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# The White House NEWS SUMMARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1984 -- 6 a.m. EDT Edition

## TODAY'S HEADLINES

### NATIONAL NEWS

Reagan: After Debate, Incumbent Struggles to Regain Stride -- President Reagan struggled to regain his campaign stride after a debate that his strategists acknowledged probably boosted the political fortunes of Walter Mondale.

(Baltimore Sun, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, Washington Times, AP, Reuter, UPI)

### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Salvadoran Leader Proposes Meeting with Guerrillas -- President Duarte, in a dramatic reversal of policy, offered a general amnesty for all political crimes and proposed that the leaders of leftist guerrilla groups meet with him -- unarmed -- next Monday to discuss "their incorporation into the process of democracy." (Washington Post, Reuter, UPI)

Honduras Seeks Looser Alliance and Rise in Aid -- The Foreign Minister of Honduras said his Government was seeking to redefine his relationship with the U.S. to de-emphasize military ties and was not satisfied with the Reagan Administration's reaction. (New York Times)

### NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY (Monday Evening)

**DEBATE REACTION** -- Most of the politicians and reporters who watched in the hall agree that Mondale was the winner and there is some evidence that viewers agree with that.

**BARBARA BUSH** -- She took a controversial swipe at Geraldine Ferraro.

**SECRETARY DONOVAN** -- The FBI now has ordered an internal investigation into how the the agency's New York office handled the case of Secretary Donovan.

**PERES** -- Israel's PM arrived in Washington looking for economic help.

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NATIONAL NEWS

## REAGAN CAMPAIGNS FOR JESSE HELMS

CHARLOTTE -- President Reagan took his reelection campaign into North Carolina for a special effort to help conservative Republican Sen. Helms get reelected too. Later in the day, the President flew to Baltimore, where he dedicated a statue of Christopher Columbus at a Columbus Day ceremony for the city's "Little Italy" and visited Fort McHenry. The President renewed his pledge against raising taxes, and called once again for basic tax reform, which he said would bring all tax rates down. (Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A1)

## REAGAN CITES CITY'S 'NEW BEGINNING'

President Reagan unveiled a gleaming marble statue of Christopher Columbus at the Inner Harbor, hailing the great discoverer's descendants as guardians of the American spirit. Between 5,000 and 6,000 people, many of them carrying posters proclaiming the support of an ethnic group for Mr. Reagan, jammed into the small esplanade at Eastern Avenue near Little Italy. There were a few anti-Reagan protesters, but they were overwhelmed by Reagan backers, including a few "Fritzbusters," who used the occasion to criticize Mondale. (C. Fraser Smith, Baltimore Sun, A1)

GOP Busloads Pack 'Non-partisan' Event

BALTIMORE -- Any hopes this city's Italian-American community had for keeping its ceremony from turning into a political event were dashed when the first busloads of Reagan supporters began to unload in the cramped streets of Little Italy. About a quarter of the 4,000 people who wedged themselves into the Columbus Piazza were brought in by the state Republican Party. Although Mayor Donald Schaefer introduced the President, many of the state's top Democratic officeholders stayed away. (Tom Kenworthy, Washington Post, A7)

## DEBATE REACTION

Mondale: Challenger Declares Campaign is 'Brand New Race'

NEW YORK -- Walter Mondale, claiming a major victory in Sunday's debate, declared the campaign is "a brand new race" and thousands of cheering New Yorkers and Democratic leaders appeared to agree. Exuberant spectators stood six and eight deep along 5th Avenue as an ebullient Mondale marched in the annual Columbus Day parade with his running mate. One Mondale supporter held up a sign that read, "Fritz 1, Gipper 0," and Ferraro gave Mondale an introduction befitting Muhammad Ali. "In this corner, at a feisty 170 pounds, the new heavyweight debater of the world, Fighting Fritz Mondale," Ferraro said. Mondale resumed his accusation that Reagan's policies have been unfair to the middle class and the poor. "I have never liked the question, 'Are you better off?' because I never understood that that defines American citizenship," Mondale said. "If I am wealthy and I am better off under Reagan, as I surely would be, is that the end of my responsibility as a citizen?" Mondale asked.

(Milton Coleman and Rick Atkinson, Washington Post, A1)

Mondale outlook (continued)

A recharged Mondale says "everything is different" in the race now that opinion polls, key Democrats and even some Republicans say he made a strong showing against President Reagan in their debate. Reagan was low key in assessing his performance while his aides struggled to put the best light on matters. When questioned about it, the President stretched out his hands, looked at reporters and said: "I'm smiling. I'm smiling."

(Anne Saker, UPI)

Mondale Says Race is 'Wide Open'

CINCINNATI -- Walter Mondale's campaign has been "born again," revitalized by the Democratic challenger's debate performance. "This is a brand new race. From now on, everything is wide open!" Mondale shouted to 500 cheering supporters crammed into a south Philadelphia high school gymnasium, bedecked with a giant placard reading, "The Greater Debater."

(Matthew Quinn, UPI)

Mondale Tries to Build on Momentum of Debate Win

Walter Mondale was taking his struggling campaign to the industrial Midwest, hoping to build on the momentum created by a debate victory over Ronald Reagan. But while Mondale was claiming the race had begun anew, most commentators were asking whether his effort was too late to make any major difference. Reagan campaign officials, confident that his huge lead in the polls was too big to overcome, were trying to shrug off what they admitted was a below-par performance, saying it would switch few votes to Mondale.

(Michael Battye, Reuter)

Big Apple is All Aglow for Refurbished Fritz

NEW YORK -- Bouyed by what supporters believe is a breakthrough, Walter Mondale declared "we have a brand new race" as he received a hero's welcome in Manhattan. Sen. Moynihan, who marched with Mondale and Ferraro, said he thought as he walked through cheers for the first 10 blocks that the state committee had "finally done something right." But after 10 more blocks, it became apparent "something had happened." It must have been the debate, Moynihan added. "I don't know what it means. But for the first time, we've gotten people out who really wanted us to win."

(Alan McConagha, Washington Times, A1)

Aides Concede Reagan Was Subpar in Debate

CHARLOTTE -- Strategists for President Reagan blamed each other and Mr. Reagan himself for what they conceded was a subpar performance in the debate. Despite public claims that the President had outpointed Mondale, the President's advisers said he was far less impressive than he had been in debating Jimmy Carter four years ago. "His summation was not as strong," said James Baker. Some officials of the Reagan reelection campaign insisted the President had not been properly prepared. They attributed this to Baker and his chief aide, Richard Darman.

