

World at a glance

From Associated Press reports

\$950,000 message to doctors

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — A jury which was urged to let doctors know "we are not going to let people die because they don't have any money" has awarded \$950,000 to the heirs of a meningitis victim who died after she was turned away from a hospital because she was poor.

The state circuit court jury found Friday that Dr. James Lee had been negligent in the 1974 incident.

According to trial testimony, Lee examined Joy Noble at Community Hospital of South Broward in Hallandale, then sent her to Broward General Hospital in Fort Lauderdale, about 20 miles away.

Sydney blast kills 2, injures 6

SYDNEY, Australia — Two Sydney sanitation men were killed — one of them "blown to bits" — when a bomb exploded early Monday outside a hotel where 12 Asian and Pacific government chiefs were gathered for a regional Commonwealth conference, witnesses said.

Police reported six other persons injured in the blast, heard four miles from the luxury hotel.

Jet avoids snowplow, crashes

CRANBROOK, British Columbia — The pilot of a jetliner that crashed in flames while trying to land in a snow-storm probably was trying to avoid hitting a snowplow on the runway, Pacific Western Airlines officials said Sunday. Forty-one persons died in the crash.

Israel slams U.S. policy

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel declared Sunday that the United States was "taking sides" in Mideast peace negotiations when Secretary of State Cyrus Vance last week condemned Israeli settlements in occupied Arab lands.

The accusation, contained in an Israeli cabinet resolution, was the sharpest one made so far against Washington by Prime Minister Menachem Begin's eight-month-old conservative government.

The resolution, adopted unanimously at the regular weekly cabinet meeting, was read afterward by Begin to reporters.

His government declared its "regret and protest" over Vance's remarks at a news conference

Friday. Vance said Israeli settlements in occupied Arab territories "should not exist" and he supported a Palestinian homeland on land now controlled by Israel.

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UMW rejects settlement, coal shortages expected

WASHINGTON (AP) — The bargaining council of the United Mine Workers (UMW) union overwhelmingly rejected a proposed settlement of the nationwide coal strike Sunday, ordering President Arnold Miller to commence new negotiations with the soft coal industry.

The action came in the 69th day of the strike, one day after the Carter administration ordered plans be drawn up for emergency movement of coal to areas running critically short of fuel needed to produce electric power.

Actually, Sunday's action was only a reaffirmation of the council's initial rejection of the three-year pact last Friday. At the time, the council conducted a straw vote, in which 33 of 36 members voted against the contract. Because Miller was not present for the session, the vote had to be formalized.

The protracted coal strike by some 160,000 miners — the longest in the nation's history — is threatening some midwestern and Appalachian states with critical fuel shortages.

"It's just too bad," said a dejected Miller, who had refused to attend Friday's session in a protest over what he called pressure tactics by miners who massed in the lobby of the union's headquarters here, demanding

that the pact be voted down.

Miller, who had been pressing for approval of the contract offered by the Bituminous Coal Operators Association, made little effort to conceal his feelings about the latest development.

"I did not enumerate it," he said, when asked to give the vote by which the council rejected the pact. "It doesn't mean anything anyway."

