news roundup

World

Soviet government launches all-out effort against Sakharov — Specialist on Soviet abuse of psychiatry Peter Rashdall said yesterday recent imports to the Soviet government had ordered the use of drugs and possibly hypnotics in an effort to make physicist Andrei Sakharov deny his views. Sakharov's newspaper said last week that he had received information that he was being held at Gorky Hospital for receiving injections of mind-altering drugs.

Drought strikes Kenya — The long rains, a delay usually lasting from March through May, did not come this year to a non-rainy Kenya. The Kenya government has asked foreign governments to help pay over $200 million in arrears to combat growing hunger and panic among Kenyans.

Poland cracks down on dissidents — The Polish government announced it will try a priest and a dissident lawyer on charges of antistate activities. Four prominent dissidents have already gone on trial for reportedly trying to overthrow the state by force. Furthermore, the official newspaper said that Maciek Bednarewicz, a lawyer who has defended Solidarity activities, will be tried on charges of procuring classified police information and helping a riot movement denounce his services.

New Zealand to ban atomic ships — Prime Minister-elect of New Zealand David Lange said Monday that his party has pledged to ban all nuclear-armed and nuclear-powered ships in its country's waters.

American officials say that this could change the 31-year-old ANGUS Pact among the Australia, New Zealand, and the US which currently states all three nations to "meet the common danger." Lange said that dropping the agreement was one of the central pledges of his campaign campaign.

French celebrate Bastille Day — Marking the 195th anniversary of the French Revolution, thousands of French citizens crowded the Champs Elysees to cheer the traditional military parade. Included in the parade was the first that rolled into Paris after the June 6 Allied landing at Normandy in 1944.

Nation

Space shuttle Discovery flight rescheduled — Discovery was rolled from its launch pad to the vehicle assembly building at Kennedy Space Center Saturday. The shuttle's maiden voyage has been rescheduled for August 24. Discovery will carry the combined payloads that would have gone up in its first two launches, in order to avoid further delays in the shuttle schedule.

White House revives stand on abortion — White House staffs gave final approval Monday to a policy statement that denies family planning money to governments and organizations that support abortion.

Bicyclist killed in campus collision — A 20-year-old student who told him the school was on fire. After an hour of questioning the boy admitted to setting the building on fire and extinguishing it.

Total disaster was averted when firemen from Peabody, Salem, and Middleton responded to the blaze, Massachusetts municipality to enact such legislation, and the sixth this year.

Non-smoking sections mandated by Cambridge city ordinance — The city of Cambridge now required to set aside at 'least 25 percent of their space for non-smokers. Cambridge was the eleventh city and the fifth this year to a now-barren Kenya. The Kenyan government has asked foreign governments to help pay over $200 million in arrears to combat growing hunger and panic among Kenyans.

Erasable computer system — Hewlett-Packard is planning to market an erasable computer system engineered specifically for science and industry. Features a built-in CRT, Cassette Tape Drive and Thermal Printer.

Local

Massachusetts is the big Megabucks winner — Marcia Sanford of Woburn has won $15.6 million in the biggest ever in North American lottery history. She will receive $780,994 per year for the next 30 years. But the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the City of Boston are the big winners. City officials project that $150 million in additional taxes will be collected as the result of one dollar at a time.

Non-smoking sections mandated by Cambridge city ordinance — Restaurants in Cambridge are now required to set aside at least 25 percent of their space for non-smokers. Cambridge was the eleventh Massachusetts municipality to enact such legislation, and the sixth this year.

Former student torches school — A 16-year-old former student of West Memorial School of Peabody set it on fire throughout the elementary school Sunday morning, causing approximately $100,000 to damage. Total damage was estimated between $150,000 and $200,000.

Two die in helicopter crash — The pilot and doctor aboard an ambulance helicopter died when the chopper went down on Saturday night on the way to the Massachusetts Medical Center. The crash was due to a power failure that killed both engines. The patient on board was strapped down to a stretcher on the floor of the helicopter and survived the crash. The flight nurse also escaped with broken bones and lacerations.

CAMPUS

MIT student finds Proposition 2 1/2 guilty — A study by Mary M. Lynch, a graduate student in the Department of Urban Studies and Planning, showed Proposition 2 1/2 indirectly resulted in decreased services to the poor of Massachusetts. "Many cities with the lowest income groups have been forced to make the largest budget cuts when state funds were reallocated to comply with the proposition," Lynch said, noting that the cuts affected service programs and transfers at state and local levels.

Bicyclist killed in campus collision — John Gaultier, a 17-year-old Cambridge resident, died of multiple injuries last Wednesday night after his bicycle collided with a truck at the corner of Masschusetts Avenue and Vassar Street. The truck driver, Dominick Donahue of Somerville, faces a hearing on possible criminal charges.

Weather

Tomorrow: Sunny, Wednesday: Rain — Tuesday will be sunny, 87-91. The rains will return on Wednesday from 72-81.