

news roundup

from the associated press wire

World

Gorbachev arrives in Washington

Soviet General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev arrived in the United States yesterday afternoon for a three-day superpower Summit. While in Washington, Gorbachev and President Ronald Reagan will sign a treaty eliminating superpower intermediate-range weapons. Accompanied by his wife Raisa, Gorbachev was received at Andrews Air Force base in Maryland by Secretary of State George Shultz PhD '49.

Gorbachev said he hopes to hear something new on the touchy subject of the Reagan Administration's "Star Wars" space-based anti-missile program during his visit to Washington.

Gorbachev arrived in Washington before the treaty itself. The treaty was being brought to Washington from Geneva on a US military plane yesterday. The plane left Geneva late because US and Soviet negotiators were still haggling over some fine points of the treaty language.

Pravda's summit preview edition raised hopes for a thaw in superpower relations as a result of the summit. The Soviet Communist Party newspaper quoted Gorbachev as saying he is going Washington eager to shift from

propoganda to policymaking. *Pravda's* chief political analyst even went as far as to suggest a possible renewal of the US-Soviet World War II alliance.

The motorcade from the Air Force base in suburban Maryland gave Gorbachev his first view of where ordinary Americans live. He will spend nearly all of his brief visit within a few heavily guarded blocks of downtown Washington.

The latest *Washington Post-ABC News* poll indicates that most Americans think the Soviet Union is a threat to the United States. Only 8 percent of those surveyed saw no threat. One percent had no opinion. However, a majority of respondents believed that US-Soviet relations are good now.

French arrest Iranian exiles

Dozens of anti-Khomeni Iranian exiles were arrested yesterday in Paris, and the interior ministry said they may be expelled. The dissidents who seek the overthrow of Khomeni, accused France of making the arrests as part of an attempt to gain the release of Frenchmen held hostage by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon.

Nation

Court considers pro-choice complaints against Church

The United States Supreme Court is to decide whether there should be a trial in a case concerning the Roman Catholic Church's tax-exempt status and its anti-abortion stand. A key issue is whether supporters of the right to abortion have standing to sue. The pro-choice side contends that it is injured because the Church's tax-exempt status gives the Church a competitive advantage that violates tax code limits on political lobbying.

Senate budget committee chairman will not seek fourth term

Senate Budget Committee Chairman Lawton Chiles (D-FL) has decided not to seek re-election. He said that after three terms in the Senate, he is not looking forward to another. Chiles is the sixth senator to bow out of next year's elections.

Pete Rose retires from playing

Cincinnati Reds player-manager Pete Rose is apparently ready to delete one word from his title. The 46-year-old Rose told reporters at the baseball winter meetings that he will not be playing anymore. He added that he does not see a need to make an official announcement.

Rose has not played a game since Aug. 17, 1986 but has never officially announced that he is retiring. The major league career hits leader was a three-time National League batting champion and the league's Most Valuable Player in 1973.

Former Celtic signs with Milwaukee

Former Boston Celtics reserve Connor Henry has agreed in principle to a one-year contract with the Milwaukee Bucks. The six-foot-seven guard started in 10 of Boston's 14 games this season before being cut last week. He averaged just over three points and one assist per outing.

Local

State to reform automobile insurance

The chairman of the State House Ways and Means Committee said he is optimistic that a new automobile insurance reform package will pass this year. The package is designed to cut rates seven to eight percent and was endorsed yesterday by the committee. The bill would increase surcharges for unsafe driver points and tighten penalties for operating a vehicle without insurance. The bill would also double the threshold for personal injury suits to \$100,000, eliminate collections from multiple insurance policies and eliminate \$100 deductible collision coverage.

