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# Thoughts turn to religion as Easter approaches



Originally, it was a band of shocked, incredulous Jews who told of the event celebrated this Sunday the resurrection of Jesus. A present-day, scholarly Jew declares it a firmly authenticated fact. Based on the evidence, that's the only conclusion. says Pinchas Lapide, an Orthodox Jewish professor of

cripture. Citing various corroborating points, he says the sudden rise and worldwide spread of the church itself could not have been "the result of blind happenstance, or human error." but only of a galvanizing, factual

He twits modern Christian theologians for sometimes seeming "ashamed of the material (validity) of the resurrection. "Without the resurrection of Jesus, after Golgotha,

there would not have been any Christianity," Lapide writes in a book, "The Resurrection of Jesus: A Jewish Perspective," recently published by the American Lutheran Church's Augsburg Press of Minneapolis. Although affirming the resurrection, Lapide contends that Jesus was not the messiah long awaited by Jews, and rejects the Christian concept of him as the

divine son of God. However, he does regard Jesus as the "savior of the Gentile church," seeing it as springing from and complementing Judaism, accepting its one, universal God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, but differing in

considering Jesus divine. Lapide, a Jewish specialist in the New Testament who teaches at West Germany's Gottingen University

"The experience of the resurrection as the foundation act of the church which has carried faith in the God

John Lateran Basilica yesterday.

# for federal employees

**By MARTIN CRUTSINGER** Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — It took three decades to do it, but Uncle Sam finally has a credit card. Within three years, there are employees saying "charge it" - rector to the tune of more than \$4 billion a

One of those employees, Vice President George Bush, appears with his card on the cover of "Management," — the magazine published by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management — which be done,' " McDade said. includes an article explaining the use of the cards in its current edition.

With the federal government carrying a debt of \$1.5 trillion, a new way to borrow money would appear to be the last thing Uncle Sam needs. But this frenzy of credit card use is expected to save money - up to \$200 million a year. If the program draws the anticipated 350,000 to 400,000 participants, the General Services Administration, which is spearheading the conversion, estimates the savings at \$200 million annual-

• The biggest portion — \$150 million --- would come from eliminating the 10,000 cash advance windows now operating throughout the bureaucracy. With cash advances eliminated, the federal government would save \$25 million on interest by paying for the travel later rather than sooner. Diners Club is supplying the

goverment with computer printouts showing what airlines and hotels federal workers are using. The printouts will help the government negotiate discounts, and spot each charge to the card companies where the card is being used im-The GSA, which is spearheading

the credit card conversion, says it will bring procedures for the world's biggest group of travelers into the 20th century. At any one time, the old joke

goes, there are 20,000 bureaucrats up in the air. The tab for all of those airplane flights, restaurant meals and hotel rooms is running over \$3.5 billion annually. And it goes up every year. The GSA had been toying with

the idea of paying for travel with credit cards since they first gained popularity in the 1950s. But bureaucratic inertia and legal obstacles always thwarted a on Oct. 1. So far, 17,000 federal changeover

All of the ideas had a common approach — thousands of credit cards issued to the federal government and then handed out to employees. Lawyers feared that cards handled this way would open . avenues for unscrupulous employees to team with crooked hotel operators to bilk the government. In addition, a limited experiment using charge cards issued by to live within a \$75-a-day travel car rental agencies collapsed of its allowance, are likely to eat.

own weight. Administrative costs skyrocketed as the government tried to sort out all the pieces. "The accountants just went bonkers when you mentioned a centralized credit card system.' said William F. McDade Jr., likely to be 350,000 or more federal GSA's deputy transportation di-

> But GSA Administrator Gerald Carmen, convinced that the proper system would spell tremendous savings, ordered a new look at credit cards last year. "He said. 'Don't tell me why it

can't be done. Tell me how it can GSA officials came up with a novel approach. Instead of issuing cards in the name of the government, why not issue each card to the employee, making him responsible for paying the bill. The employee would submit an expense voucher after the trip and get reimbursed.

Since employees already had to submit the vouchers to account for cash advances, the government would be able to rely on a proven system to keep tabs on trave expenses

GSA put the proposal out for bid last summer and awarded the contract to Diners Club. The agreement, industry analysts say, was beneficial to both sides.

