Moscow arms talks continue

A group of high level American officials will continue to discuss arms control issues today in the latest round of talks about arms control proposals. The group is meeting after a recent exchange of proposals by Soviet Leader Mikhail S. Gorachev and President Ronald Reagan.

Both American and Soviet leaders have said they expect the talks to provide no breakthroughs, but the discussions may help predict whether there will be a superpower summit this year. (The New York Times)

United States tightens Cuban embargo

President Reagan plans to tighten the United States economic embargo of Cuba that was first imposed in the early 1960's. The staff of the National Security Council has prepared a directive calling for stronger enforcement of the embargo, which prohibits many financial transactions with Cuba.

At the same time, the United States will soon announce new measures to help Cuban political prisoners who want to come to this country. (The New York Times)

Stealth refuge found

A Bakersfield, California, television station has given the Air Force three bags of debris. A helicopter news crew picked up the material at the crash sight of what is believed to be a secret stealth fighter.

The Air Force has discovered that a cheaper laser guided bomb instead of a nuclear weapon has been used to destroy the fighter. The Air Force will examine the three bags of debris later this week. (AP)

Phone company workers strike

About 70,000 telephone workers in 12 Western states, New York, and parts of New England walked off their jobs over the weekend. The strike, against regional phone companies (the so-called "Baby Bell" companies), includes operators, telephone installers, and maintenance workers. The strike is not expected to affect local service, due to the high degree of automation involved in the telephone industry. However, the strike may affect business and long distance calls.

The strike involves two different unions, the Communications Workers of America (CWA) and the rival International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). In several cases, including Massachusetts and New Hampshire, the IBEW has settled and is still on the job. Workers in Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Michigan have not walked off, although their contracts have not been settled. (AP)

Fires burn in the West

"There's fire all over" is the assessment of a federal land management official in Idaho. More than 370 lightning-sparked fires are blaring across thighed and forested areas from eastern Oregon across Idaho and into Montana. Most of these fires have already been charred.

Firefighters scheduled for a break after bringing last week's fires under control were kept on the job after lightning started new blazes Sunday. In Utah, seven small range fires still burning from last week were contained today, but firefighters are still trying to bring two larger blazes under control. (AP)

MIT has highest tuition

The country's most expensive school this fall will be Bennington College, with estimated costs of $18,350. Following Bennington are Barnard College, $18,630; Brandeis University, $17,815; Princeton University, $17,805; Yale University, $17,700; MIT, $17,760; Harvard and Radcliffe Colleges, $17,685; Sarah Lawrence College, $17,285; Dartmouth College, $17,175; and Columbia University, Columbia College, $17,285.

Students at private colleges can expect to pay an average of $10,000 or more according to the annual survey of 500 colleges. (AP)

New booster design to be announced

A news conference has been announced for this morning at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala. A team there has been working on a new design for the space shuttle rocket boosters. A National Aeronautics and Space Administration engineer, who asked not to be identified, said the team has settled on a new fundamental design for the boosters.

The engineer says the new solid rocket booster design will include a third O-ring and feature a metal lip that will provide the metal lip that will provide the booster with more protection. Failure in the two O-ring seals caused the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger in January. (AP)

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Weather

Sunny skies ahead

Tuesday: Sunny with a chance of showers in the morning, partly cloudy with a slight breeze. High 78.

Wednesday: Sunny with a scattered clouds. High near 80.

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