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## **Tension will remain after Soviet leadership change**

#### By GEORGE GEDDA Associated Press Write

WASHINGTON - Konstantin U. Chernenko takes over as Soviet Communist Party chief at a time of severe strain in U.S.-Soviet relations, and American officials do not believe the leadership change foreshadows an easing of tensions over the short term.

the world much differently from the way Andropov did. "The best guess is that there will be no major change at the outset." one official said He added that the kinds of problems the

United States and the Soviet Union confront are not amenable to quick solution The perception that Chernenko will bring

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Soviet-American relations. But most officials share the view of Undersecretary of pov last Thursday.

speech Monday to the Communist Party Central Committee when he pledged to State Lawrence Eagleburger that little will strengthen Soviet defense capacity as a means of cooling "the hot heads of militant adventurists. The State Department, however, chose to underscore the more conciliatory aspects of Cherneko's speech in its initial reaction. It

#### welcomed his expressed readiness to lessen younger, more daring leader could have tensions through "practical deeds." It also found encouragement in an article.

written before Andropov's death, in which Chernenko said "it is more important than ever before to multiply our efforts toward mutual understanding." Chernenko is viewed here as a somewhat

American officials foresee little change

colorless bureaucrat, less given to grand gestures than was Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet leader of the late 1950s and early He also shares some of Andropov's liabili-

ties. At 72, Chernenko is four years older than Andropov was at the time of his acces-

Andropov was ill during much of his 15month tenure and U.S. officials say Chernenko also suffers from potentially debilitating illnesses, including emphysema and

cardio-vascular problems. Some analysts believe American interests were best served by the emergence of a Soviet leader who is aging, cautious and in questionable health, because he probably will be incapable of instituting the kind of reforms necessary for rejuvenation of the Soviet system

Other observers said the appointment of a tent on resuming serious negotiations, a

caused different kinds of problems: If he pursued innovative policies that alienated too many power centers, the prospects of miscalculation would be higher, creating at least the potential for political instability in Moscow. That, one official suggested, is not in the interests of either side.

Chernenko's rise to power comes at a time when Soviet-American relations are at rock bottom. Talks on limiting intermediate range and intercontinental missiles have been suspended and the Soviets, having entered into a close association with Syria appear to have a better opportunity to nfluence developments in the Middle East than at any time in recent memory. Other sore points include the continued Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and per-

ceived Soviet meddling, by way of Cuba, in Central America. The leadership change also occurs when the Reagan administration, perhaps with an eye on the November elections, has softened its rhetoric significantly, particularly since the downing of the Korean Airlines jetliner

Nowadays, the administration seems in-

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change between Washington and Moscow following the death of President Yuri Andro-These officials, speaking privately, said there is little to suggest that Chernenko sees

Kroger sells:

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Eleven Kroger supermarkets in

Indiana, Somerset, Clearfield, Du-

Bois, Clarion, Franklin, Sharon,

Meadville. Grove City and Erie

would not be sold, the company

The Pittsburgh-area stores have

are involved in the deal.

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Vice President George Bush has called continuity to Soviet foreign policy, as opthe power shift a possible "turning point" in posed to change, was reinforced by his

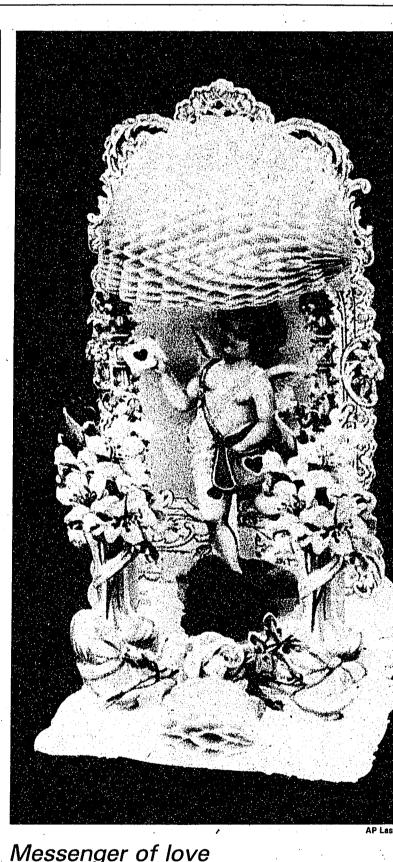
#### Pittsburgh markets to go to St. Louis wholesaler PITTSBURGH — The Kroger Co., went on strike after rejecting conits 45 Pittsburgh-area supermar- cessions the company had said Kroger officials warned when the

kets shut by a 30-day strike, said were essential for survival in the strike began they could consider yesterday it has agreed to sell the competitive Pittsburgh market. selling all the stores to independent chain to a St. Louis-based food The local represents 2,845 Kroger grocers. wholesaler that plans to resell the store clerks and meat cutters. Dick Dalton, a Wetterau first vice Jack Bodenheimer, the local's president, said his firm had no business agent, could not be intention of dealing with the union had reached an agreement in prin- reached for comment immediately. "It's not even part of our considciple to sell the stores to Wetterau Kroger wanted its workers to erations." Dalton said in a tele-Inc. for an undisclosed amount. accept wage concessions of up to phone interview from St. Louis. Kroger said the boards of directors \$2.06 an hour. Kroger officials said

"Any negotiations would have to go on between Kroger and Local 23. company would be paying \$1.50 to We're purchasing stores to be resold Dalton said the stores would be sold "as quickly as possible."

