House correspondent Helen Thomas whether she still wants "to hang" the Iraqi president, the First Lady said: "Helen, I'm going to get to my 47th wedding anniversary. I'd like to make it with a clean slate this year. I want to make it the whole way through."

Since the Bushes' anniversary is

not until Jan. 6, that left the group of UPI, Associated Press, Renter and Washington Times reporters wondering what she meant. "That means I'm not going to answer that," Mrs. Bush replied, according to a White House transcript. "But I haven't changed my mind," she added. "I'm on the record."

Reporters shut out of last week's economic summit events by hard-nosed British officials weren't alone in their frustration.

"I spent most of my time in the press center telling reporters what I thought Mrs. Bush was doing," spokeswoman Anna Perez

said yesterday. "They didn't let the staff go either."

George Bush was obviously impressed when he spotted the hand-painted sneakers Wally Amos was wearing the night of the White House dinner for South Korean President Roh Tae Woo. Sneakers — 20 pairs, in fact — were exactly what Bush had given Barbara for her birthday a month earlier.

Meet the artist, said Amos, creator of Famous Amos chocolate chip cookies, bringing forward his wife, Christine, and volunteering her services for Mrs. Bush's sneakers.

If the First Lady accepted the offer, it wasn't apparent in Greece and Turkey, where reports

filtering back, including one by New York Times reporter Maureen Dowd, described Mrs. Bush's deliberately mismatched sneakers.

"I can think of at least three pairs that she took along," Perez said yesterday, recalling a flowered pair Mrs. Bush wore to the Acropolis in Athens. For a boat ride up the Bosphorus in Turkey, she hit the deck in one red and one blue sneaker, to accompany her black and white polka-dot dress. Once aboard, however, after getting a look at her gleaming, "old-time posh" mahogany surroundings, Mrs. Bush changed into regular pumps.

"Not Donald Trump posh," said Perez. "It was more F. Scott Fitzgerald posh."

The Holocaust Survivor Who Tried to Forget

From C1

ever, tone as

looking for a better life. Part-Jews, foreigners, they were alien poison to the Nazis. But the boy knew nothing of that. He knew only that the mother was leaving and instructing him to stay.

Bruno stayed. He never saw any of them

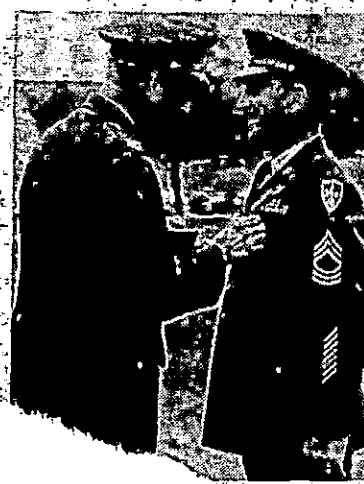
the boy lived in the ghetto and swept

One day, he saw Schwammburger, a young woman, bark an order at her head.

"To a house," he says. "By him come down the

he was so terrified, he took the boy to

a shot, then



COURTESY BRUNO RITTER

A Career in the Army

Ritter soon found a friendly old farmer who gave him work, felling in the field one day in May 1945, he saw U.S. planes dropping leaflets directing Germans to put up white flags or face attack. The local Germans ignored the order, but Ritter took a sheet from the farmer and hoisted it high. U.S. tanks rolled into the town and sought out those who put up flags of surrender.

The first American Ritter met asked him if he was a Nazi. "I said I'm a displaced person, and they found a Polish American soldier who could talk to me," Ritter says. Ritter made himself useful to the Americans, working first as a shoeshine boy and then as an interpreter.

In time, he met Arthur Williams, a captain who befriended him, taught him English and showed him how to drive a jeep. Ritter told Williams the story of his family, and the captain, taken with the teenager's great drive and need, gave Ritter a place to stay in the officers' quarters, then helped him get an Army job.

A photo of Capt. Williams and Ritter from time shows a chubby officer in a too-tight

arm around the slight

with sunken eye

strength and

his man

accepted and accepting. "I decided, I'm going to forget everything," he says.

Until recently, Ritter had never mentioned the camps to his wife, Inge, who is German. Inge's father had been killed in the war, and she had told Bruno all about it. But he had always insisted on silence about his family members. He would say only that they had died when he was young.

"She understood I didn't want to talk about it," Ritter says. "She had figured out the truth, but she never said a word because she didn't want to hurt me."

