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TODAY'S HEADLINES

TRIP

Reagan Extols Economic Policy -- President Reagan described the November election as a clear choice between his view of "having given government back to the people" and Walter Mondale's "philosophy of bigger government." (Washington Post, Washington Times)

NATIONAL NEWS

Labor Secretary Faces Indictment -- Secretary Donovan notified the White House that a Bronx, N.Y. Grand Jury has indicted him on charges of grand larceny and fraud in connection with a New York City subway project on which his construction company was a major contractor. (Washington Post, Washington Times, Wall Street Journal)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Shultz: 'Long Way' to Israeli Pullout in Southern Lebanon -- Secretary Shultz, amid growing signs of U.S. reluctance to assume a renewed mediation role in Lebanon, said there is "a long way to go" before international arrangements can be made for an Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon. Other State Department officials indicated the U.S. (Washington Post, Washington Times, AP)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY (Monday Evening)

DOVONAN -- What may be new, big trouble for Secretary Donovan, who is tonight under indictment.

CAMPAIGN -- President Reagan turned up the volume a notch in his attack on Mondale's economic program, even as he boasted of his own accomplishments.

VICE PRESIDENT'S PLANE -- The plane came within 3/4 of a mile of a small, private plane.

SUPREME COURT -- The separation of church and state in this country has emerged as one of the dominant issues of the Supreme Court during this term.

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TRIP AND CAMPAIGN NEWS

REAGAN EXTOLS ECONOMIC POLICY

DETROIT -- President Reagan described the November election as a clear choice between his view of "having given government back to the people" and Walter Mondale's "philosophy of bigger government." Before speaking to the Economic Club, the President presided at the swearing-in of 1,548 new U.S. citizens from 82 countries. The largest contingents were 214 from Iran and 167 from Lebanon.
(Lou Cannon, Washington Post, A1)

REAGAN EXTENDS HIS COATTAILS FOR THE PARTY

DETROIT -- President Reagan said the nation might be better off consulting astrologers about the deficit than listening to his Democratic opponents. At least part of Mr. Reagan's foray in Michigan was to help astronaut Jack Lousma in his fight to unseat Sen. Carl Levin, the only Democrat the Republicans believe they have a chance of replacing in the Senate. Later, in Gulfport Miss., President Reagan tailored his speech to the Deep South. "...Vice President Bush and I happen to consider that the South is worth respecting and worth fighting for. We've come here for one reason only -- to win. And we ain't just whistlin' Dixie," he said.
(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A3)

MONDALE CHALLENGES REAGAN'S COMPETENCE

NEW BRUNSWICK, New Jersey -- Walter Mondale, attempting to raise doubts about President Reagan's competence on war-and-peace issues, charged that Reagan's arms control efforts are "doomed" because "he has not mastered what he must know to command his own government and to lead" on foreign policy. In a speech before 2,500 supporters jammed into a movie theater, Mondale praised Reagan's "good intentions" but attacked Reagan's detached governing style and cited specific examples of the President's factual slip-ups on arms control details.
(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A9)

Mondale's advisers believe that the recent bombing in Lebanon and the President's subsequent comments on it have given them an opportunity to raise doubts about his leadership.
(David Espo, AP)

MONDALE CHIDES PRESIDENT FOR BEIRUT 'AILIBIS'

NEW BRUNSWICK -- Walter Mondale, accusing the President of being uninformed, charged Mr. Reagan fails the tests of mastery, command and accountability required by the American people. Ratcheting his foreign-policy attack up another notch, the nominee charged the President is taking refuge in "a parade of alibis" for the terrorist bombing in Lebanon. Mondale told his audiences, "Mr. Reagan has put a sign on his desk saying the 'buck stops everywhere but here.'"
(Alan McConagha, Washington Times, A3)

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WINTER OF DISCONTENT STALKS MONDALE CAMP

Walter Mondale's plight -- based on polling data -- has changed very little since he first began running for the presidency nearly four years ago. His support among Democrats has remained remarkably static. (News Analysis by Ron Cordray, Washington Times, A1)

FERRARO CAMPAIGN

Gannett's John Omichinski: At a huge downtown rally in Raleigh, N.C., Geraldine Ferraro was ticking off reasons why she won't take a back seat to Republicans as a patriot. "When we keep the peace, young men don't die. And that's a patriotic act. When we educate our children, we build our country for the future. And that's a patriotic act." Effervesced by the crowd, Ferraro was at her sassiest, "I'm-gonna-tell-ya-something" best.

BUSH COMPLAINS OF 'CONTINUAL CARPING' FROM OPPOSITION

Vice President Bush, targeting his campaign at the South, is complaining of "continual carping" by Walter Mondale. Describing Mondale as "a frantic Democratic challenger," Bush counterattacked against Mondale's charge that Reagan's meeting with Gromyko had been a failure. Bush called the Reagan-Gromyko meeting "very, very useful," adding that no one had expected "massive breakthroughs." (Terrence Hunt, AP)

NUCLEAR 'HEAT' APPARENTLY OFF REAGAN

SEATTLE -- Judy Tobin -- who has raised \$170,000 here in the last two years by organizing "peace" footraces ("legs against arms") and marathon dances ("give peace a dance") -- and fellow peace activists acknowledge that a curious quiet has settled over the peace issue as it relates to the presidential campaign. Peace activists here search for explanations for the lack of focus on the issue. Some cite infighting left over from the Democratic primaries; some say Mondale is too drab and cautious a candidate; some say Reagan is too congenial; some say it's the result of a tactical decision to zero in on winnable races. (NOTE: This is the first of an occasional series about issues affecting the presidential campaign.) (Paul Taylor, Washington Post, A1)

DEBATES GET MODERATORS

Barbara Walters of ABC and NBC newsman Edwin Newman will moderate the two presidential debates. Sander Vanocur is to moderate the vice presidential debate. The League of Women Voters is not ready to announce the panelists. (Washington Post, A9)

NATIONAL NEWS

LABOR SECRETARY FACES INDICTMENT

Secretary Donovan notified the White House that a Bronx, N.Y. Grand Jury has indicted him on charges of grand larceny and fraud in connection with a New York City subway project on which his construction company was a major contractor. Donovan said he would not resign and had asked President Reagan instead for a leave of absence without pay. He said Reagan had agreed. Some Reagan aides had pressed for resignation.

(George Lardner and David Hoffman, Washington Post, A1)

One key Republican senator said he believed the case was politically motivated. Sen. Hatch told reporters, "It looked like a politically called grand jury."

(Gene Goltz, Washington Times, A1)

As word of Donovan's indictment spread throughout Washington, Mondale campaign officials were hopeful that it would give them fresh evidence for their arguments that a disturbing number of Reagan Administration officials have been accused of misdeeds.

(Leonard Apcar and Cathy Throst, Wall Street Journal, A3)

MUCH OF TERM SPENT REBUTTING ALLEGATIONS

Only Reagan could have forced Donovan out, according to Administration sources, but Reagan, reluctant to believe anything bad about his employes or fire them, likes Donovan personally and has backed him throughout his service.

