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The White House NEWS SUMMARY

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TODAY'S HEADLINES

NATIONAL NEWS

Grateful Bush Accepts Teamsters Endorsement -- A pleased and grateful Vice President Bush accepted the endorsement of the Teamsters union on behalf of President Reagan and told the hard-nosed labor leaders Walter Mondale is not their kind of negotiator.

(New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, UPI)

President Uses Visit to Praise High Tech -- President Reagan visited NASA's Goodard Space Flight Center in Maryland, and told employees his Administration supports high tech, not high taxes.

(Washington Post, Washington Times)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Chernenko Missing from Friendship-84 Games Close -- President
Chernenko's absence from the closing ceremony of Moscow's alternative
olympics refueled rumors the 72-year-old Soviet leader is ailing.

(Washington Post, UPI)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY (Thursday Evening)

SPACE SHUTTLE -- The shuttle finally got off the ground and the crew completed its first assignment of putting a new communications satellite into orbit. (ALL NETS LEAD)

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GALLUP POLL -- A poll shows a striking contrast in the views and concerns of black and white Americans.

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NATIONAL NEWS

TEAMSTERS ENDORSE GOP TICKET

COLUMBUS, Ohio -- The 1.9 million-member International Brotherhood of Teamsters endorsed the Reagan-Bush ticket, becoming the only major labor organization in the Republican camp this year.

(Peter Perl, Washington Post, A1)

The endorsement, based on a 54 percent to 43 percent vote of 25,000 members, was expected, but hastily orchestrated as a present to President Reagan, who sent Vice President Bush in his place. (Ira Allen, UPI)

Vice President Bush, sent by the White House to accept the endorsement from the nation's largest union, denied there was any "deal" made for the Teamsters' support.

(Cathy Trost, Wall Street Journal, A32)

Bush Questions Mondale on Arms Control, Jobs

COLUMBUS, Ohio -- Vice President Bush jetted in and out of this city to collect the Teamsters union endorsement for President Reagan and to tell leaders of the nation's largest union that Walter Mondale doesn't know what he's talking about on war, peace and economics.

(Dale Russakoff, Washington Post, A7)

In his prepared remarks, Bush hailed the benefits that economic recovery had brought to working people. He promised a renewed assault on unemployment, which has hit particularly hard in the trucking (New York Times, A12) industry.

PRESIDENT USES LAUNCH TO ATTACK 'PESSIMISTS'

President Reagan hitched his reelection campaign to the launch of the space shuttle Discovery, using a speech at the Goddard Space Flight Center to blast the "fraternity of pessimists" and "dreary souls" who he said have stood in the way of high technology and economic growth.

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A3)

"The fraternity of pessimists, who today insist strong growth will ignite high inflation, (is) looking at abstract statistics, theories and models" and not reality, Mr. Reagan said.

(John McCaslin, Washington Times, A3)

PRESIDENT SCHEDULES MAJOR ADDRESS AT U.N.

President Reagan will make a major address Sept. 24 at the opening of the United Nations General Assembly in New York, The Washington Times has learned, but there will be no meeting there between the President and Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko.

(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A1)

PRESIDENT STILL FAVORS B1

President Reagan "is still committed" to the B1 bomber despite the crash of one of the four development versions of the plane in the California desert, Larry Speakes said. (Washington Post, A2)

Investigators began sifting through the charred rubble of the prototype B-1 bomber that crashed and officials at the plant where it was made announced a go-ahead for the roll-out ceremonies Tuesday of the first production model of the bomber. (John Whitehair, Gannett)

Any delay in the bomber's production could severely impair President Reagan's strategic weapons modernization program. A delay also could threaten the existence of the program if Reagan loses the November election. (Walter Andrews, Washington Times, A4)

LAFFER CRITICIZES REAGAN'S WELFARE POLICIES

President Reagan, who is accustomed to criticism of his welfare policies from liberals, received a blast from a different quarter. It came from Arthur Laffer, inventor of the "Laffer Curve" and theoretician of the supply-side economics on which Reagan has built his spending and taxing policies. (Spencer Rich, Washington Post, A12)

PANEL SEEKS WHITE HOUSE-EPA DATA

A House subcommittee accused the White House of shielding documents that congressional investigators believe could link Presidential aides to last year's controversy over management of the "Superfund" hazardous waste cleanup law. (Cass Peterson, Washington Post, A1)

The House Energy Subcommittee is wrapping up its investigation of the scandal that swept through the EPA last year with a report that says fired agency official Rita Lavelle had "far more extensive" contact with the White House than has been previously admitted. (Robert Sangeorge, UPI)

EPA UNVEILS WATER CLEANUP PLAN

The EPA revealed details of a combined federal-state strategy it has adopted for meeting a growing problem of ground water pollution.

(Ed Rogers, Washington Times, A5)

The national strategy would keep primary responsibility for safeguarding underground water at the state level but would introduce a variety of federal programs, including one to control leakage from underground storage tanks containing petroleum and other hazardous materials.

(Philip Shabecoff, New York Times, A1)

GOVERNMENT URGED TO DELAY REDUCTIONS IN LEADED GASOLINE

The EPA is being urged by several of the nation's largest oil companies to delay for two years the ordering of a 91 percent reduction in the use of lead in gasoline. (Matt Yancy, AP)

NO COAL LEASING UNTIL NEXT YEAR

The troubled federal coal leasing program will not resume competitive lease sales until July 1985, while an exhaustive environmental assessment is performed. (Robert Sangeorge, UPI)

A new assessment is necessary, Secretary Clark said in a statement, because "numerous changes have been made or proposed in the program in recent years and because the conditions that formed the basis of the 1979 analysis may have changed during the last five years."

(New York Times, A10)

ARAB-AMERICANS SEEN AS PRO-REAGAN

About two-thirds of Arab-Americans are expected to vote for President Reagan in November, according to Joseph Baroody, national chairman of Arab-Americans for Reagan/Bush. (Washington Times, A3)

REAGAN EX-AIDE IS INDICTED ON TRADING CHARGE

NEW YORK -- Thomas Reed, a former national security adviser to President Reagan and secretary of the Air Force under President Ford, was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of illegal stock trading, wire fraud, perjury and obstruction of justice.

(Mary Thornton, Washington Post, A1)

The charges stem from stock trades Reed made in March 1981, which was 10 months before he was appointed by Reagan to the White House as an assistant for national security affairs.

(Gary Klott, New York Times, A1)

SMITH SAYS REAGAN DOESN'T DOZE ON JOB

Attorney General Smith, leaving a Cabinet Council session with President Reagan, disputed a recent observation by Michael Deaver that President Reagan dozes at Cabinet sessions. Smith, noting that he has attended "almost every Cabinet meeting" in the last $3\frac{1}{2}$ years, said, "I have not once -- on any single occasion -- ever seen him nod off or do anything other than pay complete attention to what was going on."

(Washington Post, A3)

MONDALE SAYS HE WOULD USE TAX RISE TO REDUCE DEFICIT

ST. PAUL, Minn. -- Walter Mondale, hinting at the contents of his long-awaited plan to reduce the federal budget deficit, told Democratic business leaders that revenues from his proposed tax increases would be set aside for the purpose of lowering the deficit, not for higher spending on social programs. But aides later insisted that that idea of earmarking the new revenues was only one of several under consideration by Mondale.

(Milton Coleman, Washington Post, A1)

Anticipated as one element of Mondale's comprehensive plan to shave the deficit by two-thirds, the proposal is designed to counter Republican charges that Democrats are not serious about reducing the deficit and would raise taxes only to finance costly new social programs. (Reuter)

Jackson Seen Aiding, Hurting Ticket

A majority of black voters say Jesse Jackson's endorsement of Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro makes them more likely to vote for the Democratic national ticket, but it has generated a white backlash that could hurt Mondale, particularly in the South, according to a new poll taken for the Joint Center for Political Studies.

(James Dickenson, Washington Post, A6)

The poll said 88 percent of the 902 blacks surveyed supported Walter Mondale for president while 5 percent preferred President Reagan. Whites, on the other hand, prefer Reagan by a margin of 57 percent to 37 percent. (Betty Anne Williams, AP)

LARGE CROWD HEARS FERRARO FLAY REAGAN

HARTFORD, Conn. -- Geraldine Ferraro drew another large, exuberant crowd as an estimated 7,000 people turned out for a lunchtime rally to hear the Democratic vice-presidential nominee denounce President Reagan on issues ranging from civil defense and arms control to the environment. (Rick Atkinson, Washington Post, A8)

Zaccaro Ousted as Guardian of Elderly Woman's Estate

NEW YORK -- A state judge in Queens removed John Zaccaro as conservator of an elderly woman's \$1 million estate, on grounds that borrowing \$175,000 from her accounts violated his position of trust.

