World

United States to be flexible in arms-control talks — The United States is prepared to be "flexible and constructive" in arms-control talks with the Soviet Union, announced National Security Advisor Robert C. McFarlane Sunday. Secretary of State George P. Shultz PhD '49 will discuss grounds for possible compromise with Moscow in preliminary talks with Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko in Geneva on Jan. 7-8.

Uruguay holds general elections — For the first time in 13 years, Uruguay held general elections Sunday. Of the 2.2 million electorate, about 600,000 voted for the first time. The principal blunder of the election was that the government had vested the first-choice candidate of two of the country's three parties. In an agreement signed earlier this month, all three parties pledged to work together after the election to consolidate democracy and rebuild the depressed economy.

Nation

US colleges weak on humanities — US college and Universities are failing to give students "an adequate education in the culture and civilization of which they are members," said a panel convened by the National Endowment for the Humanities yesterday. Committee Chairman Willam J. Bennett said in a 42-page report that the traditional liberal arts curricula remain "dissolved" because of the pressures of specialization and marketing. Bennett said to remedy the problem students should be required to take a "core of common studies" about Western civilization, taught by the top faculty of each institution.

Farmers' median income low — The 1982 median income for farm families was $18,756, compared with $23,585 for nonfarm families, according to a survey prepared by the Census Bureau and the Agricultural Department. The survey also found that only 44 percent of those employed in agriculture lived on farms, compared to 63 percent in 1970 and 70 percent in 1960. The unemployment rate in the farm population was only 3.6 percent in 1981, compared to 10.2 percent for nonfarm families. The survey found the farm population to be holding steady at roughly one out of every 40 Americans between 1980 and 1983.

Local

57 percent of Harvard women sexually active — A Harvard University survey revealed last week that 57 percent of undergraduates—women at Harvard consider themselves active in some form of sexual activity. The poll also stated that 53 percent have had intercourse at least once. 54 percent of undergraduate women at Harvard considered themselves active in some form of sexual activity. The poll also stated that 53 percent have had intercourse at least once. 54 percent of undergraduate women — almost 1500 students — completed the survey.

Weather

Rain drops to fall — Indian summer continues today, with highs of 62-66. A storm moving our way will bring rain by the middle of the week.

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