(Kathy Sawyer and Peter Perl, Washington Post, A4)

HILL VOTES STOPGAP FUNDING BILL

Congress approved an emergency spending bill to keep government offices open through Wednesday as the Senate remained in a legislative quagmire over a civil rights measure holding up passage of long-term funding for the government.

(Helen Dewar and Margaret Shapiro, Washington Post, A1)

SENATE STALLS ON FUNDING GILL RIDERS, BUT INTERIM MONEY KEEPS THINGS GOING

The Senate performed the parliamentary equivalent of a strategic advance to the rear, ending a day of wrangling over the critical catch-all funding bill. Still unresolved as the Senate adjourned last night were major, nongermane amendments on issues such as civil rights, busing and gun control.

(Thomas Brandt, Washington Times, A2)

STAR WARS

Gannett's William Ringle: A noted scientist-philosopher is charging prominent colleagues with circulating "scandalous" and "misleading" cost figures designed to discredit President Reagan's so-called "Star Wars" missile defense. Robert Jastrow, retired director of the Goddard Space Center, directed his fire mainly at the Union of concerned Scientists in a recent talk before the National Strategy Information Center. Jastrow said the figures used to support UCS's argument were incorrect and that UCS had discovered this but failed to publicize it.

DON'T PUNISH CRITIC OF TESTS, LEGISLATORS URGE WEINBERGER

Four members of Congress urged Secretary Weinberger to reward rather than punish a Pentagon weapons tester, James Burton, who charged he was being forced from his job because he tried to stop the Army from rigging tests on its new Bradley armored troop carrier. Reps. Denny Smith (R.-Ore.), Mel LeBine (D.-Calif.), and Sens. David Pryor (D.-Ark.) and Charles Grassley (R.-Iowa) asked the defense secretary to investigate thoroughly the "personnel action taken against Col. Burton." (Walter Andrews, Washington Times, A2)

MEMOS SHOW PROBE KILLED

Sen. Proxmire (D.-Wisc.) released memos showing the Justice Department killed a criminal investigation into allegations of a multimillion-dollar fraud by Newport News Shipping and Dry Dock Co., even though some of the department's lawyers said they had uncovered "conspiracy...staggering in its size and complexity." Stephen Lott, now head of Justice's criminal division, told a Joint Economic subcommittee he could not make criminal investigative materials available under present law. He suggested a "friendly lawsuit" to obtain court guidance that might allow their release. (Washington Post, A5)

BUSH'S PLANE WAS INVOLVED IN NEAR COLLISION

Air Force Two, carrying Vice President Bush and his campaign staff home from Cleveland Sunday evening, came dangerously close to a smaller airplane, apparently because of an air-traffic controller error, FAA officials confirmed. "We dare not downplay what I think is a serious situation," Sen. Exon (D.-Neb.) told FAA Chief Donald Engen. The controller, Engen said, was a 25-year veteran who had been working at his radar screen for seven minutes and, during the incident, was handling four planes, a number generally considered light. (Douglas Feaver, Washington Post, A1)

CREATING A MOUNTAIN OF PAPIER-MACHE OUT OF FOOLSCAP

The Agriculture Department created more paperwork for farmers by expanding a 4-page loan application form to 26 pages, doing so in defiance of a law intended to hold down paperwork, according to a new House committee report. But the panel found on evidence of misconduct in the contracting for the \$1.1M package of new forms and training by Charles Shuman, head of the FHA, and the form's designer. (Jim Drinkard, AP)

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HIGH COURT TO HEAR GAY RIGHTS, OBSCENITY CASES

The Supreme Court, entering the gay rights controversy for the first time in years, agreed to consider whether an Oklahoma law barring schoolteachers from publicly advocating homosexuality violates the right to free speech. The court will also consider obscenity cases from Washington which center on the word "lust." The state passed an obscenity statute in 1982 that said, among other things, that speech that excited "lust" could be banned. A federal appeals court ruled the term "lust" was too broad. (Al Kamen and Fred Barbash, Washington Post, A1)

The Supreme Court is beginning its new term by tackling some complex First Amendment issues. The court said it will decide whether states may force motorists to violate their religious beliefs by having their photographs on their drivers' licenses. The court also decided to take a fresh look at whether federal regulators may ban publication of investment newsletters by a man stripped of his license to be an investment adviser. (James Rubin, AP)

PELTIER CHARGES FBI HID FACTS IN HIS CASE

BISMARCK, North Dakota -- Indian activist Leonard Peltier, championed by the Russians as an "American Sakharov," was back in federal court trying to overturn his conviction in the 1975 murder of two FBI agents. With an observer from Amnesty International in the courtroom and a phalanx of supporters outside marching behind a ceremonial totem pole, Peltier's lawyer asked for a new trial on grounds the FBI had deliberately concealed evidence that cast doubt on the case. "I don't remember this guy Sakharov getting in a firefight where two humans were killed," U.S. Attorney Lynn Crooks said. "I don't remember anything about a Sakharov trial, or appeal, or rehearing, or habeas corpus proceedings." (T.R. Reid, Washington Post, A2)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

UNITED STATES 'FAVORITE TARGET' OF TERRORISTS

The State Department, declaring that the U.S. is terrorism's "favorite target," says at least 70 terrorist attacks last year "probably involved significant state support or participation." Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Dam said in a speech at the White House that more people were killed or injured by international terrorists in 1982 "than in any year in which governments began keeping records (sic.)" Dam said it is the clear aim of terrorists in Lebanon and the rest of the Middle East not just to change U.S. policies but to "destroy diplomacy" in order to "impose their will by force."

(Lawrence Krutson, AP)

TALKS OFFER BY ISRAELIS REJECTED

AMMAN -- King Hussein rejected an Israeli offer for peace talks, calling it "an exercise in subterfuge and deception" designed to buy time to carry out its "expansionist" aims. In an unusually tough speech opening the regular session of the parliament, the king also strongly criticized the U.S. for pursuing policies in the Middle East that "provided Israel with further cause for intransigence."

(Rami Khouri, Washington Post, A1)

SHULTZ: 'LONG WAY' TO ISRAELI PULLOUT IN SOUTHERN LEBANON

NEW YORK -- Secretary Shultz, amid growing signs of U.S. reluctance to assume a renewed mediation role in Lebanon, said there is "a long way to go" before international arrangements can be made for an Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon. Other State Department officials indicated the U.S. is not likely to undertake active mediation unless there is a narrowing of the "major differences" between the government of Israel, Syria and Lebanon that became obvious by the time Assistant Secretary Murphy ended his trip. (Don Oberdorfer, Washington Post, A13)

The Reagan Administration is reluctant to become involved in any new diplomatic effort in Lebanon unless there is a near certainty of success, because of the collapse of the U.S.-arranged troop withdrawal agreement negotiated last year.

