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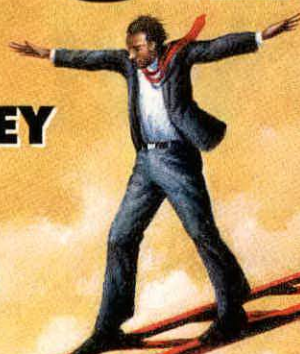
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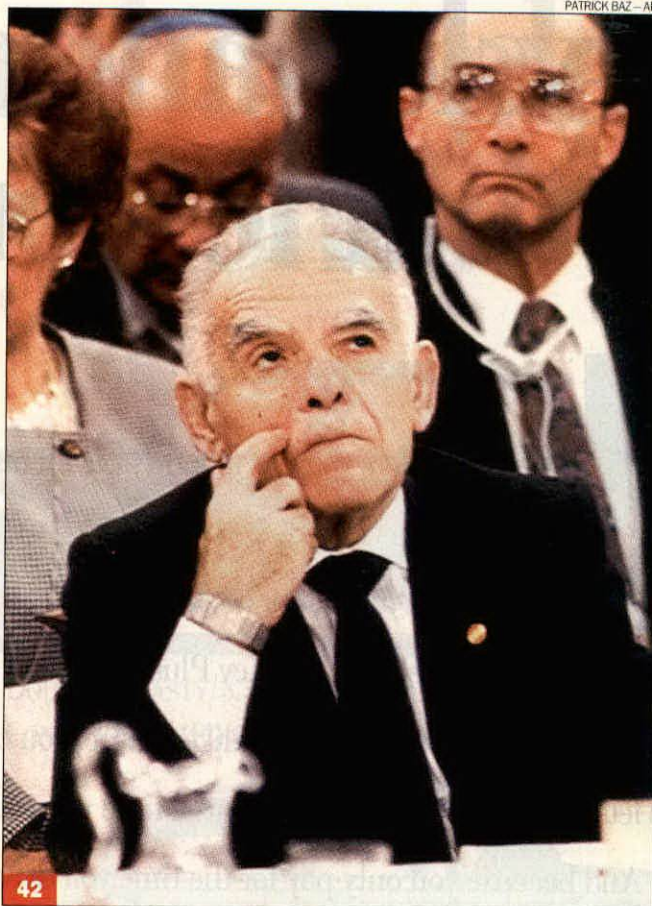
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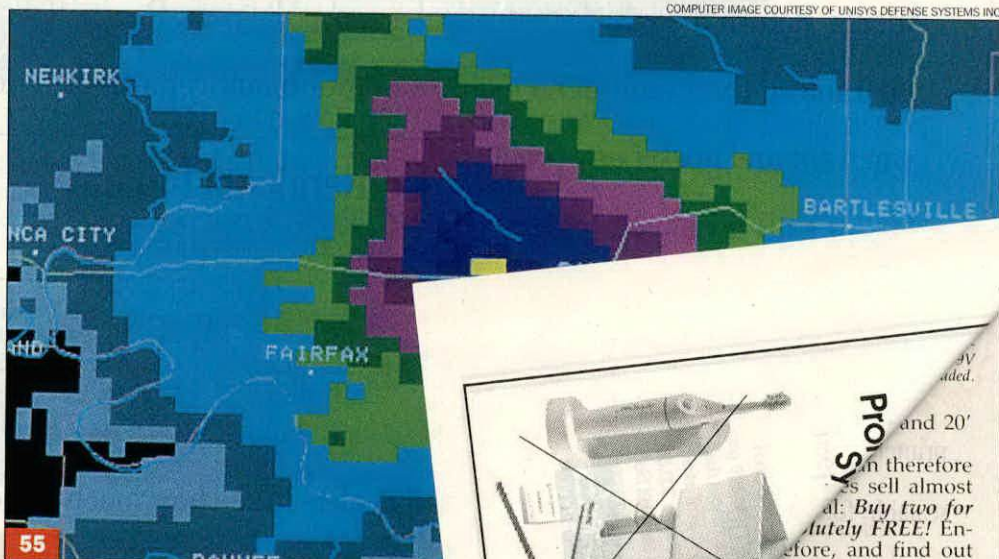


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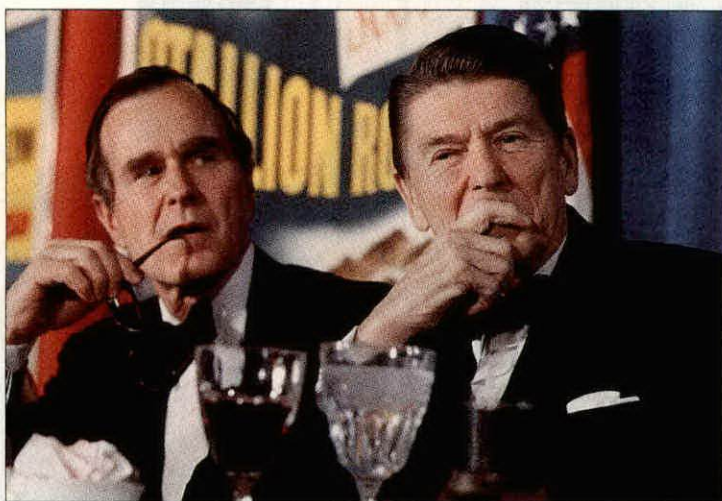
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Conspiracy buffs say the Reagan-Bush campaign cut a secret deal

■ October Surprise: The Making of a Myth

The October Surprise theory, which holds that the 1980 Reagan-Bush campaign cut a secret deal with Iran to delay the release of the hostages and ensure a Republican victory, has been a mother lode for conspiracy junkies for the past decade. The allegations, if true, would constitute an accusation of treason against the alleged participants. But a NEWSWEEK investigation has found that the key claims of the purported eyewitnesses do not hold up. What the evidence does show is the murky history of a conspiracy theory run wild. **National Affairs: Page 18**



The president speaks at the meeting's first day

■ Behind the Insults

An unprecedented Middle East peace conference convened in Madrid last week, carefully stage-managed by the United States with help from Arab allies. The players didn't quite follow the script. But underneath the rancor lay a path to peace—if both sides will take it. **International: Page 32**

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It was a spectacular discovery. In dutiful orbit of Venus, the Magellan spacecraft was performing its survey of the surface below. Then the on-board computer noticed something strange in the radar signals: they provided evidence that our nearest planetary neighbor has active volcanoes. Last week NASA released the first global maps ever made of Venus. The images are breathtaking. **Society: Page 58**



A global view of the surface

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