Dalton and Kroger said the stores will be repurchased by local independent owners who would then be supplied by Fox Grocery Co., a wholly-owned Wetterau subsidiary based in Pittsburgh.

Kroger, the nation's second-largest food chain with more than 1,500 been closed since Jan. 15, when pricing," a program that elimi- stores in about 30 states, has been members of United Food and Com- nated specials and passed on the selling groceries in the Pittsburgh mercial Workers union Local 23 savings from the new labor pact to market since 1928.



#### By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID Associated Press Writer

that without the concessions, the

Giant Eagle workers, also rep-

resented by Local 23, accepted

wage reductions of up to \$2.11 an

The Kroger strike came just two

weeks after Giant Eagle escalated

a price war in the Pittsburgh area

by introducing "absolute minimum

hour after a 19-day strike last fall.

Kroger said all its supermarkets \$3.50 an hour more than any other

in Allegheny, Butler, Beaver, West- grocery chain in the Pittsburgh

area.

WASHINGTON — The largest tory won tentative approval vesterday from the Federal Trade Commission, which voted to allow Texaco to buy Getty Oil Co. for

\$10.1 billion. Shortly after the FTC acted, Tex- shares held by the Sarah C. Getty aco, the nation's third largest oil Trust for \$128 apiece, or \$4.07 bilcompany, bought 44.4 million lion, under a contract already shares of Getty's stock for \$5.68 signed. billion. That gave it control of 56 percent of Getty, the nation's 14th lion publicly held Getty shares that ·largest oil company.

The purchase was made in two day for payment under the tender steps. First, Texaco paid \$4.49 bil- offer lion for the 35.1 million Getty

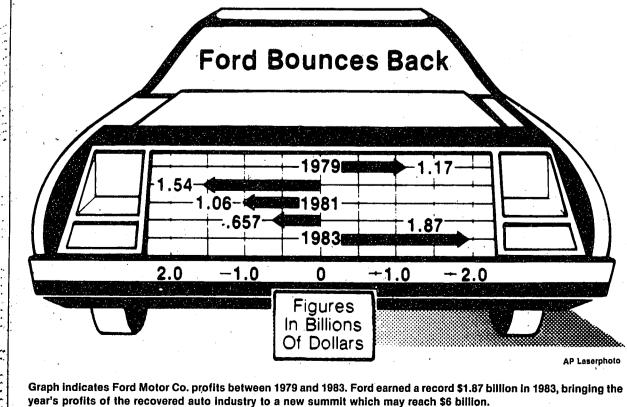
purchased for the same \$128 a

of Getty's stock soon. That would be

The regulatory agency's appro-

plished with a minimum of disrup-FTC chairman James Miller said

unanimously by the agency staff



Ford Co. makes record profits

By EDWARD MILLER AP Auto Writer

Woodbury Strong Museum.

DEARBORN, Mich. - Ford Motor Co. said yesterday it earned a company record \$1.87 billion in 1983. bringing the year's profits of the recovered auto industry to a new summit which may reach \$6 billion. Chairman Philip Caldwell, announcing the profits, said "many more good years lie ahead," but he cautioned that high interest rates brought on by the rising federal budget deficit could put the auto recovery in jeopardy. He called on the government to slash the deficit by

cutting the defense budget. He said America could do that by charging foreign nations, notably Japan, a "user charge" for defense and by working "something out with the Russians" on arms control. Caldwell declared that Ford, after three straight years of huge losses, had become "profitable at home

and abroad. The Ford earnings broke a record of \$1.67 billion set in 1977. The 1983 total came to \$10.29 a share excluding a three-for-two stock split last October. Figuring in the

split, the earnings per share was \$9.64. The earnings compare with a loss last year of \$657.8 million, or minus \$3.64 a share. In 1981, Ford lost \$1.06 billion and the year before that their earnings

4.267.587 in 1982.