(Gregory Nokes, AP)

PHILIPPINE MILITARY ADMITS GUNS WERE USED TO END RALLY

MANILA -- An opposition leader told a parliamentary committee that heavily armed security forces chased protesters "like mad dogs" when they broke up a violent antigovernment rally last week. Military officials admitted guns had been used to break up the rally and announced that two officers who opened fire had been placed under technical arrest pending an investigation.

(UPI)

NICARAGUAN LEADER SAYS ELECTION DATE UNCHANGED

NEW YORK -- Talks over postponing Nicaragua's election date broke down over opposition leaders' refusal to sign a letter to President Reagan urging a change in U.S. policy toward Nicaragua, junta leader Daniel Ortega said. In a 90-minute interview before the opening of the U.N. General Assembly session, where he is to speak Tuesday, Ortega said Nicaragua's presidential election will occur Nov. 4 as scheduled. The Reagan Administration, he said, seeks a delay because it would be easier to justify a military intervention against a government that is not formally elected. Ortega said he continues to fear U.S. military action if Reagan is reelected.

(Don Oberdorfer and Joanne Omang, Washington Post, A12)

MODIFY CONTADORA PLAN, U.S. URGES LATIN ALLIES

The Reagan Administration called Nicaragua's endorsement of a proposed Central America peace treaty "a propaganda ploy" and said the treaty provisions, as they now stand, cannot bring peace and security to the region. At a briefing to explain the U.S. position, a senior State Department official said the U.S. is urging its Central American allies not to reject the proposed pact but to strengthen its provisions in ways that will genuinely limit the size of regional military forces and restrict military activities by countries outside the area.

(John Goshko, Washington Post, A12)

CHINA DISPLAYS MILITARY MIGHT, ESCHEWS MILITARY MOVE ON TAIWAN

PEKING -- China marked its 35th anniversary of Communist rule with a rare display of military strength and a renewed pledge to reunify Taiwan peacefully, highlighting a parade of 500,000 participants celebrating the pragmatic rule of Deng Xiaoping. Western military analysts said most of the equipment was outdated but of good quality.

(Michael Weisskopf, Washington Post, A14)

Deng took an indirect swipe at Mao, saying, "The perverse acts of the counterrevolutionary Gang of Four" have been thoroughly redressed -- a reference to Mao's widow Jiang Qing and three other radical leftists held responsible for upheaval during Mao's Cultural Revolution.

(AP)

U.S. AID REDUCTIONS STIR ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENT IN TURKEY

NICOSIA -- A new anti-American campaign in Turkey is causing concern for Western diplomats trying to shore up the wobbly southeastern flank of NATO. The campaign was triggered by a series of decisions taken in the U.S. Congress, regarded as hostile by the sensitive Turks. It has been the focus of media attention across the political spectrum allowed under Turkey's system of "controlled democracy." Diplomatic dispatches from Ankara speak of the most serious "crisis of confidence" between Turkey and the U.S. since the imposition of an American arms embargo in 1978. Defense Minister Yavuzturk indicated Turkey might refuse U.S. aid if planned congressional cuts went into effect or if strings -- such as conditions for a solution in Cyprus -- were formally attached.

(Andrew Borowiec, Washington Times, A5)

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CHERNENKO'S HEART REPORTED FAILING

BOON -- President Chernenko's heart is weakening and his life is in peril, the newspaper Die Welt said. The paper said the heart condition is aggravating Chernenko's emphysema. The paper also said Bonn officials think Chernenko's health is so bad he will be unable to head the Soviet delegation on Oct. 7 to the East Berlin observances of the 35th anniversary of the founding of the East German state.
(UPI)

S. AFRICA WARNS U.S. NOT TO GIVE 6 ASYLUM

JOHANNESBURG -- PM Botha issued a strong warning to the U.S. not to give sanctuary to the six men who have taken refuge in the British Consulate in Durban. Botha said that any indication Washington was looking favorably on appeals for asylum would be "tantamount to encouraging the commission of an unlawful act in South Africa." However, Pretoria dropped charges against three of the six men, and averted a possible showdown with Britain.
(Michael Sullivan, Washington Times, A5)

BARBADOS OFFICIAL RIPS U.S. PROTECTIONISM

BRIDGETOWN -- The Caribbean Basin Initiative is more promise than performance, with protectionist American special interests jeopardizing President Reagan's concept for launching West Indian prosperity, says Louis Tull, Barbados' foreign minister and attorney general. In an interview with the Washington Times, Tull said of the CBI that "the Reagan concept was good, but there is a gap between promise and performance." He particularly scored "creeping American protectionism."
(Russell Howe, Washington Times, A6)

BALDRIGE SAYS PRESIDENT MAY VETO TRADE MEASURE

Secretary Baldrige raised the possibility of a presidential veto of a wide-ranging trade bill that he said "could end us up in some kind of trade war" and cost more jobs than it would save. The bill, being rushed to clear Congress before the session is due to end this week, turned into a legislative Christmas tree as congressmen and senators added protectionist measures to two provisions the Administration wants passed: an extension of duty-free imports for developing countries and free trade for Israel.
(Stuart Auerbach, Washington Post, D1)

EDITOR'S NOTE: Donnie Radcliffe's article, "Of Wine and Vodka: The Reagan-Gromyko Lunch," appears on page E1 (Style section) of The Washington Post.

CANDIDATES SCHEDULES

(UPI) -- Schedules for the presidential and vice presidential candidates for Tuesday, Oct. 2, and tentative schedules for the week ahead.

Walter Mondale:

Tuesday, Oct. 2: 9:30 a.m. departs D.C. residence for Nat'l Aprt. 10:40 a.m. departs Washington National Airport for Little Rock, Ark. Noon CDT arrives Little Rock Adams Aprt., Central Flying Service Term. 12:15 p.m. departs airport for Excelsior Hotel, Little Rock. 2:30 p.m. private meeting, hotel. 1 p.m. addresses National Rural Electric Association regional meeting, exhibition hall No. 2. 1:45 p.m. departs hall for private meeting in hotel. 2:25 p.m. departs for Adams Airport. 2:40 p.m. arrives airport. 3:10 p.m. departs for Washington. 6:35 p.m. arrives National Airport and goes to residence for overnight.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, Thursday, Oct. 4 and Friday, Oct. 5: private meetings in Washington.

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Geraldine Ferraro:

Tuesday, Oct. 2: 7:10 a.m. EDT departs Radisson Hotel, Raleigh, N.C., for Raleigh airport. 8 a.m. departs for Rockford, Ill. 8:45 a.m. CDT arrives Greater Rockford Airport. 9:25 a.m. tour and rally, the Chrysler-Belvedere Plant, 300 W. Chrysler. 10:05 a.m. private time in the plant. 10:20 a.m. press availability, plant lobby. 11:05 a.m. departs for Rockford Airport. 11:45 a.m. departs for Nashville, Tenn. 1 p.m. CDT arrives Nashville airport. 1:45 p.m. rally, Vanderbilt University. 2:20 p.m. departs for Hyatt Hotel. 2:30 private time, hotel. 6:30 p.m. departs for private reception in Nashville. 6:50 p.m. arrives reception. 7:15 p.m. departs reception for Hyatt Hotel and overnights there.

