

news roundup

from the associated press wire

World

Carlucci campaigns for treaty

Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci is lobbying for the new treaty to eliminate US and Soviet intermediate-range nuclear missiles. He is warning the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that failure to ratify the pact would weaken NATO solidarity — and possibly lead to more Soviet missiles.

Polish prices dramatically increase

In Poland yesterday, wages went up in many factories. In an apparent effort to offset sweeping price hikes, the government this weekend announced food and fuel hikes that will add up to a 27 percent cost-of-living increase. The outlawed Solidarity union said it would support factory protests against the price hikes, but would not encourage large-scale demonstrations.

State Dept. hails Angolan move

The State Department is hailing what it calls "an important step" toward ending the Cuban troop presence in Angola. A State Department spokesman said yesterday Angolan officials have accepted the idea that all 40,000 Cuban troops should go home as part of a settlement. The Cubans have been helping the pro-Soviet government against attacks by South Africa and a US-backed rebel group.

Two Arabs die in continued violence

Two Arabs are the latest to die in the continued violence between Palestinians and Israelis. The Palestine Press Service reported the two were killed during a demonstration yesterday in a West Bank village. The Army said hundreds of rioters had blocked a highway, throwing stones at Israeli vehicles. A spokeswoman said some Israelis then opened fire — but it's not clear whether they were Israeli soldiers or civilians.

Weinberger becomes honorary knight

Britain's Foreign Office said former US Defense Secretary Casper W. Weinberger has been awarded an honorary knighthood. The office said it is for his contribution to US-British military cooperation. Queen Elizabeth II will hand him the emblem of office later this month. But he can't call himself "Sir Casper" — that title is reserved for British citizens.

Shultz, Shevardnadze to meet

Secretary of State George P. Shultz PhD '49 and his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze will meet in Moscow later this month to set up things for the next superpower summit. US and Soviet officials also say Shultz and Shevardnadze will work on a treaty to cut arsenals of strategic nuclear weapons.

Nation

Close vote on aid predicted

Democrats and Republicans alike are gearing up for tomorrow's vote on *contra* aid — and both sides are predicting a cliffhanger. President Reagan yesterday afternoon told a group of religious broadcasters meeting in Washington the Sandinistas have broken promises in the past — and he has no reason to believe they'll comply with a peace plan now. Reagan wants Congress to approve another \$36 million in aid to the *contra* rebels.

Released captive opposes *contra* aid

An American who was released from captivity by the Nicaraguan government said yesterday he'll tell members of Congress that he supports peace in Central America and opposes *contra* aid. But James Denby denies he made a deal to come to Washington to sway votes in the House against aid to the *contras*. The Illinois resident owns a farm in Costa Rica on the Nicaraguan border. He says a storm forced his plane into Nicaraguan airspace, where Sandinista troops forced it down.

Meese says he did nothing wrong

Attorney General Edwin P. Meese said yesterday he didn't do anything wrong in connection with a reported plan to pay off Israeli officials to allow an Iraqi oil pipeline to be built without interference. Meese spoke to reporters to clear up what he called misinformation about the affair. Meese said he did not remember reading a memo that reportedly referred to the plan to bribe Israeli officials. The matter is being investigated by an independent counsel.

Bush claims he has answered questions on Iran role

George Bush said yesterday questions about his role in the Iran-*contra* affair continue not because he hasn't answered the questions — but because some people just don't like his answers. Bush said the political season has people wanting to focus on his role in the arms-for-hostages deal and its possibly negative impact on his campaign. The vice president — interviewed by NBC — said he has been forthright in answering questions.

American Indians hold nine hostage

Three American Indians holding nine people hostage in Lumberton, NC, are demanding the ouster of the local sheriff. One captor said yesterday night that Robeson County officials discriminate against minorities. The Indians originally took 17 people hostage in a newspaper office yesterday morning.

Mecham refuses questions

Arizona Gov. Evan Mecham declared his innocence yesterday to a State House panel considering his possible impeachment. But the hearing was abruptly adjourned when the embattled Republican refused to answer questions from House attorneys. House Speaker Joe Lane — also a Republican — said House members will decide whether to subpoena Mecham, hold him in contempt, or forgo his testimony in deciding whether to impeach him.

Babbitt goes on warpath

Democratic presidential candidate Bruce Babbitt is again taking aim at one of the front-runners. Yesterday's target was Richard Gephardt — who, Babbitt told an Iowa group, has changed his positions whenever they become "inconvenient." A Gephardt spokeswoman said the voters will never fall for what she terms a "random slash routine."

American Jews more critical of Israeli action

A Gallup poll of America's largest Jewish community indicates its members are more critical than Jews in Israel of the way Israel is handling the Palestinian unrest. The survey says 39 percent of American Jews found the treatment too harsh, while only seven percent of Israelis did.

Needle plan called illegal

The plan announced over the weekend in New York — to give clean needles to drug addicts as a way of fighting AIDS — could result in jail for those who hand out the needles. A prosecutor says the whole idea is illegal. He says health workers would be helping to commit a crime by giving out the needles.

Women still earn less

Women are gaining ground on men when it comes to bringing home the bacon. But they still earn less money than men. The Labor Department said yesterday that women earned an average of 70 cents for every dollar men earned last year.