(Fred Barnes, Baltimore Sun, A1)

Reagan: After Debate, Incumbent Struggles to Regain Stride

BALTIMORE -- President Reagan struggled to regain his campaign stride after a debate that his strategists acknowledged probably boosted the political fortunes of Walter Mondale. Sen. Laxalt and James Baker said the President closing statement was ineffective. Richard Wirthlin said the President's 18-point lead could slip to 12 or 13 points by week's end. Privately, there was near-consensus among Reagan advisers that Mondale had put the President on the defensive. Some strategists said Reagan, often underestimated by his opponents in the past, may have underrated Mondale and been overconfident. One adviser also concluded Reagan may have appeared tired and showed his 73 years during the closing stretch. But this was discounted by others in the White House, especially Larry Speakes. While there were no signs of panic in the Reagan campaign, his advisers acknowledged concern about the President's performance at the close of the debate and expressed worry that press accounts giving Mondale the victory would add to the damage.

(Lou Cannon, Washington Post, A1)

GOP Camp Regroups in Wake of Debate

BALTIMORE -- Reagan-Bush campaign leaders and the White House began a damage-control operation designed to lessen the political impact of what is generally regarded to have been a defeat for President Reagan at the hands of Walter Mondale in the debate. The President's advisers in the White House and the reelection committee know the Democratic candidate scored well against Mr. Reagan, who seemed to be ill at ease and often groping for words in the debate. Reagan officials put forth extraordinary efforts Sunday night and yesterday to persuade reporters that the first debate was not a debacle. But almost to a man, the press traveling with Mr. Reagan thought the outcome of the debate was a solid victory for the Democrat on domestic issues -- issues that should have given the President an easy victory.

(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A3)

NOTE: Articles entitled "Mondale, in N.Y., Feels Debate May Turn Campaign," and "Candidates Both Misstated Debate Points," also appear on page A1 of The Baltimore Sun.

No 'Knockouts,' But Both Get Marks for Style, Poise

Although political Washington split among purely partisan lines over who came out on top, most observers gave President Reagan and Mr. Mondale generally good marks on style and poise while conceding that neither scored a knockout. (Dave Doubrava, Washington Times, A3)

Chance of Revival Seen for Mondale After TV Debate

Political analysts and polltakers on both sides asserted that Walter Mondale's performance had created a chance for him to revive his campaign. But poll takers agreed that it would be several days before it became clear if the Democratic nominee got significant help in cutting Reagan's lead of 15 to 23 percentage points in most national surveys.

(Howell Raines, New York Times, A1)



Viewers' Group Shifts Opinions But Not Votes

HANOVER PARK, Illinois -- President Reagan's grip on the electorate loosened but was not quite lost during the debate, as his middle-class supporters in Mike and Sue Talbot's family room discovered new doubts about their leader and new virtues in his opponent. The badly needed gains Mondale got from the 15 middle-class voters who watched the debate in this Chicago suburb were not the sort that would show up in a quick post-debate poll. No votes changed -- but a lot of opinions shifted. They voiced concerns for the first time about Reagan's age, his intentions toward trimming Social Security and Medicare, his ties to the Christian fundamentalist far right, his desire to outlaw abortion, his hope -- according to Mondale -- of packing the Supreme Court with Moral Majority-approved judges and the damage his record budget deficits might do to future generations. (Martin Schram, Washington Post, A1)

Debate Narrows Gap for Mondale

Fritz Mondale won. That's the growing perception among pols, polls and pundits in the wake of Sunday night's big debate. Democrats are euphoric. Republicans were puzzled and a little nervous over the President's halting and sometimes inarticulate performance. Almost surely, Republicans and Democrats agree, the debate will narrow Mr. Reagan's huge lead in the polls at least a little.

(Robert Merry and James Perry, Wall Street Journal, A64)

Candidates Cast Versions of Truth: Debate Marked by Slip-Ups, Omissions

Reagan, known of his effective use of anecdotes and one-liners, uncharacteristically seemed to outdo Mondale in citing statistics, and he appeared to have trouble with many of them. Mondale, by contrast, stressed broad statements of principle, in some instances overstating the case. But both men were trying to cast reality as they would like the voters to see it, and each skipped lightly over the full story. Some omissions were deliberate. In other cases, there was such selective recollection as Reagan's claim that "the only 25% cut that I know of" in Social Security came during the Carter Administration. In fact, Reagan proposed cuts that would have reduced Social Security benefits by nearly 25% from the level that future retirees would have received. Mondale derided the Republican platform for saying that "from here on out, we're going to have a religious test for judges before they're selected for the federal court." But the platform says only, "...we reaffirm our support for the appointment of judges at all levels of the judiciary who respect traditional family values and the sanctity of innocent human life."

(News Analysis by David Hoffman, Washington Post, A6)

Poll Results Indicate Democrat Did Best

Democrats universally appeared to believe Mondale had made his strongest and most effective performance ever, while Reagan was off his form, appearing "hesitant" and sometimes nervous with occasional lapses of memory, and that he made a weak closing statement.

(James Dickenson and David Broder, Washington Post, A12)

British Papers See Election Debate as Mondale Victory

LONDON -- British papers gave Mondale a chance of closing in on President Reagan's popularity record after their first debate. "Mr. Mondale came out fighting," the Times said. "The President, by contrast, hesitated, justifying those of his aides who have kept him from direct contact with the press." The Financial Times commented: "To win a debate is not to prove that one can govern the country the way people want. But there was a new spring in the Democrats' step as they set out on the campaign trail again." The conservative Daily Telegraph said the debate had more to do with confirming partisan sympathies than making converts. "But Mr. Mondale has at least made a start on narrowing that 25% lead -- and there is still a month to go," it added. The liberal Guardian said the surprise factor in the debate was that anyone should have been surprised. "Mr. Mondale is a bright, diligent, professional politician who has spent much of the last nine months debating on television," it commented. "Mr. Reagan is an old, ostentatiously laid-back President of the United States who has spent most of the last three years avoiding debating anything with anybody in public." (Reuter)

Reagan On Defensive, Soviets Say

MOSCOW -- Radio Moscow and Tass both quoted U.S. media reports that characterized Mr. Reagan as being "on the defensive" against Mondale. Soviet television showed no television tape of the debate, but quoted Mondale as questioning whether the U.S. needs as much military spending as Mr. Reagan wants, and said the President had spent at least 10 hours preparing for the debate. (AP)

## NEW QUESTION IN RACE: IS OLDEST U.S. PRESIDENT NOW SHOWING HIS AGE?

Until Sunday's debate, age hadn't been much of an issue in the campaign. That may now be changing. The President's rambling responses and occasional apparent confusion injected an unpredictable new element into the race. Some Democrats were euphoric. "He created an issue that has not yet come in this campaign -- age," declares Rep. Coelho. "He looked and acted old." (Wall Street Journal, A1)