Wednesday, Oct. 3: 7:30 a.m. CDT departs Hyatt Hotel for Nashville airport. 8:15 a.m. departs for Atlanta. 10:15 a.m. EDT Arrives Atlanta airport. 10:55 a.m. private time, Omni Hotel, Atlanta. 12:05 p.m. departs hotel for Central City Park, Atlanta. 12:15 p.m. rally, Central City Park. 1 p.m. departs for Atlanta airport. 1:30 p.m. arrives airport. 2:05 p.m. departs Atlanta for Memphis, Tenn. 2:05 p.m. CDT arrives Memphis Airport. 2:50 p.m. rally with Jesse Jackson, Memphis State University Field House. 3:20 p.m. departs for hotel. 3:40 p.m. private time, hotel. 4:05 p.m. departs for Memphis airport. 4:50 p.m. departs for Dayton, Ohio. 7 p.m. EDT arrives Dayton airport. 7:45 p.m. private time in Dayton. Overnights at the Ramada Inn.

Thursday, Oct. 4: Morning tour and rally, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Afternoon departs Dayton for Harrisburg, Pa.

CANDIDATES SCHEDULES (continued)

President Reagan:

Tuesday, Oct. 2: Campaigns in Brownsville, Texas, Corpus Christi, Texas, and Houston.

7:30 p.m. CDT attends fund-raiser dinner, East Hall, Albert Thomas Convention Center, Houston.

Overnights in Houston.

Wednesday, Oct. 3: Returns to White House and prepares for presidential debate.

Thursday, Oct. 4: Staff meetings, White House; prepares for debate.

Friday, Oct. 5: Staff meetings; poses for photos with Republican members of Congress; flies to Camp David.

Saturday, Oct. 6: Camp David.

Sunday, Oct. 7: Early afternoon Departs Camp David for Louisville, Ky. Evening League of Women Voter presidential debate, Louisville.

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Vice President George Bush:

Tuesday, Oct. 2: 12:45 p.m. CDT rally, recreation room, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas.

1:20 p.m. Press availability at the university.

3 p.m. departs for Houston.

4:45 p.m. arrives Houston.

7:30 p.m. joins Reagan for fund-raiser dinner, East Hall, Albert Thomas Convention Center, Houston.

Overnights Houston

Wednesday, Oct. 3: 7:40 a.m. CDT departs Houston for Little Rock Ark., where he has an unspecified event.

Afternoon departs for Tulsa, Okla.

5:30 p.m. CDT Rally, Bartlett Square, Tulsa.

Overnights tulsa.

Thursday, Oct. 4: 8:10 a.m. CDT Press availability, Westin Hotel, Williams Plaza, Tulsa.

8:50 a.m. departs for Washington.

Afternoon goes to Memphis, Tenn. and has a rally there in the late afternoon.

NEWS FROM THE STATES

JACKSON, Miss. (UPI) -- Gov. Bill Allain said Monday President Reagan's campaign for re-election is apparently more important than hearing the concerns of Mississippians over the possible location of a nuclear waste repository in the southern part of the state. But Allain said Reagan's refusal to meet with him during a visit to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Monday night would not deter his efforts to exact an "absolute veto promise" from the federal government. Allain had asked for a private meeting with Reagan to discuss nuclear waste storage during the president's overnight stay at Gulfport. He sought the face-to-face meeting after Democratic presidential nominee Walter Mondale promised the governor that, if elected, no nuclear waste would be stored in Mississippi against state officials' wishes. Allain expressed disappointment over Reagan's refusal to meet with him for a second time. "I am very disappointed that the president does not realize the importance of this issue for the people of Mississippi," said the governor. "We believe there is no more important issue -- especially in southern Mississippi -- than granting us the absolute veto power over storage of nuclear waste within our borders."

Allain said it was the second time he had requested a meeting with the president and had been told that Reagan's schedule would not permit. He said the latest request had been made before final details of the trip were completed. Since the president was staying overnight, Allain said he felt Reagan "could manage a few minutes to discuss such a serious issue" with the state's Chief Executive. "Apparently, he felt that campaigning was more important than hearing of the concerns of the people of Mississippi or discussing them with our local press," the governor said. "President Reagan's reluctance to talk about nuclear waste in Mississippi will not keep us from continuing to request a meeting with him to plead for the absolute veto over nuclear waste disposal that he gave to Louisiana," Allain said. "I hope we will eventually be successful in our efforts, for the sake of all Mississippians."

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- The City of Biloxi and 70 of Mississippi's 82 counties, where unemployment has remained 10 percent or higher, have been designated "labor surplus" areas by Secretary of Labor Raymond J. Donovan. Donovan announced in a release Monday that employers in the areas will be given preference in obtaining federal contracts for the entire fiscal year which began Oct. 1. He said, however, eligible employers must agree to perform at least 51 percent of the contract work within the designated areas.

GULFPORT, Miss. (UPI) -- State GOP leaders are predicting a huge turnout late today when President Reagan visits the Mississippi Gulf Coast for what is being billed as an "old fashioned rally," marking his first trip to the state during the 1984 campaign. State Sen. Bob Usey of Gulfport, chairman of the state's Republican Elected Officials, said he wouldn't be surprised to see 40,000 to 50,000 people on hand the rally at Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park in Gulfport.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

DETROIT (UPI) -- President Reagan said he felt a kinship with Detroit Tigers' manager Sparky Anderson, currently among the most popular people in Detroit, and there was no doubt he'd hit the right note with the crowd. In fact, if there was any sure applause-getter Monday at Reagan's Detroit appearance, which included his wearing of a Detroit Tigers' baseball cap, it was any mention of the American League Eastern division champions. "I feel a kinship with Sparky Anderson. We both took over struggling teams," he said to applause and laughter.

DETROIT (UPI) -- President Reagan Monday welcomed 1,548 new citizens from 82 countries at the largest naturalization ceremony ever held in Michigan, saying "the American dream is reborn" in their choice. "Of all the things a president does, nothing is as rewarding as events such as this," he said. "This is a ceremony of renewal. With you, today, the American dream is reborn." T. D. Nguyen of Ypsilanti, a Vietnamese native doing graduate work at the University of Michigan, said it was "very exciting" having the president speak at his swearing-in. Raymond Asuam of Saginaw, formerly of the Philippines, did not know the president would be at the ceremony until Monday but his presence made it special. "Sure did," he said. "I'm for the president."

Nabil Isho of Warren, who came from Iraq more than five years ago, called it a "great honor."

"I'm very delighted," he said. "I wish I'd had my camera. I'd have taken some pictures of this. I always liked him," Isho said. "He's a good president. He's got my vote."