(Charles Babcock, Washington Post, A1)

"There is no necessity for finding malicious intent, deliberate wrongdoing or criminal conduct," State Supreme Court Justice Edwin Kassoff said. "The mere appearance of impropriety must be assiduously avoided."

(William Reilly, UPI)

The judge said he would decide later whether Zaccaro would be compensated for his services. As trustee for the estate, Zaccaro received \$20,657 fee last December for 300 hours of work, according to court records.

(George Archibald, Washington Times, A3)

Geraldine Ferraro said, "This is not the first time I have disagreed with the decision of a Queens judge." (Sam Roberts, New York Times, A1)

NEGOTIATORS TO DISCUSS TV DEBATES

Representatives of President Reagan and Walter Mondale today will get down to business in negotiations on a series of campaign debates this fall, officials said. (Washington Post, A7)

James Baker, who negotiated the terms of debates for President Ford in 1976 and candidate Reagan in 1980, was given the prerogative to choose the site -- still secret -- for this afternoon's session. Mondale campaign chairman Jim Johnson, representing the former vice president, will select the location of the second meeting, according to a Mondale campaign source who spoke on the condition of not being identified. (Maureen Santini, AP)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

CHERNENKO FAILS TO APPEAR FOR END OF GAMES

MOSCOW -- The Soviet Union's substitute Olympics, the "Friendship Games," ended formally without an appearance by President Chernenko, who reportedly was hospitalized with heart trouble earlier this month.

(Robert Kaiser, Washington Post, A1)

Although there is no evidence Chernenko planned to attend the small closing ceremony in the Rossiya Hotel, western observers considered the games a good opportunity for him to end speculation about his health.

(UPI)

Soviets End Games, Defer Seoul Decision

MOSCOW -- The Soviet Union has made no decision yet on attending the 1988 Olympics in South Korea and is making no promises on reaching one soon, the top Soviet sports official, Marat Gramov, said.

(Celestine Bohlen, Washington Post, A24)

SHULTZ DOUBTFUL ON TALKS PROSPECTS

Secretary Shultz said in an interview that he "wouldn't put a lot of money" on the prospect that the United States and the Soviet Union will hold arms-control talks in Vienna next month. (Washington Post, A14)

OCEAN STILL HOLDS BODIES -- AND ANSWERS TO WHY FLIGHT 007 WAS BLASTED OUT OF SKIES

In the months following the shootdown of Flight 007, sanctions and restrictions, many of them symbolic, were imposed against the Soviets. But why and how the Boeing 747 jumbo jet was over Soviet territory and what the Soviets really knew and did may never be fully understood.

(Ted Agres, Washington Times, A1)

Downing of Jet a Year Ago Said to Lead to U.S. Gains

In reviewing the year since a Soviet fighter shot down a South Korean jetliner, Reagan Administration officials assert that worldwide criticism of the Soviet handling of the crisis has strengthened the United States in its relations with Moscow.

(Bernard Gwertzman, New York Times, A3)

U.S. Rhetoric Tough, But Action Fell Short

In the year since the Soviets shot down Korean Air Lines Flight 007, killing all 269 people aboard the civilian airliner, the Reagan Administration's harsh rhetoric has faded, and the fruit of its effort to keep the Soviet Union on the defensive has proved ephemeral.

(Roger Fontaine, Washington Times, A1)

Soviet Is Pressing Its Case on KAL 007

MOSCOW -- The approach of the first anniversary of the Soviet downing of Flight 007 has prompted a barrage of articles in the Soviet press arguing and rearguing Moscow's fundamental defense, that the jumbo jet was on a spying mission for the United States.

(Serge Schmemann, New York Times, A3)

Japan to Resume Inviting Soviet Military Attaches

TOKYO -- Japan will invite Soviet military attaches to military functions beginning next month, a practice stopped after a South Korean airliner was shot down a year ago, the Defense Agency said. (Reuter)

U.S. OFFERS TO EXCHANGE REFUGEES WITH CUBANS

The Reagan Administration has expressed willingness to reopen U.S. doors to thousands of Cubans who want to come here if Havana will take back about 2,700 "undesirables" who arrived during the 1980 Mariel boatlift, Administration sources said.

(Don Oberdorfer, Washington Post, A2)

NEW OFFENSIVE LIKELY FROM SALVADOR REBELS

The United States government expects the Marxist rebels in El Salvador to launch a major offensive soon in an attempt to discredit the Reagan Administration prior to the Nov. 6 election.

(Washington Times, A1)

NICARAGUAN INDIANS JOIN FORCES WITH REBELS

TEGUCIGALPA -- Nicaraguan Indians and two United States-backed insurgent groups said they had joined forces to form a 15,000-strong alliance against the leftist Sandinist government. (Reuter)

Sandinista Delegation Said to Plan Visit to Vatican

MANAGUA -- Roman Catholic Church officials said that a delegation of Nicaraguan officials hoped to visit the Vatican next month, but that Pope John Paul II probably would not receive them.

(Stephen Kinzer, New York Times, A2)

NORTH KOREA ACCUSES U.S. OF VIOLATING ITS AIRSPACE

TOKYO -- North Korea has accused the United States of violating its airspace and has protested to the Military Armistice Commission truce body, Pyonyang's Central News Agency reported. (Reuter)

CHINA JOINS SOVIET UNION IN GRAIN-BUYING SPREE

The Soviet Union and China have bought more U.S. grain, although the two countries are using separate shopping carts to collect their purchases. Moreover, China has been exceedingly frugal while the Soviet Union has been spending money like a well-to-do homemaker with a dozen kids to feed.

(Don Kendall, AP)

INTERNATIONAL FORCE FINDS NO MINES, SEA MENACE COULD BE OVER

CAIRO -- The menace of mystery mines in the Red Sea, one of the world's busiest shipping lanes, may be over, some experts believe. No explosions have been reported for two weeks. "Some of our people are beginning to doubt whether there are any mines left," said one anti-mine expert.

(Fouas Gawhari, Reuter)

CANADA WARNS U.S. NOT TO SET STEEL IMPORT QUOTA

TORONTO -- Canada stepped up its campaign to prevent U.S. import quotas on Canadian steel. Prime Minister Turner released a letter he wrote earlier this week to President Reagan, asking that Canadian steel be exempted from any trade restrictions.

(James Morrison, Washington Times, A6)

NEWS FROM THE STATES...

SLIPPER PLANT CLOSING TO HEAD SOUTH

COLUMBUS (UPI) -- Foreign imports have been cited by the R.G. Barry Corp. as the reason for a decision to close or sell the company's remaining slipper plant in Columbus, a move that could throw 270 employees out of work by the end of the year. "What we're facing here is the reality of non-competitiveness of high labor-intensive work in the U.S. against low labor costs in other parts of the world," said Chairman and Chief Executive Gordon Zacks. Barry, a leading manufacturer and seller of house slippers will transfer production to its plants in Mexico, and will import more slippers from the Far East, said Dennis Drummond, a company spokesman. The company will also close by late 1985 or sell a slipper plant employing 160 people in Chattanooga, Tenn., as part of its cost reduction plan.

CHRYSLER PLANT TURNS DOWN GOVERNMENT LOAN

DAYTON, Ohio (UPI) -- Chrysler Corp.'s Dayton plant has turned down a half-million-dollar, low interest government loan, saying the company is doing well and the money could be used to provide jobs for unemployed Ohioans. Gov. Richard Celeste, in town Wednesday as part of his Capital for a Day program, stopped at the plant to present a \$535,000 state loan the company requested two years ago. The state was unable to deliver the funds at the time, but state officials promised they would somehow come up with the money. Raymond Johnson, general manager of the Dayton plant, proudly told the governor the loan no longer was necessary. "Today we would like to recommend that the \$535,000 the state of Ohio was prepared to invest in this project be used instead in other projects in this state that can produce additional jobs for Ohioans," Johnson said.