## FOUR YEARS LATER: WHO IN U.S. IS BETTER OFF?

Government statistics and experts' analyses indicate that, a month before the election, the overall economy is healthier than the one President Carter left behind. But the mainstream of the population, the middle class, has done little more than hold its own, and the general improvement obscures disparities and widening divisions between groups. (Peter Kilborn, New York Times, A1)

## QUESTION OF SUCCESSION KEY TO VP DEBATE

Given a choice between Mondale and Vice President Bush, which man would the electorate choose as President? That may be the underlying question when the Vice President squares off against Rep. Ferraro. The other underlying question is which of the two vice presidential candidates do voters want to be "a heartbeat away" from the presidency. The Philadelphia debate takes on added importance because of President Reagan's sometimes stammering performance against Mondale Sunday night. (News Analysis by Ron Cordray, Washington Times, A2)

## BUSH HEARS DEMOCRATIC ENTHUSIASM

NEW YORK -- With Grand Marshal Sophia Loren walking ahead of him and thickets of Mondale-Ferraro placards waving on all sides, Vice President Bush marched at the front of the Columbus Day parade and said of the reception: "I like it." "Mondale! Mondale!" the crowd roared as Bush started the parade. "Pay your taxes!" a man bellowed as the Vice President paraded past Scribner's book store on 48th. The enthusiasm for Mondale came as some polls indicated the voters thought Mondale won the debate. But Bush's aides said a survey by Richard Wirthlin showed Reagan won the debate and that there is no need for Bush to shift strategy for his debate on Thursday.

(Dale Russakoff, Washington Post, A9)

## BARBARA BUSH APOLOGIZES FOR REMARK

NEW YORK -- The wife of Vice President Bush apologized to Geraldine Ferraro for a remark involving Ferraro's wealth, campaign aides said. Barbara Bush telephoned Ferraro at her home to apologize after it was reported that she referred to her husband's rival as someone who was worth \$4M and who "rhymes with rich." Ferraro aides said they planned to issue no statement on the matter. Barbara Bush was quoted as having said it was an off-hand comment that she did not realize was being reported.

(Reuter)

## STOCKS HIT TWO-MONTH LOW IN SLOWEST SESSION OF YEAR

NEW YORK -- With thousands of investors celebrating Columbus Day, the stock market sank to its lowest level in two months in the slowest trading in nearly two years. Brokers said investors are still uncertain about the course of the economy and interest rates. The Dow fell 4.64.

(Frank Slusser, UPI)

## SOME FARM ITEM COSTS DOWN, BUT PRICES HIGHER FOR MANY OTHERS

Costs of some important items that farmers need in the production of crops and livestock have eased from a year ago, according to Agriculture Department surveys. But not all costs have declined and those that have dropped are not uniformly lower. It depends on the item. Feed prices are down, for example, but seed prices are up. A recent monthly report on prices that farmers receive for what they produce said that in September prices of major commodities as a group were down 2.8% from August but still averaged 2.2% above September 1983. Prices that farmers pay out for production items, meanwhile, were unchanged from the August index reading but still averaged 0.6% above a year ago. (Don Kendall, AP)

## LEE GREENWOOD/COUNTRY MUSIC AWARDS

NASHVILLE -- Lee Greenwood, bolstered by his patriotic hit "God Bless the USA," was chosen male vocalist of the year. Greenwood's selection, announced at the Country Music Awards show at the Grand Ole Opry House, was the second in as many years for Greenwood, a former Las Vegas casino dealer. (AP)

EDITOR'S NOTE: Elisabeth Bumiller's article, "Margaret Tutwiler, at Crisis Central: The White House Link for Politics & Problems," appears on page C1 of The Washington Post (Style).

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## SALVADORAN LEADER PROPOSES MEETING WITH GUERRILLAS

UNITED NATIONS -- President Duarte, in a dramatic reversal of policy, offered a general amnesty for all political crimes and proposed that the leaders of leftist guerrilla groups meet with him -- unarmed -- next Monday to discuss "their incorporation into the process of democracy." In a speech to the General Assembly, he suggested the meeting take place Oct. 15 in a village between rebel-held and government-controlled territory.

(Michael Berlin, Washington Post, A1)

At the conclusion of Duarte's speech, Ambassador Kirkpatrick clapped enthusiastically, but representatives of Nicaragua did not applaud. Duarte seems to have the full backing of the Reagan Administration, which was chided recently by Democrats for attacking the possibility of serious talks between the two sides.

(Charles Flowers, Washington Times, A1)

In a statement released in Mexico City, the rebels' radio Venceremos said, "Duarte's speech before the U.N. lacks objective elements to support it and cannot be considered a serious proposal until there are concrete facts to show the (government's) intention to reach a political solution to the conflict." The guerrillas said they did not believe Duarte is ready to work for peace when the armed forces "daily increase their terrorist actions, bombing the defenseless civilian population."

(Michael Drudge, UPI)

Salvadoran Guerrillas Prepared to Meet President Duarte

SAN SALVADOR -- Salvadoran guerrillas said they were caught by surprise by Duarte's offer of talks but their first reaction would be to accept. Guerrilla spokesmen told reporters their first reaction would be to accept but the offer would have to be studied by the leaders of the FMLN, a five-group rebel umbrella organization. Archbishop of San Salvador Arturo Rivera welcomed the move, saying: "A discussion can begin even though it may not resolve everything." (Mark Baille, Reuter)

## ORTEGA REPEATS CHARGES OF IMPENDING U.S. INVASION

BOSTON -- Daniel Ortega repeated charges that the U.S. was preparing to invade his nation, but his accusations were not as strong as those made in a U.N. speech last week. Ortega, speaking before 2,300 people at Harvard, said the U.S. Government has "the machinery in place to launch the invasion at any moment they select." He added later that U.S. intervention was "a very imminent possibility." "The (Reagan) Administration's policy is a threat not only to the people of Nicaragua but to the American people themselves," he said. His speech was frequently interrupted with cheers and applause. Ortega spent much of the speech criticizing the U.S. for not supporting the Contadora group's draft peace treaty. He said the goal of the Sandinistas is to build "a nonalignment pluralistic society with a mixed economy that is, of course, oriented towards the interests of the poor."

(Catherine Arnest, Reuter)

## NICARAGUAN LEADER MAKES U.S. TOUR

LOS ANGELES -- Daniel Ortega took a most unrevolutionary campaign swing around the U.S. last week, trying to counter what he called the Reagan Administration's "disinformation" effort against his government. The trip here, laced with celebrities and full of media interviews and speeches, coincides with the vote expected in Congress on funding Reagan's proposed aid to contra rebels. Ortega's effort is to be followed by "The National Town Meeting on Central America," a series of open discussions in six cities by a group of U.S. actors, politicians and activists, sponsored by the Los Angeles-based Committee of Concern for Central America. All this has been timed to coincide not only with the peak of the U.S. presidential campaign but with crucial votes this week in Congress on President Reagan's aid program to rebels.

