Gunman may have shadowed Palme

Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme was shot dead late Friday night. He was walking home with his wife after attending a movie premiere in downtown Stockholm. Palme had earlier dismissed his security guards.

Palme, who was 59, was a former lawyer, an important nationalist statesman and an internationally prominent left-wing ac-
tivist leader. He had led the Swedish Socialist Party for 17 years, serving as prime minister from 1966 to 1976, and again from 1982. He was an outspoken critic of both the United States and the Soviet Union, steering Sweden on a

center course.

The murderer apparently had Palme under surveillance for some time before he shot him with a powerful Ameri-
can-made revolver, police said Sunday. Police Commissioner Hans Holmer told reporters that two bullets recovered at the scene of the shooting were fashioned from an unusual combination of metals and may have been handmade. Po-
lice said the source of these bullets could be hard to trace.

Social Minister Getrud Sjöstedt said there would be an official declaration of national mourning, for which Sweden has no precedent. (Boston Globe)

Thousands mourn West Bank leader

The Makor of Nabli, a town in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, was gunned down outside his office on Sun-
day. Zouheir el-Muawi was a moderate Palestinian and a sym-
bol of Israeli conciliation. Musti was mortared by 50,000 people who staged a two-hour funeral procession.

day before he was buried in the courtyard of the Mosque. Though the Palestinian flag was banned in Nabli, the larg-
est city in the West Bank, it was flown openly during the funeral. (AP)

Protestant activists in Belfast

Protestants in the city of the same name are preparing a campaign designed to get the British government to suspend the scheduled visit of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. It is the murder of democra-
cy. The violence was part of a 24-hour general strike pro-
testing the mainly Catholic Irish Republican's new voice in the British province. Police said they were not sure how many people were injured. (AP)

Greek tanker explodes off France

A 10,000-ton Greek tanker was reported to be burning hours after it exploded yesterday, about 300 miles off the coast of France. The French-Atlantic Rescue Cen-
ter says some of the crewmen were killed and others are missing or seriously injured, but gave no exact figures. (AP)

Philippines seek Marcos assets

The US state department has sent two officials to Ha-

tow to help resolve the matter of Philippines ex-president Ferdinand Marcos' assets. High temperature Philip-

ines he took large quantities of documents, deeds, and valuables, a move that has raised a number of legal ques-
tions. The central bank of the Philippines is among those

making claims on the goods, since it wants to recover the pesos Marcos took with him. The property is currently in the custody of U.S. customs agents in Hawaii, where Marcos is said to be negotiating to buy a house near the beach. (AP)

Nation

Reagan urges contra aid

President Reagan yesterday urged Congress to approve $100 million in new aid for Nicaragua's anti-Sandinista

contra, saying failure to do so could mean So-

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viet bases "on America's doorstep" and could cause a

contras, saying failure to do so could eventually mean So-

of the US, Reagan punctuated

his request by making it in the White House Cabinet Room while flanked by leaders of the rebel forces and some two dozen US supporters of their cause. (AP)

New England records

Massachusetts Economic Affairs Secretary Joseph Al-

viant announced that Massachusetts and New Hampshire reported the lowest unemployment rate in the US last year at 3.9%. Maryland recorded the next lowest figure - 4.4%. The next six states also included Vermont, Con-

necticut, and Rhode Island. (AP)

Brown Students Stage "Ritual Killing"

Brown University's Free Southern Africa Coalition held a march yesterday to protest Brown's refusal to divest

from companies doing business in South Africa. Students

marched to President Swearer's House and were denied entrance.

The group then marched to the Admissions Office, to warn prospective students about Brown's investment poli-

cies. They left when the Dean of Student Life told them to do so. Four Brown students are fasting in protest of

Brown's refusal to divest. (AP/Brown Daily Herald)

Weather

Once again, a low pressure system will pass to our

south and east, leaving us with only a slim chance of snow
today and tonight. This forcing spread clouds

into our region and skies should remain cloudy until early

Wednesday: Cloudy skies early on and then partial clear-

ing. High temperatures in the mid to upper 30's with light and variable wind.

Tuesday night: There will be a few snow showers and a continued chance of snow showers. Low tempera-

tures between 0 and 10. High temperatures will be in the mid 30's (0-3° C) with light and variable wind.

Thursday: Mostly sunny and colder. Forecast by Robert Black

Local

Groups call for judge's suspension

Two groups crusading against drunken driving are call-

ing for the suspension of Superior Court Judge Richard

Noren. Noren was arrested last week on charges of driv-

ing under the influence of alcohol. When he was arrested

last Thursday, Noren refused to submit to a sobriety test. Activists say Noren should be suspended until his

court case is settled. Noren's driver's license was taken away from him for 24 hours, in accordance with state law. In addition, he is subject to a six-month suspension of his

license for refusing to take the test. He is free on a prom-

ise to appear in court on March 18. (AP)

Parents post bond in AIDS case

Parents in Kokomo, Indiana who don't want teen-age

AIDS victim Ryan White to return to school have posted a $12 thousand bond required by a judge who said the parents would have to put up their money if they wanted to continue their battle to keep Ryan out of school. The youth could cover damages and legal expenses located by the youth and his family if the case is eventually dissap-

lated. Ryan, who had been kept out of school for 14 months, was allowed to return on February 21 after a county health official ruled his condition did not pose a threat to

others. On the same day, the judge granted a temporary restraing order keeping him out of school. (AP)

Sports

Navratilova loses match, pistol

Tennis star Martina Navratilova not only lost her first match of the season this weekend, she also lost some per-

sonal property at the San Francisco airport. A metal detec-

tor revealed a small-caliber pistol in her luggage. She

said the weapon was left behind by someone helping her pack. Airport officials confiscated the weapon. (AP)

Yankee fans organize effort

While the New York Yankees train in Port Lauderdale, fans back home are preparing a campaign designed to

keep the team in the Bronx. Thousands of Yankee fans, led by State Assemblyman John Dowie, are expec-
ted to organize an effort aimed at convincing team owner George Steinbrenner that he should not accept an offer to move the team to the Meadowlands Sports Complex in New Jersey. (AP)

Heavyweight rematch set

The official announcement of the Michael Spinks-Larry

Holmes heavyweight title rematch was made yesterday. It will be held in Las Vegas on April 19. Holmes lost the International Boxing Federation title when he was out-

pointed by Spinks last September. Spinks made history as the first light heavyweight ever to win a heavyweight

title. This will be the second in a seven-match "Heavenly Week" deal that was put together by Don King and Jack Lewis, aimed at unifying the division champi-

onship. (AP)