When he finally sat her down one night to tell her the details, he did so only because he had decided to beef up his retirement package by applying for the German government's compensation money available to Nazi victims. The application was a complicated process and his wife would have found out about it. "Otherwise, I would never have told her," Ritter says.

His wife sat and listened and soon began to cry softly. "She just cried and cried," Ritter says. "She said all the money I can get I should get." Since Ritter testified against Schwammburger, Inge keeps asking him if he's okay, if he's sleeping well.

"I sleep good," he tells her. "I did what I had to do."

Now Ritter plans to tell his daughter Monika as well — by showing her this newspaper article. He expects she will cry and forgive him even if she does not forgive

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The Broken Silence of The Man Like a Stone

Holocaust Survivor Bruno Ritter, Testifying to His Lost Past

By Marc Fisher
Washington Post Foreign Service

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN,
Germany

When his pals in the U.S. Army asked Bruno Ritter said he was from Kansas City, Mo. When they asked about his accent, he changed the subject.

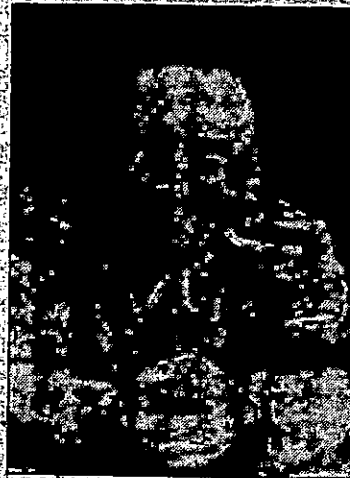
When his wife asked about his family, Ritter said only that they had died when he was young. Further questions yielded only strained silences, and so, in time, further questions stopped.

On July 22, 1953, Bruno Ritter had his number, 85229, removed from beneath the soft skin on the inside of his arm. "Patient wants tattoo removed," it says in medical records of the U.S. Army Outpatient Service in Bad Kreuznach, Germany.

"Not that I was ashamed," Ritter says. "But people were asking questions."

For 50 years, Ritter said nothing, a skill he learned from his tormentors, the people who taught him to be what he calls himself today, "a man like a stone."

On the evening of June 3, Bruno Ritter, a retired U.S. Army sergeant, was sitting and reading the paper at home in this postcard-perfect German village.



SS officer Josef Schwammberger. "He had a face like an angel," Ritter recalls.

"Holocaust survivors to testify Tuesday." In the second paragraph, Ritter saw the name of Josef Schwammberger, the officer under indictment for

"I know that guy," Ritter says, "I know that name, hollering."

The next morning, he got in touch with the prosecutor in Stuttgart, where what is likely to be Germany's last major Nazi war crimes trial was about to begin. He left a message and waited a week. Then he called again and talked to a lawyer, who said he would send someone to Garmisch to talk to Ritter.

"No way," he said. "I'm coming to you." Ritter, who sells insurance to U.S. soldiers serving in Germany, went to Stuttgart and told two German lawyers what he had never told the people he worked with, the people he shared a home with, the people he loves.

The prosecutors showed Ritter an array of photographs, and he immediately picked out the face of Josef Schwammberger.

"Such a good-looking face, not at all mean," said the man who had been silent.

How could you remember the face after so many years, the lawyers prodded.

"I said, 'Look, he had a face like an angel, his name was Josef, like Joseph. All the ways talked'."



12:30 p.m. EDT UPDATE

GORBACHEV/YELTSIN GOVT. (Moscow/Reuter) -- President Gorbachev fired Foreign Minister Bessmertnykh and said the rest of the government should quit for not opposing the coup vigorously enough as the Communist Party came under nationwide siege.... "I think the correct approach would be for the entire government to resign," he told a special session of the Russian parliament.... He...said he appointed new interior and defense ministers and a KGB chief in agreement with Boris Yeltsin and leaders of eight other republics.

(Moscow/UPI) -- President Gorbachev announced that he and Boris Yeltsin had agreed to form a coalition government in a power-sharing arrangement with key security portfolios filled by Yeltsin.

(Moscow/Reuter) -- Boris Yeltsin ordered the suspension of Pravda and five other Communist Party newspapers and seizure of their property on Russian territory. A decree also ordered the dismissal of the head of Tass, Lev Spiridonov, for spreading "disinformation" to the nation and the world.

