

# News Digest

By the Associated Press

## Superpower debate Gorbachev says U.S. misrepresented summit

MOSCOW — Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev on Monday accused the White House of "gross misrepresentation" in its accounts of the Reykjavik summit, but he said the superpowers could still work out their problems.

A member of the Soviet summit delegation, meanwhile, reiterated Soviet claims that President Reagan had agreed in principle to a proposal to eliminate all Soviet and U.S. nuclear weapons in 10 years.

The Reagan administration has disputed the claim. White House spokesman Larry Speakes said Monday in Washington that Reagan discussed abolition of all nuclear arms during the summit but never proposed more than the elimination of all ballistic missiles in 10 years.

Gorbachev's statement was the latest



in a series of efforts to counter U.S. accounts of what the superpowers tentatively agreed to before they reached a stalemate at the summit over the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative, or "Star Wars."

"At the recent meeting with the U.S. president in Reykjavik, the Soviet side put on the table a package of inter-linked proposals" on arms control, Gorbachev said in a message to a writers conference in Bulgaria. His remarks were carried by the official Soviet news agency Tass.

Gorbachev said the proposals included an initial 50 percent cut in strategic nuclear weapons, elimination of all medium-range missiles in Europe, a ban on the testing of space weapons and a nuclear test ban.

"If the American side had accepted the package, a real process of the elimination of nuclear weapons would have got under way," Gorbachev said.

## U.S. criticizes Syrian role in Mideast terrorism

WASHINGTON — Ever since Syria went on the U.S. terrorist list as a charter member in 1979, the United States, in deciding whether to crack down on President Hafez Assad's government, has had to weigh the leverage Damascus may have with anti-Western elements in the Middle East.

The dilemma was evident again Monday as the State Department registered its "great displeasure" with Syria's policies while also trying publicly to hold Assad to his pledge to assist the seven U.S. citizens listed as hostages in southern Lebanon.

Also, terrorist experts within and outside the U.S. government are convinced that Syria plays a double role — providing a safe haven for Abu Nidal, head of the Fatah Revolutionary Council, and others accused of terrorism, but also assisting American hostages, at least after they are released.

Privately, State Department officials have no doubt that both Syria and Iran use terrorism to advance their political

aims. Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger blamed both governments three years ago for the bombing of the U.S. Marine headquarters in Beirut that killed 241 U.S. servicemen.

The United States also accused Syria of responsibility for the bombing of the American embassy in Beirut the previous April. The Nidal group, which operates out of the Syrian-controlled Bekka valley of Lebanon, took responsibility for the bombings at the ticket counters of El Al, the Israeli airline, in the Rome and Vienna airports last December, in which five of the 18 killed were U.S. citizens.

On the other hand, the United States actively seeks Syria's support in hostage and hijacking incidents involving terrorist groups. For this reason, and also because Syria, as a key Arab country is considered a leading player in any Middle East settlement, the Reagan administration resisted moves this year in Congress to break ties with Damascus.

## Negative campaigning: "The dark side of politics"

WASHINGTON — Negative campaigning, the volatile "dark side of politics" that some call mudslinging, is making its presence felt heavily this year in campaigns across the nation.

Personal attacks as well as accusations of conflict of interest, absenteeism in high office and political extremism have left their stamp on many Senate, House and gubernatorial campaigns.

"In these last weeks before an election, we see again the dark side of politics," Sen. John C. Danforth, R-Mo.,

told the Senate earlier this month. "Each campaign plumbs new depths of name-calling in thirty-second TV commercials that transform personal attack into an art form."

"Politics becomes an even dirtier job, hardening to its practitioners, revolting to the public," he said.

"This year's campaign has deteriorated into an unproductive name-calling contest," Pennsylvania Republican Lt. Gov. William Scranton III said last week. "It has become like a back alley brawl. Mudslinging is not leadership."

"... We dirty our own nest and it is time to clean that up."

Among the many negative examples around the country:

In Wisconsin last weekend, consumer advocate Ralph Nader, questioning why Republican Sen. Robert Kasten's drunk-driving arrest has not become a bigger campaign issue, said Kasten "needs rehabilitation rather than reelection."

In Illinois, a spokesman for Democratic challenger Adlai Stevenson accused GOP Gov. James Thompson of

being "close with unsavory elements in labor" because he had accepted a \$10,000 contribution from the Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union which the President's Commission on Organized Crimes has linked to racketeering.

In Colorado's Senate race, a television commercial for Democratic Rep. Tim Wirth shows a white-haired woman waving a copy of the Congressional Record and complaining to unseen Republican candidate Ken Kramer, "The record proves you voted twice to cut my Social Security."

## FAA regulators tighten air traffic control; revamp airspace regulations, penalties

WASHINGTON — The Federal Aviation Administration, concerned about the potential for disaster in the sky, moved Monday to lessen the risk of small planes improperly flying into airspace used by commercial traffic near 23 major airports.

The action came less than two months after a single-engine private plane collided with a Aeromexico Airlines jetliner over Cerritos, Calif., and killed 82 people, including at least 15 in a residential neighborhood where the DC-9 fell to earth and burst into flames.

Among the 40 recommendations sent to FAA Administrator Donald Eagen by the task force and endorsed by the administrator Monday were plans to:

Simplify the so-called terminal control areas, or TCAs, at the 23 major airports, to make restricted airspace boundaries easier to follow on navigational maps, and therefore easier to avoid.



