

## Black leaders celebrate Texaco settlement

**Protestors vow to pressure other corporations for equality among women and minorities.**

*The Associated Press*

Demonstrations against Texaco's racial policies on Saturday turned into celebrations of a \$176 million discrimination settlement, though the Rev. Jesse Jackson and other black leaders promised to keep the pressure on. Jackson said the settlement "does

not indicate that the culture has changed," and while pickets will be dropped, a boycott against the oil company will continue until Texaco shakes up its white male infrastructure.

"There is this racism and sexism and hostility in corporate America," Jackson told 75 protesters in front of Texaco's massive Wilmington refinery in Los Angeles. "We want to detoxify corporate America, extend the roof and be fair."

"This issue is not the owners of the gas stations, but the board of directors," Jackson said.

Earlier at a news conference in Chicago, Jackson said the settlement was a step in the right direction, but did not include a comprehensive plan with goals, targets and timetables for

the development of minorities and women.

Jackson said his Rainbow PUSH Action Network plans to buy \$1,000 worth of Texaco stock to get a voice in the company, and also will look at the racial policies of other major companies that share directors with Texaco — including Gillette, Johnson & Johnson and Campbell's Soup.

A protest planned for a Texaco service station in Stone Mountain, Ga., was called off after Friday's settlement announcement, but about 20 people showed up anyway.

"We went to the designated location but we really went more in the spirit of celebration," said Joe Beasley, southern regional director for the Na-

tional Rainbow Coalition.

Texaco agreed to pay \$115 million to about 1,400 current and former employees and to give black employees 10 percent raises. It also will spend \$35 million on a task force that is to open opportunities for black workers, monitor discrimination and develop diversity and sensitivity training.

In New York City, the Rev. Al Sharpton led about two dozen sign-waving demonstrators at a Texaco station in Brooklyn. "Justice At Texaco, End Racism at Texaco" read some signs; "We Want Fairness" read another.

"We feel it was a historic agreement," Sharpton said. "But now we must deal with corporate structure, board makeup, contracting, advertis-

ing and franchises."

"We have won the first game of the World Series, but the series is not over," he said.

Another demonstration went ahead at a Texaco station in Dallas, with members of the Black State Employees Association. About 40 protesters waving signs and carrying bullhorns showed up.

"Texaco must now settle up with the African-American community for the irreparable harm, vile and disparaging attacks directed at the African-American community," said Darren Reagan, chairman of the Texas group.

Ministers in the New Orleans area dropped plans for a boycott of Texaco stations after the settlement.

## Russia fails Mars mission

*Lack of funds, old facilities limit future for new journeys*

MOSCOW (AP) — With the biggest launch since the Soviet breakup, Russia's space scientists had hoped to revitalize the ailing space program with Mars '96, an ambitious mission to the Red Planet.

But the unmanned craft never made it out of Earth's orbit Sunday, and disappointed scientists are now looking at a bleak future of shrinking budgets, aging facilities and dim prospects for any new missions.

The space probe, which would have reached Mars in September, was already two years behind schedule by the time it lifted off late Saturday night at the Baikonur cosmodrome in the former Soviet republic of Kazakhstan.

Scientists blamed the delay on chronic

money problems in a program that is receiving only one-fifth the cash it got in Soviet times.

The Russians spent \$64 million over the past two years preparing for Mars '96—a large sum for the impoverished Russians.

One example: the United States is paying Russia \$335 million just to sublet the Mir space station, where U.S. astronaut John Blaha currently has a four-month, time-share deal with two Russian cosmonauts.

Mir, which is nearing the end of its life after 10 years, is a shining example of Soviet-era successes. But the Russian space program has been "running on the brink of collapse for several years," said James Oberg, an American specialist on Russian space activities.

## Refugees trek to homeland

GISENYI, Rwanda (AP) — Every hour, 10,000 Rwandan Hutus trudged across the border to their homeland Saturday in a weary, rain-soaked column of humanity desperate to end the misery of their exile in eastern Zaire.

The refugees' unexpected return home eases the threat of a humanitarian disaster and is likely to alter the tack taken by an international military force cleared by the U.N. Security Council to bring food and medical supplies to the refugees.

More than 200,000 refugees have streamed over the border since the exodus began Friday morning, the United Nations estimates. A downpour Saturday drenched the 25-mile line of men, women and children making their way through green, winding hills from a now-deserted refugee camp and over the border into Gisenyi.

Fellow Rwandans lined the route beyond the border, applauding and hugging the refugees as they lugged their tattered bundles on a 20-mile slog from the border at Gisenyi to a U.N. transit center.