For years, Diners Club has lagged behind its major rivals. Where American Express has 17.5 million cardholders, Diners Club and its smaller sister Carte Blanche, both owned by Citicorp, have 5 million cardholders.

All the card companies are seeking ways to increase the amount charged on their cards — since merchants pay a percentage of and these fees represent the major source of revenue

For Diners Club, the fee ranges between 2 percent and 5 percent. translating into revenue of between \$80 million and \$200 million on \$4 billion worth of government travel

With that much money at stake, GSA officials said. Diners Club readily agreed to two contract stipulations. It waived its normal \$45 annual membership fee, something it does anyway for corporate accounts with 100,000 or more cards, and it agreed to issue cards without credit checks on federal

Diners began issuing the cards employees in 17 agencies have gotten cards. That pace is slightly ahead of GSA's projections that 30,000 cards would be issued in the first year, generating a charge volume of \$700 million.

There have been some com plaints that Diners is a top-of-the line card not accepted at many of the less expensive restaurants where federal employees, trying

## U.S. cashes in on credit | Mom gets 4 life terms for drowning kids

ROBERT WADE Associated Press Write

CAMDEN. N.J. - A 26-year-old woman who confessed to drowning said she suffered abuse by the three her four sleeping children by plac- oldest children's father, Emilio Anrent life prison terms.

profiles which vielded evidence she was so distraught over her life that she came to believe her children would be better off dead than alive. Rossetti initially rejected a plea bargain calling for the four concurrent life terms because he said prosecutors did not have the authority to first say Wright's case constituted a crime punishable by death and then opt to negotiate for a

educed sentence. But later, after about two hours of argument and further consideration. Rossetti said he concluded he sentence was appropriate. Wright must serve a minimum of 30 years in prison before becoming

eligible for parole Rosetti said he decided on the life

## Reports of bus hijacking differ

Photos indicate at least 1 terrorist may have survived siege

the Israeli military censor, who ordered several changes.

#### **By NICOLAS B. TATRO** Associated Press Writer

TEL AVIV, Israel — A news photograph of a man, apparently unhurt, who was being led away in handraised questions about the circumstances of the death azine said. of one hijacker.

The official version given by Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and an Israeli military spokesman was troops stormed the bus early Friday and two others died of wounds on their way to a hospital. But unpublished photographs show one, and possibly

two, men who were obviously alive and uninjured being led from the scene after the raid had freed two dozen hostages. One Israeli hostage, 19-year-old soldier Irit Portu-

highway between Ashdod and the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip. Photographers who boarded the bus shortly after the hostages were freed reported seeing two dead hijack-

ers — one in the driver's seat, a second in the rear of the bus. A civilian medical worker at the scene told an

Associated Press reporter a third hijacker was severely wounded, but he could not account for the Initial army statements on Friday said two hijackers

were killed and two captured. Later that day it was announced all four hijackers had been killed. Alex Levac, a photographer for the daily Hadashot newspaper, said he took a picture of a man who seemed

Editor's Note: The following dispatch was submitted to dark complexioned man with curly hair in handcuffs walking between two plainclothes security men. AP photographer Max Nash, who witnessed the rescue raid, said he saw a man in custody at the scene, his hands tied behind his back and his feet shackled.

The Israeli weekly magazine Koteret Rashit said three other Israeli photographers took pictures of a man being forcibly led to interrogation. "There is considerable doubt if we are talking about cuffs from the scene of last week's bus hijacking has the same man photographed by Hadashot," the mag-None of the pictures was approved by the Israel

military censor for publication.

One of the three Israeli photrographers, Shmuel that two terrorists were killed outright when Israeli Rahmani of the daily Maariv, said he took a full length photo of a man with his head down walking between Israeli army soldiers and a crowd in the background His shirt and pants were stained, but it was not possible to say for certain if the photo was of the same man in

the Hadashot picture. Yossi Klein, editor of Hadashot, told the AP one of his reporters showed the picture taken by Levac to relaguez, was killed and seven were wounded during the 10- tives and friends of a man identified as one of the hour drama that began Thursday night on the coastal hijackers - Majid Ahmed Abu Jama, 18, of Bani Suheila in the Gaza Strip.