CLEVELAND RETAILERS OPTIMISTIC

CLEVELAND (UPI) -- Retailers in the Cleveland-area, more optimistic than their counterparts in the rest of the country, predict massive sales volumes for the upcoming Christmas season. Executives in other regions of the United States see a recent softening in retail sales as indication of a slower-than-usual holiday season. But northern Ohio retailers said they have already begun to order heavily. "Working people seem more confident that the economy has turned around," said Russell Hansen, chairman and chief executive officer of Cook United discount stores. "We see them shopping more often than a year ago at this time."

EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Several west-side parents claim the Salt Lake City School District's new closed enrollment policy tends to deprive students of an equal chance to a quality education. They have sent a complaint to the Federal Civil Rights Office claiming the school district's policy attempts to stop the flight of white and bright students from South and West high schools, but that it actually enforces economic segregation. District Superintendent Donald Thomas, however, claimed Wednesday all four city high schools offer "equal educational opportunities." Thomas calls the complaint frivolous and he said the district has followed its federally-approved desegregation plan for the past 11 years.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

UTAH GOVERNOR CRITICIZES REAGAN ECONOMIC POLICIES

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Gov. Scott Matheson says the Reagan Administration's economic policies have taken Americans on a journey deep into debt and created a deceitful economy with a "schizophrenic" character. "The economy may look better, but I believe -- and many of President Reagan's own economic advisers agree -- that it is in a state of uneasy peace," Matheson told a Utah AFL-CIO convention Wednesday. Matheson said the uncertain economy is directly related to the Republican Party's unhealthy dominance of Utah and national politics.

DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE PLANS WALK

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Twelve years ago, as he followed a dusty path near Vernal, dodging the droppings of 30 head of cattle to shake hands with a rancher, Wayne Owens told a reporter his statewide walk for Congress was a "once-in-a-lifetime thing." On Wednesday morning, he changed his mind. "I take it back," Owens said following his announcement of a 525-mile, five-week walk from St. George to Logan in his pursuit of the governor's office. The trek, to begin Friday, will be the first step in Owen's general election campaign against Republican Utah House Speaker Norm Bangerter. Each man won his party's nomination with impressive finishes over his opponent in last week's primary. Owens said a Republican victory would give that party the last major state office so far denied it. He said his opponent, Speaker Bangerter, would use the office to further what he claimed was a secretive government process carried on by the 80-percent-Republican Legislature.

SCHOOL OPENS WITH INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- A new school year has begun in Utah, marked this year by the launching of 23 experiments around the state aimed at improving quality and efficiency in education. The experiments, ranging from year-round schools to technological instruction, have been approved by the Utah Board of Education as part of a package of education reforms. The price tag is \$1 million. The projects are intended to improve efficiency and quality in Utah education. State laws passed this year say money saved from the programs should be spent for additional education reforms.

HANSEN OPPONENT UNVEILS TAX RETURNS

POCATELLO, Idaho (UPI) -- Democratic congressional candidate Richard Stallings made public Wednesday his tax returns for the past half decade, showing he and his wife made 25 percent more money last year than in 1979. A spokesman for the 2nd District contender said the disclosure at a news conference was not designed to put heat on Rep. George Hansen, R-Idaho, who has withheld many of his personal financial details while struggling to overcome money-related legal problems. The spokesman said Stallings' disclosure conformed to a plank in the Republican platform.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

DEMOCRAT OFFERS SOLUTION TO WHITE HOUSE CRICKET PROBLEMS

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Utah Democratic Party Chairman Pat Shea has offered First Lady Nancy Reagan the services of one of Utah's famous seagulls to eat the chirping cricket that has invaded the White House. Shea sent a telegram Wednesday to the first lady in response to reports a chirping cricket in the bedroom of President and Mrs. Reagan woke the couple up about 4 a.m. Monday. Mrs. Reagan was unable to go back to sleep and kept reminding herself that is supposed to be good luck to have crickets in the house, an aide said. One of Utah history's most famous accounts describes a flock of seagulls that answered the prayers of the Mormon pioneers and ate swarms of crickets destroying their crops in 1848. The seagull is the state bird and sculptures of the birds adorn downtown Salt Lake City.

MICHIGAN BUDGET SURPLUS

LANSING, Mich. (UPI) -- Republicans said today new budget figures released by the state showing a surplus \$50 million higher than expected indicates taxpayers have paid "far too much."

U.S. STEEL LAYS OFF 650 MORE

GARY, Ind. (UPI) -- A worsening slump in domestic steel orders is forcing the layoff of another 650 workers from U.S. Steel Corp.'s already underutilized northwest Indiana mills, the company announced today. About 350 of the workers will be back on the job after only a week on unemployment, but the rest are laid off indefinitely, the company said. The company blamed the newest job reductions on the continuing influence of foreign steel imports. U.S. Steel executives renewed their call for government action to curb imports, which recent figures placed at a record 33 percent of the total U.S. market in July. "The situation in steel is critical," U.S. Steel chairman and chief executive officer David M. Roderick said in a statement. "Action by the federal government now is vital to preserving the domestic steel industry. If action is not forthcoming, the steel industry will be irreparably damaged." Roderick called the figures "shocking" and renewed his call to President Reagan and Congress for a five-year cap on imports at 15 percent of U.S. sales.

SPACE SHUTTLE

CBS's Bob Schieffer: The shuttle finally got off the ground and by this afternoon, the crew had completed its first assignment of putting a new communications satellite into orbit. (ALL NETS LEAD)

ABC's Lynn Sherr: In a speech to NASA employees outside Washington, President Reagan used today's success to link his reelection campaign to the promise of space. (President: "And as American technology transforms the great black night of space into a bright new world of opportunities, we can use that knowledge to create a new American opportunity society here at home.")

VICE PRESIDENT/TEAMSTERS

Schieffer: Vice President Bush will be in Columbus, Ohio. He is there to pick up the Teamsters Union endorsement for the Reagan-Bush ticket. (ABC-6, CBS-5)

FERRARO

Schieffer: Geraldine was out campaigning again, but again it was her family's business dealings that got most of the attention.

CBS's Eric Engberg: Ferraro has drawn receptive crowds, handled political chores with growing confidence and sharpened her attacks on the President. (Ferraro: "I won't close my mouth until he opens up his secret plan and tells the American people exactly how he's going to bring down deficits." Applause.) She has not escaped all questions about money. Today, her husband was dismissed by a court from a part-time appointment he held to oversee the estate of an elderly woman. Zaccaro had borrowed \$175,000 from the estate for his own business, then paid it back with interest. The judge who had appointed Zaccaro to the post said, "There is no suggestion of dishonesty or malicious intent." He complimented Zaccaro on being forthright and trying to follow instructions, but concluded, "The rule is inflexible that a trustee shall not place himself in a position where his interest is or may be in conflict with his duties." Ferraro, in a news conference, said the judge's ruling was wrong and she sought to distance herself from her husband's business problems. (Ferraro: "People are responding to me. They see me as the candidate. My husband's, you know, business is his business and I feel for him but we're going to go on with this campaign and we're going to win.") Buoyed by crowd responses, Ferraro's aides are allowing themselves to hope that continued attacks on her family finances may produce some kind of sympathy backlash. (ABC-4, NBC-3, CBS-6)

NBC's Bob Kur: Ferraro charged President Reagan has presided over the collapse of all arms-control negotiations. (Ferraro: "Making plans to run away from bombs after they've gone off is not my idea of assuring our safety. I want a president who spends his time making sure those bombs never go off.")

FERRARO

Kur continues: She's been attracting big crowds all week, thousands in Tennessee despite yesterday morning's Nashville headline that a convicted racketeer contributed to Ferraro's congressional campaign. But on last night's local news, that headline prompted questions which competed with coverage of the crowds. (Ferraro: "And I want, you know, this whole thing to stop. There's a lot of innuendo and absolutely no truth....I will not comment further on the article.")

MONDALE/DEFICIT

Palmer: Mondale has a plan to trim the deficit, according to Charles Mannatt. Mondale would put any tax increases in a special fund to be used only to reduce the deficit or to pay off part of the federal debt.