(Joanne Omang, Washington Post, A3)

## WORLD COURT PUTS OFF DECISION ON NICARAGUA

THE HAGUE -- The World Court postponed a decision on a Nicaraguan complaint that the U.S. is waging "armed attacks" against the Sandinista government. Instead, the court said it would start a new series of hearings on whether it has jurisdiction to hear the complaint.

(Washington Post, A23)

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thomas Sullivan's article, "Teacher Jailed by Sandinistas Pleads for Continued U.S. Aid," appears on page A6 of The Washington Times.

## HONDURAS SEEKS LOOSER ALLIANCE AND RISE IN AID

The Foreign Minister of Honduras said his Government was seeking to redefine his relationship with the U.S. to de-emphasize military ties and was not satisfied with the Reagan Administration's reaction. Paz said Honduras formally asked the U.S. at the end of July to appoint a high-level commission to discuss changes in the relationship between the two countries. He reported the Reagan Administration resisted the suggestion, although he said senior American officials, including Secretary Shultz, had told him the Administration was willing to talk about increasing economic aid. State Department officials said they were surprised by Paz's comments. They said representatives of the U.S. and Honduras talked often and that although the Administration had not set up a special commission, it had no objection to exploring possible changes.

(Philip Taubman, New York Times, A1)

## REAGAN REPORTING TO CONGRESS ON ALLEGED SOVIET ARMS VIOLATIONS

President Reagan was expecting to send to Congress by tonight a classified report accusing the Soviet Union of 11 violations of arms control agreements since 1961. Prepared by a presidential advisory committee, it is likely to contribute to the campaign debate over the merits of negotiating U.S.-Soviet treaties to reduce nuclear weapons. Reagan was set to submit the report last month, but the State Department persuaded him to wait until after his meeting with FM Gromyko. (Barry Schweid, AP)

## BELGIUM URGED TO REJECT PACT WITH LIBYANS

U.S. officials are pressing the Belgian government to reject a \$1B nuclear cooperation agreement with Libya that U.S. officials fear could help Libya learn to build nuclear weapons. U.S. and Belgian officials said the Belgian economy is sufficiently weak for Brussels to be tempted by the offer. U.S. officials said they are skeptical of the motives of Libya and its leader in seeking nuclear technology, and would prefer the deal be rejected outright, without compromise. (Fred Hiatt, Washington Post, A1)

## PERES SAYS DEFENSE CUTS WOULD HURT ISRAEL

Seeking more U.S. aid for Israel's inflation-ravaged economy, PM Peres has told the Reagan Administration that deeper government spending cuts would jeopardize his country's military security. According to Israeli sources, Peres told Secretary Shultz that further budget cuts would be detrimental to Israel's security. Peres told Shultz there is no more room for cuts in defense spending without eroding Israel's military security, according to the sources. (Barry Schweid, AP)

## CHINA RECASTS OUTPUT GOALS

PEKING -- In a major economic reform, China is planning to let market forces play a dominant role in the production of more than half the nation's industrial goods, according to official news reports. The reform will free all but the key industrial and farm goods from rigid state production quotas that form the basis of a planned Marxist economy.

(Michael Weisskopf, Washington Post, A1)

## CHINESE DELEGATION SHOPS FOR U.S. MILITARY GOODS

A delegation of Chinese naval officials and civilian technicians is visiting the U.S. this week to pursue in detail the possibilities for military cooperation that were raised a year ago in Peking by Secretary Weinberger. Military cooperation has been explored gingerly, with China unwilling to speak of "strategic cooperation" and the U.S. reluctant to sell weapons that Taiwan might perceive as geared more to attack than defense.

(Fred Hiatt, Washington Post, A26)

## JAPAN/EAST-WEST RELATIONS

TOKYO -- Japan's foreign ministry, in an annual report released today, called for greater East-West dialogue but expressed doubts that the current Soviet leadership is strong enough for serious talks on easing tensions. The report said it was essential "to endeavor, while making our views crystal clear to the Soviets, to maintain and strengthen dialogue with even more patience as the situation turns harsher." (AP)

## IRAQI PLANES RESUME ATTACKS ON GULF SHIPPING

CAIRO -- Iraqi warplanes broke a three-week lull in the Persian Gulf "tanker war" with an attack that set a supertanker ablaze and killed six of its crew members, including two British officers. Six other seamen were critically burned in the attack on the 115,000-ton World Knight about 40 miles southwest of Kharg Island. Iranian Navy helicopters lifted them and other surviving members of the crew from the blazing tanker.

(David Ottaway, Washington Post, A25)

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CANDIDATES SCHEDULES

(UPI) -- Schedules for the presidential and vice presidential candidates for Tuesday, Oct. 9, and tentative schedules for the week ahead.

Walter Mondale:

Tuesday, Oct. 9: 9 a.m. attends citizens forum, North Meeting Room, Convention Center, 5th and Elm streets, Cincinnati. Departs for Detroit, no time given.

Noon CDT rally, Kennedy Square, Woodward and Front street, Detroit. Departs for Pittsburgh, no time given, and overnights there.

Wednesday, Oct. 10: Noon EDT rally, Market Square, Pittsburgh. Mid-afternoon goes to New York City and has an event there.

7 p.m. attends New York Democratic Dinner, Shearson Center, New York. Overnights New York.

Thursday, Oct. 11: Departs New York for Columbus, Ohio. Noon rally, State House, Columbus.

Departs for Orlando, Fla., no time given.

Late afternoon event, Orlando. Departs for Miami, no time given, has an event and overnights there.

Friday, Oct. 12: Morning departs Miami for Madison, Wis.

Noon EDT rally, East Washington entrance, State Capitol, Madison. Departs for Minneapolis, no time given, and overnights there.

Saturday, Oct. 13: Event, St. Paul, Minn., no time given. Overnights St. Paul.

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Geraldine Ferraro:

Tuesday, Oct. 9-Wednesday, Oct. 10: Prepares for vice presidential debates, Queens, N.Y.

Thursday, Oct. 11: Morning private time, Queens.

2:35 p.m. EDT departs for LaGuardia Airport, Butler Aviation, Marine Air terminal.

3 p.m. departs for Philadelphia.

3:40 p.m. arrives Philadelphia International Airport, gate 25, Cargo City terminal.

4:20 p.m. goes to Pennsylvania Hall, Civic Center Drive, view debate site.

5 p.m. departs for Bellevue Stratford Hotel, Broad and Walnut streets, Philadelphia.