DETROIT (UPI) -- U.S. Sen. Carl Levin has a 20-point lead over his Republican challenger and the tax-cutting Voter's Choice amendment is favored by voters 39-31 percent with 30 percent undecided, a copyright poll in the Detroit Free Press said today. The pollsters said although Levin has a significant lead over Lousma, the race is still fluid and that a strong showing by Reagan could enable Lousma to win the Nov. 6 election. "...analysis of strength of support in the Senate race suggests that Levin's lead is vulnerable, should there be a significant Reagan coattail effect in November," said James Shriver, Gallup Organization vice-president. Officials from both campaigns said they expected the race to tighten considerably before the election. "Reagan's popularity and the big Republican money pouring into Lousma's campaign should enable him to close the gap despite the lack of governmental and political experience," Levin's campaign manager, Robert O'Leary said.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

DEMOCRAT DISLIKES SCHOOL BANDS GREETING REAGAN

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (UPI) — A Democratic legislator is objecting to school officials allowing members of three high school bands to miss classes and entertain at a political rally where President Ronald Reagan will speak Tuesday afternoon. "It's absurd and outrageous that the school district is allowing this to happen," said Rep. Eddie Cavazos, D-Corpus Christi, a leader of the Mexican-American Democrats organization. "What we're looking at is 500 kids missing school all day when they should be taking six-week exams," Cavazos said. Cavazos said he had been contacted by about 20 parents upset that their children would miss classes to perform at the Reagan rally at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday. He said, however, that the superintendent of the school district and principals of the three high schools refused demands to cancel the bands' appearance. The lawmaker also claimed that allowing the band members to perform at the rally violates House Bill 72, passed by the special session of the legislature to regulate extracurricular activities and absences in school. He said he was trying to contact Attorney General Jim Mattox for a ruling on legality of the class dismissals. At Brownsville, Reagan advance man Mark Hatfield Jr. said even more bands would be playing at the Texas Southmost College rally. "We're going to make history. We're going to have six high school bands play 'Hail to the Chief' simultaneously" Hatfield said.

Brownsville superintendent Tom Keller said because of the new state law, all the students participating in the rally will receive unexcused absences. Ron Miziker, a Reagan advance man in Corpus Christi, said Monday the swing probably would be the president's only campaign trip through South Texas.

"I think it very well could be his first and last stop to South Texas," Miziker said. "It's only a few weeks before the election and there's a lot of stops that have to be made before then. They (Reagan campaign) feel Corpus Christi is an important stop and I think this will be their only time between now and the election that he'll be here."

In the Lower Rio Grande Valley, United Farmworkers Union spokeswoman Juanita Valdez Cox said about 100 members of her group plan a demonstration at Brownsville, but was not sure the protesters would be allowed within Reagan's vision.

"We would have wanted him to visit some of the colonias (unincorporated shanty towns) and talk to the farmworkers," Cox said. "It's an embarrassment, with the very high unemployment we have, to drop by only when he's running for reelection. We've had him nearly four years. Where's he been?" Lindy McDonald, Republican campaign coordinator in the Valley, said it was unfair to blame Reagan for high unemployment brought on by Mexico's peso devaluation and a crop-killing freeze last Christmas. He said Reagan's disaster declaration resulted in millions of dollars being sent to the Valley. Jim Drake, a leader of the Valley InterFaith organization, said it unsuccessfully sought to set up a meeting with the president during his visit.

SAN ANTONIO (UPI) -- U.S. Senate candidates Phil Gramm and Lloyd Doggett Monday pleaded their cases on education issues, with Gramm calling for local control of public schools and Doggett arguing for federal involvement.

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NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) -- Republican congressional candidate Bob Lockard Monday said his campaign to unseat 4th District incumbent Rep. Neal Smith will get help from President Reagan this week. Lockard said he has been invited to a rally with Reagan in Washington Thursday in which the president will stress the contrasts between the Republican and Democratic candidates. Lockard said Reagan will discuss the importance of electing Lockard and other Republican candidates because "the president cannot do it alone and he will ask the American people to give him the support in Congress he needs."

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) -- An Iowa farm group Monday warned the Environmental Protection Agency to act carefully in instituting lower standards for leaded gasoline within the next two years.

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) -- Most of Iowa's congressmen have been taking larger amounts of campaign money from political action committees and growing ever more indebted to the special interest groups, a citizens group charged Monday.

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- Massey-Ferguson Inc.'s application for a \$5.8 million grant to help move facilities from Racine, Wis., to Des Moines, Iowa, Monday was rejected by the federal Housing and Urban Development Department. The grant was the subject of a bitter lobbying effort between Wisconsin and Iowa lawmakers.

ST. LOUIS (UPI) -- A statewide poll released Monday shows Democrat Kenneth J. Rothman cutting into John Ashcroft's big lead in the Missouri governor's race, and even pulling ahead of the Republican in the Kansas City area. The poll done for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and KMOX radio gives Ashcroft a 46-to-35 percent lead over Rothman. Eighteen percent of the respondents said they were undecided.

CHICAGO (UPI) -- Sen. Charles Percy and Democratic challenger Paul Simon are running neck and neck in the U.S. Senate race, while President Reagan has a commanding lead over Walter Mondale, the latest Chicago Tribune polls show. The survey was conducted Sept. 19-23 after a media blitz by both candidates and was reported in Monday's editions of the Tribune. It shows Percy retaining favor of those who believe controlling inflation and reducing the federal deficit are primary concerns facing the nation. Those favoring Simon believe unemployment and education are most important. A Tribune poll released Sunday also shows Reagan is preferred even by voters who disagree with him on the issues -- a paradox which has consistently shown up in polls throughout Reagan's administration and indicates the depth of his personal popularity, The Tribune said in Sunday's editions. Reagan's lead in Illinois is smaller than in recent nationwide polls, reflecting the belief, shared by Democrats and Republicans, that this state will be tougher for Reagan because of high unemployment, a troubled farm economy and increased registration of black voters.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., heaped criticism on his Republican opponent, Congressman Ed Bethune, for staying in Arkansas to campaign while Congress went about its business without him. "The 2nd District no longer has a congressman in Washington. He has missed 84 percent of the roll call votes in the House of Representatives since Labor Day," Pryor said at a news conference in Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- A committee of former supporters of Sen. Gary Hart, D-Colo., who lost his bid for the Democratic nomination to Walter Mondale last summer, said members were working for Mondale and urging all Democrats to back the candidate.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., said a "lax sense of security" about embassies abroad had precluded safeguards that might have prevented a second bombing of the U.S. Embassy compound in Beirut, in which two Americans died. "I don't want to blame President Reagan for this, and I certainly don't want to blame President Carter. The blame basically is a lax sense of security around our embassies."

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- Republican congressional candidate Judy Petty says it was ridiculous for Democratic presidential nominee Walter Mondale to propose a tax increase in the face of mounting reports of wasteful government spending. "I found it absolutely incredible that, with a straight face, he could look into a camera and promise the American people he would raise taxes," she said. "President Reagan has said repeatedly no new taxes, no new taxes. I think it is an absolute certainty that if people elect Democrats to Congress, there will be a tax increase. If they elect Republicans to office, there will not be a tax increase."