(NBC-4)

JESSE JACKSON

ABC's Ted Koppel: In Chicago, Jesse Jackson announced plans for a nationwide campaign by the rainbow coalition to defeat President Reagan. (ABC-7)

GALLUP POLL

ABC's Barry Serafin: The poll shows a striking contrast in the views and concerns of black and white Americans. 88% of the blacks surveyed prefer Mondale to Reagan. Mondale is even favored among black Republicans, 47-41%. But 57% of whites polled favor Mr. Reagan. 72% of blacks see President Reagan as prejudiced. Few blacks or whites see Mondale that way, but 56% of whites see Jesse Jackson as prejudiced, an apparently lingering effect of the hymie remark and Farrakhan controversies. Nearly 2/3 of blacks surveyed say Jackson's campaign has made them more likely to vote and more than half say his endorsement of Mondale makes them more likely to vote Democratic. But that is not true among whites, especially in the South. 19% of whites there say they are less likely to vote for Mondale because of Jackson. Only 8% more likely. To Mr. Reagan's question, are you better off than you were 4 years ago, 46% of whites answer yes. But nearly an equal number of blacks say they are worse off. (ABC-7)

B-1 CRASH INVESTIGATION

CBS's Bill Lynch: Air Force investigators have reached the preliminary conclusion that yesterday's B-1 crash resulted from a stall. In spite of the accident, the Air Force foresees no changes in the B-1 program.

(ABC-3, NBC-5, CBS-2)

MONTANA FIRES

Schieffer: Montana officials say gains are being made in the battle against 13 major fires that continue to burn in that state.

(ABC-15, NBC-6, CBS-4)

THOMAS REED

CBS's Fred Graham: Thomas Reed was indicted on 4 felony counts growing out of insider stock trading before he joined the Reagan Administration. U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani said Reed acted on an inside tip from his businessman father to make an illegal quick killing on his father's company's stock. (Giuliani: "The alleged fraudulent scheme resulted in a profit of \$431,000 on an investment of approximately \$3,400 in nearly a 48-hour period. Reed could receive up to 20 years in prison. He issued a statement saying he is innocent and that the trial will prove it and he blamed his indictment on election-year politics. While the indictment is likely to generate more Democratic charges about an alleged Reagan Administration sleaze factor, the Republicans will be quick to point out that the federal prosecutor who brought the charges is himself a Republican.

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

RITA LAVELLE

Schieffer: A House subcommittee charged the White House is stonewalling on providing documents detailing its contacts with Rita Lavelle. The documents raise what the panel says are serious questions about White House involvement in the Superfund program. It's been alleged that Lavelle timed announcements of Superfund grants to help Republican candidates in the 1982 elections, but she was acquitted of a charge that she perjured herself by denying her grants were politically timed. (CBS-8)

TOXIC WASTE

Schieffer: The EPA said it plans to ban the location of toxic waste dumps over underground water supplies, which provide drinking water for about half of all Americans. (CBS-9)

LEADED GASOLINE

Schieffer: The EPA opened hearings on its proposals to reduce or ban the use of lead in gasoline.

CBS's Ned Potter: The biggest obstacle to solving the lead problem is the American public. An auto supply store was willing to sell us two adaptor nozzles labeled "for emergency use only" and in a plane brown wrapper, a book titled, "How to Bypass Emission Controls." And a new government survey shows that a quarter of American car owners illegally remove the catalytic converters from their cars.

(CBS-10)

ISRAEL

Koppel: Israeli radio is reporting that Peres and Shamir have agreed to form a unity government. According to the report, Peres will be prime minister first, for 25 months, followed by Shamir, who would (NBC-11, ABC-13) serve an equal term.

CHERNENKO

Schieffer: The physical health of Chernenko was called into question again. A senior State Department official said speculation is increasing about his health. (CBS-11)

Koppel: Chernenko was not on hand for the closing of the Friendship Games. Soviet officials warned ABC correspondent Mike McCourt that if he mentioned Chernenko in his report, they would pull the plug on his transmission. He did, and they did not.

ABC's Mike McCourt: It seems obvious the decision to close the Friendship Games with a whimper rather than a bang has to do with Chernenko and rumors about his health. (NBC-10, ABC-10)

FRIENDSHIP GAMES

Schieffer: The Friendship Games competition ended. The first reviews are in from the Soviet critics and guess what: They just loved it.

CBS's Mark Phillips: The Soviets issued an unspoken warning for the next Olympics. According to the Soviet Sports Committee chairman, the East Bloc games were not only better organized than the Los Angeles Olympics, they produced better results. (Voice of translator says in Moscow there were 18 world records set as compared with 11 in Los Angeles.) In Olympic records, the Russians say they outscored Los Angeles 47-45. The Russians don't say that in the gold medal count in track and field, for example, they would have finished third -- behind East Germany and the U.S.(ABC-9, CBS-12)

1988 OLYMPICS

<u>Koppel</u>: The top Soviet sports official said his nation hasn't decided whether to attend the 1988 games and may not decide for 4 more years.

(ABC-11)

GERMANY

Koppel: A step forward toward better relations between East and West Germany. The West German Airline Lufthansa made its first regularly scheduled flight into East Germany.

ABC's Hal Walker: From the ground, the wall between the two states is as high and formidable as ever. And what looked like moves toward warmer relations appear to have slowed. The East German leader was expected to make an unprecedented visit to West Germany. Now that visit appears in doubt after a barrage of Soviet criticism that the two Germanys are becoming too cozy.

KAL-007

NBC's Robert Hagar: In an article for The Nation, David Pearson suggests the plane could have been spying, to test Soviet defenses. But Assistant Secretary of State Burt said that is nonsense. Burt is quoted as saying the U.S. Government did not know the aircraft was off course. (NBC-9)

PIERRE GAMAYEL

CBS's Larry Pintak reports on the burial of Pierre Gemayel. Most of the Moslem warlords stayed away. For Amin, the loss of his father could not have come at a worse time. Infighting this week has underscored Moslem demands for a greater share of political power. The Syrians are standing by to help. A high-ranking Syrian delegation was at graveside today, a reminder of who holds real power in Beirut these days. (CBS-14)

VANDENBERG BASE

NBC's John Hart: The undersecretary of the Air Force spent one day investigating the launch site last week and has concluded, among other things, "There is no substance to the allegations that the launch pad would blow up when the shuttle is launched..." Quality assurance inspectors have told NBC that chances of blow-up were 1 in 5. The undersecretary did release a list of 15 serious discrepancies, which he said will be fixed. (NBC-2)

EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

SHUTTLE CITIZEN-PASSENGER

Education made it all possible -- "...To be sure, there was heavy competition for the space shuttle seat which will carry the initial non-professional passenger late next year or early in 1986. But, for now, it is proper to recognize that it was education that made space flight possible -- and it is educators who point the way to the future."

(New York Post, 8/29)

CAMPAIGN DEBATES

Let the campaign begin -- with debates -- "...This campaign would benefit from direct presidential debates starting early in the fall season, rather than late....Let's hear from the two candidates themselves -- spacing out the three logical debate topics, economics, foreign policy, and social policy, over the last eight weeks before the election."

(Christian Science Monitor, 8/29)

Is Reagan planning to coast to victory? -- "...Certainly, if Mondale and Reagan were twins and without party banners, the voters still wouldn't have any trouble identifying them by their politics. That's another good reason why it is in Reagan's interest, despite his lead in the polls, to accept Mondale's challenge for a television debate."

(Milwaukee Sentinel, 8/25)

HUBERT HUMPHREY DAY

Sending Signals -- "...The White House plans to hold a Hubert H.

Humphrey Day early next month, inviting Mondale and Ms. Ferraro. This is signal-sending too -- for the support of Humphrey Democrats like U.N. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick, who favor a stronger defense but also a more generous social-program thrust. Such gestures could help the Republicans look more inclusive, to defend against the equity issue -- the impression they favor the well-to-do, an impression the Dallas convention did little to dispel...."

(Christian Science Monitor, 8/30)

RELIGION AND POLITICS

None of His Business -- "...No, Mr. President, religion and politics are not 'inseparable,' as you said in Dallas. In fact, it's part of your job to see that they remain separate, and that Americans remain free to worship in any way they please, or not at all if that's what they please. Because frankly, sir, it's none of your business." (Philadelphia Daily News, 8/28)

The Podium and the Pulpit -- "...This year's presidential campaign has been dragged into an unknown arena by Mr. Reagan. He clearly is betting that some voters will be attracted by emphasis on religion in public life. Yet, based on the nation's history of religious freedom and diversity, one might expect Americans to resent political claims to superior righteousness. Many more would wish the issue had never been raised.

(St. Louis Post-Dispatch, 8/29)



The White House NEWS SUMMARY

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TODAY'S HEADLINES

NATIONAL NEWS

Grateful Bush Accepts Teamsters Endorsement -- A pleased and grateful Vice President Bush accepted the endorsement of the Teamsters union on behalf of President Reagan and told the hard-nosed labor leaders Walter Mondale is not their kind of negotiator.

