World

Israel promises to keep to terms of treaty — The Israeli government announced Wednesday that it intends to follow the provisions of its peace treaty with Egypt, despite the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar El-Sadat. "If the peace continues, the Sinai withdrawal will continue," noted Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir. The withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula is scheduled to be completed in April 1982.

US leaders to attend Sadat's funeral — The official American delegation to the funeral of Anwar El-Sadat will include Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter, Gerald R. Ford, Richard M. Nixon, Alexander M. Haig Jr., Henry A. Kissinger, Caspar W. Weinberger, Jeannée K. Kirkpatrick, and 13 others. Following recommendations from the Secret Service, President Ronald W. Reagan will not attend for security reasons. Sadat will be buried Saturday next to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Cairo.

Commonwealth condemns South Africa — The Commonwealth, the free association of sovereign states who recognize Queen Elizabeth II as the head of their organization, expressed "deep concern" over South Africa's continuing refusal to recognize Namibia as a free and independent nation. The members also alluded to a concern that President Ronald W. Reagan was unsympathetic toward the Namibian issue, citing that he was striking up a warmer relationship with the South African government. The Commonwealth, which includes Great Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and 27 third world nations, met in Melbourne, Australia this week.

Nation

Senate approves AT&T decontrol — By a vote of 90 to 4, the Senate passed a bill Wednesday which would allow the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (A&T) to expand into areas unrelated to telecommunications, such as data processing and information services. A&T is currently restricted from operating in areas other than telecommunications by the Communications Act of 1934, which granted A&T its monopoly.

Soap opera viewing may be hazardous to your health — Frequent watching of daytime television serials may cause the soap opera addict to adopt reckless health habits, according to a 10-year study released this week by the University of Philadelphia. The report, published in the New England Journal of Medicine, said that soap operas may lead audiences to believe that "if any problem arises, the doctor will surely provide the cure," possibly causing viewers to let their health-care habits go haywire.

Local

Admitted rapists receive suspended sentences — Despite a recommendation of 10-year sentences by Norfolk County district attorney William Delahunt, Judge Herbert Abrams suspended the sentences of five men who pled guilty to raping a Whitman, Mass., woman in January 1980. "I consider it a serious charge," commented Delahunt. "I was comfortable with the 10-year sentence, but suspending a sentence is the prerogative of the court," he added.

State trooper, three others indicted in marijuana theft — An indictment handed down Wednesday from a Barnstable County grand jury in Yarmouth, Mass., connected four persons, including a Massachusetts State Police officer, with the theft of $1.3 million worth of marijuana. According to the State Police, 50 bales, or 3500 pounds, of the plant were stolen on September 25 from a storage room of the State Police station in South Yarmouth, Mass. One suspect surrendered to the police on Wednesday, but the other three are still at large.

Somerville woman awarded $2.75 million — The Middlesex Superior Court has awarded the largest settlement in Massachusetts history to Donna Snow of Somerville, Mass., who was injured in a serious car accident on January 1980. "I consider it a serious charge," commented Delahunt. "I was comfortable with the 10-year sentence, but suspending a sentence is the prerogative of the court," he added.

Weather

Below normal temperatures will continue in New England through the weekend. Partly to mostly sunny skies today with northwest winds and highs near 60. Clear and cold tonight with lows near 42. Tomorrow, winds will be light and variable with sunny skies and highs in the upper 50's. Winds becoming onshore by Saturday evening and lows will be near 50. Becoming partly cloudy for Sunday with a threat of rain by late in the day. Highs near 60.

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