

# Sen. Exon's legislative staff plans investigation of missile silo damage

A rumor that a May 29 earthquake cracked 12 Wyoming missile silos is being investigated by Sen. J. James Exon's legislative staff in Washington, D.C. Exon is a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Greg Pallas, Exon's chief legislative aide, said his staff is checking with the Air Force about the rumor after receiving a letter from Betty Olson, Nebraskans for Peace coordinator.

Olson said she was informed through "an undisclosed source that 12 missile silos were cracked during a May earthquake. The earthquake measured 5.1 on the Richter Scale and was in the same general area as the Oct. 15 earthquake nearly three weeks ago.

"If this information is true, it will have serious implications for the safety and effectiveness of the present Minuteman missiles as well as the placement of the MX," Olson said in the Oct. 30 letter.

Pallas said the Air Force has repeatedly indicated the silos were designed to withstand quakes exceeding 7.5 on the Richter scale.

He said it would be hard for Exon's staff to investigate the rumor separately from the Air Force.

"Off the top of my head, I don't know how we could independently," Pallas said.

A lawsuit filed this summer to halt the MX missile program was based on the earthquake issue, raised during environmental impact hearings held last year on basing missile silos in Nebraska and Wyoming.

## Police Report

The following incidents were reported to the UNL police between 12:24 a.m. Thursday and 11:27 p.m. Saturday.

**Thursday**

12:24 a.m. — People reported tampering with the emergency phone on the west side of Avery Hall.

12:44 a.m. — Person reported tampering with the emergency phone at 14th and W streets.

2:01 a.m. — Two people reported tampering with the emergency phone at 14th and W streets. People were contacted and warned.

3:03 a.m. — UNL police assisted Lincoln police with a possible suicide call. When it was determined that the call came from off campus, the case was turned over to Lincoln police.

10:17 a.m. — Unauthorized use of long-distance phone calling services reported at Teachers College.

1:38 p.m. — Purse reported stolen from Avery Hall.

1:43 p.m. — Bicycle reported stolen from Cornhusker Cooperative.

3:03 p.m. — Money reported stolen from Neihardt Residence Center.

5:39 p.m. — Tests reported stolen from Love Library.

7:35 p.m. — Person allegedly responsible for taking tests from Love Library was located and issued a citation. Arraignment is set for Lancaster County Court.

9:31 p.m. — Fire alarm reported sounding at Burr Hall on East Campus.

**Friday**

2 a.m. — UNL police assisted Lincoln police with a traffic accident near 16th and Vine streets. No injuries were reported.

2 a.m. — Fireworks reported sounding at Burr Hall on East Campus.

2:11 a.m. — Disturbance reported at 15th and T streets.

4:52 a.m. — Fireworks reported sounding at Selleck Quadrangle. Persons were gone when officers arrived.

10:44 a.m. — UNL police assisted Lincoln police who were stopping somebody for a traffic violation near 16th and Court streets.

11:10 a.m. — Alleged vandalism reported to meter posts in the metered parking lot near Selleck Quadrangle.

3:21 p.m. — Man with a rifle reported on the east side of Love Library. Officers were unable to locate anyone.

5:24 p.m. — Persons reported throwing rocks off the press box at Memorial Stadium. Officers were unable to locate anyone.

5:46 p.m. — Non-injury accident reported near 38th and Huntington streets.

6:52 p.m. — Suspicious person reported near Mable Lee Hall. Officers were unable to locate anyone.

7:22 p.m. — Money reported stolen from a wallet in Harper Hall.

7:43 p.m. — Windshield reported broken in a car in Parking Area 3 near 14th and New Hampshire streets.

8:46 p.m. — Intoxicated person reported at Burnett Hall. Person was taken to a detoxification center.

**Saturday**

1:35 a.m. — Person reported prowling around vehicles in Parking Area 1 near 17th and R streets. Person was gone when officers arrived.

2:50 a.m. — Disturbance reported in the lobby of Sandoz Hall.

9:35 a.m. — Security alarm reported sounding at Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery.

