all oil imports from Libya yesterday and accused Col. Moammar Khadafy's militant Arab regime of an "outrageous plan" to assassinate American officials and their families in Sudan. A senior U.S. official said the plot was broken up

last November before two stereo speakers packed with plastic explosives were to be flown from an unidentified neighboring country to Khartoum, Sudan, where they would have been placed in the American social club.

The official, who asked not to be identified, said the devices were prepared by Libyan intelligence officers and could have killed or maimed hundreds of U.S. Embassy workers and their families at a campaign against Khadafy, the volatile Islamic reached.

blocking sale of American oil and gas technology to

The senior oficial, who briefed reporters after State Department spokesman Dean Fischer read the announcement, said current contracts would not

oil a day from Libya. This represents a tiny fraction National Security Council after months of considerof U.S. oil imports. Libya's principal European customers are Greece, Turkey and Italy. The boycott steps up the Reagan administration's spokesmen denied it publicly a decision had been

The "particularly horrible mission" was cited as him few friends even in the Arab world. However, one reason for ending oil imports from Libya and even U.S. allies privately question the wisdom of

singling Khadafy out as a special menace. Last year, President Reagan questioned the value Some of the skepticism is based on the view that of sanctions imposed unilaterally by the United Khadafy is ineffective and that the Reagan administration's pressure on him could strengthen Libya's ties with the Soviet Union, its prime military

But the senior official who briefed reporters yesterday said Khadafy's moves against a number of countries justified the American boycott. He accused Libya of "trying to destabilize Caribbean countries," fueling conflict in Yemen, and ation. The Associated Press and other news media working to subvert the governments of Oman and reported that even though administration Somalia. The official did not name the countries in

asked for support among U.S. allies, but was



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N.J. senator

will resign,

By SKIP WOLLENBERG

**Associated Press Writer** 

the New Jersey Democrat.

hesitation about his intentions.

after 23 years in the Senate.

FBIand prosecutorial abuse.

Senate ethics committee.

Byrd were urging Williams to give up.

he would fight to the end to resist expulsion.

"I'm going . . . to fight," he declared.

sources say

crimes, congressional sources said yesterday.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Harrison A. Williams has made

a tentative decision to resign from the Senate and quit

fighting a recommendation that he be expelled for Abscam

The sources, who asked not to be identified, said there is

still a slight possibility that Williams might change his

mind before the Senate takes a vote on a resolution to expel

One source described Williams as being in a "highly

emotional state of mind," and cited that reason for the

But as of late last night, the sources said, Williams had

told at least one Senate colleague that he would resign

It was not clear if Williams would yield before the Senate

votes on a proposal that he receive a lesser penalty,

censure, urged by those who believe he was the victim of

The censure vote would be followed by a vote on the

expulsion resolution recommended unanimously by the

Democrats, including Williams' chief defender, Daniel

Inouye of Hawaii, and Senate Minority Leader Robert

Publicly Williams and his aides continued to insist that

"Right now, I'm not thinking resignation," said the 62-

year-old Williams as the Senate spent a fifth day debating

his fitness to serve in light of his bribery and conspiracy

But even Williams' New Jersey colleague, Bill Bradley,

declared yesterday he would vote to expel the state's

senior senator. Other Democrats, including the venerable

John Stennis of Mississippi, along with Patrick Leahy of

Vermont and David Pryor of Arkansas, said they would do

## No, the world didn't end as Jupiter Effect passed

The Jupiter Effect — debunked by serious scientists after publication of a book in 1974 — approached the day of reckoning, as a few anxious skywatchers checked with astronomers and worried over rumblings in the California

world, scientists expressed serious doubts: "There are always soothsayers," sighed seismologist Leroy Irby. "If the planets want to line up, fine, but I surely don't see the end of the world coming . .

Two moderate earthquakes rumbled across the Mohave Desert near China Lake in Southern California on Sunday, prompting "a few" worried calls to the National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo., Irby said. Callers were told the tremors have nothing to do with the bunching up of all nine known planets on one side of the

"I'd say forget it," said Irby, who has been tracking temblors for 15 years at Golden. "There's something about earthquakes that excites people, but there's no scientific way to predict these things."

He echoed what other serious scientists have been saying since the authors of "The Jupiter Effect" predicted an overdose of lopsided celestial gravity would trigger

planets - which gather in a 90-degree quadrant on one side of the sun about every 179 years — would spark extraordinary solar activity, sending a flood of charged particles toward Earth that would throw off its rotation and agitate unstable geologic regions.