5:15 p.m. private time, hotel.

8:15 p.m. departs for Pennsylvania Hall.

8:30 p.m. arrives hall.

9 p.m. vice presidential debate.

10:30 p.m. private time, Pennsylvania Hall.

10:55 p.m. departs for The Bourse, Fifth and Market streets, Philadelphia.

11:10 p.m. rally, The Bourse.

11:35 p.m. departs for hotel and overnights there.

Friday, Oct. 12: Departs Philadelphia for Madison, Wis., no time given.

Noon joins Mondale for rally, state capitol. Goes to Chicago, no time given, has an event and overnights there.

Saturday, Oct. 13: Departs Chicago for campaign trip to Des Moines, Iowa, no time or event given. Returns to Queens for overnight.

CANDIDATES SCHEDULES (continued)

President Reagan:

Tuesday, Oct. 9: Meets with Israeli Prime Minister Simon Peres and hosts luncheon for him, White House.

Wednesday, Oct. 10: Campaigns at St. Agatha's College, Wayne County, Mich., a Ukranian cultural center, Redford County, Mich., and McComb Community College, McComb County, Mich.

Thursday, Oct. 11: White House.

Friday, Oct. 12: Takes whistle stop train trip through Ohio, returns to Washington in evening.

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Vice President George Bush:

Tuesday, Oct. 9-Wednesday, Oct. 10: Washington; no public schedule.

Thursday, Oct. 11: 1 p.m. EDT departs Washington for Philadelphia. 9 p.m. Vice presidential debate, Pennsylvania Hall, Philadelphia.

Friday, Oct. 12: 9 a.m. EDT rally, Port Elizabeth, N.J. Departs for Birmingham, Ala., no time given. 12:20 p.m. EDT speech, Southeast U.S.-Japan Annual Conference, Birmingham, Ala. 2 p.m. departs for Washington.

Saturday, Oct. 13: Washington.

Sunday, Oct. 14: Begins campaign swing on West Coast.



NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING, October 8, 1984

## DEBATE REACTION/CAMPAIGN

CBS's Dan Rather: Showdown day plus one. First impressions, though not necessarily last or lasting, say it was Walter Mondale's night. A CBS News-New York Times poll overnight, even some of President Reagan's own advisers give Mondale the nod in last night's candidate forum. But can scoring points in a question-and-answer session do anything to knock back the huge 26-point lead President Reagan has in the poll results at least just this past weekend?

CBS's Bruce Morton: Most of the politicians and reporters who watched the debate in this hall agree that Walter Mondale was the winner. And there is some evidence today that television viewers around the country agree with that. CBS News and The New York Times called back 476 voters we'd interviewed last week. The sample, like the country, was for Ronald Reagan by a big margin. But the two-thirds who watched the debate thought Walter Mondale won it. (Graphic shows 43 percent say Mondale won, 34 percent Reagan, 16 percent called it a tie.) Only half the Reagan supporters thought their man won. (50 percent win, 21 percent lose, 20 percent tie.) Just about all Mondale's backers thought Mondale won. (83 percent win, 5 percent lose.) We asked: Did the debate affect your opinion of Walter Mondale? Over half our sample said the debate made them think better of him. (53 percent better, 4 percent worse.) Maybe because of lines like this, voters praised Mondale's style, the way he handled himself. (Walter Mondale: "We can be better if we face our future, face our problems, and by solving them, build a better society for our children.") Ronald Reagan echoed a famous line of his from the 1980 debate. (President: "You know, I wasn't going to say this at all, but I can't help it. There you go again.") But this time, it seemed to work for challenger Mondale, who used his sense of humor to make his point. (Mondale: "Now, Mr. President, you said, 'There you go again.' Right? Remember the last time you said that? You said it when President Carter said that you were going to cut Medicare. You said, 'Oh no, there you go again, Mr. President.' And what did you do right after the election? You went out and tried to cut \$20 billion out of Medicare." TV Coverage: Reaction shot of the President.) Mondale had a defensive Ronald Reagan saying in this debate that taxes might have to be raised or Medicare benefits cut. (President: "And something is going to have to be done in the next several years to make it fiscally sound. I have proposed that the program -- we must treat with that particular problem.") Our survey shows that Walter Mondale beat Ronald Reagan last night by about as much as Reagan beat Jimmy Carter in the 1980 debate. What does it mean? How long will it last? Hard to say. On to Kansas City, site of the next presidential debate.

(CBS Lead)

ABC's Peter Jennings: Various news organizations have conducted polls. Newsweek magazine found that a large majority of people they contacted thought Walter Mondale had done better in the debate. (Graphic shows Mondale with 54 percent saying he won, the President with 35 percent.) A USA Today poll, on the other hand, found Mr. Mondale the winner by a much closer margin. (Mondale: 39, Reagan: 34.)

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ABC's Barry Serafin: The ABC News survey of more than 600 viewers of the debate indicates that Mondale made a good showing before a tough audience. Those we polled were more Republican and more pro-Reagan than registered voters in general. But it also indicates that he did not change many minds. 39 percent of the viewers we questioned thought Mondale won. 38 percent thought Mr. Reagan came out on top, and 23 percent called it a tie. But that split decision did not mean that many of the viewers we surveyed were switching candidates. 61 percent of them favored President Reagan before the debate, 59 percent still favored him afterward. 36 percent supported Mondale beforehand, 39 percent afterward. Still, only 58 percent of Mr. Reagan's own supporters thought he won the debate. 78 percent of Mondale's backers thought he was the winner. In past surveys, the President has made a stronger showing among than women. But last night, women we questioned said Mr. Reagan won, while men gave Mondale the edge. (Men gave Mondale 40 percent, Reagan 35. Women gave Mondale 38 percent, Reagan 43.) Both camps this week will be carefully analyzing the effect of last night's confrontation. But our initial survey of viewer reaction indicates that, while conceding an effective performance by Mondale, most of those who favored Mr. Reagan before the debate still do.

(ABC-3)

Rather: For the candidates, the day after was another day on the campaign trail, but an untypical day for each. Almost unrestrained glee in the Mondale camp. Damage control in President Reagan's.