(Moscow/AP) -- The nation's Communist Party headquarters was sealed today as protesters seeking documents surrounded the building, and Boris Yeltsin suspended the crumbling party in Russia.... President Gorbachev, however, defended the party to the Russian lawmakers and said he still hopes it will be a vehicle for reforms. He warned against a "witch hunt" against Communists.

(Brussels/Reuter) -- Boris Yeltsin has pledged to NATO that the coup leaders would soon be punished and Russia would never again fall prey to "ideological demons," an alliance official said.

NUCLEAR/COUP (Kennebunkport/Christopher Connell, AP) -- The U.S. was never concerned about the threat of a nuclear attack, President Bush said -- even if leaders of the failed coup reportedly gained possession of secret [nuclear] codes.... "I heard that and didn't know anything," Bush said crisply while leaving...at dawn for a round of golf, [responding to a Washington Post report that the hard-liners took possession of the codes]. "There were no actions that (were) picked up by anybody that sent any signals of concern on that in terms of movement of things that you would associate with any concern for a nuclear threat of any kind."

BESSMERTNYKH/PRESIDENT (Kennebunkport/Rita Beamish, AP) -- President Bush said he didn't think the resignation of Foreign Minister Bessmertnykh would hurt prospects for peace in the Mideast, but refused to get involved in the shakeups, saying, "Let them sort it all out...." Bush said he did not think it would affect the prospects for the Mideast peace conference tentatively planned for the fall. "No.... In fact, Bessmertnykh told Baker it had no implications for that," Bush said.

PEACE CONFERENCE/SHAMIR (Jerusalem/UPI) -- Prime Minister Shamir said a Mideast peace conference may be delayed because the Soviet Union and Arab participants will not be ready. "It's hard to say whether the original timetable for convening the talks in October will actually be fulfilled," Shamir said in an interview.

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LATVIA/PARTY (Vilnius/AP) -- Latvia joined neighboring Lithuania in banning the Communist Party, and officials in both Baltic republics predicted there would be a backlash by Soviet forces that had supported the coup. No violence was immediately reported.

SOVIET AID (Bonn/Reuter) -- Leaders of the world's wealthiest countries should meet senior Soviet politicians to chart reforms following this week's abortive coup, German Economics Minister Moellemann [and Foreign Minister Genscher] said.... "The aid from the West must be as massive as the aid from Germany has been so far," Moellemann said.... He said leaders of the republics should take part in an early summit either with the G-7 or the OECD.

(London/UPI)-- Prime Minister Major is to convene an early meeting of top G-7 officials on Soviet aid, British officials said.

(Rome/Reuter) -- Italy...plans to appeal for special IMF help for Moscow, the Foreign Ministry said. The plan will be put forward at the IMF-World Bank annual conference October in Bangkok.

(Tokyo/UPI) -- Prime Minister Kaifu called for increased aid to the Soviet Union in the wake of the failed coup.... "I believe Japan must offer more technical assistance and humanitarian aid to promote increased stability in the Soviet Union," Kaifu said.

COUP/JARUZELSKI (Paris/Reuter) -- Former Polish President Jaruzelski said the Soviet people may regret the failure of the hard-line coup bid if daily life does not improve.

CYPRUS/USSR (Nicosia/Reuter) -- A Soviet envoy, Yuri Fokin, expressed doubts about a U.S. proposal for a four-party meeting on Cyprus and signaled his country was seeking a more active role on efforts to reunite the divided island.

HOSTAGES (Beirut/UPI) -- A prominent weekly Lebanese magazine, Ash-Shiraa, said a Western hostage held by pro-Iranian extremists in Lebanon will be freed in eight days. "One of the kidnapped foreigners will be released on the first of September," it quoted an unidentified ranking security official as saying.

BASES/KUWAIT (Kuwait City/Reuter) -- Kuwait...has called for the creation of U.S. and British military bases in the emirate to protect it from Saddam Hussein.

MIAs/KERRY (Bangkok/Reuter) -- Sen. Kerry said Friday the Vietnamese government had agreed to give logistical help to search for American MIAs from the Vietnam War. Kerry said Hanoi had agreed to his request that the government deploy three or four helicopters to enable a border exploration team to respond quickly to reported sightings of Americans still alive.