Sports

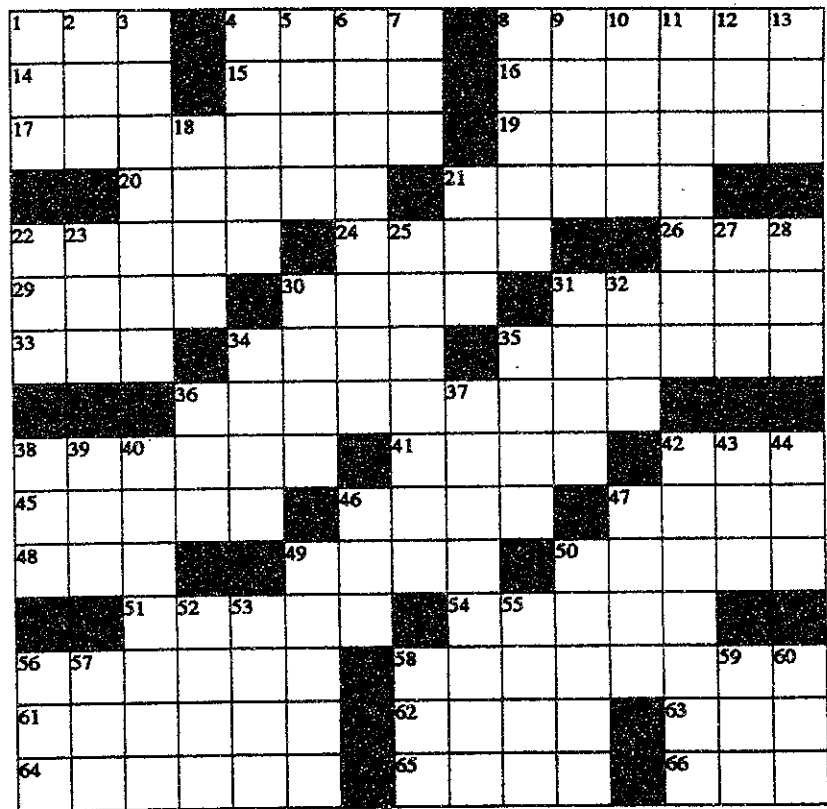
Baseball to propose drug-testing

Baseball Commissioner Peter Ueberroth delivered his state-of-the-game address yesterday at the winter meetings in Dallas. He admitted that his claim a year ago that baseball was free of drugs was exaggerated. He said baseball would propose a drug testing plan for players next year.

During his 30-minute speech, Ueberroth remained in favor of expansion — something that will be addressed today at both the American League and National League meetings. He added that 1987 was a "very productive year by any objective measure" when it came to the hiring of more blacks in administrative positions. He reported that minorities currently make up 10 percent of all front office staff compared with just 2 percent several years ago.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

by Andrew Marc Greene '91



"Finals Week"

ACROSS

- 1 h follower
- 4 Molten rock
- 8 Wall-mounted memorial
- 14 Photog. rating
- 15 Bible name
- 16 Happens again
- 17 FINAL
- 19 corrected
- 20 Columbus ship
- 21 Roiling
- 22 Required number
- 24 Not obese
- 26 Little bit
- 29 Reason of
- 30 Far East country
- 31 "Good Night, "
- 33 Dis 'n'
- 34 Midday
- 35 More sullen
- 36 "THE FINAL"
- 38 More positive
- 41 Smidgen
- 42 Cap
- 45 Duress
- 46 Genus parts
- 47 Tender
- 48 Gender
- 49 Small compartment
- 50 Falcon home?
- 51 Amtrak vehicle

DOWN

- 54 Firm grasp
- 56 TV detective
- 58 THE FINAL
- 61 Perform surgery
- 62 Org. for Course VI students
- 63 No. in the Senate
- 64 Runs water through
- 65 Kind of current
- 66 SAT relative
- 1 Sheep sound
- 2 Snake
- 3 Friendly relationship
- 4 Hotel magnate
- 5 Med. school subj.
- 6 Occupation
- 7 Ember
- 8 Type of solid
- 9 In case
- 10 Start of Hamlet
- 11 -FINALS
- 12 Holder for 7 Down
- 13 IBM's PC division, formerly
- 18 Ceremony
- 21 Align gun sights
- 22 End of many proofs
- 23 Lizard genus
- 25 Shouting
- 27 Carbohydrate
- 28 German article
- 30 Type of cream
- 31 Caucus state
- 32 Dash
- 34 Seasonal greeting
- 35 Splotches
- 36 Langley org.
- 37 With carers bent back, as a book
- 38 Some Athena workstations
- 39 Raw rock
- 40 FINAL (contestants in a late round)
- 42 Football violation
- 43 Picture or sculpture
- 44 Brilliant drink
- 46 Charged atom
- 47 NaCl, e.g.
- 49 Property rights
- 50 Cash
- 52 Aggs.
- 53 Wing-like structures
- 55 Tilled the soil
- 56 With 5, opposite of VAL
- 57 Three: comb. form
- 58 Shame
- 59 Sensory organ
- 60 Deli bread

Weather

Mild weather expected

We can expect relatively mild weather during the next two to three days as a weak warm front passes through our region. The disturbance is transporting moisture northeastward, however, which will lead to cloudy skies and a chance of a shower for Boston this afternoon. By Thursday, the trailing cold front will be in our vicinity. Thus, we can expect a cooling trend during Thursday and Friday.

Today: Increasing cloudiness during the early morning hours will result in mostly cloudy skies in the afternoon. There is a chance of an afternoon shower. High temperatures will be in the middle 40's (6-9°C) and winds will be from the southwest at 5-10 mph (8-16 km/h).

Tonight: Skies will remain cloudy and there is a risk of evening showers. Low temperatures will only reach 35-40°F (2-5°C).

Wednesday: Partly sunny and mild. Highs 45-50°F (7-10°C).

Thursday: Cloudy and cooler. Highs 40-45°F (4-7°C).

Forecast by Robert Black

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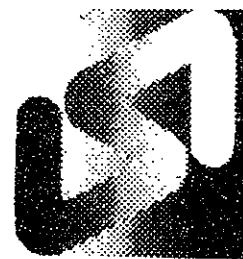
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The MIT Pro-Life Group presents: THE VICTIMS OF ABORTION: WOMAN AND CHILD

- **Who?:** Debbie Sotirkys, founder of Women Exploited By Abortion (W.E.B.A.).
- **When?:** December 8, 1987, at 6:00 p.m.
- **Where?:** MIT, room 4-163.
- **Why?:** Convinced that every abortion has two victims, the woman and the unborn child, Sotirkys gives a deeply moving personal testimony. Her appearance is especially timely, as President Reagan recently asked Surgeon General C. Everett Coop to compile a national report on the physical and psychological effects of an abortion on women.

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