(New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, UPI)

President Uses Visit to Praise High Tech -- President Reagan visited NASA's Goodard Space Flight Center in Maryland, and told employees his Administration supports high tech, not high taxes.

(Washington Post, Washington Times)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Chernenko Missing from Friendship-84 Games Close -- President Chernenko's absence from the closing ceremony of Moscow's alternative olympics refueled rumors the 72-year-old Soviet leader is ailing.

(Washington Post, UPI)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY (Thursday Evening)

SPACE SHUTTLE -- The shuttle finally got off the ground and the crew completed its first assignment of putting a new communications satellite into orbit.

(ALL NETS LEAD)

FERRARO -- Geraldine Ferraro has drawn receptive crowds, handled political chores with growing confidence and sharpened her attacks on the President.

GALLUP POLL -- A poll shows a striking contrast in the views and concerns of black and white Americans.

THOMAS REED -- Thomas Reed was indicted on 4 felony counts growing out of insider trading before he joined the Administration.

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NATIONAL NEWS

TEAMSTERS ENDORSE GOP TICKET

COLUMBUS, Ohio -- The 1.9 million-member International Brotherhood of Teamsters endorsed the Reagan-Bush ticket, becoming the only major labor organization in the Republican camp this year.

(Peter Perl, Washington Post, A1)

The endorsement, based on a 54 percent to 43 percent vote of 25,000 members, was expected, but hastily orchestrated as a present to President Reagan, who sent Vice President Bush in his place. (Ira Allen, UPI)

Vice President Bush, sent by the White House to accept the endorsement from the nation's largest union, denied there was any "deal" made for the Teamsters' support.

(Cathy Trost, Wall Street Journal, A32)

Bush Questions Mondale on Arms Control, Jobs

COLUMBUS, Ohio -- Vice President Bush jetted in and out of this city to collect the Teamsters union endorsement for President Reagan and to tell leaders of the nation's largest union that Walter Mondale doesn't know what he's talking about on war, peace and economics.

(Dale Russakoff, Washington Post, A7)

In his prepared remarks, Bush hailed the benefits that economic recovery had brought to working people. He promised a renewed assault on unemployment, which has hit particularly hard in the trucking (New York Times, A12) industry.

PRESIDENT USES LAUNCH TO ATTACK 'PESSIMISTS'

President Reagan hitched his reelection campaign to the launch of the space shuttle Discovery, using a speech at the Goddard Space Flight Center to blast the "fraternity of pessimists" and "dreary souls" who he said have stood in the way of high technology and economic growth.

(David Hoffman, Washington Post, A3)

"The fraternity of pessimists, who today insist strong growth will ignite high inflation, (is) looking at abstract statistics, theories and models" and not reality, Mr. Reagan said.

(John McCaslin, Washington Times, A3)

PRESIDENT SCHEDULES MAJOR ADDRESS AT U.N.

President Reagan will make a major address Sept. 24 at the opening of the United Nations General Assembly in New York, The Washington Times has learned, but there will be no meeting there between the President and Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko.

(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A1)

PRESIDENT STILL FAVORS B1

President Reagan "is still committed" to the B1 bomber despite the crash of one of the four development versions of the plane in the California desert, Larry Speakes said. (Washington Post, A2)

Investigators began sifting through the charred rubble of the prototype B-1 bomber that crashed and officials at the plant where it was made announced a go-ahead for the roll-out ceremonies Tuesday of the first production model of the bomber. (John Whitehair, Gannett)

Any delay in the bomber's production could severely impair President Reagan's strategic weapons modernization program. A delay also could threaten the existence of the program if Reagan loses the November election. (Walter Andrews, Washington Times, A4)

LAFFER CRITICIZES REAGAN'S WELFARE POLICIES

President Reagan, who is accustomed to criticism of his welfare policies from liberals, received a blast from a different quarter. It came from Arthur Laffer, inventor of the "Laffer Curve" and theoretician of the supply-side economics on which Reagan has built his spending and taxing policies. (Spencer Rich, Washington Post, A12)

PANEL SEEKS WHITE HOUSE-EPA DATA

A House subcommittee accused the White House of shielding documents that congressional investigators believe could link Presidential aides to last year's controversy over management of the "Superfund" hazardous waste cleanup law. (Cass Peterson, Washington Post, A1)

The House Energy Subcommittee is wrapping up its investigation of the scandal that swept through the EPA last year with a report that says fired agency official Rita Lavelle had "far more extensive" contact with the White House than has been previously admitted. (Robert Sangeorge, UPI)

EPA UNVEILS WATER CLEANUP PLAN

The EPA revealed details of a combined federal-state strategy it has adopted for meeting a growing problem of ground water pollution.

(Ed Rogers, Washington Times, A5)

The national strategy would keep primary responsibility for safeguarding underground water at the state level but would introduce a variety of federal programs, including one to control leakage from underground storage tanks containing petroleum and other hazardous materials.

(Philip Shabecoff, New York Times, A1)

GOVERNMENT URGED TO DELAY REDUCTIONS IN LEADED GASOLINE

The EPA is being urged by several of the nation's largest oil companies to delay for two years the ordering of a 91 percent reduction in the use of lead in gasoline. (Matt Yancy, AP)

NO COAL LEASING UNTIL NEXT YEAR

The troubled federal coal leasing program will not resume competitive lease sales until July 1985, while an exhaustive environmental assessment is performed. (Robert Sangeorge, UPI)

A new assessment is necessary, Secretary Clark said in a statement, because "numerous changes have been made or proposed in the program in recent years and because the conditions that formed the basis of the 1979 analysis may have changed during the last five years."

(New York Times, A10)

ARAB-AMERICANS SEEN AS PRO-REAGAN

About two-thirds of Arab-Americans are expected to vote for President Reagan in November, according to Joseph Baroody, national chairman of Arab-Americans for Reagan/Bush. (Washington Times, A3)

REAGAN EX-AIDE IS INDICTED ON TRADING CHARGE

NEW YORK -- Thomas Reed, a former national security adviser to President Reagan and secretary of the Air Force under President Ford, was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of illegal stock trading, wire fraud, perjury and obstruction of justice.

(Mary Thornton, Washington Post, A1)

The charges stem from stock trades Reed made in March 1981, which was 10 months before he was appointed by Reagan to the White House as an assistant for national security affairs.

(Gary Klott, New York Times, A1)

SMITH SAYS REAGAN DOESN'T DOZE ON JOB

Attorney General Smith, leaving a Cabinet Council session with President Reagan, disputed a recent observation by Michael Deaver that President Reagan dozes at Cabinet sessions. Smith, noting that he has attended "almost every Cabinet meeting" in the last $3\frac{1}{2}$ years, said, "I have not once -- on any single occasion -- ever seen him nod off or do anything other than pay complete attention to what was going on."

(Washington Post, A3)

MONDALE SAYS HE WOULD USE TAX RISE TO REDUCE DEFICIT

ST. PAUL, Minn. -- Walter Mondale, hinting at the contents of his long-awaited plan to reduce the federal budget deficit, told Democratic business leaders that revenues from his proposed tax increases would be set aside for the purpose of lowering the deficit, not for higher spending on social programs. But aides later insisted that that idea of earmarking the new revenues was only one of several under consideration by Mondale.

(Milton Coleman, Washington Post, A1)

Anticipated as one element of Mondale's comprehensive plan to shave the deficit by two-thirds, the proposal is designed to counter Republican charges that Democrats are not serious about reducing the deficit and would raise taxes only to finance costly new social programs. (Reuter)

Jackson Seen Aiding, Hurting Ticket

A majority of black voters say Jesse Jackson's endorsement of Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro makes them more likely to vote for the Democratic national ticket, but it has generated a white backlash that could hurt Mondale, particularly in the South, according to a new poll taken for the Joint Center for Political Studies.