CHINESE DISSIDENTS (Beijing/Reuter) -- The U.S. is "deeply disturbed" by news that two of China's most prominent dissidents have begun a hunger strike in prison, and is urging Beijing to grant the two men, Wang Juntao and Chen Ziming, amnesty.

DURABLE GOODS (AP) -- Orders to U.S. factories for durable goods shot up 10.7 percent in July, the largest increase in nearly 21 years, the government said. ###

Fri 23-Aug-91 7:09 EDT

Bush: U.S. Never Threatened During Soviet Coup Attempt

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL

Associated Press Writer

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AP) — The United States was never under any threat of a nuclear attack even though leaders of an unsuccessful coup in the Soviet Union gained possession of secret codes for unleashing that nation's nuclear arsenal, President Bush said today.

Bush was responding to a published report that the hard-line communists who lead the coup took possession of a briefcase that contained the codes while Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was being held prisoner.

The report appeared in today's editions of The Washington Post, which attributed it to Vladimir Lysenko, a deputy in the Russian Parliament and a member of the delegation that flew Wednesday evening to meet Gorbachev and return with him to Moscow.

"I heard that and didn't know anything," Bush said crisply, leaving his vacation home at dawn for a round of golf.

"There were no actions that (were) picked up by anybody that sent any signals of concern on that in terms of movement or things that you would associate with any concern for a nuclear threat of any kind," he said. "So we did not know that."

Bush waved off further questions as he set off in a golf cart with his wife, Barbara, daughter Dorothy Leblond and son Jeb. The president has spent his August vacation at his family's summer home in this oceanside community, returning briefly to Washington after learning of the coup attempt.

Mrs. Bush told reporters had "felt terrible" for Gorbachev's wife Raisa, and said she was happy the coup attempt had been thwarted.

"I'm thrilled it's over," she said.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Kennebunkport, Maine)

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August 23, 1991

FACT SHEET

The Reduction of Jamaica's Debt

Today, the Governments of Jamaica and the United States entered into a major agreement to reduce Jamaica's official bilateral debt owed to the United States Government on P.L. 480 food assistance loans. Deputy Secretary of the Treasury John Robson signed for the United States; Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade David Coore signed for Jamaica. This agreement is the third bilateral debt reduction under the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative (EAI).

The debt reduction element of the Initiative is intended to reduce debt owed by countries in Latin America and the Caribbean which have undertaken broad macroeconomic and structural reforms, liberalized their investment regimes, and reached agreement on their commercial bank debt, where appropriate. Jamaica is implementing a wide range of reforms aimed at building a strong, market-oriented economy. These initiatives, including measures to make its economy more attractive to investors, qualify Jamaica for debt reduction under the EAI.

Implementation of the agreement is contingent on approval of the trade, finance, and investment sector loan by the Inter-American Development Bank Board of Directors, which is expected on September 18. The agreement signed today provides for the reduction of Jamaica's food assistance debt to the United States by 80%, from approximately \$271 million to \$54.2 million.

In addition to this reduction in the stock of debt, the United States expects to enter into an Environmental Framework Agreement with Jamaica, which would allow all interest payments on the new reduced obligation to be paid in local currency and channeled into an environmental fund established by Jamaica.

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POOL REPORT # 29

August 23, 1991

Cape Arundel Golf Course

Bush headed to the golf course at 6:10 a.m. for his second round in 12 hours. He was joined on a family morning by wife Barbara, son Jeb, daughter Doro and golf pro Ken Raynor. No celebs today.

Before the group roared off in their golf carts, Mrs. Bush was asked whether she had felt empathy for Raisa Gorbachev during her ordeal. "Oh yes, I felt terrible for her ... It must have been terrible," she said. Then Mrs. Bush turned to the President, who was still at the top of the clubhouse steps. "Come on George, get down here," she said.

Bush was busy loading golf balls--"some ammo"--into his bag. He noted that it was early in the morning and he had not yet spoken by telephone to any foreign leaders. Asked about reports that leaders of the coup took possession of Gorbachev's nuclear-launch codes, the President said: "I heard that and didn't know anything about that." But he said: "There were no actions that were picked up by anybody that sent any signals of concern on that in terms of movement or things that you would associate with any concern for a nuclear threat of any kind." He added in reference to the report: "So we did not know that and we don't know it now." Then he complained testily about his desire "not to have daily press conferences--please understand." He added: "Please--we've been through an awful lot here."