He said they positively identified the photograph as that of Abu Jama. "Our reporter asked them who was shown in the picture, not if it was Abu Jama," Klein said. A headshot a friend of Abu Jama provided to Hadashot appeared to be one taken a year or two earlier, but with the same distinctive nose and curly brown hair. The New York Times quoted Abu Jama's mother Fatima as confirming the picture of the man being led away from the hijack scene was that of her son. But Klein said he also showed the photo of the man

being led away to four of the 35 hostages, including the bus driver, and none could identify him. The Jerusalem Post quoted an army spokesman as to be a suspect about two minutes after the bus was saying that photographs of people being led away from stormed. The picture, seen by an AP reporter, shows a the scene were probably pictures of Arab passengers

Jeanne Wright

#### ing them in a rain-swollen river was dujar, who also abused the children. sentenced yesterday to four concur-Superior Court Judge Rudolph J. Rossetti said his sentencing of Jeanne Anne Wright was based on ability to reason the consequences an eight-week study of psychiatric

children were better off dead than with their father." Rossetti said. He of her actions.'

said her client spent several hours trying to determine what to do for

out the proceeding

herself and her children before she killed them early on Nov. 11 in the Cooper River, believing their

they would be away from their current situation," she said. Wright, who was in leg and wrist irons, showed no emotion through-Wright pleaded guilty Feb. 21 to plea bargain, to avoid standing trial

deaths were the only alternative. "They would be away from her, they would be away from Emilio,

sentence, she could have changed





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of Israel into the whole Western world must belong to God's plan of salvation.' However, he says Jews cannot regard Jesus as their messiah since Orthodox Judaism holds that his coming

will establish God's reign of peace and justice for all something that hasn't happened through Jesus. Lapide sees Jesus as a significant link in God's work toward redemption, but says he is not the final redeemer, since the world remains far from redeemed. Nevertheless, he contends Jesus' resurrection was real, and the "best proof" of it "is probably the realistic way in which the two oldest gospels (Mark and Matthew) describe the painful death and Jesus' cry of despair on the cross.'

Noting that the disciples were "totally disappointed and on the verge of desperate flight because of the very real reason of the crucifixion." he adds: "It took another very real reason in order to transform them from a band of disheartened and dejected

Jews into the most self-confident missionary society in world history. He says the New Testament accounts themselves could only have been written by men "who are deeply

convinced that this miserable dying of the Nazarene neither was nor is the last word of God — that his exit from the world became the entrance into blessedness.' Several Christian scholars have applauded Lapide's work, and while it is controversial among Jewish thinkers, director Irving Greenberg of New York's National Jewish Resource Center calls the book a major breakthrough

He says it is a "trenchant and moving argument that Christianity brought God's covenant with Israel to the Gentiles without undermining or completing the Jewish hope for total redemption and that this accomplishment could not be based on a fraud, a fabrication or a

# sentences because he found Wright

suffered from a low level of selfesteem, borderline personality disorders and chronic depression. He "Miss Wright determined the

fantasy.'

added that it appeared she lost "her Public defender Anne Manning

### state news briefs

Lawyers may fight police corruption PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Concerned about the corruption tainting Philadelphia's police department, Mayor W. Wilson Goode suggested yesterday that the city hire outside lawyers to help investigators "systematically root out the bad apples." But Goode said he opposed creation of any civilian review board to police the police. He said that he, the managing director and police commissioner, should be able to properly supervise the 7,800

officers. A,2-year-old federal corruption probe has sent seven officers to jail and led to the arrest of 13 others. More indictments are expected

Last week, Deputy Commissioner James Martin, the department's No. 2 official, suddenly resigned after an FBI search of his car and office.

Police Commissioner Gregore Sambor said he didn't believe the appointment of outside lawyers to review internal police activities would hurt morale "because honest police officers want to get this resolved just as quickly, if not quicker, than anyone else.'