CBS's Leslie Stahl: How do you think you did Mr. President? (President, at airport: "I'm smiling.") But the Reagan team seemed ruffled today, thrown off its stride despite the President's victory sign. Said a top adviser, Mondale looked presidential. The order of the day: damage control. (Larry Speakes: "I think Mondale came in needing a knockout to do well in the debate on the long run. He didn't get that knockout. I think the President has done extremely well." Sen. Laxalt: "Stylistically, last night was probably pretty much a draw or a wash." Reporter: "Who was the more aggressive?" Laxalt: "Oh, I think probably overall that Mr. Mondale was.") A rally in North Carolina for Sen. Jesse Helms. A deflated hot air balloon, deflated spirits in the Reagan camp. Even the usually confident President sounded unsure. (President: "You know, last night we had a little sparring in the political arena. And whether I won them or not, I've -- uh -- I know now that I have won the fruits of victory, because I get to be with all of you.") By the time the President moved on to Baltimore, aides were conceding that Mondale could pick up points in the polls, but insisted that Mr. Reagan is too far ahead to beat in the election. (Older man at Baltimore rally: "I think Mondale won. I though he handled himself good. Reagan did, but a couple of times I think he was a little nervous. But I'm still a Reagan man.") (Young man: "I'm not really sure right now. It did change my mind to the point where I'm going to re-look -- look again at Mr. Mondale.") Preparations for debate number two? No plans for anything different. (President leaving stage at Baltimore rally: "No. Why?") Aides say privately

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Stahl (continued): that Mondale out-Reaganned Reagan last night by being congenial and witty, and that Mr. Reagan used too many statistics and numbers. How will he recover? Aides say, "We're going turn the heat up and focus on Mondale's plan to raise taxes."  
(CBS-2)

ABC's Sam Donaldson: (TV Coverage: Presidential motorcade pulling out of Louisville garage.) The Presidential motorcade rolled slowly and painfully out of Louisville this morning. It's occupants well aware that the heavyweight debating champ had stubbed his toe on Walter Mondale. (Sen. Laxalt: "Style dominated last night. Who was the more aggressive and who connects the most --" Reporter: "Who was the more aggressive?" Laxalt: "Oh I think probably overall that Mr. Mondale was.") But Laxalt went on to say that the enunciation of clear positions was the most important outcome. Chief of Staff James Baker told reporters that, since Mondale failed to score a knockout, Mr. Reagan had clearly won, and the polls won't change much. For his part, the President shouted back to the questioners it was up to the press to say who won. And in his first rally of the day, in Charlotte, North Carolina, the President seemed to strike a plaintive note in refusing to claim victory. (President: "You know, last night ... all of you.") The part of last night's sparring Mr. Reagan's aides find hardest to defend was the President's summation, which instead of being a rousing, uplifting close, turned out to be a rambling mass of numbers. (President, in debate: "It's up eight-and-a-half percent.") What happened? (Ed Rollins: "Well, I think sometimes the President gets played off against himself. He had such an extreme, strong summation in 1980 that a lot of people were expecting that to be the same way. I think he had a good evening.") But maybe not good enough. So, will the tactics change for round two? (At Baltimore rally. Reporter: "Are you going to prepare any differently for your next debate?" President: "No. Why?") So the bottom line from the Reagan camp tonight is this: Yes, the President fell somewhat short and the challenger looks good. But, no, it really doesn't matter. Since there was no knockout, and the issues remain the same, nothing much will change. That is what they say. But now, nervously, along with everyone else, they'll be watching the daily tracking polls to see whether they're right.  
(ABC-2)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: For their part, President Reagan and his people today were trying to achieve with briefings, polls, explanations and tight, little smiles what they failed to win on the Louisville stage last night.

NBC's Chris Wallace: (TV Coverage: The President's limousine pulling up to Air Force One.) The seemingly unstoppable Reagan bandwagon hit a bad rut last night and the President seemed to know it. Asked who won the debate as he left Kentucky, all he said was, "I'm smiling." At a North Carolina rally, Mr. Reagan brought up the debate himself, and was downbeat. (President: "Whether I won them or not ... with all of you.") The real campaigning though was done by the Reagan staff, trying to limit damage from the debate. (TV Coverage: Larry Speakes surrounded by reporters.) Last night,

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Wallace (continued): officials who seldom return reporters' phone calls swarmed over the press, saying Mondale needed a knockout and got only a draw. (TV Coverage: James Baker leaving room followed by reporters.) This morning, White House Chief of Staff James Baker gave reporters breakfast and a new Reagan poll which showed the President winning the debate by three points, but losing among people who watched all 90 minutes. Reagan aides admitted they were surprised by Mondale's effectiveness. (Ed Rollins: "--that Mondale was prepared to pounce on a few things, and I think did so. I think --") (TV Coverage: Sen. Laxalt being interviewed.) They were also surprised by the President's dull, overly detailed closing statement, and blamed it on confusion at the end of the debate. There was even some finger-pointing in the Reagan camp. Top campaign officials said White House officials did a terrible job of preparing the President, giving him too many facts and failing to organize his answers. One top official said Mr. Reagan did four mock debates and every time was as bad as he was last night. (TV Coverage: Unveiling statue in Baltimore.) As Mr. Reagan celebrated Columbus Day, aides say they expect his lead to shrink with Democrats switching back to Mondale. But they won't change strategy, saying voters still back the President on the issues. For them, the worst thing was that a strong Reagan performance might have clinched the election, while what happened last night gave the Democrats new life.

(NBC-2)

ABC's Jim Wooten: Most of those who favored Mr. Reagan as invincible in debate don't anymore, not after last night. (David Gergen: "Reagan did not play for the win. Reagan played for the draw, and that's basically what he got.") David Gergen, who once worked in Mr. Reagan's White House. He just couldn't bring himself to concede anything more or less than that. Neither could this ardent Presidential fan. (Jerry Falwell: "I don't know if Mr. Reagan won the debate. But neither of them lost it, and that is all that we in the Reagan camp are hoping for was that our man would not lose it.") And that approach was far too cautious, Gergen says. It produced a tepid debater. (Gergen: "So what we saw last night was a Reagan who was very much the same man we see often at press conferences. What we did not see was the Gipper.") It was this sort of hesitancy, uncertainty. (President, at debate: "While we were operating still on the Carter-Mondale budget that we inherited -- that -- the interest rates (fades down)") This tenuousness that Gergen and other Reagan supporters found disappointing. Democratic professionals, on the other hand, were jubilant that the President seemed to have stumbled. (Democrat: "In one 90-minute segment, Walter Mondale got into the battle. He handled the President night.") As for this media consultant, the debate struck him as just the sort of moment the President should have avoided. (Tony Schwartz: "It left him having to deal with things that he normally might have the ability to avoid. And it made him nervous and he looked it.")