Even one of its authors has abandoned the book: British astrophysicist John Gribbin admitted the work was wrong in the June 1980 issue of Omni magazine.

"The Jupiter Effect" triggered higher attendance and many calls to switchboards at the nation's planetariums. Boston's Charles Hayden Planetarium has been innundated with calls, assistant director Walter Webb said. "People are curious, wanting to find out more about it. Some of those people are staying on the phone asking about our shows and courses. It's having a definite spinoff

In Los Angeles, where people tend to pay close attention when talk turns to earthquakes, long lines formed Tuesday at Griffith Observatory for the featured slideshow, "The Jupiter Effect and the Great California Earthquake."

planets will trigger a chain of earthquakes that will destroy Southern California," said a cheerful tape-recorded voice. The show outlines planetary gravitation, solar

effects on Earth and the physiology of earthquakes. "We conclude that planetary alignments will not trigger earthquakes," the reassuring voice adds. Science magazines are publishing articles with headlines like "The Jupiter Effect - Never Mind," which appeared in Science '82. It explains the planets won't really form what some call "the ultimate syzygy" - the configuration of the sun, Earth and moon or planets in a

Instead, the planets are becoming grouped within a 90degree angle. They'll be even closer around the year 2,000, but they still won't be in a straight line.

Under yesterday's alignment, if the sun were at the center of a giant clock, Neptune would be at about 11:30 and the Earth at about 3:15, with the others in between. Early risers in southern states could have spotted five planets with the naked eye: Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. Further north, only four were visible because Mercury set before daybreak. Neptune, Uranus and Pluto were visible only with a telescope.

### 4 doomsday celebrators stabbed on Miami beach

MIAMI (AP) - A slightly built, knife-wielding youth wandered among 3,000 people at a "Doomsday Dawn" beach party early yesterday and stabbed four people, The four were reported in satisfactory condition, said

Ormondo Gregorisch of the Metropolitan Dade County They were stabbed at a Key Biscayne party organized to observe the day described in a debunked book, "The Juniter Effect." which predicted catastrophe March 10,

1982 because all nine known planets are within about a 90degree angle on one side of the sun. The Key Biscayne party was tagged the "Doomsday Dawn party" by Miami newspaper columnist John Keasler, one of its sponsors. In a series of humor columns, he invited End-Of-The-Worlders to attend and reported the chances of the world ending were "50-50."

### HARRISBURG (AP) - All insurance the company involved in the case, Hart-

companies in Pennsylvania would have ford Accident and Indemnity Co., would to eliminate sex classifications as a basis pursue an appeal.

the state Supreme Court, has the poten- age. \$1.7 billion in premiums. mpact the ruling could have on individuvely Bartle had declared Hartford's rates al auto insurance premiums or whether discriminatory.

Col. Moammar Khadafy

that he had to pay a \$360 premium -

But the measures, sponsored by Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, face a tough battle

economic problems and the beginning of

Several city officials testified before

The 55-year-old Danish-born financial

heiress Martha "Sunny" von Bulow by

for automobile insurance rates under a The case arose when Phillip Mattes, a

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The ruling, which could be appealed to compared to \$212 for a female the same tial of affecting 224 companies and some On a 4-1 vote, the court upheld a former It was not immediately clear what Former Insurance Commissioner Har-

### Fetal operation baby released from hospital

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - An infant brain growth and can cause mental imoperated on while still in the womb is pairment, doctors said. expected to be released from Thomas

The operation was one of the first Jefferson Hospital tomorrow, a performed on a fetus, doctors said.

The child, Daniel Rowe, was born Feb.

Daniel was first scheduled to leave the 5. about two months after doctors used a hospital March 3. But doctors were conneedle inserted in his mother's womb to cerned about swelling in the youngster's implant a shunt. The tube-like device head and a drop in the pressure in the was needed to combat hydrocephalus, a tube and scheduled an operation for the

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### Committee approves abortion amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate million abortions performed annually i Judiciary Committee yesterday ap- the United States. proved a proposed constitutional amend- Never before have anti-abortion forces ment that would allow Congress and the succeeded in pushing legislation through state legislatures to prohibit or regulate the full judiciary panel.

The 10-7 vote marked a major victory on the Senate floor, where liberals have for foes of legalized abortion who have said they will use all parliamentary been sharply divided over how Congress tactics, including a filibuster, to block should act to halt or reduce the 1.5 nassage.