The President and his threesome--he was playing with Jeb and Raynor--rushed through their round in usual speed, finishing by 8:30 a.m. in less than two hours. On the 18th, Bush hit a fine chip shot onto the green, and dropped a clean eight-foot putt for a four, winning a compliment from golf pro Raynor. The President muttered something about a "recovery." Raynor had planted a beautiful approach just four feet from the pin and then drilled his putt as well. "He never misses," Bush said, shaking his head.

Asked as he walked off the green about his reaction to the Bessmertnykh resignation, Bush said: "I have the same reaction I did to other personnel changes yesterday, which is that I'm not commenting on them." He added: "Baker called me at 5:00 (a.m.) his time but I have no comment on that. Let them sort it all out." Asked whether the resignation would adversely affect plans for a Mideast peace conference, the President said: "No, I don't think it means all that. In fact Bessmertnykh told Baker it had no implications for that."

The President was wearing a light-blue golf cap, light-blue v-neck sweater, and tan slacks.

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Office of the Press Secretary
(Kennebunkport, Maine)

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August 23, 1991

NATIONAL CAMPUS CRIME AND SECURITY AWARENESS WEEK, 1991

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
A PROCLAMATION

If our Nation's schools are to be marked by excellence, they must offer students and teachers an environment that is conducive to learning. Accordingly, AMERICA 2000, our strategy to reinvigorate the Nation's educational system, calls for every school in the country to be safe, disciplined, and free of drugs and violence.

Surveys indicate that as much as 80 percent of all crimes committed at our Nation's institutions of higher learning are perpetrated by students, against students. The vast majority of these crimes are related to alcohol or drugs. Regardless of its source or nature, however, campus crime not only inflicts costly material losses but also causes untold personal suffering. Moreover, campus crime disrupts the vital functions of colleges and universities, thereby depriving students of an optimal educational experience.

Stopping theft, vandalism, sexual assault and other crimes on campus will require the sustained cooperation of students, administrators, and staff, as well as campus security personnel and law enforcement officials. Every academic community in America must increase its awareness of campus crime and ways to prevent it.

Last year, the Congress passed the "Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act," which requires colleges and universities to inform students and employees about campus crime statistics and campus security policies. By working together to achieve the goals set forth in this legislation, we will not only promote the safety of those who study and work at our Nation's institutions of higher learning but also provide our students with a valuable lesson in civic responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim the week beginning September 1, 1991, as National Campus Crime and Security Awareness Week. I encourage all Americans to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-second day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

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The agreement represents a major step forward in realizing the goals of the President's Enterprise for the Americas Initiative (EAI) -- a program designed to promote increased trade, investment and growth throughout the hemisphere. It also paves the way for an Environmental Framework Agreement between the United States and Jamaica. Under this agreement, Jamaica will be permitted to make interest payments on the new reduced debt in local currency, paid into an environmental fund established in Jamaica.

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

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Jamaica is implementing a wide range of reforms aimed at building a strong market-oriented economy. These initiatives, including measures to make the economy more attractive to investors, qualify Jamaica for debt reduction under the EAI.

The agreement represents a major step forward in realizing the goals of the President's Enterprise for the Americas Initiative (EAI) -- a program designed to promote increased trade, investment and growth throughout the hemisphere. It also paves the way for an Environmental Framework Agreement between the United States and Jamaica. Under this agreement, Jamaica will be permitted to make interest payments on the new reduced debt in local currency, paid into an environmental fund established in Jamaica.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Kennebunkport, Maine)

For Immediate Release

August 23, 1991

FACT SHEET

The Reduction of Jamaica's Debt

Today, the Governments of Jamaica and the United States entered into a major agreement to reduce Jamaica's official bilateral debt owed to the United States Government on P.L. 480 food assistance loans. Deputy Secretary of the Treasury John Robson signed for the United States; Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade David Coore signed for Jamaica. This agreement is the third bilateral debt reduction under the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative (EAI).

The debt reduction element of the Initiative is intended to reduce debt owed by countries in Latin America and the Caribbean which have undertaken broad macroeconomic and structural reforms, liberalized their investment regimes, and reached agreement on their commercial bank debt, where appropriate. Jamaica is implementing a wide range of reforms aimed at building a strong, market-oriented economy. These initiatives, including measures to make its economy more attractive to investors, qualify Jamaica for debt reduction under the EAI.

