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Shuttle joint blamed for explosion found

By HOWARD BENEDICT AP Aerospace Writer

salvage ship has recovered a two-ton severing the bottom rocket attachpiece of Challenger rocket debris ment and causing the top of the with a 2-foot-square hole burned booster to swivel into the large exterthrough the steel casing at the joint nal fuel tank, setting off the exploblamed for the explosion of the space sion. shuttle, the Navy said vesterday.

The 10-foot-by-20-foot piece, which of a NASA's task force working with could be vital to the investigation, the commission, said last week the was pulled from the floor of the Atlantic Ocean about 40 miles northeast of here by the Stena Workhorse after a robot submarine attached lift

The retrieval was made at 5 a.m. Sunday in 560 feet of water, the Navy

Lt. Cmdr. Deborah Burnette, a Navy spokeswoman, said the hole burned in the joint and casing by a launch day might have had on the plume of escaping flame measured 1foot-by-2-feet. The surrounding area was badly scorched.

The recovery was announced earlier by the presidential shuttle commission, and a member of the But Thompson said last month that commission was coming here to in- even if they were not recovered, he

man William P. Rogers said, "One of accident. the two sections of critical interest" explosion on Jan. 28.

"A burnt out area of the joint tang at about the 300 degree position is

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Experts believe a leak in the joint CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - A allowed flame to escape, eventually

> investigation is focusing on possibly defective O-rings designed to stop hot gases from escaping through the joint; on the effect of the rotation of the joint when subjected to ignition pressures: on characteristics of the putty intended to put pressure on the rings; a possible joint alignment problem; and the effect the freezing

rings or the putty. Recovering the two pieces of the joint have been high priority items of

believed there was sufficient evi-A statement by commission Chair- dence to pinpoint the cause of the

More recently, commission memwas recovered and that it was from ber Richard P. Feynman said testing the joint area where a leak in the of sub-scale models designed to reright booster rocket is thought to create the conditions on the day of the have occurred, causing the shuttle's explosion would never be able to find the exact cause.

Feynman said, however, that a new joint could be built to prevent all

they don't know exactly how it failed, are working on 10 possible alterations nearly 7½ years in office. and they feel that by recovering the in the joint.

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Unisex insurance rates crash

finally won approval yesterday when rates on June 1. the Senate voted overwhelmingly to Under a unisex insurance system, lenge. override Gov. Dick Thornburgh's rates for young women in Pennsylvaveto of the bill.

As a result of the vote, conducted view," he said.

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allowing sex-based auto insurance Department will not be allowed to Insurance lobbyist, applauded the rates to continue in Pennsylvania force insurers to implement unisex Senate's action and said he doubted

nia would have increased while those creases for more than 1.1 million The 43-6 vote marked a major victo- for young men would have dropped. Pennsylvanians," Snyder said. "That the joint, has not been located but is The man in charge of redesigning ry for the insurance industry, which Thornburgh spokesman David involves 600,000 young women, older believed to be in the same area.

The main in charge of redesigning 13 for the library, head of mounted a massive lobbying cam-Investigators have said the acci- engineering at NASA's Marshall paign for the bill. The vote also act." Women's groups, which call discount and older drivers male and dent that killed seven astronauts was Space Flight Center in Huntsville, marked a rare override of a Thorn-sex-based rates discriminatory, prob-female who would have had to subsicaused by a failure in this joint. But Ala., said last week that 70 engineers burgh veto during the governor's ably will take the issue to court "and dize young males," he said.

students, including a leader of two

The 78 arrested were charged with criminal trespass and were scheduled for arraignment April 21, said the effectiveness of any legal chaluniversity spokesman Walter Littell. Four others were charged additionally with disorderly conduct.

Yale labor unions, John Wilhelm, and a former city alderman, Martin Kris-

the courts will uphold the governor's The battle over unisex insurance protest since the shanties were allowrates in Pennsylvania began in 1978. ed to stay on the plaza since April 4.

Yale police

shanties go

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) - Sev-

enty-eight demonstrators were ar-

ested at Yale University yesterday

before college employees leveled a

shanty village erected to protest

Yale's investments in South Africa.

shouted anti-apartheid slogans at a

rally where protesters promised to

keep up pressure on the school to

"We are not going to let them get

rid of us," Jonathon Piper, a second-

year law student, yelled at the rally,

where shouts and applause echoed off

ouildings surrounding Beinecke Pla-

The shantytown, opposite the office of Yale President A. Bartlett Giamat-

blacks in South Africa, where a white

minority rules a black majority un-

der a system of racial separation

The shanties were torn down by

Yale supervisory workers after the

students were warned to leave the

site, then arrested by campus police

Members of Local 35, the custodial

union, had said last week that they

would not obey university orders to

Five of those arrested were not

known as apartheid.

when they refused.

symbolized the homes of poor

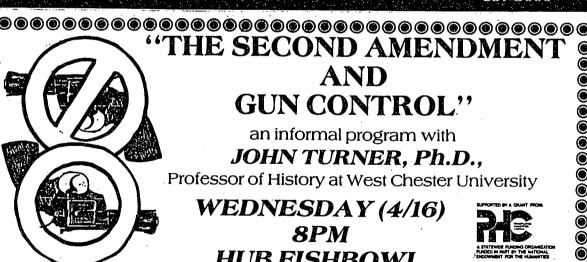
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homes operating as bed and break- guidelines. fast establishments have been reduced from \$50 to \$25 to coordinate equate room size, while the code the fees with the time needed to enforcement office looks at whether inspect the homes, State College the proposed area has the proper

health officer Mark Henry said. The \$50 fee was too high for the Three area homes are designated short time needed to inspect the es- bed and breakfast establishments but Homes designated as bed and available, said Ernest Dabiero, zonbreakfast establishments provide one ing officer. or two rooms for overnight stay and People are particulary interested breakfast the following morning. in these establishments when visiting

the area who may not want to pay for Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts and a hotel room, Henry said. A health office, zoning office and Dabiero said single family dwellcode enforcement office provide the ings are typical of bed and breakfast licenses and permits required for establishments, but fraternities are people who want to operate their atypical because of their multiple homes as bed and breakfast estab- occupancy.