(ABC-4)

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NBC's Roger Mudd: Who won or lost last night was largely a matter of expectations. By most accounts, including Republican ones, Ronald Reagan did not live up to his own standards. By most accounts, including Republican ones, Walter Mondale surpassed his. Unlike four years ago, the President had to carry the burden of his record, and he was occasionally on the defensive. (President: "I will never stand for a reduction of the Social Security benefits to the people that are now getting them. No, we are not going starve the hungry.") There were also moments when the President seemed to lose his way or his concentration. (President: "The system is still where it was with regard to -- ah -- the -- ah -- with regard to the -- ah -- progressivity, as I said --") But the President did not commit any serious mistakes. In fact there were many flashes of the old Reagan. (President: "Is America better off than it was four years ago? And I believe the answer has to also be yes.") Walter Mondale seemed better prepared. He was deliberately generous toward the President. (Mondale: "I think the President has done some things to raise the sense of spirit, morale, good feeling in this country, and he's entitled to credit for that.") And when the President re-used his old line from 1980 -- there you go again -- Mondale was ready. (Mondale: "Now, Mr. President, you said ... \$20 billion out of Medicare.") But, from time to time, Mondale's voice grew whiney as he fell back on his old stump speeches. (Mondale: "The American people want to keep opening doors. They want those civil rights laws enforced. They want the Equal Rights Amendment ratified --") Clearly Mondale thought he had won. Clearly Mr. Reagan knew he had not overpowered his opponent, and at his post-debate rally, seemed to apologize. (President, at rally: "I don't know. Let me ask you a question or two. In this big debate, I really wanted to show that just maybe government is big enough already. I don't know whether I got that across.") As jubilant as the Mondale campaign might be about the debate and its impact on morale, no one is claiming that last night was enough to close the enormous gap with Ronald Reagan. (NBC-3)

CBS's Bob Schieffer: New York's Columbus Day parade honors the man who discovered America, but today it was as if New York had suddenly discovered Walter Mondale. (Crowd: "Mondale! Ferraro! Mondale! Ferraro!") The parade route had been plastered with Mondale-Ferraro signs and the Democratic ticket loved every New York block of it. (Man in crowd, off camera: "Fritz! You looked great last night!") Last night's debate seemed to recharge the whole Democratic presidential campaign effort and it was hard to say who savored it most; Mondale, who couldn't stop grinning, or his supporters and staff, who couldn't stop shouting. And when they detoured from the parade for a mid-town rally, the place just exploded. New York's Gov. Cuomo was euphoric, the Big Apple's mayor beside himself. (Mayor Koch: "Last night we watched the election turn around!") There was no argument on that, of course, from the partisan crowd. But if that made them happy, it was Geraldine Ferraro's no-holds-barred introduction that told it all about the post-debate mood in the Mondale camp. (Geraldine Ferraro: "In this corner, at a feisty 170 pounds, the new heavyweight debater of the world, 'Fighting Fritz' Mondale!") With that kind of buildup,



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Schieffer (continued): Mondale himself was delighted to dwell a while on last night's big show. (Mondale: "Who gave you straight talk? (Cheers) WHO talked about the future and dealing the future? (Cheers) Who's going to win this election? (Cheers)") Neither Mondale nor his staff were fooling themselves into believing today that they've suddenly overtaken Ronald Reagan, but the way they see it, their man was the clear winner last night, and now they say the race is bound to get closer. (CBS-3)

ABC's Brit Hume: Walter Mondale flew into New York today. But the way he was feeling after last night's debate, he probably didn't need the plane. And when he and Geraldine Ferraro walked up Fifth Avenue in the annual Columbus Day parade, they were met thousands of cheering supporters, a sharp contrast indeed with last month's Labor Day parade, when almost nobody turned out to greet them. And this was followed by tumultuous rally in a jammed hotel ballroom, where Ferraro helped warm up the crowd for the main event. (Ferraro: "The new heavyweight debater of the world, 'Fighting Fritz' Mondale!" Mondale: "Who talked about the future and dealing with the future of our country? (Cheers) Who's going to win this election?") All this new enthusiasm was the result of Mondale's performance in the debate last night, when he took on the President aggressively, even turning the tables on Mr. Reagan when the President resorted to a famous line from a past debate. (President: You know, I wasn't going to say this at all, but I can't help it. There you go again." Mondale: "Remember the last time you said that? ... \$20 billion out of Medicare.") In an interview with ABC News today, Mondale said Reagan's use of the old line surprised him. (Mondale: "Yeah, I couldn't believe it. He must have been warned not to do that. But he did it. I think he remembers that as being an important breakthrough in the '80 debate. Maybe he thought it would work again. But people remember.") And Mondale also said his performance last night resulted partly from having his back against the wall. (Mondale: "It kind of forces you to get to bedrock about yourself, and I guess how you want to be remembered. And that was my chance last night to be heard like I've never been heard before in my history. And I knew that it was up to me. No one could take that away from me, if I said it clearly and as strongly as I could.") The Mondale campaign needs more money and more political support, and last night will help with both. But it seems likely to generate even more of something the campaign needs even more: enthusiasm. (ABC-Lead)

NBC's Lisa Myers: The triumphant walk past hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers stood in dramatic contrast to a similar walk on Labor Day when Mondale opened his campaign to empty streets. This time there were supporters stationed on every corner, in an effort to get across the idea that this is a new and exciting campaign. Advance men started appropriate cheers. (TV Coverage: Advance man walks along crowd, urging them to cheer, "We want Fritz!" Segue to crowd at rally chanting same cheer. Geraldine Ferraro: "In this corner ... 'Fighting Fritz' Mondale!") At a tumultuous rally, Mondale claimed that the debate breathed new life into his campaign. (Mondale: "Today we have a brand new race. Today everything is different.")

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Myers (continued): While not claiming a flood over overnight conversions, Mondale's aides argue that millions of voters finally are listening to Mondale and re-thinking their support for Reagan. As in the debate, Mondale presented voters with a question. (Mondale: "Will we be better off, will our children be better off, will be America's future be better off if we do those things that must be done to build our future?") With so little time left, Mondale's aides are trying to generate tremendous momentum and hope everything breaks their way. For all the euphoria, they concede that the debate, at best, loosened Reagan's grip on the election. But they say they now have a real chance, and after the last few weeks, just having a chance is terrific. (NBC-Lead)

Rather: Bob, on the Mondale campaign plane today, what were they talking about?

Schieffer: They were absolutely beside themselves....Congressman Tony Coehlo of California, who's traveling on the plane with them, even said that Mr. Reagan himself may have raised an issue that they haven't quite known how to get at, how to go about raising, and that is the age issue. The way Coehlo saw it, the President appeared a little bit out of focus at times last night, and they think that the President himself may have raised this age issue. And the way they see, it sometimes appeared not quite in control.

Rather: Leslie Stahl, what worries the President's men most now as they launch into what we'll call the middle third of the campaign?