#### Free meal by any name is as tasty HARRISBURG (AP) — The free lunch is on its way to being legal

again in bars - just as long as you don't call it by its real name. The Independent Regulatory Review Board yesterday approved a Liquor Control Board regulation that would allow places that sell liquor to give away free food to patrons. "You can give away any food item, just as long as you don't call it

a free lunch," Bruce Bikin, assistant counnel to the LCB, said after the board's ruling. Bikin said it probably will take another month before the

attorney general's office, the office of budget and two legislative committees give their approval and send the regulation back to the LCB for a final vote. In case you can't wait for a month to get a free sandwich with

your drink, don't worry. The LCB already has voted not to enforce the present regulation that prohibits bars from giving away what has been known as the "free lunch." "There's lots of places giving free food now," Bikin said.

#### nation news briefs

#### Standard Oil liable for tanker spill

CHICAGO (AP) - Standard Oil Co. of Indiana and two subsidiaries must pay damages for one of history's worst environmental disasters — the 1978 wreck of the Amoco Cadiz supertanker that spilled 68 million gallons of oil off the French coast, a federal judge ruled vesterday. U.S. District Judge Frank McGarr said Standard and its subsi-

diaries are liable "to the full extent" for damages suffered by the French government, other French claimants and Petroleum Insurance Ltd., a Bermuda-based insurer, in the second largest oil spill in history. The Chicago-based oil company and its subsidiaries were neg-

ligent in the design, repair and maintenance of the supertanker. McGarr said. The ruling assigned responsibility for the accident but not the

amount of damages. Attorneys have estimated damage claims could reach billions of dollars. The March 16, 1978, spill created a slick 18 miles wide and 80 miles long, killing thousands of birds and sea creatures.

#### **Researchers find likely AIDS cause**

NEW YORK (AP) - Researchers in the United States and France have strong, new evidence that a type of virus first identified in AIDS patients in France last year might be the longsought cause of the deadly disease, scientists said yesterday. "I think it looks very good," said Dr. Donald Francis, coordinator of AIDS laboratories activities at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

The discovery of the cause of AIDS would not constitute a cure but it is a necessary first step that could vastly speed the development of a treatment or an anti-AIDS vaccine. French AIDS researchers have found the virus, which they call lymphadenopathy virus or LAV, in 11 patients, six with AIDS and five with a pre-AIDS immune disorder.

#### world news briefs

#### Hondurans to move refugee camps

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) - A day after a helicopter carrying two U.S. senators was fired upon, the Honduras government said Salvadoran refugee camps near the border have become sanctuaries for leftist rebels and that it will move them to the

Col. Abraham Garcia Turcios, coordinator of the National Commission on Refugees, said yesterday that refugees from Colomoncagua and San Antonio, two camps within a few miles of the border, would be shifted after the Easter holidays. "The Salvadoran refugees have two choices: allow themselves to be relocated or be expelled from Honduras," he said. On Wednesday, ground fire hit the helicopter carrying Sens. J.

Bennett Johnston, D-La., and Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., and forced it to land as it approached the Colomoncagua camp. Soviets nyet chemical weapons ban

MOSCOW (AP) - The Soviet Union yesterday rejected the chemical weapons ban offered by Vice President George Bush. saying it contains "obviously unacceptable" requirements for inspection and verification at weapons production sites. "Regrettably, the American draft, which was much publicized in

advance, does not contain even a hint of a change in the old obstructionist stand of the United States," the official news agency Tass said. The proposal outlined by Bush on Wednesday at the 40-nation

Geneva Disarmament Conference included verification procedures that Tass charged were aimed at making the draft treaty unacceptable to the Kremlin. "Washington intends to hold talks on a ban on chemical weapons

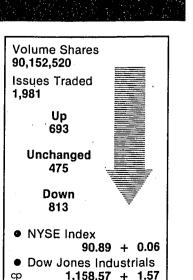
while simultaneously intensively building up its huge arsenal of chemical warfare agents and means of their delivery," Tass said. "This is the main characteristic of the 'new' American initiative."