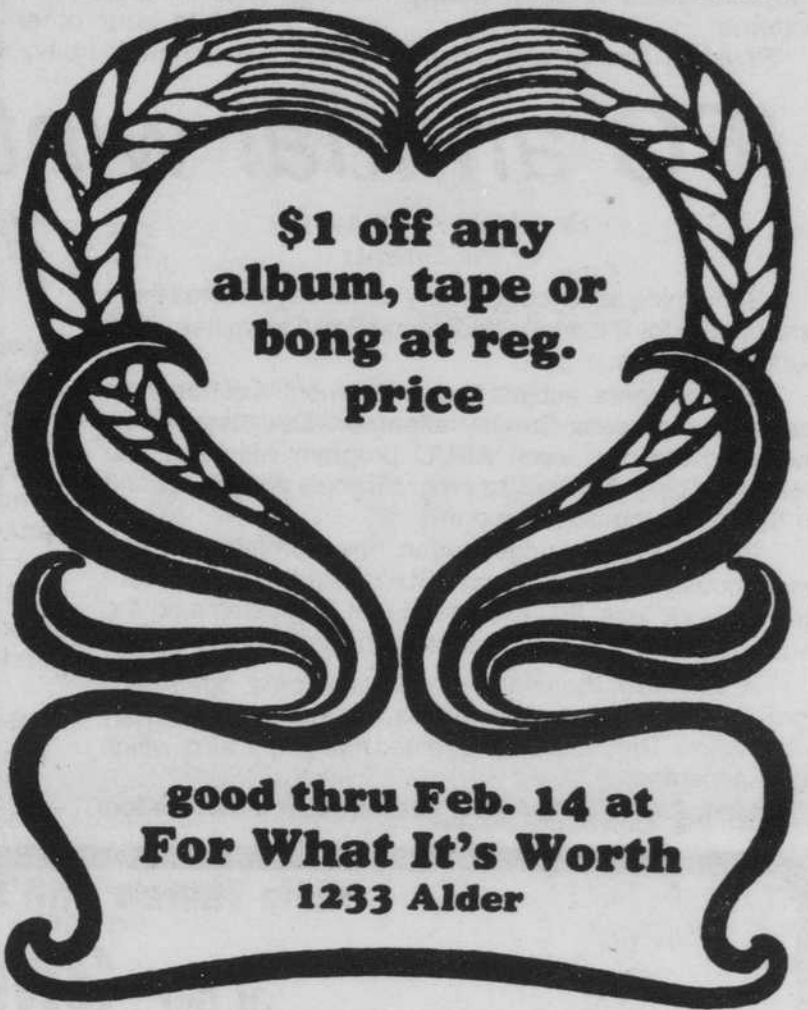
Saturday, Miller had told the Associated Press in a telephone interview that he fears for his life. "I'm not going to present this

contract to the council under conditions of mob rule," he said at the time.

Harrison Combs, general counsel of the UMW, said the contract was rejected by a 30-6 vote with three members of the 39-member council absent.

UMW Vice-President Sam Church said wage provisions of the proposed contract appeared to be "generally acceptable" to the miners but they objected to provisions dealing with disciplinary procedures and the health and retirement funds.

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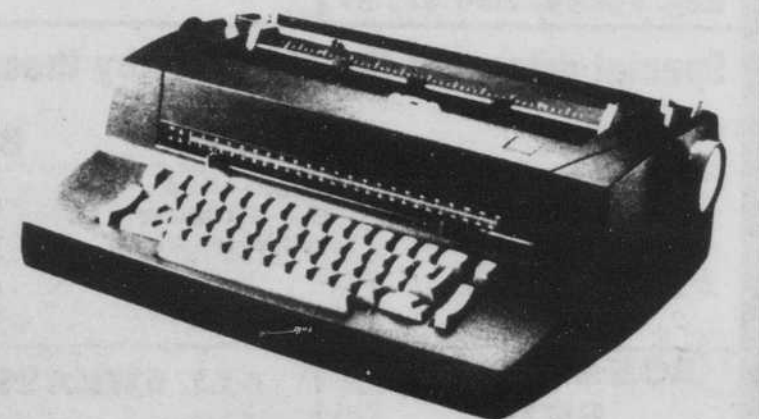
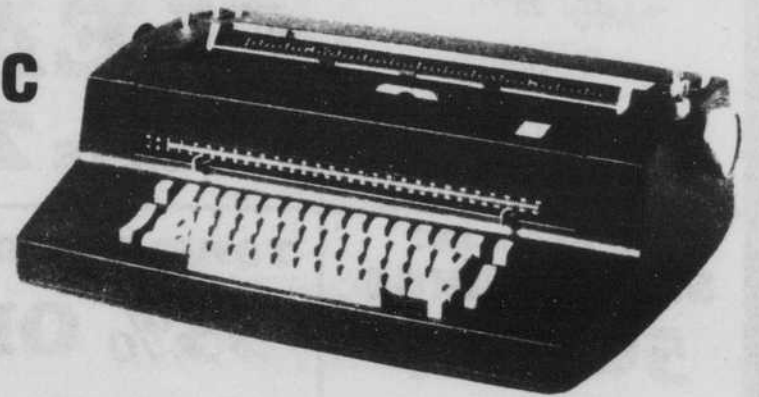


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