WHEELING, W.Va. (UPI) -- Republican senatorial hopeful John Raese says he asked President Reagan to limit foreign steel imports, days before Democratic rival Jay Rockefeller accused him of favoring imports. Raese said he hand-delivered a letter to Reagan on Sept. 13, in which he stated: "Mr. President, I believe in free trade as you do, but when we see documented evidence that Argentina, Brazil, South Korea, Mexico, Spain, and others are subsidizing their steel imports to this country, it's time we stand up and demand fair trade."

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DONOVAN (ALL NETS LEAD)

ABC's Peter Jennings: A member of the President's cabinet, Secretary of Labor Ray Donovan, has been indicted by a County Grand Jury in New York. The indictments, according to Administration sources, involve a New Jersey construction company which Donovan once headed. Six other company officials were also reportedly indicted. Details from Michael Connor.

ABC's Michael Connor: Donovan testified before the Bronx Grand Jury only last week and afterwards said he was confident he would not be indicted. (TV coverage of Donovan: "I sure hope that this is the last news conference that I'm going to have to attend with you people on this subject.") But that, it appears, may not be the case. The Grand Jury was investigating Donovan's former company, Schiavone Construction of New Jersey, and the firm's involvement in this New York City construction project. The probe, said to have involved charges that Schiavone mis-appropriated up to \$8 million by lying about its relationship to a minority sub-contractor. The charges had been investigated before in 1982 by a special federal prosecutor who said then that there was insufficient evidence to indict Donovan. It's not known what new evidence may have emerged. For his part, Donovan said last week that he had voluntarily taken a private lie detector test in Chicago only weeks ago on questions related to the Grand Jury probe. That test, said Donovan, indicated that he was telling the truth and not guilty of any wrongdoing.

Jennings: Late today in Washington, Senator Orrin Hatch, the Republican chairman of the Senate Labor Committee, and a long-time defender of Secretary Donovan, reacted to reports of his indictment. (TV coverage: Hatch: "And it looked to me as though that was a very political Grand Jury, or at least a very politically-caused Grand Jury, at this particular time, so all I can say is I feel sorry for Ray Donovan who has given all this time to our country, and, of course, has been a good Secretary of Labor, who has to go through it once again, and I have no doubt that he'll come through it just fine.")

CBS's Dan Rather: What may be new, big trouble tonight for President Reagan's Labor Secretary Raymond Donovan. Two years after a special Federal prosecutor found insufficient credible evidence of a crime, just a week after Donovan told a New York Grand Jury he did nothing wrong when he headed a local construction firm, CBS News reporter Rita Braver, in Washington, has learned that Labor Secretary Raymond Donovan is tonight under indictment.

CBS's Rita Braver: CBS News has learned that Labor Secretary Raymond Donovan has been indicted by a Bronx, New York Grand Jury in connection with his role in an alleged scheme to lie to the government about how contract funds were spent. A spokesman for Donovan tonight said that the Labor Secretary is aware that he is under indictment but would not comment further. No one in the Bronx District Attorney's office would comment, either. But attorneys for the Secretary's construction company, Schiavone, say that the company has been informed it has been (continued on next page)

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Rita Braver (cont.): indicted on 137 counts involving an alleged plan to get around the government requirement to give 10 percent of a contract to minority sub-contractors. The charge is that Schiavone told the government it was paying \$8 million more to a sub-contractor, called Jopel's (sp) than it really was paid. An attorney for Schiavone tonight charged it was a political action, saying, "We don't think the public will have any difficulty in assessing the motive, timing and substance of this action. In my opinion, we cannot achieve dismissal before the election." Last week Donovan testified before the Grand Jury and claimed total innocence of any of the charges.

Rather: President Reagan's reaction tonight, and I quote, "I don't have enough information on it yet. I trust in his integrity." And then, in response to a reporter's question, the President said he, quote, "retains full confidence" in Donovan.

NBC's Tom Brokaw: NBC News has learned tonight that Labor Secretary Raymond Donovan has been indicted by a New York State Grand Jury on criminal charges. The indictment involves Donovan's relationship with the Schiavone Construction Company of New Jersey. Donovan is part-owner and so far as we have been able to find out, he is the first sitting member of a cabinet to be indicted on criminal charges.

NBC's James Polk: Only a week after Donovan testified before a Bronx Grand Jury, his lawyers say they were notified by prosecutors today Donovan has been indicted. The 137-count indictment says his construction company falsified the books on a New York City subway project. The charges in state court involve the subway tunnel begun five years ago before Donovan joined the Reagan Cabinet. By Federal law, the company was supposed to pay 10 percent of the contract to a minority-owned sub-contractor. The indictment says Donovan's company falsified the figures on what it actually paid. That minority firm was run by a mob figure, William Masselli, now in prison. Records show Donovan co-signed the first \$200,000 check to that firm. The head of the Schiavone Construction Company, Ronald Schiavone, and six other employees also have been indicted, according to Defense lawyers. The Labor Secretary is still a part-owner of the company. Lawyers say the indictment includes one count of grand larceny, 125 counts of submitting false documents, and 11 counts of making false statements. Donovan and the other company officials have been asked by the prosecutors to surrender tomorrow morning at 8 a.m. at the Bronx County Court House in New York.

Brokaw: Jim, earlier the Special Prosecutor looked into similar questions to this with Donovan and cleared him up at that time. What's the difference in this case?

Polk: Yes, the Special Prosecutor found nothing to prosecute under Federal law in much the same allegations, so this might well be a weak case, but the indictment is still sealed. It will not be made public in court until tomorrow morning, so only then might we find out whether the Bronx prosecutor has uncovered any new evidence.

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Brokaw: The Bronx prosecutor is aggressive and he's also a well-known Democrat. Is there a possibility of some political connection here?

Polk: Donovan said when he emerged from his testimony before the Grand Jury last week that this is a witch-hunt, and the indictment does come only about a month before the election. Donovan's lawyers say the timing is political, but the Bronx prosecutors say that the five-year time limit for bringing any prosecution was about to run out, and so they had to file the charges now.

Brokaw: And what about Donovan's immediate future?

Polk: Well, this does make him a political question mark. As you said, this is the first time in American history that a member of the President's cabinet has been indicted while in office. Our sources say, at the least, Donovan is expected to ask to take a leave of absence from office, and he may choose to resign.

CAMPAIGN

Rather: In advance of their first head-to-head debate next Sunday, President Reagan and Walter Mondale dueled by long-distance today on the campaign trail. President Reagan suggested that Mr. Mondale wasn't qualified to decide the fate of the economy. Mondale suggested Mr. Reagan wasn't qualified to cope with the fate of the Earth.