#### FTC allows Texaco, Getty to merge offer of \$128 a share. Texaco then authorized to start buying Getty bought the 9.3 million shares held stock immediately, so long as it by the J. Paul Getty Museum under operates the smaller oil company

corporate merger in American his- January. The museum's stock was er is finally approved. share, or \$1.19 billion in all. Texaco is expected to buy the rest

done by buying the 31.8 million

That would leave only the 3 mil-

terms of a contract signed in early as a separate entity until the merg-"Getty will cooperate totally with Texaco during the transition to help assure that the merger is accom-

> tion," Getty spokesman Jack Leone said. "The interests of the stockholders will best be served by expediting the merger." the merger was recommended

had not been submitted as of Mon- and was approved 4-1 by the commissioners By midday. Texaco stock was selling for \$39.50, down 62.5 cents, shares that stockholders had sub- val of the merger does not become while Getty was trading at \$125.25, mitted for payment under Texaco's final for 60 days, but Texaco was up 75 cents.

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point stressed four weeks ago by Secretary of State George P. Shultz at his meeting in Stockholm with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

'The best guess is that there will be no major change at the outset." -an American official about

the new Soviet leadership

But Moscow has indicated by its reactions it is reluctant to take any steps that would enhance the re-election prospects of a president who has made clear his view during much of his term that he is more interested in the destruction of Soviet-style Marxism than in negotiating agreements with the Kremlin

Although there is no crisis in superpower relations, most analysts agree that as the Chernenko era begins, the pervasive distrust between Moscow and Washington must be eased in some way to permit a significant lessening of tensions

#### Machine may put crush on kidney stones By SUSAN ESSOYAN Associated Press Writer

BOSTON - A machine being readied for U.S. trials could allow 150,000 Americans to avoid surgery each year by crushing their kidney stones with underwater shock waves, doctors at Massachusetts General Hospital said

vesterday. The device, developed in Munich, West Germany, has a 99 percent success rate, said Dr. Stephen Dretler. He is in charge of the project at the hospital, which received its lithotripter or "stone crusher" last week. The Food and Drug Administra

tion has authorized six U.S. hospitals to begin using the shock-wave lithotripter experimentally. The hospital hopes to have it ready for use in six weeks. Another will be ready for trials at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis at

the end of February, said Dretler, and others will go to New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center in New York City, Baylor University Medical Center in Houston. the University of Florida at Gainesville, and the University of Virginia at Charlottesville. After a few hundred trials, the

FDA will decide whether to allow the machines to be sold elsewhere in the United States, Dretler said. Dave Duarte, a spokesman for the FDA, said it is up to the manufacturer to decide when to submit data on the machine for final ap-

proval. Patients undergoing the treatment are sedated and immersed in a water bath while shock waves repeatedly pound the kidney stone until it crumbles into pieces small enough to be flushed out with

urine. "This is an enormous breakthrough," Dretler said . About 5 million people each year suffer from kidney stones, which usually are formed from calcium salts in the urine and cause great pain.

A pop-up Valentine greeting card popular in Germany from 1890 to 1930 is part of a collection of more than 700 testimonials of undying love at Rochester's Margaret

set a company loss record by dropping \$1.54 billion. That was 1980, when the U.S. car industry lost a staggering \$4.2 billion. General Motors Corp. last week said it earned \$3.73 billion in 1983, so GM and Ford by themselves have racked up around \$5.6 billion for the year, breaking the record of \$5.18 billion set in 1977.

Chrysler Corp., the third-largest U.S. automaker, and No. 4 American Motors Corp. have yet to report Ford put its worldwide factory sales of cars and

trucks for 1983 at 4,934,231, up nearly 16 percent from Ford's earnings for the fourth quarter of 1983 were

\$781 million, or \$4.29 a share, compared with a loss of \$236 million, or \$1.30 a share a year earlier. The profits were made on worldwide sales of \$44.4 billion. GM's sales in 1983 were reported at \$74.6 billion. Ford remained the world leader, however, in car and

truck sales outside the United States. United Auto Workers union contracts at GM and Ford expire on the same day, Sept. 14, and the union has made it clear that it wants a share of the profits. A statement released by the union and attributed to UAW Vice President Stephen Yokich, said, "there is a wide gulf between the amount earned by workers and the amounts paid to company executives.

### state news briefs

All work and no pay after 8 weeks PITTSBURGH (AP) — Two women who were hired by a telecommunications company through a city-sponsored jobs program have quit after working eight weeks without pay. Jo Ann Hall and Peggy Brennan filed a grievance with the city, but a hearing officer ruled that he lacked authority to force anyone to pay the women. They have appealed the decision to the U.S.

Department of Labor. Hall and Brennan were trained for three months to be computer saleswomen by Portis Consulting Inc., a Pittsburgh firm hired by the city to train 10 people and place them in full-time private computer sales jobs paying at least \$10,000 per year, according to the company's contract.

