World

Strikes cripple Britain — A nationwide shutdown of rail service has added to the disruption caused by a strike of 100,000 truck drivers. Many ports have been crippled by the lack of transportation and industries have warned that factories starved of raw materials could lay off a million more workers by the end of the week.

Shah departs — Weeping openly, the Shah left Iran aboard a military jet bound for Egypt at 4:14am EST. According to palace sources, the Shah took a small casket of Iranian soil with him. He is expected to join the other members of the royal family in the United States. Former Ambassador to Brazil Walter Annenberg confirmed that he has offered the Shah the use of his 900-acre waist estate outside Palm Springs, California.

Nation

Air Fares reduced — Friday the Civil Aviation Board gave approval for World Airways and Capitool International to introduce $100 transcontinental fares. Capitol will offer the fare on a twice-daily, reserved-seat basis between Los Angeles and New York for $100. World Airways not sure how many flights it will offer but will sell reserved seats through Ticketron for $50.

Neither firm has plans to extend the service to Boston.

FTC opens inquiry into TV commercials — The Federal Trade Commission opened a ten-day public session in San Francisco to discuss proposed changes in regulations dealing with the so-called "kids' ads," ads aimed primarily at children. TV commercials fell children "the biggest lies they'll ever hear," said Harry M. Snyder, West Coast director of Consumers Union.

Blizzard hits Midwest — Record cold temperatures hit the Midwest — the third which that part of the nation has received in four days. Chicago had a record 31 inches of snow on the ground. O'Hare International Airport had been closed for a number of days, but had one runway open by Monday morning with a mammoth backlog of flights.

Local

Colorado restrained from hiring Fairbanks — US District Court Judge A. David Mazzone granted a preliminary injunction barring University of Colorado officials from trying to hire Patriots coach Chuck Fairbanks. Fairbanks admitted under oath to use illegal substances while preparing the Patriots for the NFL playoffs.

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of the panel was that Governor Ford King would probably provide an excess of material. Dan Shecter introduced Dick Flavin, political satirist from the "eye-widow news staff." Flavin said his job wasn't too difficult and quoted Will Rogers: "I don't make the jokes... I just watch the government and report the facts." Flavin said he liked former New Hampshire governor "Mudie Thompson — one of the great statesmen of the seventeenth century." Flavin also alluded to Speaker Tip O'Neill's political power in Washington. Flavin said that it was not widely known that Carter had privately hoped Tip O'Neill would succeed John F. Kennedy as Pope. Carter's reason, according to Flavin, "so he wouldn't have to kiss O'Neill's ring.”

Flavin joked about Gov. Dukakis' "sin taxes", taxes on such vices as "drinking, smoking, and eating." He also joked about the Ivy League — "where they say 'fantastic' instead of 'bullshit.' " Flavin pointed out that in the political world almost no topic was taboo, even Carter's hemorrhoids, which Edith said were treated by a Navy doctor — a Rear Admiral. However, since his hemorrhoid condition, the panel agreed Carter's humor was dry: "aridness at best."

Party

Out there in the Atlantic Ocean on a sunshine beach there's going to be an outbreak of revelry this vacation break. And after the sun goes down... well, you know the effect that moonlight has on a celebration. We can only hope it won't be a full moon.

Because from Jan. 13 through April 21 we're opening Nassau and Paradise Island to a wave of American college students. We have reason to believe that wave may reach tidal proportions. Probably because of the price: $299 including air fare and 7 nights hotel.

So there it is, young America. We guarantee you the best of dancing on the beach, water sports and a roaring party. Beyond that, you're invited to improvise. And since your talent for good timing is legendary, we've made preparations for you. We're going to be ready.

With open arms.