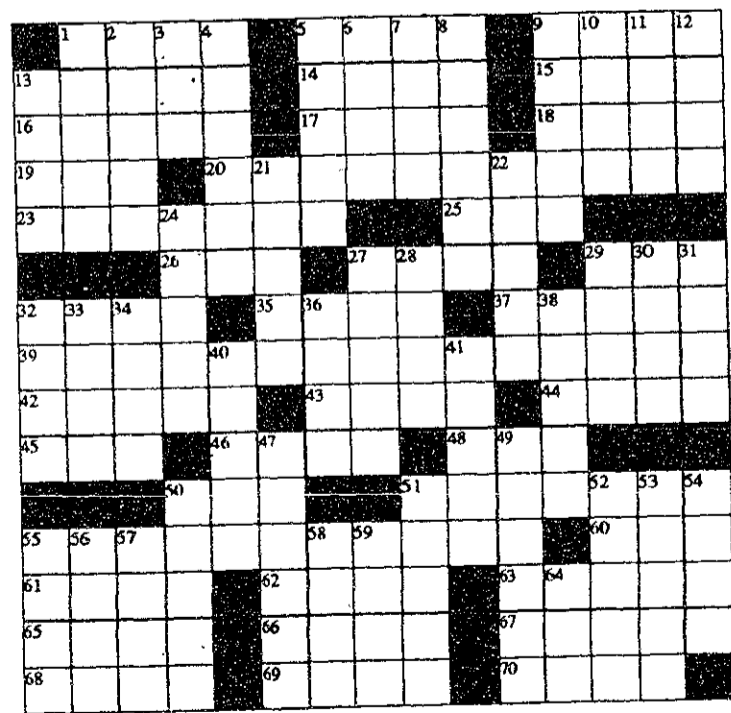
Sports

To the victors go . . .

It took less than 12 hours. Faces of the Super Bowl champion Washington Redskins are on cereal boxes. The special edition Wheaties boxes will be sold in the Washington area beginning today. If Denver had won Super Bowl XXII, quarterback John Elway's face would have adorned the boxes.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Andrew M. Greene '91



"Inflammatory Words"

ACROSS

- 1 Flesh: comb. form
- 5 Oil of
- 9 Singer Home
- 13 Epsilon follower
- 14 Man's name
- 15 Object
- 16 Artist's stand
- 17 Beige
- 18 Small case

- 19 Band once popular
- 20 Capital on fire?
- 23 Make sad
- 25 Raw metal
- 26 Electric discharge
- 27 Walked
- 29 Resident: suffix
- 32 "... drop"
- 35 Jai
- 37 Sea bird
- 39 Capital on fire?
- 42 Got up
- 43 Retain
- 44 Good Norse god

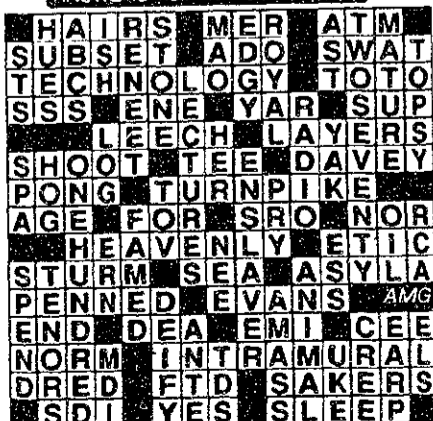
- 45 He's Big
- 46 Null's partner
- 48 Belief
- 50 Home, Sweet Home?
- 51 Meanwhile
- 55 Capital on fire?
- 60 NYC-to-Boston direction
- 61 Gershwin and his bank acct.?
- 62 First victim
- 63 Map feature
- 65 Ape
- 66 Alcoholic drink

- 67 Duets
- 68 MP
- 69 Fruit drinks
- 70 Dispatched

DOWN

- 1 Oil rock
- 2 Slave of renown
- 3 U.S. 1, e.g.
- 4 More restrained
- 5 Kilns
- 6 Parasites
- 7 Give it
- 8 10 Down, in English
- 9 German love
- 10 "... Brute?"
- 11 Nerve: comb. form
- 12 Idi
- 13 ... off (upset)
- 21 Award or grouch
- 22 Command
- 24 Levels
- 27 Recorded
- 28 Filled with
- 29 Upset
- 30 Actress Garr
- 31 School and jacket
- 32 Rhyme scheme
- 33 Carve
- 34 Xwindow symbol
- 36 Evil Norse god
- 38 Disney's ... mobile
- 40 Satan
- 41 Editorialize
- 47 Canadian capital
- 49 Möbius creations
- 50 Coherent source
- 51 Does nothing
- 52 Plant goo
- 53 Noble, as a gas
- 54 1986 World Champs
- 55 Hobble
- 56 Strange canal?
- 57 Contest
- 58 In the same place, in a ftnt.
- 59 Hawaiian goose
- 64 Scottish negative

ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Weather

There goes the sun

The northeast yesterday continued to enjoy record warm temperatures. Yesterday Logan Airport reported a maximum temperature of 60°F, eclipsing a 37-year-old Boston record. After a warm start today, we can expect a drastic change in our weather, however. A very cold arctic air mass, now entrenched over midwest Canada, will slowly move our way over the next day or so. This will have two major effects upon our weather. First, our temperatures will drop considerably. Secondly, the clash of air masses will result in conditions favorable for the development of a snowstorm on Wednesday.

Today: It will be mostly cloudy with rain showers likely. Winds will become northerly at 10-15 mph (16-24 kph) as temperatures drop from a morning high near 50°F (10°C).

Tonight: Skies will remain cloudy as rain showers taper off to perhaps snow flurries. Brisk northerly winds will usher in much colder air. Lows will be near 25°F (-4°C).

Wednesday: Cloudy with snow developing. High near 30°F (-1°C).

Thursday: Clearing and colder. Highs in the 20's (-5 to -2°C).

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