CBS's Bill Plante: President Reagan turned up the volume a notch in his attack on Walter Mondale's economic program, even as he boasted of his own accomplishments. Mr. Reagan sounded a new tone of ridicule as he challenged Mondale's predictions. (TV coverage of President: "My opponent, who opposed our tax program, said it would be murderously inflationary before inflation went down; said there would be no recovery before recovery began, and then said recovery would be only anemic before the strongest economic expansion in thirty years, and now says there's no denying that the deficit must be reduced with tax increases. We might be better off if we consulted astrologers about what the deficit will be in 1989." - applause) Mr. Reagan held to his tough line. When asked in a brief question and answer session whether the U.S. and the USSR would become friends following his meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko... (TV coverage of President: "I don't know whether we can become friends, or whether that's important. We made it very plain we don't like their system, they don't like ours. We're not out to change their system and they better not try to change ours.") The President's campaign advisers say that his tougher rhetoric is not a reaction to Mondale, but part of the plan as October begins and the first debate nears. Aides claim that they thought that Mondale would begin to pick up steam by now. They say that hasn't happened yet, but just to be on the safe side, Mr. Reagan is sticking to the script.

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CBS's Bob Schieffer: In New Brunswick, New Jersey, Walter Mondale was talking tough, too, but with a different twist -- specifically that Ronald Reagan has made a mess of foreign policy. He set a partisan crowd cheering when he referred to charges in a new book which suggests the President is woefully uninformed about nuclear issues. (TV coverage of Mondale: "You can dream all you want, but if you believe that nuclear missiles can be recalled after they've launched, as Mr. Reagan did, you won't lead toward a safer world.") Mondale's charge today was that the President isn't paying attention to detail and that's left foreign policy adrift. (TV coverage of Mondale: "In Central America there are no talks, in the Middle East there is no policy; in Lebanon there was no protection, and on Earth there is no arms control.") It was one of Mondale's sharpest attacks yet, and in Akron, Ohio, his running mate jabbed just as hard at the same theme. (TV coverage of Ferraro: "More Marines have been killed in Lebanon in the last 17 months than anywhere else since Vietnam. The first incident was a tragedy, the second shows neglect, and the third is a disgrace.") All this is just prelude to the presidential debate on Sunday but in the meantime, the Mondale people say, the sharp attacks will continue. (CBS-2)

ABC's Sam Donaldson: The President's campaign day began in Detroit, where he watched over 1500 people become American citizens. (TV coverage: President watching as crowd takes oath of citizenship.) "You join a happy country that is happier for your presence," Mr. Reagan told the new citizens. Later, in the next room, before the Detroit Economic Club, composed of some of the area's most well-heeled citizens, Mr. Reagan suggested it was also a safer country, because of his Friday meeting with FM Gromyko. (TV coverage: President Reagan: "Oh, what was it like to meet Mr. Gromyko. Were my talks constructive and do I think we could become friends -- I don't know whether we could become friends, or whether that's important -- but I think the talk was very constructive and all of us in Washington are very encouraged by the outcome of those talks. We made it very plain. We don't like their system. They don't like ours. We're not out to change their system, and they better not try to change ours.") The question on the Gromyko meeting was one of three questions Mr. Reagan answered. The others were on auto industry protection and the World Series. But reporters tried to ask him about Sec. Shultz's Sunday comment that he, Shultz, would, if demanded, take the responsibility for the Beirut bombing. (TV coverage: President at airport.) From Detroit, the President flew to Mississippi. The President believes his meeting with Gromyko is both a diplomatic and a political plus. And, from the standpoint of politics, which is what the day is all about, he was happy to discuss it. But Lebanon is another matter. Lebanon is clearly a political minus -- and on that subject, Mr. Reagan had nothing new to say. (ABC-3)

ABC's Brit Hume: President Reagan may be reluctant to blame himself for the Beirut embassy bombing, but Mondale is not, and today he ridiculed the President for refusing to take responsibility for the incident. (TV coverage: Mondale in New Brunswick: "Harry Truman had that sign on his desk that says The Buck Stops Here. Mr. Reagan should put a sign on his desk that says The Buck Stops Everywhere -- But Here.") Mondale spoke at a crowded indoor rally in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

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Hume continues: This is a state he won in the primaries, but which polls show him losing badly to Mr. Reagan now . His speech was an across-the-board -- indeed, across-the-globe -- indictment of the President on foreign policy. (Mondale continues: "In Central America, there are no talks. In the Middle East, there is no policy. In Lebanon, there was no protection. And on earth, there is no arms control. You can dream of the lion lying down with the lamb, but if you don't learn that most Soviet missiles are on land-base, as Mr. Reagan didn't bother to learn, then your efforts at arms control are doomed.") By nightfall, Mondale was back in Washington. He will spend much of the rest of the week here, preparing for Sunday's debate, in which he hopes to keep Mr. Reagan where he thinks he has him now -- on the defensive. (ABC-4)

Brokaw: President Reagan and Walter Mondale today made some of the sharpest attacks of their campaigns. Mondale focused on what he called Reagan's incompetence, zeroing in on his misstatements about nuclear weapons. (TV coverage: Mondale in N.J.: "You can dream all you want, but if you believe that nuclear missiles can be recalled after they've launched, as Mr. Reagan did, you won't lead toward a safer world. You don't learn that most Soviet missiles are on land-base, as Mr. Reagan didn't bother to learn, then your efforts at arms control are doomed.") And, for his part, Reagan said Mondale would lead this country back to economic despair. (TV coverage: The President in Detroit: "There are two things we do know that are not a matter of prediction: first, my opponent is committed to large spending increases -- and a tax increase equivalent to \$1800 per household. Second, those policies, which he supported all his political life, gave America an economic hangover that we must never, ever suffer through again.") (NBC-10)

AIR FORCE II

Jennings: Vice President Bush has been campaigning back and forth across the country, and we learned today that yesterday over Cleveland, his plane -- they call it Air Force II -- came within 3/4 of a mile of a small, private plane. They were separated by 500 feet -- in terms of altitude -- and, although close, that distance does not constitute a near-miss. But it was close enough to prompt an investigation by the FAA.

(ABC-5, CBS-7, NBC-11)

DEBATES

Jennings: The League of Women Voters today named the moderators for the upcoming Presidential and Vice Presidential debates. The Presidential debate this Sunday and October 21 will be moderated by Barbara Walters of ABC and retired NBC newsman Edwin Newman. ABC's Sander Vanocur will moderate the Vice Presidential debate on October 11. (CBS-3, ABC-6)

SUPREME COURT

Brokaw: The separation of church and state in this country has emerged as one of the dominant issues of the Supreme Court during this term.