11:31 a.m. — Security alarm reported sounding at Brace Physics Laboratory.

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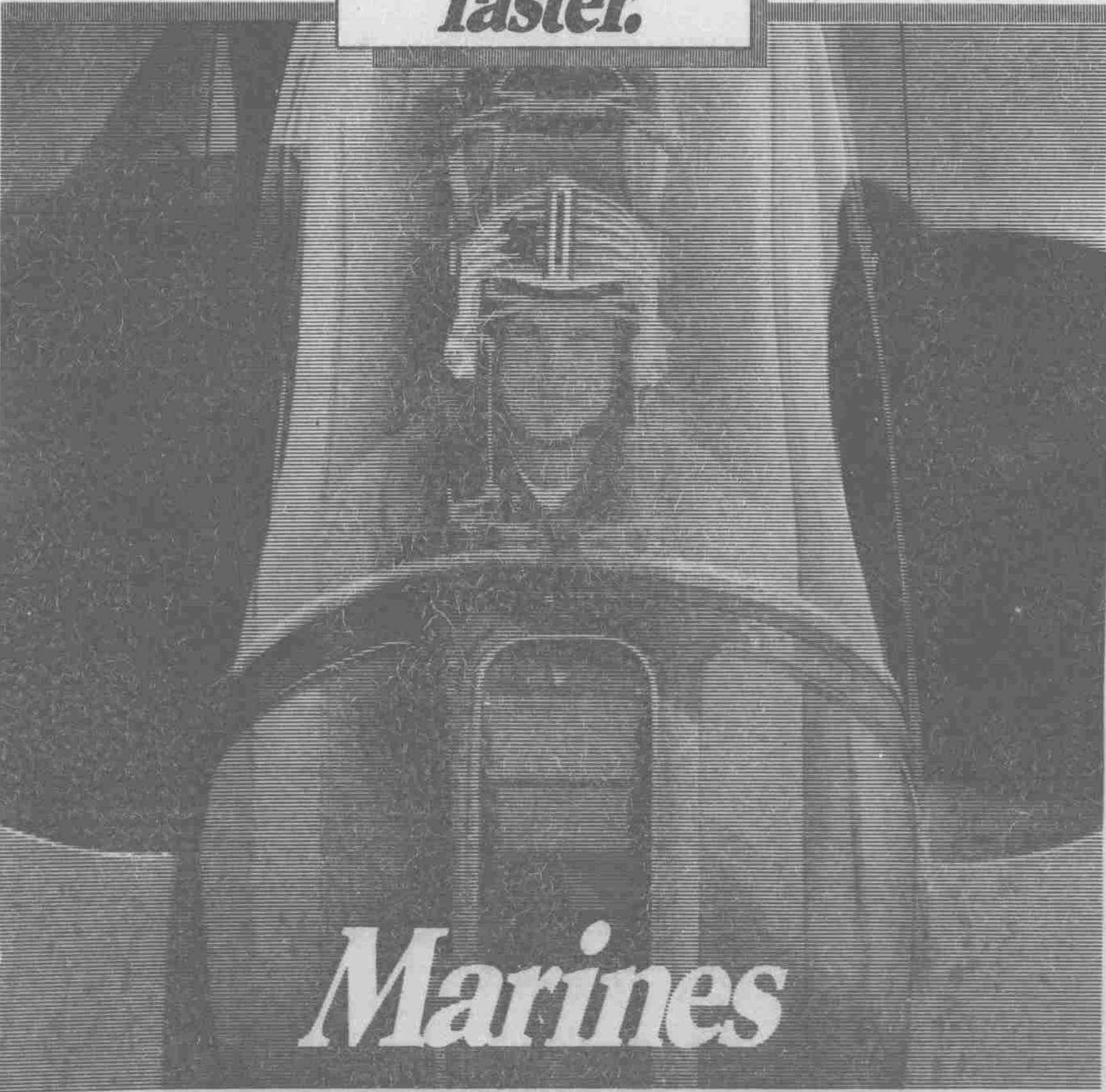
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