and that all food and cooking materi-

police log

an apartment at 458 E. College Ave. Sunday, State College police said. sometime between March 12 and Thursday, State College Bureau of

• Two signs worth \$200 were taken lege police said. from Nittany Valley Winery, 724 S. Atherton St., between Thursday evening and Friday morning, State Col-

Police Services said.

 Richard Weachock, New York, reported his \$225 watch missing from an apartment at 340 E. Beaver Ave. ered broken Saturday in the snack

Saturday, State College police said. bar at Starlite Drive-in, 1100 Benner

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Program praises region's cultural diversity

joined, shaded hands.

By ERIC SCHMIDT Collegian Staff Writer

The Academic Assistance Programs Council aunched a program to celebrate the expanding later this month, Perry said, but the "We are racial and ethnic diversity in the Centre Region, the publicity director for the program said. Kevin Perry said the program, titled "We Are future events. Community," is sponsored by the Town/Gown committee of the AAPC. The council was devel- said. "It's a multi-ethnic vaudeville with local oped in 1984 to integrate minorities into the performers to represent the diversity in the

"The program will raise community awareness in the Centre Region and celebrate the theatre arts and director of "Strut n' Roar," said diversity, which we regard as a strength to the the program's acts will include a Chinese tamarea," Perry said. The committee has distributed posters with Indonesian sword dance and a commedian.

They are operated for people visiting State College for the annual Central photos of people representing the ethnic and The last hour of the program will be a period of sion is free.

Fraternity's fees for overnight The health office ensures a home's lodging and food service to non-memkitchen meets all health standards bers will remain at \$50, Henry said.

A small caliber pistol was found

A drainage grate was removed

from a hole at the east end of the HUB

sometime Sunday, University Police

Several windows were discov-

electrical wiring and ventilation.

for football games, he said.

the addresses of these homes are not

University students will be asked this week to call Students can also call on their own. Heinz' their senators and representatives and urge them Washington phone number is (202) 224-6324 and to co-sponsor an inflation adjustment measure for Specter can be reached in Philadelphia — 1-800higher education, which would protect the nation's 222-2752 — as well as in Washington — (202) 224-

Edith Raphael, chairwoman of the Washington, cratic-sponsored bill would provide higher educa-D.C. governmental relations committee — the tion with \$1.2 billion in federal appropriations this University Student Executive Council's lobby — year and guarantee the same appropriations • A \$200 microwave oven belonging missing from a car parked at 255 E. will coordinate a phone drive today and tomorrow to Unico Corporation was taken from Beaver Ave. between Friday and aimed at getting Pennsylvania's Republican U.S. adjusted for inflation, in the future, Raphael said. The phone drive is aimed at getting co-sponsors Senators Arlen Specter and H. John Heinz III to co- for the bill, not necessarily urging its passage,

distributed bumper stickers showing the logo: audience, giving the audience a chance to be-The program will culminate in a variety show

He said John Franceschina, one of America's

racial groups in the region, he said. It has also interaction between the performers and the

jingle for the "We Are Community" program. Franceschina, a professor at Florida State University, was the guest musical director last year for Penn State's "History of American Film" production. This year, Hoskins said, Franceschina was musical director for "Nobody's Heart," a program about American composer

Lawrence Hart. The program will be held April 20 at the State College Area Intermediate High School, Perry said, and will last from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admis-

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Community" program will continue afterwards.

He added that the program has no plans for

"(The show) is called 'Strut n' Roar.' " Perry

James H. Hoskins, assistant professor of

bourine dance, juggling, an Indian dancer, an

colleges and universities from the expected 4254.

and turned over to police, State Colstudent government, will be asked to make a cans. phone call," Raphael said.

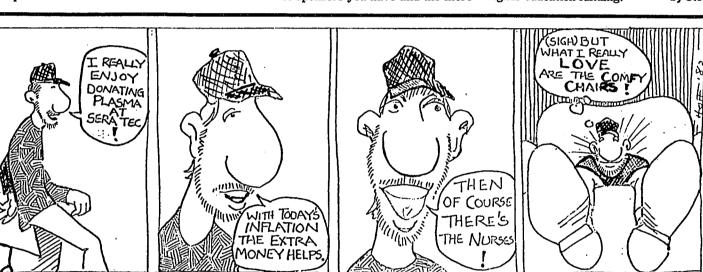
Known as the Andrews Amendment, the Demo-Raphael said. Proponents of the bill want to make "Everyone who enters the (Undergraduate Stuit a bi-partisan effort, making Heinz and Specter on Logan Avenue Sunday afternoon dent Government) office, whether or not they're in important players because they are both Republi-

"The more co-sponsors you have and the more

'The more co-sponsors you have and the more bi-partisan a bill is, the likelier it is to

- Edith Raphael

The phone drive will be held nationwide and is sponsored by the United States Student Association, a national student lobby for student aid and higher education funding. —by Steve Wilson



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