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DEBATES (continued)

NBC's Carl Stern: What's made the difference this term is strong legal work by the Reagan Administration in support of religious groups, and Sandra Day O'Connor, whose vote has consistently tilted the Court in favor of religious claims. Experts predict the Court will let local communities do as they wish. Increasingly the Court is talking about accommodation of church and state -- a word we may be hearing more of if President Reagan gets to name two or three more justices to the Court. (NBC-9)

CBS's Fred Graham: One or two new Reagan appointments could swing the Court to his conservative view on four crucial issues: restricting women's abortion rights, allowing prayer in public schools, limiting school busing to achieve racial balance, and outlawing racial quotas in affirmative action. This has prompted the Democrats to raise cries of alarm -- but Reagan's strategists see the Court as a positive issue on the Republican side. (CBS-6)

ABC's Tim O'Brien: As demonstrators outside the Court today illustrate, the focus of this term is likely to be Civil Rights. (ABC-2)

SPENDING BILL

Jennings: Even though most of the Federal Government officially ran out of money at midnight last night, Washington didn't shut down today. The House and Senate this afternoon passed an interim bill to keep things running for three days. In the meantime, the politicians will continue to debate civil rights legislation which has blocked passage of a long-term financing package. (ABC-12)

MAFIA SWEEP

Brokaw: Federal authorities tonight are involved in a nationwide Mafia sweep -- one of the biggest roundups ever of suspected organized crime figures. They're doing all this in coordination with Italian authorities who have turned a godfather into a stool pigeon. (NBC-2, CBS-4)

ORTEGA

Brokaw: The Sandinistas have decided to sell Ortega to the American media -- that's the theme of a secret Sandinista document the Associated Press says was leaked to the American embassy in Nicaragua. Ortega is in New York to speak to the United Nations, and NBC News. He said Nicaraguan elections would be held in November as scheduled, even though opposition leaders and the U.S. want a delay. (TV coverage: Ortega interviewed on tape, through translator, by Brokaw --) Is your country about to accept MIG fighter planes from the Soviet Union?

Ortega: We'd like to have airplanes, so that we can defend ourselves, regardless of their manufacturer. We would even like to have North American-made planes. Nicaragua needs airplanes for its defense, due to the aerial attacks that it is suffering. The type of airplane or the country that produces it is secondary. The best thing would be to eliminate these fighter planes from Central America. (NBC-7)

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EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

BEIRUT BOMBING

The Face of Terror -- "Let civilized leaders everywhere re-dedicate themselves to the proposition that they will resist, with all the legal means at their disposal, terrorism and the demands of terrorists. In the Middle East, Arab terrorists obviously believe that if they blow up enough innocent human beings, they will bring about a complete U.S. withdrawal, the collapse of Israel and the spread of Islamic fanaticism. President Reagan vows this won't happen, and we wholeheartedly support his stand."
(Los Angeles Herald, 9/21)

Security, Again -- "...State Department personnel should have been less concerned with limiting the damage bombers could do than with keeping terrorists in trucks from rolling through...The decision to assign Lebanese militiamen that task, whether in hopes of a self-fulfilling prophecy of mutual faith or in response to the charge that Marine visibility invited attack, was a wrong one. No matter how friendly the neighborhood, the security of an American embassy, particularly in a nation so troubled as Lebanon, should be entrusted to the training, judgment and loyalty of Americans. Neither the hope that foreign nationals will rise to the occasion nor the happenstance that brought British security men to the Embassy Annex will suffice."
(Richmond Times-Dispatch, 9/27)

Embassy Safety Should Not Be Political Issue -- "The vulnerability of U.S. embassies around the world is the natural outgrowth of a calculated policy which has been followed by every president in modern history. That policy dictates that our embassies abroad should reflect the open nature of American society. It may be that the time has come to rethink that policy. The increasing use of suicidal bombings as a weapon by fanatical terrorists may leave us no alternative. But such a decision should not be made in an atmosphere of finger-pointing and blame-laying, nor should it become a factor in a political campaign. Unless and until the United States is prepared to withdraw completely from countries like Lebanon, it is pointless to argue about the effectiveness of 'assertive leadership.' And Walter Mondale knows that." (Durwood McAlister, Atlanta Journal, 9/26)

TAXES

A Visit to the Welfare State -- "Americans can learn a lot from the Swedish experience. We should not seek comfort in the fact that our government only takes 44% of our earnings; on the way to 67% the Swedes went through 44%. We should not seek comfort in the political rhetoric of 'taxes on business and corporations.' That, too, is the rhetoric of the Swedish Social Democrats who levy taxes on businesses only to have the tax passed on to consumers in the form of higher and higher prices. Neither should we listen to calls for less military spending in exchange for more social spending. The Swedes spend vast amounts for social programs and cannot detect, much less prevent, Soviet submarines from violating their territorial waters to gather vital intelligence and land hundreds of Soviet KGB agents on their shores. What we should listen to are the combined lessons of private property and limited government that made us a nation of unprecedented prosperity, freedom and strength."
(Walter E. Williams, Cincinnati Enquirer, 9/25)

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FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION TO REAGAN/GROMYKO MEETING

Struggle Over Kremlin's Policy -- "So what now? Perhaps the leadership changes likely soon in Moscow will result in a more flexible and positive response to Washington's peace overtures, with the Kremlin opting for negotiations and President Reagan's 'fair deal.' But the West would not be wise to expect any rapid change in Soviet hostility." (London Times)

Talks Last Nail in Mondale Coffin -- "It is equally clear that Mr. Reagan's reelection campaign staff sees the talks as probably the last nail in the coffin of Mr. Walter Mondale." (Daily Telegraph, Great Britain)

Russians See Merit in Dialogue -- "If...the United States sincerely seeks a safer world, Reagan is going to have to swap rhetoric for sustained attention to foreign policy for the first time in his Presidency." (Observer, Great Britain)

Long Way to Go Before Detente -- "The fact that the U.S. President decided to call on Nixon and Kissinger to prepare the meeting confirms a 'new' perspective at the White House...." (Liberation, France)

Hope Was Disappointed -- "The conclusion of diplomatic observers is that the positions of the two countries have not changed for the immediate future, although some believe that the White House claims that the atmosphere has improved and the fruit will be seen later may not be without merit." (Corriere della Sera, Milan, Italy)

No Love At First Sight -- "The Friday meeting at the White House did not bring about any immediate disarmament or love at first sight, but, otherwise, it was a very useful meeting in today's world which is deeply interested in a dialogue between the superpowers." (Helsingin Sanomat, Finland)

No Changes in U.S. Policy -- "Andrei Gromyko's conversation with Ronald Reagan...does not allow one, regrettably, to draw a conclusion about practical positive changes in the U.S. Administration's foreign policy course." (Pravda, Soviet Union)

Not Clear How Much Progress Made -- "Though it is not clear how much progress has been made in the meeting in discussing issues...there are many observers here in Washington who place more meaning on the fact that Gromyko came to Washington to meet with President Reagan rather than on the progress made during the meeting." (Dona Ilbo, South Korea)

Election Concerns vs. Posturing as Peacemaker -- "...reelection concerns may have been Reagan's primary motivation for the talks while the Soviet rationale was to posture as peacemakers..." (Ukaz, Saudia Arabia)

Keeping in Touch Better Than Nothing -- "...not only has Reagan failed to keep in touch with the Soviets during his four year term...he has not even made an effort to have a meeting with the leaders in Moscow....The decision of the two big powers to keep in touch is better than nothing." (Weekend, Sri Lanka)