

Police Report

The following incidents were reported to UNL police between 11:18 a.m. Thursday and 7:18 p.m. Saturday.

Thursday
 11:18 a.m. — Fire reported at the Stewart Seed Lab on East Campus. Minor damage was reported.
 11:51 a.m. — Hit-and-run accident reported in Parking Area 15 near 12th and Q streets.
 3:53 p.m. — Burglary reported at 480 N. 16th St.
Friday
 1 p.m. — Banner reported stolen from Westbrook Music Building.
 4:05 p.m. — Money reported stolen from Republik Hall.

Saturday
 2:17 a.m. — Allegedly intoxicated person reported near 10th and T streets. Person was taken to a detoxification center.
 7:18 p.m. — Hit-and-run accident reported in the parking lot south of 17th and Holdrege streets.

Reuter Report

Military backs president in Supreme Court dispute

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — The Honduran military has sided with President Roberto Suazo Cordova in a dispute with Congress over the makeup of the Supreme Court, Foreign Minister Edgardo Paz Barnica said Sunday.

"The constitutional president has won the solid backing of the armed forces in Honduras for preserving the democratic system," Paz Barnica told a group of foreign diplomats.

The military, which relinquished power to Cordova in 1982 after 12 years in control, has traditionally played an influential role in Honduran politics and its support had been considered essential by both sides in the dispute.

The constitutional crisis is the worst so far to hit Cordova's government, the staunchest U.S. ally in Central America. Washington has expressed deep concern over the matter.

The dispute flared Thursday when Congress ousted the president of the Supreme Court and four other justices, accusing them of bending electoral rules to favor Suazo Cordova. When congress appointed a new Supreme Court president and justices, Cordova accused the legislature of violating the constitution and staging a "technical coup."

Poor turnout at Salvadoran polls

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador — Salvadorans voted Sunday in National Assembly and municipal elections with little hope that it will change their lives, dominated by five years of civil war.

Leftist guerrillas opposed to the U.S.-backed government of President Jose Napoleon Duarte threatened attacks to disrupt the vote, which they have called a farce, and two reports of rebel violence accompanied the start of voting.

Few voters turned out early in the morning when polling stations opened. Unlike last year's presidential elections, there were no long lines at voting centers in the capitol. But scenes of confusion were repeated, with those on hand not knowing where to go or what to do.

Following lackluster campaigns by the nine parties contesting the elections, diplomats and political observers forecast a low turnout in voting for all 60 seats in the National Assembly and 262 mayors.

Contractor justifies Pentagon bill

WASHINGTON — Billing the Defense Department for country club dues and boarding a dog was not necessarily improper and was certainly negotiable, an executive of General Dynamics said Sunday.

Frederick Wood, a vice president of the big defense contractor, said that although the company withdrew \$23 million of charges last week after they were questioned by Pentagon auditors, he believed most of them were appropriate.

"In today's environment people can't understand that the laws have things in categories of what is clearly acceptable and clearly unacceptable, and those in a gray area in the middle," Wood said.

He said items in this "gray area" were negotiable between the contractor and the Pentagon.

Guerrillas release Frenchwoman

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Guerrilla kidnappers released a Frenchwoman unharmed Sunday as a Briton freed earlier described how he was grilled repeatedly by captors who thought he was an American spy.

The 24-year-old Frenchwoman, Danielle Perez, a secretary at the French Embassy, was seized nine days ago in West Beirut with her diplomat father.

Her mother said she arrived home about 9 a.m., but did not know the whereabouts of her father, attache Marcel Carton, or the identity of her captors.

Carton is one of three French diplomats still missing after a wave of abductions of Westerners in Lebanon this year. Of the 12 kidnap victims, five have now been released.

Meanwhile, British businessman Brian Levick, who was released Saturday after 15 days in a tiny solitary cell, told reporters he was grilled as an American spy. The 58-year-old director of a Lebanese oil company said he had denied spying charges during five interrogation sessions.

Kirkpatrick gives final plea for aid

WASHINGTON — Jeane Kirkpatrick marked her final day as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Sunday with a call for financial support for anti-government rebels in Nicaragua.

Kirkpatrick, whose hardline positions on Central America have been a hallmark of her tenure at the world body, said the Nicaraguan rebels were waging war against a communist dictatorship and deserved U.S. financial aid.

Congress cut off covert aid to the rebels, known as "contras," last year. President Reagan is seeking \$14 million in new funding.

The conservative Kirkpatrick, who is leaving her U.N. post to return to academic life, left open the possibility that she might seek elective office.

Baker foresees cuts in defense funds

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary James Baker suggested Sunday President Reagan will compromise with Congress by accepting less than the \$313 billion he requested for the Defense Department's budget.