(James Dickenson, Washington Post, A6)

The poll said 88 percent of the 902 blacks surveyed supported Walter Mondale for president while 5 percent preferred President Reagan. Whites, on the other hand, prefer Reagan by a margin of 57 percent to 37 percent. (Betty Anne Williams, AP)

LARGE CROWD HEARS FERRARO FLAY REAGAN

HARTFORD, Conn. -- Geraldine Ferraro drew another large, exuberant crowd as an estimated 7,000 people turned out for a lunchtime rally to hear the Democratic vice-presidential nominee denounce President Reagan on issues ranging from civil defense and arms control to the environment. (Rick Atkinson, Washington Post, A8)

Zaccaro Ousted as Guardian of Elderly Woman's Estate

NEW YORK -- A state judge in Queens removed John Zaccaro as conservator of an elderly woman's \$1 million estate, on grounds that borrowing \$175,000 from her accounts violated his position of trust.

(Charles Babcock, Washington Post, A1)

"There is no necessity for finding malicious intent, deliberate wrongdoing or criminal conduct," State Supreme Court Justice Edwin Kassoff said. "The mere appearance of impropriety must be assiduously avoided."

(William Reilly, UPI)

The judge said he would decide later whether Zaccaro would be compensated for his services. As trustee for the estate, Zaccaro received \$20,657 fee last December for 300 hours of work, according to court records. (George Archibald, Washington Times, A3)

Geraldine Ferraro said, "This is not the first time I have disagreed with the decision of a Queens judge." (Sam Roberts, New York Times, A1)

NEGOTIATORS TO DISCUSS TV DEBATES

Representatives of President Reagan and Walter Mondale today will get down to business in negotiations on a series of campaign debates this fall, officials said. (Washington Post, A7)

James Baker, who negotiated the terms of debates for President Ford in 1976 and candidate Reagan in 1980, was given the prerogative to choose the site -- still secret -- for this afternoon's session. Mondale campaign chairman Jim Johnson, representing the former vice president, will select the location of the second meeting, according to a Mondale campaign source who spoke on the condition of not being identified. (Maureen Santini, AP)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

CHERNENKO FAILS TO APPEAR FOR END OF GAMES

MOSCOW -- The Soviet Union's substitute Olympics, the "Friendship Games," ended formally without an appearance by President Chernenko, who reportedly was hospitalized with heart trouble earlier this month.

(Robert Kaiser, Washington Post, A1)

Although there is no evidence Chernenko planned to attend the small closing ceremony in the Rossiya Hotel, western observers considered the games a good opportunity for him to end speculation about his health.

(UPI)

Soviets End Games, Defer Seoul Decision

MOSCOW -- The Soviet Union has made no decision yet on attending the 1988 Olympics in South Korea and is making no promises on reaching one soon, the top Soviet sports official, Marat Gramov, said.

(Celestine Bohlen, Washington Post, A24)

SHULTZ DOUBTFUL ON TALKS PROSPECTS

Secretary Shultz said in an interview that he "wouldn't put a lot of money" on the prospect that the United States and the Soviet Union will hold arms-control talks in Vienna next month. (Washington Post, A14)

OCEAN STILL HOLDS BODIES -- AND ANSWERS TO WHY FLIGHT 007 WAS BLASTED OUT OF SKIES

In the months following the shootdown of Flight 007, sanctions and restrictions, many of them symbolic, were imposed against the Soviets. But why and how the Boeing 747 jumbo jet was over Soviet territory and what the Soviets really knew and did may never be fully understood.

(Ted Agres, Washington Times, A1)

Downing of Jet a Year Ago Said to Lead to U.S. Gains

In reviewing the year since a Soviet fighter shot down a South Korean jetliner, Reagan Administration officials assert that worldwide criticism of the Soviet handling of the crisis has strengthened the United States in its relations with Moscow.

(Bernard Gwertzman, New York Times, A3)

U.S. Rhetoric Tough, But Action Fell Short

In the year since the Soviets shot down Korean Air Lines Flight 007, killing all 269 people aboard the civilian airliner, the Reagan Administration's harsh rhetoric has faded, and the fruit of its effort to keep the Soviet Union on the defensive has proved ephemeral.

(Roger Fontaine, Washington Times, A1)

Soviet Is Pressing Its Case on KAL 007

MOSCOW -- The approach of the first anniversary of the Soviet downing of Flight 007 has prompted a barrage of articles in the Soviet press arguing and rearguing Moscow's fundamental defense, that the jumbo jet was on a spying mission for the United States.

(Serge Schmemann, New York Times, A3)

Japan to Resume Inviting Soviet Military Attaches

TOKYO -- Japan will invite Soviet military attaches to military functions beginning next month, a practice stopped after a South Korean airliner was shot down a year ago, the Defense Agency said. (Reuter)

U.S. OFFERS TO EXCHANGE REFUGEES WITH CUBANS

The Reagan Administration has expressed willingness to reopen U.S. doors to thousands of Cubans who want to come here if Havana will take back about 2,700 "undesirables" who arrived during the 1980 Mariel boatlift, Administration sources said.

(Don Oberdorfer, Washington Post, A2)

NEW OFFENSIVE LIKELY FROM SALVADOR REBELS

The United States government expects the Marxist rebels in El Salvador to launch a major offensive soon in an attempt to discredit the Reagan Administration prior to the Nov. 6 election.

(Washington Times, A1)

NICARAGUAN INDIANS JOIN FORCES WITH REBELS

TEGUCIGALPA -- Nicaraguan Indians and two United States-backed insurgent groups said they had joined forces to form a 15,000-strong alliance against the leftist Sandinist government. (Reuter)

Sandinista Delegation Said to Plan Visit to Vatican

MANAGUA -- Roman Catholic Church officials said that a delegation of Nicaraguan officials hoped to visit the Vatican next month, but that Pope John Paul II probably would not receive them.

(Stephen Kinzer, New York Times, A2)

NORTH KOREA ACCUSES U.S. OF VIOLATING ITS AIRSPACE

TOKYO -- North Korea has accused the United States of violating its airspace and has protested to the Military Armistice Commission truce body, Pyonyang's Central News Agency reported. (Reuter)

CHINA JOINS SOVIET UNION IN GRAIN-BUYING SPREE

The Soviet Union and China have bought more U.S. grain, although the two countries are using separate shopping carts to collect their purchases. Moreover, China has been exceedingly frugal while the Soviet Union has been spending money like a well-to-do homemaker with a dozen kids to feed. (Don Kendall, AP)

INTERNATIONAL FORCE FINDS NO MINES, SEA MENACE COULD BE OVER

CAIRO -- The menace of mystery mines in the Red Sea, one of the world's busiest shipping lanes, may be over, some experts believe. No explosions have been reported for two weeks. "Some of our people are beginning to doubt whether there are any mines left," said one anti-mine expert.

(Fouas Gawhari, Reuter)

CANADA WARNS U.S. NOT TO SET STEEL IMPORT QUOTA

TORONTO -- Canada stepped up its campaign to prevent U.S. import quotas on Canadian steel. Prime Minister Turner released a letter he wrote earlier this week to President Reagan, asking that Canadian steel be exempted from any trade restrictions.

(James Morrison, Washington Times, A6)

NEWS FROM THE STATES...

SLIPPER PLANT CLOSING TO HEAD SOUTH

COLUMBUS (UPI) -- Foreign imports have been cited by the R.G. Barry Corp. as the reason for a decision to close or sell the company's remaining slipper plant in Columbus, a move that could throw 270 employees out of work by the end of the year. "What we're facing here is the reality of non-competitiveness of high labor-intensive work in the U.S. against low labor costs in other parts of the world," said Chairman and Chief Executive Gordon Zacks. Barry, a leading manufacturer and seller of house slippers will transfer production to its plants in Mexico, and will import more slippers from the Far East, said Dennis Drummond, a company spokesman. The company will also close by late 1985 or sell a slipper plant employing 160 people in Chattanooga, Tenn., as part of its cost reduction plan.

CHRYSLER PLANT TURNS DOWN GOVERNMENT LOAN

DAYTON, Ohio (UPI) -- Chrysler Corp.'s Dayton plant has turned down a half-million-dollar, low interest government loan, saying the company is doing well and the money could be used to provide jobs for unemployed Ohioans. Gov. Richard Celeste, in town Wednesday as part of his Capital for a Day program, stopped at the plant to present a \$535,000 state loan the company requested two years ago. The state was unable to deliver the funds at the time, but state officials promised they would somehow come up with the money. Raymond Johnson, general manager of the Dayton plant, proudly told the governor the loan no longer was necessary. "Today we would like to recommend that the \$535,000 the state of Ohio was prepared to invest in this project be used instead in other projects in this state that can produce additional jobs for Ohioans," Johnson said.