#### Economic cuts discussed by urban leaders

WASHINGTON (AP) — The country's federalism' is enacted into law," urban leaders told Congress yesterday "Nothing could help cities over their that President Reagan's prescription immediate financial problems and enmay be worse than the economic ills it is able them to provide needed public servupposed to cure and some cities may be ices more than an end to our current nable to survive the treatment. "I'm grateful for the efforts being a sound recovery," said Mayor Charles made for the long-term cure of our eco- Royer of Seattle. "Yet it is clear that nomic ills." said Mayor H. Edward Knox current and forseeable developments

of Charlotte, N.C. "But I really have to promise just the opposite." wonder whether we will be able to survive the pain that this effort is causing the House Budget Committee about Rea-"I have a further concern that the pain federalism" program to shift more than may not be short-lived, but may be 40 federal programs to state and local

continued and compounded if the 'new governments.

### Closing arguments heard in Von Bulow trial

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) - Claus C. von diculous" a defense suggestion that the Bulow cleverly "painted a picture of hypodermic needle and insulin allegedly himself as a loving husband" while try-used in the case were falsely planted. ing to murder his wife, a prosecutor said vesterday, but the defense insisted he would have suffered "all the wrath of consultant is accused of trying to kill hell" rather than hurt her.

Prosecutor Stephen R. Famiglietti, injecting her with insulin during visits to delivering closing arguments in the at-their Newport mansion during Christmas tempted murder trial, dismissed as "ri- 1979 and 1980. Classified document proposal criticized

WASHINGTON (AP) - President English said at a subcommittee hearing The critical voting is expected to take place, first on Reagan's proposal to broaden the gov- "Now the administration won't even ap-Assistant Democratic Leader Alan Cranston's attempt to level the lesser disgrace of censure. Failing that - and the attempt appears doomed - the roll call will begin on when opponents charged that the plan whether the Senate will carry out its first expulsion since amounts to giving federal officials a "blank check" to hide their mistakes and

Installations

Rep. Glenn English, D-Okla., chairman of a House Government Operations subcommittee on information, also chastised the Reagan administration for refusing to send officials to Congress to restrictions imposed by President Carter

#### ernment's power to classify documents pear before the Congress to explain why as secret met with criticism yesterday it wants even more secrecy.' The draft executive order, which needs only Reagan's signature to take effect,

would allow government officials to invoke national security more easily and more often in keeping information from

in 1978 on classifying documents, and "Virtually, every change in (the ad- would reverse a 30-year trend dating to ministration's) information policy has the Eisenhower administration toward been in the direction of more secrecy," increased government openness.

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#### Kidnapped general returns to work in Italy

VERONA, Italy (AP) - U.S. Brig. Dozier, the highest-ranking U.S. offi-Gen. James L. Dozier returned to work cer at the North Atlantic Treaty Organiat the NATO base in Verona yesterday zation base here, was kidnapped from his and said it was the moment he and his home Dec. 17. He was released after 42 wife had hoped and prayed for since he days when Italian police stormed the as kidnapped by Red Brigades terror- "People's Prison" where he was being

But he said his term of office expires in assignment are being made in Washing- with flags and toasts from his military

#### colleagues and local authorities. Thatcher unveils portrait in Carlton Club

LONDON (AP) - When Margaret fighting the 1832 Reform Bill to extend Thatcher became Britain's first woman the voting franchise. prime minister she also breached that all-male bastion of exclusivity - the 150- maybe last female member, gained the year-old Carlton Club. strenuous merit test - all Conservative

Last night, things went a bit further. She unveiled her portrait at the head of prime ministers are automatically memthe club's great staircase, temporarily replacing a dour study of the Carlton's The occasion was the anniversary of power in May 1979, something had to the club's foundation by diehard Tories bend.

"I didn't realize until yesterday that

The Carlton, like most of the two dozer founding chairman, the Marquess of Sa- major London clubs founded by leaders lisbury, which has dominated the scene in politics, arts and the sciences, does not for as long as anyone can remember. admit women. So when she came to

#### Orient Express awaits return to luxury run PARIS (AP) - Five years after it London's Victoria Station.

chugged out of service with only a shad- "This is not a train for your average ow of its past glory, the Orient Express is traveler," said Joelle Pierrard, a back in Paris in preparation for a nostal- spokeswoman for a private company gic and luxurious return to the railroad restoring the service for well-off travel-

begins its maiden voyage May 25 from recapture a part of the past.

held in the nearby city of Padua.