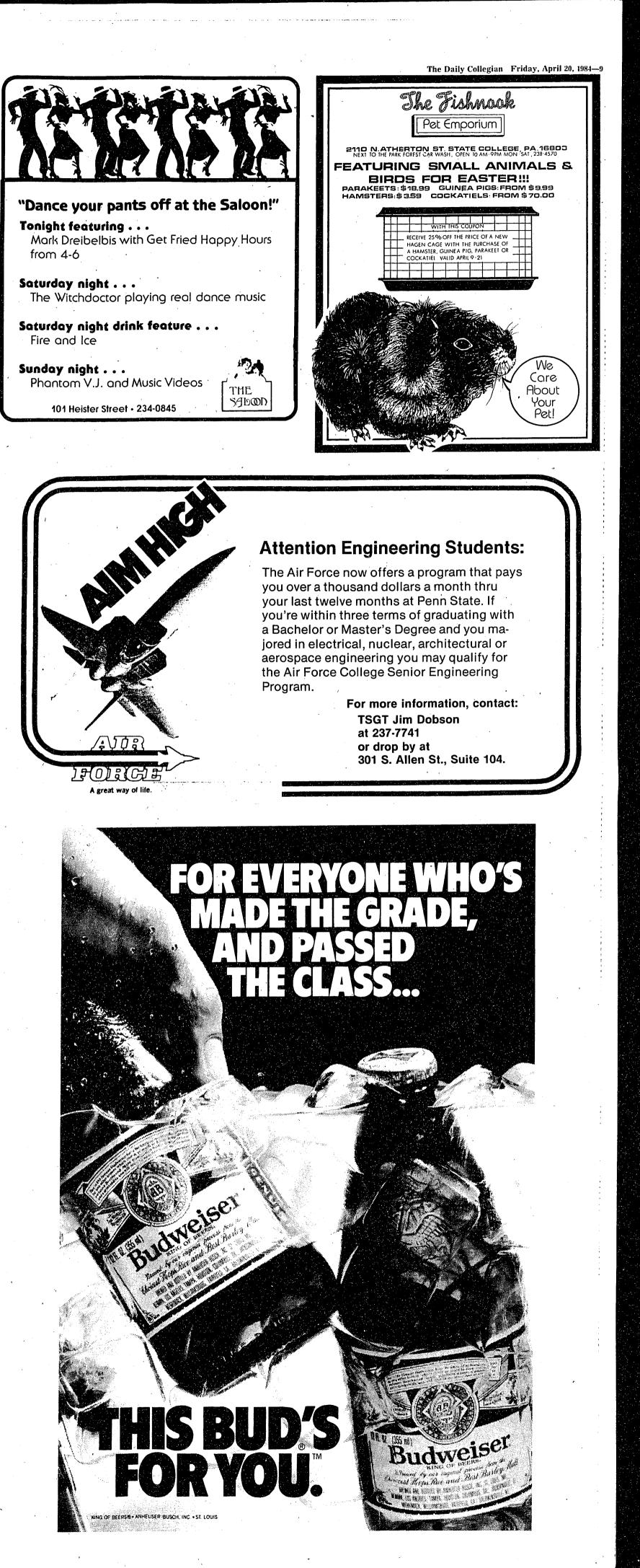
## stock report

Holiday creates slow trading day NEW YORK (AP) — A late upturn helped the stock market finish mixed in sluggish pre-holiday trading yester-