Implementation of the agreement is contingent on approval of the trade, finance, and investment sector loan by the Inter-American Development Bank Board of Directors, which is expected on September 18. The agreement signed today provides for the reduction of Jamaica's food assistance debt to the United States by 80%, from approximately \$271 million to \$54.2 million.

In addition to this reduction in the stock of debt, the United States expects to enter into an Environmental Framework Agreement with Jamaica, which would allow all interest payments on the new reduced obligation to be paid in local currency and channeled into an environmental fund established by Jamaica.

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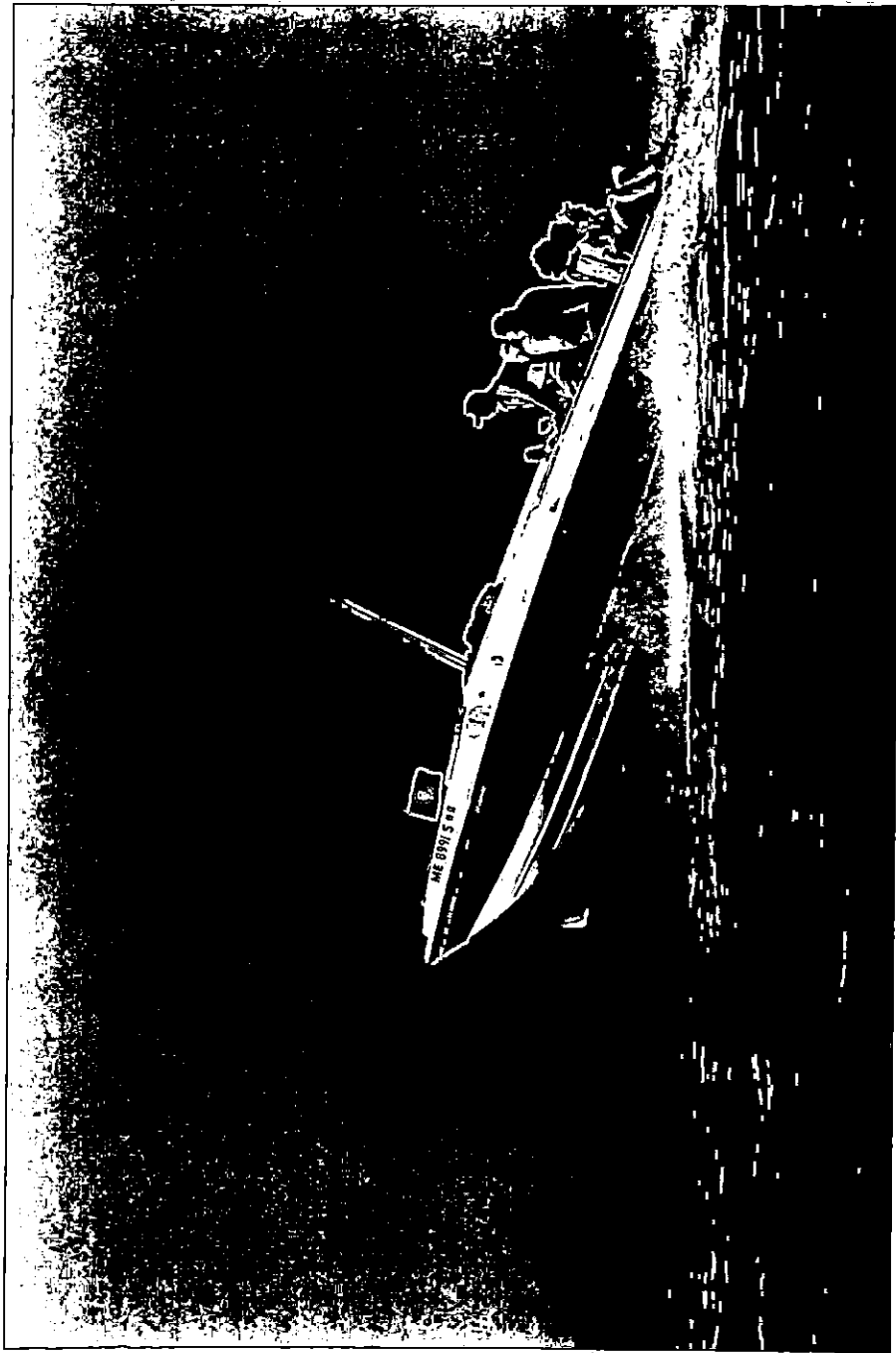
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