Dozier was welcomed back to work

Thatcher, the Carlton's first, only, and

fortress of male Toryism through a

ers. "It is designed for people who want to return to the days when train trave Four renovated cars of the train are at could be a luxurious event." Austerlitz station until today for a pre- It is also designed for people who are view of the services that will be offered willing to forgo cheaper and faster air when the Venice Simplon Orient Express travel for a voyage that attempts to

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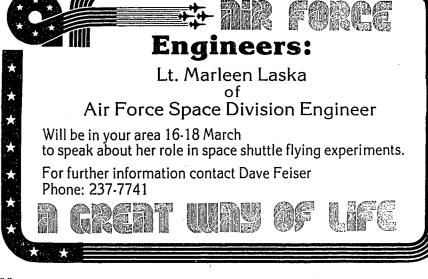
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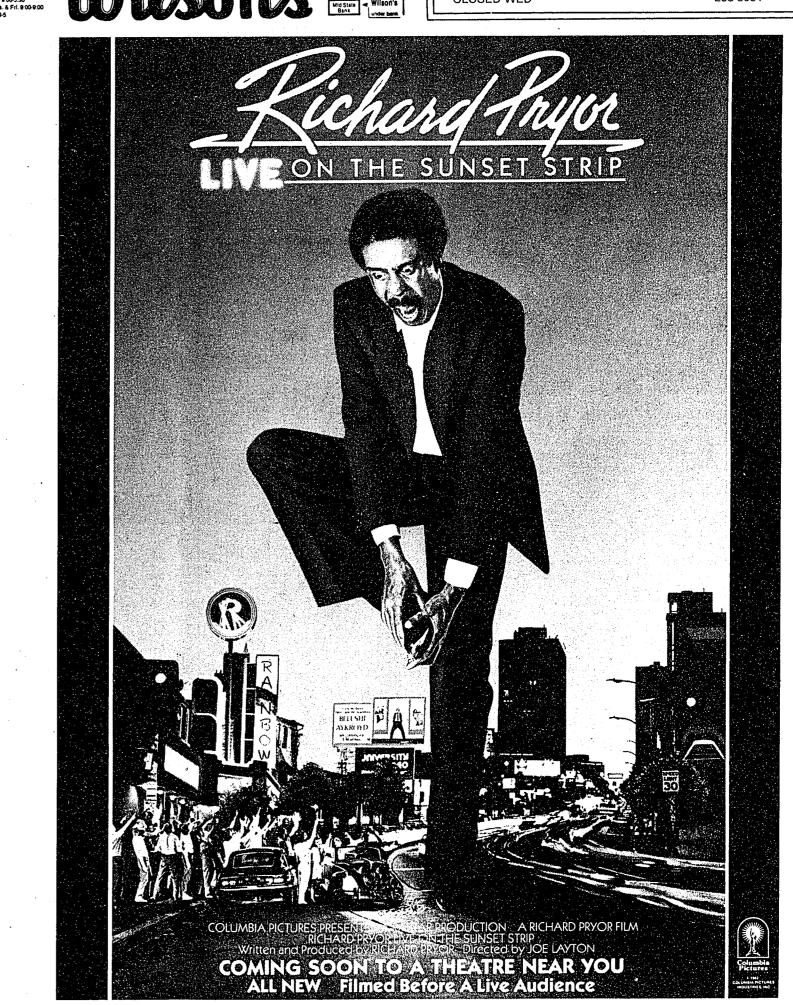
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## Adviser: Student aid may be cut in half

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal aid to college students would be slashed al deficit to justify the cuts. "It is a nearly in half by 1984 under cutbacks lean budget and it is a bit austere, but already enacted or sought by Presi- we think the times call for it," he said. dent Reagan, Congress' top economic

ly to make it impossible for graduate "We are doubtful they would be served by the alternative program" Reagan has proposed, she said. "That program doesn't exist in most states and it has very high in-school interest

a House subcommittee on postsecon-

T.H. Bell was put on the defensive by a House appropriations subcommittee about the proposed cuts in his overall budget from \$13 billion to less than \$10

Bell said some people charge "the president doesn't care about educa-Bell said. "His record in eight years

as governor of California indicates his commitment to education. It's just this horrendous fiscal dilemma that we find ourselves in right now." Rep. Silvio O. Conte, R-Mass., the ranking Republican on the Appropriations Committee, said the education cuts amount to \$4 billion over two "That may be only ashtrays and

notepads and stars for those generals down there in the Pentagon, but in education that represents aid to the handicapped ... for the disadvantaged, vocational training for the unskilled, library services for our children and our colleges, and new opportunities for adults pursuing continuing education," Conte said. "Doesn't it bother you a little bit?"