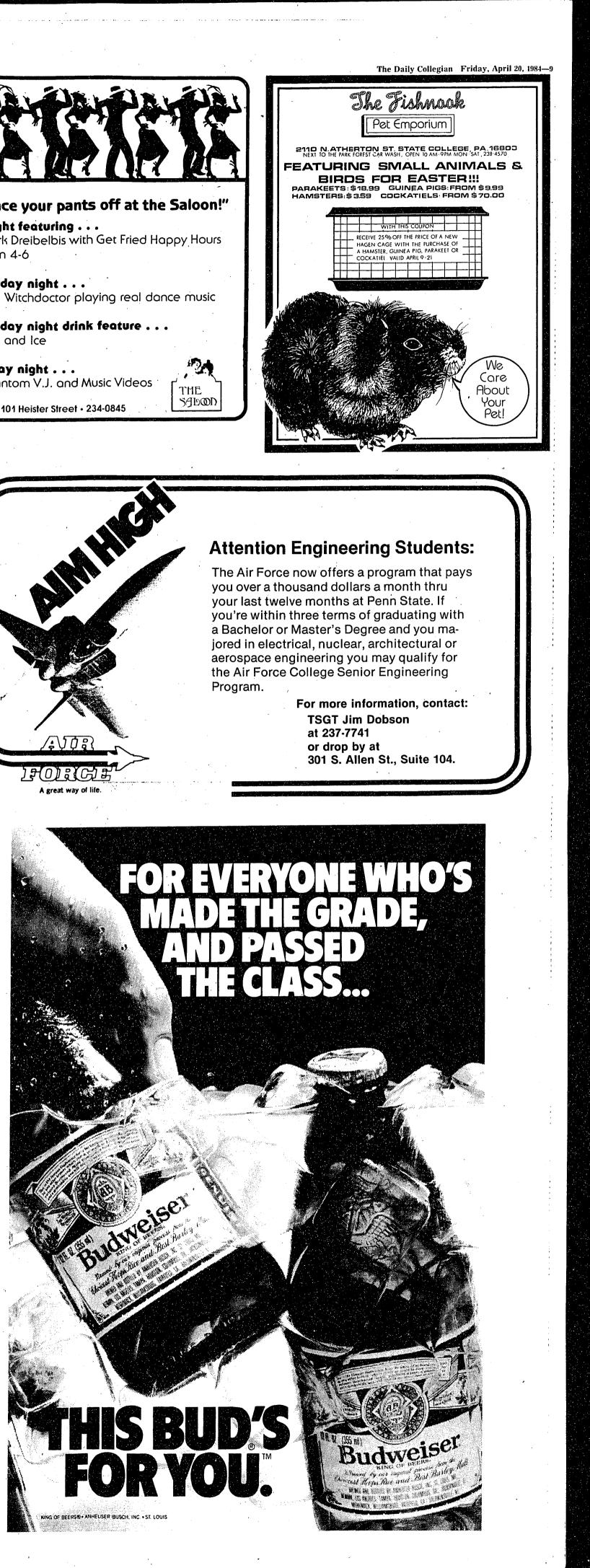
Several retail and technology issues advanced. However, mining and paper stocks peppered the list of stocks that declined. The Dow Jones average of

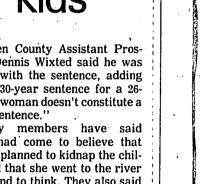
30 industrials erased a 7-point deficit in the session's final hour and gained 1.57 to 1.158.08. The measure rose 7.95 for the week.











lenient sentence.' Family members have said Wright had come to believe that Andujar planned to kidnap the children and that she went to the river to hide and to think. They also said she was distraught over her inability to care for the youngsters, who were living with her mother in a run-down city housing project. In her confession, Wright said she went to the river with the children just before midnight on Nov. 10 and

#### months, Juan Jose, 11 months, and Emilio, 5. The search for the fourth four counts of murder as part of a child, 7-year-old Janah, has been abandoned. Authorities said they and facing a possible death penalty. believe her body was snagged on Had Rossetti rejected the agreed-on pilings and other debris beneath the railroad trestle.

## **AT&T** seeks long-distance billing options

### By NORMAN BLACK

**Associated Press Writer** WASHINGTON — The Ameri can Telephone & Telegraph Co yesterday unveiled two new longdistance calling options, one of which would allow consumers to place an hour's worth of calls to any part of the United States for a set monthly fec.

The new plan, dubbed "Reach Out America," has two compo-Under the first, customers could place an hour's worth of calls after

11 p.m. and on weekends for a monthly fee of \$10. The second option would require a monthly fee of \$11.50 and would provide the same hour's allotment of calls during night and weekend hours plus an additional 15 percent dis-

count for calls dialed during eve ning hours from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. The plans were presented in a filing to the Federal Communications Commission, which must give its approval before AT&T can offer them to customers.

The new optional calling plan represents a major departure from AT&T's long-standing practice of offering averaged long-distance rates that include a distance variable for the call, and thus the FCC's response cannot be predicted. Besides distance, AT&T's existing long-distance rates are

based on the duration of the call. time of day and day of week.

that shortly thereafter the youngsters fell asleep on a railroad trestle along the river She said she then placed them one by one into the river. Three of the children's bodies were recovered - Jonathan, 34

Camden County Assistant Prosecutor Dennis Wixted said he was pleased with the sentence, adding that "a 30-year sentence for a 26vear-old woman doesn't constitute a