"I'm not afraid," said Pierre-Celestin Muyandekazi, a returning farmer. "I'm very happy to be in my country."

As night fell Saturday, up to 400,000 people on the Zairian side settled down to rest by the road before resuming their trek at daybreak. Another 600,000 Rwandan refugees remain cut off from aid in hills to the south.

The refugees fled Rwanda 2½ years ago, fearing retribution after a Hutu-led government presided over the massacre of a half-million Tutsis.

Hutu militias in the refugee camps in Zaire virtually held the refugees prisoner until Thursday, when an attack by Zairian rebels sent the militias fleeing into the hills and the refugees hurrying home.

The Tutsi-led government that ousted the Hutu leaders after the 1994 genocide has promised to treat the returning Hutus well, and most refugees who returned earlier have resettled peacefully.

Amnesty International, however, said that the returning refugees could be arbitrarily punished, and may wind up joining the 80,000 Hutus already in crowded Rwandan jails awaiting trial in connection with the genocide.

Rwandan leaders say there is no longer any need for military intervention, calling instead for aid in resettling refugees.

## DN EVENTS CALENDAR

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### MONDAY, NOV. 18

**ANIMAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOC. TURKEY SALE**  
For more information call: Dana Allen at 472-5237

### TUESDAY, NOV. 19

**INTERESTED IN ACCOUNTING? UNDECIDED?**  
Accounting seminar: Jobs in accounting and the CPA exam explained.  
Pizza and refreshments 7:30 p.m.  
CBA, room 25

**UNL DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AWARENESS WEEK**  
Open house  
Avery Hall, Third Floor  
6:00- 9:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20

**EDUCATOR JANE ELLIOT, CREATOR OF THE FAMOUS "BLUE EYED/BROWN EYED" EXPERIMENT**  
Speech sponsored by UPC Centennial Ballroom City campus union  
7:00 p.m.  
\$3.00 with student I.D.  
\$5.00 for faculty

**AN AFTERNOON WITH DR. ELDA WALKER, FIRST WOMAN BOTANIST AT UNL**

Dr. Kathleen Keeler, professor of Biological sciences, as Dr. Walker presents "Vegetation of Nebraska"

Great Plains Art Collection  
215 Love Library  
13th and R Streets  
3:30-5:00 p.m.

### THURSDAY, NOV. 21

**THEATRIX SPEED THE PLOW**  
Temple's second stage  
12th and R Streets  
8:00 p.m.  
\$3.00  
Show runs through Saturday  
For more information call: Julie Hagemeyer, 472-9055

### SATURDAY, NOV. 23

**BRENTANO STRING QUARTET, WINNERS OF 1995 NAUMBERG CHAMBER MUSIC AWARD**  
Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery, Auditorium  
11th and R Streets  
8:00 p.m.  
For more information call: Stephen Buhler, 472-1784

## Two will battle for fighter contract

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lockheed Martin and Boeing will compete for a \$219 billion Defense Department fighter contract that likely will determine the U.S. leader in defense contracting well into the next century.

The Pentagon narrowed the competition for the joint strike fighter contract Saturday from three to two, cutting out defense contracting titan McDonnell Douglas. Officials said the winning Lockheed Martin and Boeing designs were chosen for their price tags.

"The best value to the government was reflected in these two proposals," said Lt. Gen. George K. Mueller, former program manager for the jet fighter, especially in the costs of development and future upkeep.

The chosen two will build and develop prototypes of their designs for the joint strike fighter in anticipation of the final decision on the largest procurement package in Pentagon history coming in 2000. Concept demonstrations, including ground and flight tests, are budgeted at \$2.2 billion, the contracts awarded Saturday said.

"Compared to current airplanes, it brings a more lethal package into the theater and brings it faster ... and does so with fewer supporting assets and therefore less costs." Defense Secretary William Perry said in announcing the finalists.

Seattle-based Boeing Co., working on its design with Britain's Rolls-Royce, was considered a long shot because of its relative inexperience in developing fighter aircraft. But Boeing has done work on the B-2 bomber and is building wings for the F-22 fighter.

For Lockheed Martin, based in Bethesda, Md., winning the overall contract would complement its already solid base in fighter construction as the prime contractor on the F-22.

Critics have questioned whether the United States faces a current threat large enough to require such a costly program. By 2005, the United States will have more than 3,000 fighters with the latest technology. That's more than the combined inventories of Russia, China, North Korea, Iran and Iraq.

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