CLEVELAND RETAILERS OPTIMISTIC

CLEVELAND (UPI) -- Retailers in the Cleveland-area, more optimistic than their counterparts in the rest of the country, predict massive sales volumes for the upcoming Christmas season. Executives in other regions of the United States see a recent softening in retail sales as indication of a slower-than-usual holiday season. But northern Ohio retailers said they have already begun to order heavily. "Working people seem more confident that the economy has turned around," said Russell Hansen, chairman and chief executive officer of Cook United discount stores. "We see them shopping more often than a year ago at this time."

EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Several west-side parents claim the Salt Lake City School District's new closed enrollment policy tends to deprive students of an equal chance to a quality education. They have sent a complaint to the Federal Civil Rights Office claiming the school district's policy attempts to stop the flight of white and bright students from South and West high schools, but that it actually enforces economic segregation. District Superintendent Donald Thomas, however, claimed Wednesday all four city high schools offer "equal educational opportunities." Thomas calls the complaint frivolous and he said the district has followed its federally-approved desegregation plan for the past 11 years.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

UTAH GOVERNOR CRITICIZES REAGAN ECONOMIC POLICIES

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Gov. Scott Matheson says the Reagan Administration's economic policies have taken Americans on a journey deep into debt and created a deceitful economy with a "schizophrenic" character. "The economy may look better, but I believe -- and many of President Reagan's own economic advisers agree -- that it is in a state of uneasy peace," Matheson told a Utah AFL-CIO convention Wednesday. Matheson said the uncertain economy is directly related to the Republican Party's unhealthy dominance of Utah and national politics.

DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE PLANS WALK

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Twelve years ago, as he followed a dusty path near Vernal, dodging the droppings of 30 head of cattle to shake hands with a rancher, Wayne Owens told a reporter his statewide walk for Congress was a "once-in-a-lifetime thing." On Wednesday morning, he changed his mind. "I take it back," Owens said following his announcement of a 525-mile, five-week walk from St. George to Logan in his pursuit of the governor's office. The trek, to begin Friday, will be the first step in Owen's general election campaign against Republican Utah House Speaker Norm Bangerter. Each man won his party's nomination with impressive finishes over his opponent in last week's primary. Owens said a Republican victory would give that party the last major state office so far denied it. He said his opponent, Speaker Bangerter, would use the office to further what he claimed was a secretive government process carried on by the 80-percent-Republican Legislature.

SCHOOL OPENS WITH INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- A new school year has begun in Utah, marked this year by the launching of 23 experiments around the state aimed at improving quality and efficiency in education. The experiments, ranging from year-round schools to technological instruction, have been approved by the Utah Board of Education as part of a package of education reforms. The price tag is \$1 million. The projects are intended to improve efficiency and quality in Utah education. State laws passed this year say money saved from the programs should be spent for additional education reforms.

HANSEN OPPONENT UNVEILS TAX RETURNS

POCATELLO, Idaho (UPI) -- Democratic congressional candidate Richard Stallings made public Wednesday his tax returns for the past half decade, showing he and his wife made 25 percent more money last year than in 1979. A spokesman for the 2nd District contender said the disclosure at a news conference was not designed to put heat on Rep. George Hansen, R-Idaho, who has withheld many of his personal financial details while struggling to overcome money-related legal problems. The spokesman said Stallings' disclosure conformed to a plank in the Republican platform.

NEWS FROM THE STATES (continued)

DEMOCRAT OFFERS SOLUTION TO WHITE HOUSE CRICKET PROBLEMS

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) -- Utah Democratic Party Chairman Pat Shea has offered First Lady Nancy Reagan the services of one of Utah's famous seagulls to eat the chirping cricket that has invaded the White House. Shea sent a telegram Wednesday to the first lady in response to reports a chirping cricket in the bedroom of President and Mrs. Reagan woke the couple up about 4 a.m. Monday. Mrs. Reagan was unable to go back to sleep and kept reminding herself that is supposed to be good luck to have crickets in the house, an aide said. One of Utah history's most famous accounts describes a flock of seagulls that answered the prayers of the Mormon pioneers and ate swarms of crickets destroying their crops in 1848. The seagull is the state bird and sculptures of the birds adorn downtown Salt Lake City.

MICHIGAN BUDGET SURPLUS

LANSING, Mich. (UPI) -- Republicans said today new budget figures released by the state showing a surplus \$50 million higher than expected indicates taxpayers have paid "far too much."

U.S. STEEL LAYS OFF 650 MORE

GARY, Ind. (UPI) -- A worsening slump in domestic steel orders is forcing the layoff of another 650 workers from U.S. Steel Corp.'s already underutilized northwest Indiana mills, the company announced today. About 350 of the workers will be back on the job after only a week on unemployment, but the rest are laid off indefinitely, the company said. The company blamed the newest job reductions on the continuing influence of foreign steel imports. U.S. Steel executives renewed their call for government action to curb imports, which recent figures placed at a record 33 percent of the total U.S. market in July. "The situation in steel is critical," U.S. Steel chairman and chief executive officer David M. Roderick said in a statement. "Action by the federal government now is vital to preserving the domestic steel industry. If action is not forthcoming, the steel industry will be irreparably damaged." Roderick called the figures "shocking" and renewed his call to President Reagan and Congress for a five-year cap on imports at 15 percent of U.S. sales.

SPACE SHUTTLE

CBS's Bob Schieffer: The shuttle finally got off the ground and by this afternoon, the crew had completed its first assignment of putting a new communications satellite into orbit. (ALL NETS LEAD)

ABC's Lynn Sherr: In a speech to NASA employees outside Washington, President Reagan used today's success to link his reelection campaign to the promise of space. (President: "And as American technology transforms the great black night of space into a bright new world of opportunities, we can use that knowledge to create a new American opportunity society here at home.")

VICE PRESIDENT/TEAMSTERS

Schieffer: Vice President Bush will be in Columbus, Ohio. He is there to pick up the Teamsters Union endorsement for the Reagan-Bush ticket. (ABC-6, CBS-5)

FERRARO

Schieffer: Geraldine was out campaigning again, but again it was her family's business dealings that got most of the attention.

CBS's Eric Engberg: Ferraro has drawn receptive crowds, handled political chores with growing confidence and sharpened her attacks on the President. (Ferraro: "I won't close my mouth until he opens up his secret plan and tells the American people exactly how he's going to bring down deficits." Applause.) She has not escaped all questions about money. Today, her husband was dismissed by a court from a part-time appointment he held to oversee the estate of an elderly woman. Zaccaro had borrowed \$175,000 from the estate for his own business, then paid it back with interest. The judge who had appointed Zaccaro to the post said, "There is no suggestion of dishonesty or malicious intent." He complimented Zaccaro on being forthright and trying to follow instructions, but concluded, "The rule is inflexible that a trustee shall not place himself in a position where his interest is or may be in conflict with his duties." Ferraro, in a news conference, said the judge's ruling was wrong and she sought to distance herself from her husband's business problems. (Ferraro: "People are responding to me. They see me as the candidate. husband's, you know, business is his business and I feel for him but we're going to go on with this campaign and we're going to win.") Buoyed by crowd responses, Ferraro's aides are allowing themselves to hope that continued attacks on her family finances may produce (ABC-4, NBC-3, CBS-6)some kind of sympathy backlash.

NBC's Bob Kur: Ferraro charged President Reagan has presided over the collapse of all arms-control negotiations. (Ferraro: "Making plans to run away from bombs after they've gone off is not my idea of assuring our safety. I want a president who spends his time making sure those bombs never go off.")

FERRARO

Kur continues: She's been attracting big crowds all week, thousands in Tennessee despite yesterday morning's Nashville headline that a convicted racketeer contributed to Ferraro's congressional campaign. But on last night's local news, that headline prompted questions which competed with coverage of the crowds. (Ferraro: "And I want, you know, this whole thing to stop. There's a lot of innuendo and absolutely no truth....I will not comment further on the article.")

MONDALE/DEFICIT

Palmer: Mondale has a plan to trim the deficit, according to Charles Mannatt. Mondale would put any tax increases in a special fund to be used only to reduce the deficit or to pay off part of the federal debt.