However, Conte asked, "Wouldn't it be a lot better to slap a five cents tax on a package of cigarettes and a Congressional Budget Office, also told couple of dollars on a gallon of booze and jewelry and fur coats and pay for dary education that Reagan's cuts in these programs?

"It isn't hard to persuade a Mormon to tax booze and cigarettes," replied Bell, referring to his religious affilia-

Rep. Neal Smith, D-Iowa, asked, "Do you believe in all these (cuts) or are you just being a good soldier?" "Of course I'm biased about education." said Bell. "If you reach over and take money away from another department I certainly can use it." But he added: "I am (not) some reluctant good soldier martyr that isn't supporting this budget." Rivlin testified that federal loans, grants and other aid pay one-third of

lion students -1 in 2 - got help amounting to \$14.7 billion in fiscal Almost half the aid was in the form of loans, and roughly 20 percent "went

all college tuition, room and board

bills. She said five million to six mil-

comes over \$30,000," she said. Congress voted last year to restrict the loans, phase out the \$2 billion Social Security benefits for college students and make other cuts that will reduce the total aid to \$14.3 billion this year and \$12.4 billion by 1984, she said. Reagan's proposed new cuts would lower the aid to \$7.7 billion by 1984, including only \$4.6 billion in loans, she

Bell, in an interview before he testified before the appropriations subcommittee, disputed the CBO figures. "I can't imagine the total volume of loans being cut that much," he said.

### Nicaragua protests U.S. involvement Nicaraguan Military

By GEORGE GEDDA WASHINGTON (AP) - Nicaragua Fighter Airfield
Under Construction protested vesterday American overflights of its territory as a flagrant violation of international law and accused the United States of trying to convert Nicaragua into "another Sandinista commander Jaime Whee-

lock, speaking at a news conference, denied U.S. allegations that Nicaraguan pilots are being trained in Bulgaria but was vague on whether Nicaragua plans to acquire MiG jet fighters from the Soviet Union. Those allegations were made Tuesday by two top U.S. intelligence officials, who released aeriel reconnassaince photographs depicting a massive military buildup the Reagan

administration claims poses a threat to other Central American nations. The briefing was given by Adm. Bobby Inman, deputy director of the CIA, and James Hughes, a deputy Wheelock, whose official title is agriculture minister and minister of agrarian reform, said his government has

lodged an "energetic protest" with the United States over the flights. Nicaraguan officials said the protest was made to the American embassy in Managua yesterday morning. Wheelock, who is here as part of a Nicaraguan "diplomatic offensive" to counter U.S. claims about Nicaraguan policy, was imprecise in his discussion on possible purchases of Soviet equip-

At Tuesday's State Department briefing, the two intelligence officials cited the lengthening of several runways in Nicaragua as evidence that the country plans to buy either Soviet

renounce the right to purchase mili-

purchase MiG fighters. Wheelock said the airport modernization plan dates back to 1977, when the late President Anastasio Somoza was still in power. He said the plan is being financed by a \$6 million loan from the Central American Bank for Integration and has the support of all five Central American countries. He added that Nicaragua has received technical advice on the project Wheelock said Nicaragua does not from U.S. firms.

AP

tary equipment from any country. He embarking on a campaign to oust the

then said "there are no plans" to Nicaraguan government.

Managua

responsible for Allende's downfall.

converting Nicaragua into another Cuba but what they really want is to convert Nicaragua into another In drawing a parallel to Chile, Wheelock was referring to the ouster of the leftist government of President Salvador Allende in a 1973 military coup.

Leftist groups often allege the CIA was Wheelock also ridiculed the U.S.

Soviet and Cuban lines. Wheelock said, "We are accused of

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sons in Nicaragua are being built along

architecture had an ideological component." he said. Rebutting U.S. allegations that Nicaragua has engaged in massive human rights violations against its Indian

population, Wheelock ackowledged that some 8,000 Indians have been relocated from villages along the Honduran border to a new site away from But he said the action was taken to Indians against border

