News Roundup

World

CIA to resume contra shipments

President Reagan has authorized the Central Intelligence Agency to deliver more weapons to the contras in Nicaragua. Reagan said yesterday that the rebels keep pressure on the Nicaraguan government. He said that helping the rebels will help achieve a peace in Central America. The embargo had been suspended for a week while Central American leaders reviewed the peace process. The White House is expected to launch a lobbying blitz for removal of the contras aid later this month.

Haitian election invalid, opponents say

Opposition leaders in Haiti said that Sunday's election results should be tossed out because of low voter turnout. The opposition leaders had called for a boycott of the June 6 election. They said the turnout is so low that the results don't reflect the will of the people. Many people stayed away from the polls Sunday out of fear of violence.

Nation

Bush, Hart lead in South

A new poll shows Vice President George Bush leading the Republican pack in 13 Southern states. The Gallup survey found Bush favored over Sen. Robert Dole by a better than two-to-one margin. Among Democrats Gary Hart leads with 26 percent--followed closely by a better than two-to-one margin. Among Democrats the race is too close to call. Hart lead 35% to 33%. The survey found Hart favored over Sen. Robert Dole (KA) in the Republican pack in 13 Southern states. The Gallup survey found Bush favored over Sen. Robert Dole (KA) by a better than two-to-one margin. Among Democrats Gary Hart leads with 26 percent--followed closely by a better than two-to-one margin. Among Democrats the race is too close to call. Hart lead 35% to 33%.

Challenger parents settle suit

A Houston lawyer said yesterday the parents of two astronauts who died in the Challenger explosion have settled wrongful death claims against rockemperor Morton Thiokol. Attorney Ronald Klein isn't disclosing the amount of the settlements with the mothers of Judith Resnick and the father of Gregory Jarvis. A faulty booster rocket made by Martin Thoekol was blamed for the disaster.

Astronauts want more shuttle tests

Some of the astronauts think the space shuttle solid rocket boosters need more testing before they are sent into space. Last month's tests of the rocket boosters found flaws. Chief of the Astronaut Office Daniel Brandenstein says he needs more testing before the solid rocket boosters are used again.

Rebel doubts Ortega's sincerity

One contra leader said yesterday that Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega may be making promises he will not keep in an effort to influence Congress in the contra aid debate. Ortega is offering to have his government negotiate directly with the contras for the first time and has promised to restore suspended civil liberties. Congress officials meeting in Miami have decided to talk with the Sandinistas. But rebel leader Adolfo Calero says it remains to be seen whether Ortega is interested in democracy, or just wants to stop US support for the contra.

Soviets may leave Afghanistan in May

A UN mediator says that Soviet troops could start pulling out of Afghanistan on May 1. Undersecretary-General Diego Cordovez said Monday that the Soviets will begin withdrawing two months after a settlement is reached. Cordovez said he is optimistic about reaching an agreement in the next round of talks between Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Weather

Goodbye mild weather

The low pressure center responsible for the mild, winter weather in the West and Midwest is now in the Great Lakes region. Fortunately for us (that is if you don't like snow), we'll be on the relatively warm side of this low and should receive mostly rain from this system. With the warmest air associated with this low remaining south of the local area and the cool air (32°F and below) that filtered in over the past 24 hours becoming trapped at the surface over interior sections of New England, there will likely be a significant ice storm in these regions. Onshore winds will keep us warm enough to avoid icing problems although heavy rains will be a problem during the afternoon and night. After the low passes by, colder air will slowly return over the next several days. An early look at our weekend weather reveals the likelihood of a coastal storm developing during the day Saturday. At this time, forecasted temperatures favor the precipitation falling as snow.

Today: Rain, becoming heavy at times during the afternoon. Winds northeast at 10-20 mph. High 35-40°F (2-4°C).

Tonight: Rain heavy at times early then just showers. Mild with lows in the mid 30s (0-4°C). Winds southeast 15-25 mph.

Thursday: Variable clouds and turning colder with the chance of a snow shower. Winds northwest 15-25 mph. High 38°F (3°C) low 20°F (-7°C).

Friday: Partly to mostly sunny with a period of rain or snow possible in southeastern Massachusetts and on the Cape. Highs 28-33°F (-2 to 1°C), Lows 15-20°F (9 to -6°C).

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