"In past years, the president has ultimately made some form of compromise. It's not unlikely that the final result this year will be something less for the defense budget than the president submitted. I think he knows that," Baker said in an interview in U.S. News and World Report magazine.

"It would not be unusual to see the president's defense number whittled down somewhat up on the Hill . . ." Baker added.

Without estimating the amount of any possible cuts, Baker said he hoped they would not be so great as to harm national security. Baker said the president was proposing to cut the federal deficit by \$50 billion this year by controlling spending and doesn't intend to raise taxes.

"So, if we fall a little bit short of that \$50 billion, we'll fall a little bit short. We won't make up the difference with a tax increase," he said.

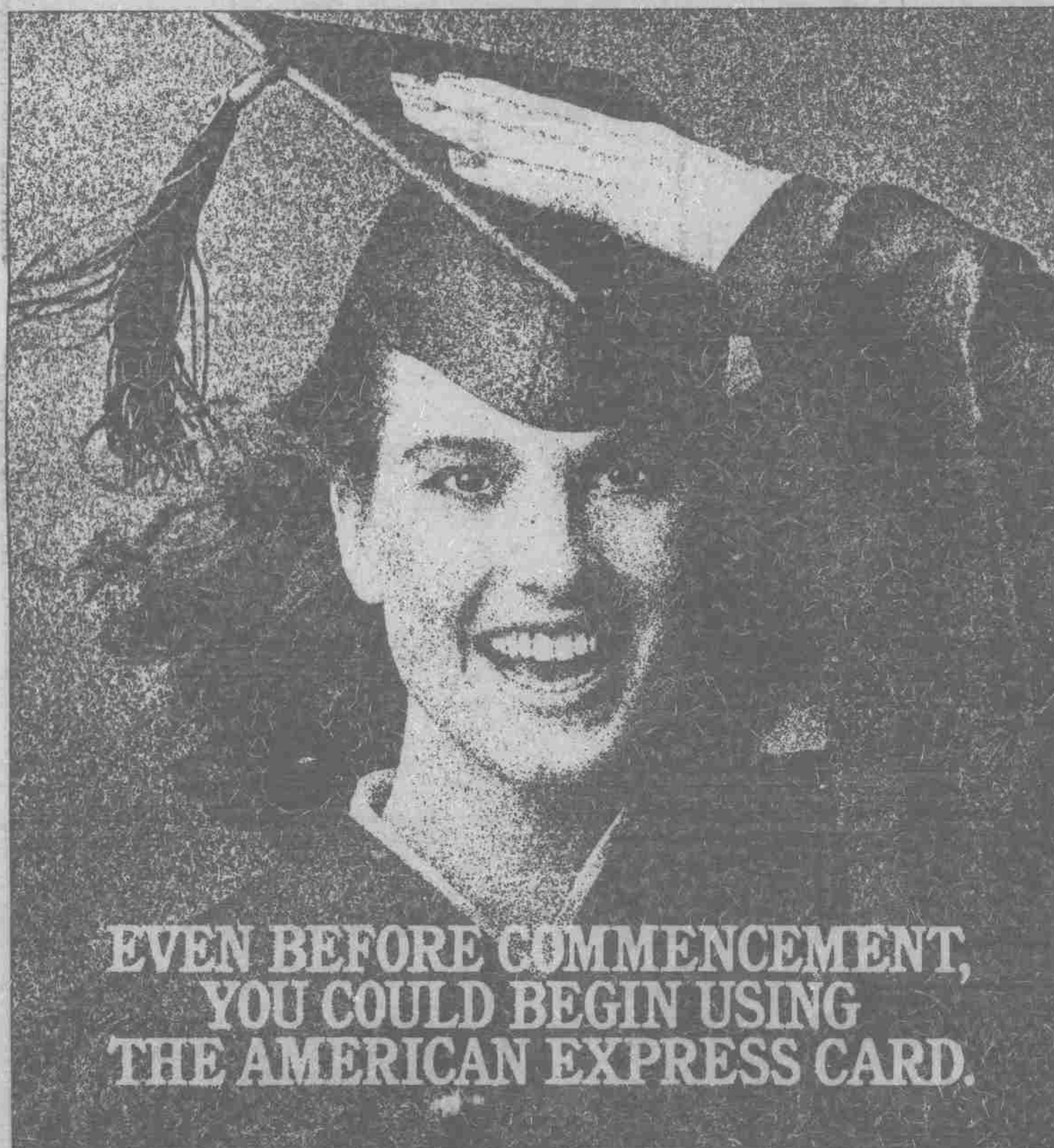
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