The two women, rated above average after training, received letters from Portis President Charles K. Portis saying they had been hired by Dictation Systems Inc. of the city's East Liberty section. "Your initial starting salary will be \$10,000 per year," Portis

wrote. He later said the letter resulted from a misunderstanding with

Dictation Systems President Chester Gaines and Portis said city the city. officials told them the city would pay half the women's salaries.

#### Court abolishes minimum milk prices

HARRISBURG (AP) — Stores in southeastern Pennsylvania will be able to sell lowfat and skim milk for any price they want, under a ruling yesterday by Commonwealth Court.

The court voted 7-1 to order the state Milk Marketing Board to abolish minimum prices for those milk products until the board complies with a 1981 court decision concerning milk pricing. That decision said the board ignored crucial pricing information when it issued its minimum prices and should hold a new pricefixing hearing. The board failed to do so, according to the court. On an appeal by Lily Penn Food Stores, which want to lower their

milk prices, the court said yesterday that the milk board "abused its discretion by refusing to lower minimum resale prices for lowfat and skim milk" for Philadelphia, Bucks, Delaware and Montgomery counties.

Prior to the court's ruling, stores could not sell milk at a price lower than the minimum set by the Milk Marketing Board.

#### nation news briefs

More airline inspectors to be hired WASHINGTON (AP) — Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole

announced yesterday the government is hiring more than 160 new inspectors to "keep an eagle eye" on air safety at a time of intense competition and cost-cutting among the airlines. "In an industry changing so rapidly and dynamically, we must guard against any safety lapses," Dole said, referring to the

grounding of three small airlines in recent months after maintenance and operational problems were discovered. The Reagan administration has come under criticism from Congress for reducing the number of Federal Aviation Administration inspectors each year since 1981, even though the number of airlines has doubled with deregulation of the airline industry.

#### Fort Worth agency gets 'fleeced

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. William Proxmire gave his "Golden Fleece" award yesterday to a federal office in Fort Worth, Texas, for "flatly mismanaging \$64 million," but an agency official said

the timing of the award was unfair. Proxmire, D-Wis., said he gave his monthly award to the Fort Worth regional office of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration for its handling of \$64 million of capital improvement projects between January 1981 and May 1983.

"I think it's unfair for us who are presently here to be hit with that report," responded Scott Tuxhorn, the office's deputy administrator. He said the problems cited by Proxmire arose before he and the current regional administrator took office last summer. In announcing the award, given for what Proxmire considers wasteful or ridiculous use of taxpayers' money, the senator called

the situation "a classic case of runaway federal spending." world news briefs

## And royal baby will make four. . .

LONDON (AP) - Princess Diana, 22-year-old wife of Prince Charles, is expecting their second child in late September. "We are all very pleased. She is very well," said Charles' father, Prince Philip, at the annual dinner of the Windsor Rugby Club. He was the only member of the royal family with a public engagement

The baby will be third in line of succession to the 1,000-year-old last night. throne, behind 35-year-old Charles and the couple's first child, 19month-old Prince William. Charles' 23-year-old brother, Royal Navy pilot Prince Andrew, will drop to fourth. Diana, who returned to Britain Sunday night from a one-day solo

trip to Norway, "is in perfect health and certainly we are going to try to make sure that none of her planned engagements is canceled," said a Buckingham Palace spokesman yesterday.

Hunt for Nazi war criminal snagged ASUNCION, Paraguay (AP) — The Chief Justice of the Paraguayan Supreme Court and this country's Interior Minister told Nazi hunter Beate Klarsfeld yesterday that war criminal Josef Mengele has not lived in Paraguay for years. Klarsfeld, who traveled here in an effort to convince the govern-

ment of President Gen. Alfredo Stroessner to expel Mengele, met separately with Justice Luis Argana and Minister Sabino Montanaro. She later told The Associated Press what was said at the Mengele, known as "the angel of death" at the Nazi's Auschwitz meetings.

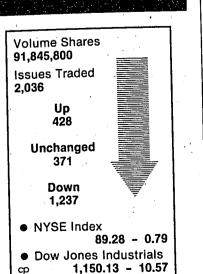
concentration camp, is blamed for the deaths of thousands of prisoners who were subjected to his sadistic pseudo-medical experiments. A medical doctor, Mengele also selected new arrivals to be put to death in the gas chambers.

He was granted Paraguayan citizenship in 1959. West Germany asked Paraguay for Mengele's estradition in 1962 and the government issued a warrant for his arrest, but said it could not find him.

#### stock report

Market suffers broad loss again NEW YORK (AP) - The stock market suffered another broad loss yesterday, resuming its recent slide in the lightest trading in almost six A slow pace of activity had been expected, with many

banks and other investing institutions closed in observance of Lincoln's birthday. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials fell 10.57 to 1,150.13, its lowest close since it stood at 1,145.32 on April 12 of last year.





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