Stahl: Well, I think they're a little concerned that they may be losing control of the agenda. Up until last night, the President managed to keep this campaign focused on the economy, on Mondale's raising taxes. Last night, Mondale did a lot about Social Security and the spending cuts -- the fairness issue. They want to get back in control and talk about the recovery and the low inflation rate. And, Dan, they're also a little worried about the next debate that's coming up. They figure that the economy was their strong point. They had a lot of good points to make. In foreign policy, the President doesn't have that much to boast about, so they're very worried about what's coming up.

Rather: Yet their man did score some points last night. Where do they think he did best?

Stahl: Well, there was a strategy that said, "We have to prove to the American people that this President is in command of the facts." They crammed him with figures and numbers and bits -- little bits of information because they expected Mondale to be what they said was Fighting Fritz. They thought he'd be aggressive and try to pin the President down on issues to show he wasn't in command. There has been a lot of finger pointing today over the strategy and the strategists who didn't realize that Mondale might be easygoing and respectful. And they think that maybe they were a little off in their preparations by making him focus so much on numbers and statistics.

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Rather: Bob Schieffer..., are the Mondale people now concerned that Geraldine Ferraro may not be able to keep it going against George Bush in the debate on Thursday night?

Schieffer: They have all said -- more than -- I bet six of them said to me today: This really puts the pressure on this next debate. This makes this next debate very, very important. They're all thinking about that a great deal. (CBS-4)

ABC's George Will: ...In politics, as in sports, the story is not the just the score. There's a human drama involved. Sunday was a good day for the Padres and the Mondale campaign for the same reason. They were both out for respect. For two months now, Walter Mondale has been drenched by a kind of acid rain of ridicule, much of it coming from Democrats....What he did last night probably won't produce much volatility in the polls -- really we don't want volatility in the American electorate -- but it will get the Democrats to quit picking on Mondale and start picking on Reagan, which is a healthy situation for the American political system....I have a feeling that, throughout the President's career he's benefitted great deal from being underestimated by his opponents, and he wasn't underestimated last night. On the other hand, he was I think vastly overcoached. He gave the impression of a man who had been stuffed full of numbers and statistics by his staff and went out trying to remember them and fit them in at the right point instead of being the natural, intuitive politician that he normally is. Whenever he's listened to cautious advisers ... he's suffered. (ABC-5)

Brokaw: Some of Mondale's operatives were busy today subtly suggesting that last night's debate may be a sign that President Reagan is getting to be too old for the job, a subject that they approach with great care, for they don't want to create a backlash. In his commentary tonight, John Chancellor concludes that the stage arrangements may have had as much to do with the performances as age.

NBC's John Chancellor: ...Physical pressure is being added to mental pressure. The Kennedy-Nixon debates in 1960 lasted one hour....They had chairs, and while one talked the other sat down. Ford and Carter had chairs in 1976, but wouldn't use them. And last night there no chairs at all. The debaters were on their feet for 100 minutes without a break....If you don't think that's hard to do, you try standing for 100 minutes with your brain going at top speed. Tough on Mondale, who is 56, even tougher on Reagan, who is 73....In presidential politics these days, sitting is out. The ideal debate would have had the debaters sitting comfortably behind tables with pots of coffee or tea and maybe even jars of jellybeans or antacid tablets. After all, the point of the debates is to show us how well-prepared these people are to be President. But apparently that's not enough in the macho world of presidential image-making. (NBC-4)

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## BARBARA BUSH

Rather: Before joining the Vice President for today's Columbus Day parade in New York, Barbara Bush took a controversial swipe at Geraldine Ferraro. (TV Coverage: The Bushes marching in the parade.) While talking to reporters aboard Air Force Two about lifestyles and taxes, Barbara Bush said her own family enjoys living well with -- quote -- no poor-boy stuff like that \$4 million -- I can't say it, but it rhymes with rich -- unquote. Mrs. Bush confirms she said it, but says she thought it was off the record, and she apologized for it. (CBS-5)

Jennings: Well, Vice President Bush's wife made some news today. Talking with two reporters, Mrs. Bush said she and her husband won't apologize for being wealthy. Smilingly broadly, she said that sets them apart from -- in her words -- the \$4 million -- I can't say it, but it rhymes with rich. She meant, though she didn't name her, Geraldine Ferraro. A spokesperson for the Mondale campaign called it disrespectful. And a short time later, Mrs. Bush called Ms. Ferraro to apologize. Then she talked to reporters. (Mrs. Bush: "I called Mrs. Ferraro and told her I would never have called her a witch for anything, and I didn't mean it, I don't feel it and I would never say it. She couldn't have been nicer.") (ABC-6)

Brokaw: Barbara Bush, wife of the Vice President, plainly wasn't happy with Walter Mondale's criticism of her husband's tax returns during the debate last night. She told reporters today that she sees nothing wrong with living well, adding that her family likes to go rich, as she put it. And then, in obvious reference to Geraldine Ferraro -- quote -- no poor-boy stuff like that \$4 million -- I can't say it, Mrs. Bush said, but it rhymes with rich. Later, she said she thought that her comments were off the record. (NBC-5)

## JOHN ZACCARO

Rather: Some of the latest quotes from Geraldine Ferraro's spouse also raised some eyebrows today. John Zaccaro is quoted in a Redbook magazine article as saying that, if his wife becomes vice president, he plans to sit in on Cabinet meetings. "I think I would insist on being there," says Zaccaro, "just as long as they don't throw me out" -- end quote. (CBS-6)

## SECRETARY DONOVAN

Brokaw: NBC News correspondent Brian Ross reports tonight that the FBI now has ordered an internal investigation into the agency's New York office handled the case of Secretary Donovan. The investigation follows a report last week on this program that there were serious problems with the way the FBI first handled allegations that Donovan and his construction company had ties to Mafia figures. (NBC-8)

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PRIME MINISTER PERES

Brokaw: Israel's new Prime Minister Peres arrived in Washington today looking for help. His country is going broke and its inflation rate now is over 400 percent. Peres is expected to ask for an early payment of more than \$2½ billion in American military and economic aid to Israel. (NBC-10)

EL SALVADOR

Salvadoran President Duarte, in a speech before the U.N. General Assembly, proposed a meeting a week from today with Salvadoran rebel leaders. A spokesman for one of the rebel groups said, when an official invitation is received, it would be considered in a positive manner. (CBS-7, ABC-10, NBC-9)

IRAN-IRAQ

Iraqi warplanes attacked a supertanker near Iran's Kharg Island oil terminal. The fully-loaded ship was set afire when hit with an Exocet missile. Six crewmembers were killed, including two British officers. Six other crewmen were badly burned. (CBS-8, ABC-9)

DENVER

CBS's Bob McNamara reports from Denver on a suburb's worries that chemical contamination could be causing an usually high cancer rate among the neighborhood's children. (CBS-9, ABC-8)

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