(NBC-4)

JESSE JACKSON

ABC's Ted Koppel: In Chicago, Jesse Jackson announced plans for a nationwide campaign by the rainbow coalition to defeat President Reagan. (ABC-7)

GALLUP POLL

ABC's Barry Serafin: The poll shows a striking contrast in the views and concerns of black and white Americans. 88% of the blacks surveyed prefer Mondale to Reagan. Mondale is even favored among black Republicans, 47-41%. But 57% of whites polled favor Mr. Reagan. 72% of blacks see President Reagan as prejudiced. Few blacks or whites see Mondale that way, but 56% of whites see Jesse Jackson as prejudiced, an apparently lingering effect of the hymie remark and Farrakhan controversies. Nearly 2/3 of blacks surveyed say Jackson's campaign has made them more likely to vote and more than half say his endorsement of Mondale makes them more likely to vote Democratic. But that is not true among whites, especially in the South. 19% of whites there say they are less likely to vote for Mondale because of Jackson. Only 8% more likely. To Mr. Reagan's question, are you better off than you were 4 years ago, 46% of whites answer yes. But nearly an equal number of blacks say they are (ABC-7)worse off.

B-1 CRASH INVESTIGATION

CBS's Bill Lynch: Air Force investigators have reached the preliminary conclusion that yesterday's B-1 crash resulted from a stall. In spite of the accident, the Air Force foresees no changes in the B-1 program.

(ABC-3, NBC-5, CBS-2)

MONTANA FIRES

Schieffer: Montana officials say gains are being made in the battle against 13 major fires that continue to burn in that state.

(ABC-15, NBC-6, CBS-4)

THOMAS REED

CBS's Fred Graham: Thomas Reed was indicted on 4 felony counts growing out of insider stock trading before he joined the Reagan Administration. U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani said Reed acted on an inside tip from his businessman father to make an illegal quick killing on his father's company's stock. (Giuliani: "The alleged fraudulent scheme resulted in a profit of \$431,000 on an investment of approximately \$3,400 in nearly a 48-hour period. Reed could receive up to 20 years in prison. He issued a statement saying he is innocent and that the trial will prove it and he blamed his indictment on election-year politics. While the indictment is likely to generate more Democratic charges about an alleged Reagan Administration sleaze factor, the Republicans will be quick to point out that the federal prosecutor who brought the charges is himself a Republican.

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

RITA LAVELLE

Schieffer: A House subcommittee charged the White House is stonewalling on providing documents detailing its contacts with Rita Lavelle. The documents raise what the panel says are serious questions about White House involvement in the Superfund program. It's been alleged that Lavelle timed announcements of Superfund grants to help Republican candidates in the 1982 elections, but she was acquitted of a charge that she perjured herself by denying her grants were politically timed. (CBS-8)

TOXIC WASTE

Schieffer: The EPA said it plans to ban the location of toxic waste dumps over underground water supplies, which provide drinking water for about half of all Americans. (CBS-9)

LEADED GASOLINE

Schieffer: The EPA opened hearings on its proposals to reduce or ban the use of lead in gasoline.

CBS's Ned Potter: The biggest obstacle to solving the lead problem is the American public. An auto supply store was willing to sell us two adaptor nozzles labeled "for emergency use only" and in a plane brown wrapper, a book titled, "How to Bypass Emission Controls." And a new government survey shows that a quarter of American car owners illegally remove the catalytic converters from their cars.

(CBS-10)

ISRAEL

Koppel: Israeli radio is reporting that Peres and Shamir have agreed to form a unity government. According to the report, Peres will be prime minister first, for 25 months, followed by Shamir, who would serve an equal term.

(NBC-11, ABC-13)

CHERNENKO

Schieffer: The physical health of Chernenko was called into question again. A senior State Department official said speculation is increasing about his health. (CBS-11)

Koppel: Chernenko was not on hand for the closing of the Friendship Games. Soviet officials warned ABC correspondent Mike McCourt that if he mentioned Chernenko in his report, they would pull the plug on his transmission. He did, and they did not.

ABC's Mike McCourt: It seems obvious the decision to close the Friendship Games with a whimper rather than a bang has to do with Chernenko and rumors about his health. (NBC-10, ABC-10)

FRIENDSHIP GAMES

Schieffer: The Friendship Games competition ended. The first reviews are in from the Soviet critics and guess what: They just loved it.

CBS's Mark Phillips: The Soviets issued an unspoken warning for the next Olympics. According to the Soviet Sports Committee chairman, the East Bloc games were not only better organized than the Los Angeles Olympics, they produced better results. (Voice of translator says in Moscow there were 18 world records set as compared with 11 in Los Angeles.) In Olympic records, the Russians say they outscored Los Angeles 47-45. The Russians don't say that in the gold medal count in track and field, for example, they would have finished third -- behind East Germany and the U.S.(ABC-9, CBS-12)

1988 OLYMPICS

Koppel: The top Soviet sports official said his nation hasn't decided whether to attend the 1988 games and may not decide for 4 more years.

(ABC-11)

GERMANY

Koppel: A step forward toward better relations between East and West Germany. The West German Airline Lufthansa made its first regularly scheduled flight into East Germany.

ABC's Hal Walker: From the ground, the wall between the two states is as high and formidable as ever. And what looked like moves toward warmer relations appear to have slowed. The East German leader was expected to make an unprecedented visit to West Germany. Now that visit appears in doubt after a barrage of Soviet criticism that the two Germanys are becoming too cozy.

KAL-007

NBC's Robert Hagar: In an article for The Nation, David Pearson suggests the plane could have been spying, to test Soviet defenses. But Assistant Secretary of State Burt said that is nonsense. Burt is quoted as saying the U.S. Government did not know the aircraft was off course. (NBC-9)

PIERRE GAMAYEL

CBS's Larry Pintak reports on the burial of Pierre Gemayel. Most of the Moslem warlords stayed away. For Amin, the loss of his father could not have come at a worse time. Infighting this week has underscored Moslem demands for a greater share of political power. The Syrians are standing by to help. A high-ranking Syrian delegation was at graveside today, a reminder of who holds real power in Beirut these days. (CBS-14)

VANDENBERG BASE

NBC's John Hart: The undersecretary of the Air Force spent one day investigating the launch site last week and has concluded, among other things, "There is no substance to the allegations that the launch pad would blow up when the shuttle is launched..." Quality assurance inspectors have told NBC that chances of blow-up were 1 in 5. The undersecretary did release a list of 15 serious discrepancies, which he said will be fixed. (NBC-2)

EDITORIALS/COLUMNISTS

SHUTTLE CITIZEN-PASSENGER

Education made it all possible -- "... To be sure, there was heavy competition for the space shuttle seat which will carry the initial non-professional passenger late next year or early in 1986. But, for now, it is proper to recognize that it was education that made space flight possible -- and it is educators who point the way to the future." (New York Post, 8/29)

CAMPAIGN DEBATES

Let the campaign begin -- with debates -- "...This campaign would benefit from direct presidential debates starting early in the fall season, rather than late....Let's hear from the two candidates themselves -- spacing out the three logical debate topics, economics, foreign policy, and social policy, over the last eight weeks before the election."

(Christian Science Monitor, 8/29)

Is Reagan planning to coast to victory? -- "...Certainly, if Mondale and Reagan were twins and without party banners, the voters still wouldn't have any trouble identifying them by their politics. That's another good reason why it is in Reagan's interest, despite his lead in the polls, to accept Mondale's challenge for a television debate."

(Milwaukee Sentinel, 8/25)

HUBERT HUMPHREY DAY

Sending Signals -- "... The White House plans to hold a Hubert H. Humphrey Day early next month, inviting Mondale and Ms. Ferraro. This is signal-sending too -- for the support of Humphrey Democrats like U.N. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick, who favor a stronger defense but also a more generous social-program thrust. Such gestures could help the Republicans look more inclusive, to defend against the equity issue -- the impression they favor the well-to-do, an impression the Dallas convention did little to dispel...." (Christian Science Monitor, 8/30)

RELIGION AND POLITICS

None of His Business -- "...No, Mr. President, religion and politics are not 'inseparable,' as you said in Dallas. In fact, it's part of your job to see that they remain separate, and that Americans remain free to worship in any way they please, or not at all if that's what they please. Because frankly, sir, it's none of your business." (Philadelphia Daily News, 8/28)

The Podium and the Pulpit -- "...This year's presidential campaign has been dragged into an unknown arena by Mr. Reagan. He clearly is betting that some voters will be attracted by emphasis on religion in public life. Yet, based on the nation's history of religious freedom and diversity, one might expect Americans to resent political claims to superior righteousness. Many more would wish the issue had never been raised. (St. Louis Post-Dispatch, 8/29)