Require all aircraft that enter a TCA or fly above or below it to have a radar signal transponder that shows the planes' altitude, as well as position, on the air traffic controllers' radar scope.

The FAA and industry estimate about half of the general aviation aircraft that have transponder equipment have models that do not pro-

vide altitude information.

Increase enforcement to catch pilots who enter restricted airspace without authorization or without proper equipment, and increase the penalties for all violators. A pilot caught improperly in a TCA would be subject to minimum 60-day suspension and would have to undergo testing before retrieving his or her license.

## In Brief

### Shots fired at Wahoo lawman

WAHOO — The Saunders County Sheriff's Department has been unsuccessful in trying to track down an unidentified man who shot at a deputy before fleeing in a pickup truck.

The deputy reported that he fired three shots at the man, who fired at least two shots at the deputy, Sgt. Thomas Shires said.

Shires declined to identify the deputy, who was not injured. The other man may have been hit once, Shires said.

The deputy was patrolling the county when he spotted the truck parked in the University of Nebraska Field Laboratory near Mead. When the deputy turned his car around after driving past the lab, the truck drove off.

After the deputy pursued the truck for 2 1/2 miles, the pickup stopped and a man got out of the passenger side. The deputy had just gotten out of his car when the man fired at him.

The deputy returned fire. The man got back in the truck and his companion drove it away at a high speed. The deputy didn't chase the truck.

Authorities aren't sure why the two men were parked in the lab, Shires said.

### Reagan signs anti-drug law

WASHINGTON — President Reagan signed a \$1.7 billion anti-drug law Monday to bolster local and federal law enforcement efforts, stiffen criminal penalties for traffickers and launch an educational and medical campaign aimed at reducing user demand.

The comprehensive measure contains \$220 million for information programs and \$241 million for treatment.

Though the death penalty was dropped, the bill still provides tougher sentences for drug-related crimes and creates new penalties for selling the particularly insidious new form of cocaine called "crack."

The bill also:

- Doubles the federal drug interdiction budget to \$634.9 million.
- Provides \$230 million in grants to local law enforcement agencies.
- Expands the power of U.S. drug agents to operate overseas.
- Provides mandatory minimum sentences for major drug traffickers and outlaws distribution and manufacture of so-called designer drugs.
- Requires that at least 500 Coast Guard officers be assigned to U.S. Navy drug-interdiction ships in American waters.
- Authorizes \$63 million in foreign aid to help other nations combat the drug trade.

### Spy arrest

SAN FRANCISCO — A disgruntled former Air Force man was arrested Monday and charged with trying to deliver secrets about an Air Force reconnaissance program to the Soviet Union, authorities said.

Allen John Davies of San Jose, a naturalized American citizen who works for Ford Aerospace & Communications Corp., was arrested by FBI agents in Palo Alto, south of San Francisco, said U.S. Attorney Joseph Russoniello.

Davies provided "detailed verbal information" about the program as well as a "hand drawing depicting various aspects" of the program, according to the statement by Agent Roger Edstrom.

## Former top White House aide dead at 87

HANOVER, N.H. — Sherman Adams, the flinty Yankee who served as Dwight Eisenhower's counselor and wielded so much power in the White House that he was known as "assistant president," died Monday at age 87.

Adams took charge of the country's affairs during Eisenhower's hospitalization for a heart attack in 1955. A few years later, however, Adams fell from power when he resigned after it was learned he had accepted expensive gifts, including a vicuna coat, from an industrialist.

Adams died at 9 a.m. at Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital of respiratory arrest and renal failure, spokesman Annie Proulx said. He had been hospitalized since Sept. 29.

A former Republican speaker of the New Hampshire House and member of Congress, Adams was governor when he engineered Eisenhower's victories in the 1952 New Hampshire presidential primary and in the general election.

He later was the man who said "no" for the president, and his influence was such that Eisenhower reportedly did not approve any policy papers that were not initialed "S.A., O.K."

During Eisenhower's hospitalization, a committee of top-ranking officials ran the country with Adams in charge, president in everything but name. Eisenhower called Adams "the Boss." Others called him "the Rock" or the "Abominable No-Man."

Born Jan. 8, 1899, in the parsonage of his minister grandfather in East Dorset, Vt., Lewellyn Sherman Adams traced his ancestors to the Revolutionary Adamses.

## Correction

The story "Lincoln clubs, bars cater to students who choose booze," (Daily Nebraskan, Oct. 24) misspelled the name of KZUM music director Ken Havlat. His name was spelled Ken Havlet. Also in the story the band Flaming Lips was misspelled Flaming Libs. The Daily Nebraskan regrets the errors.

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## British lawmaker resigns after sex scandal

LONDON — Margaret Thatcher appeared in no hurry Monday to replace Jeffrey Archer, who resigned as a Conservative Party deputy chairman in a sex scandal one Tory lawmaker called "some tittle tattle over some tart."

Archer was appointed to the job a year ago by Prime Minister Thatcher, who held top-level talks Monday in an attempt to minimize the political damage.

The best-selling novelist resigned Sunday after admitting he had offered 2,000 pounds (\$2,800) to a prostitute who told him newspapers were after her story because one of her clients said she had a relationship with Archer, 46. He insisted he never met her but offered the money so she could leave the country.

Archer quit after the weekly News of the World reported that he tried to pay the prostitute, Monica Coghlan, through a middleman last Friday.