

May Day Begin, Carter celebrate 30th

Leftists stone French police

Vandals desecrated Karl Marx's grave in London and demonstrators battled police in several West European countries as workers around the world marched and rallied Monday in observance of May Day, the international labor holiday.

In Moscow's Red Square, Soviet Pres. Leonid Brezhnev basked in accolades while Spain marked its biggest May 1 ever and Britain its first official recognized May Day holiday.

In Paris, leftist demonstrators at the Place de la Bastille, symbol of the French Revolution, stoned police before 1,500 of them broke away through nearby streets on a rampage of car-burning and window-smashing. Police fired tear gas, tore down makeshift barricades and arrested several young demonstrators. Six policemen and a dozen leftists were hurt.

In Milan, Italy, leftists at an outdoor rally hurled bricks at a bus filled with sympathizers of the ruling Christian Democratic Party, injuring three persons. Police dispersed the attackers.

At Pamplona in Spain's troubled north, police fired rubber bullets and smoke grenades to scatter young Basque separatists who stoned the Spanish flag. In Copenhagen, Denmark, a bomb blast at a Communist rally injured two men, one of whom lost the fingers on one hand.

May Day pilgrims to the north-west London gravesite of Karl Marx, father of modern communism, found the four-foot-high bronze bust of the German philosopher smeared with red, white and blue paint.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pres. Carter and Prime Minister Menachem Begin celebrated Israel's 30th birthday Monday as Congress began considering a proposed three-way jet fighter sale that has heightened tensions between the United States and the Jewish state.

The occasion for Begin's visit was a White House reception marking the U.S. observance of the anniversary of the founding of Israel in 1948. Carter invited about 1,200 rabbis and other Jewish leaders to join him and Begin at

the White House reception.

The Israeli leader also planned to hold private talks with Carter concerning the impasse in Middle East peace talks. It was not immediately known if the pair would discuss Carter's plan to sell jet fighters to Saudi Arabia and Egypt as well as to Israel.

In a brief statement, Begin said he was "very grateful" to Carter for having the reception and was hopeful that the peace-making process would continue.

Begin, emerging from a two-

hour meeting with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, expressed optimism that Israeli-Egyptian peace negotiations can resume soon.

Referring to Israeli opposition to the proposed jet fighter sale, Begin said only that "we agreed to differ." But his mood was upbeat as he met with reporters.

Meanwhile, two congressional committees began studying Carter's proposed \$4.8 billion arms sales. The arms deal was taken up by the House International Relations Committee and

the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Under terms of the proposed sales, Israel would be sold 75 F-16s and 15 F-15s, while Saudi Arabia would receive 60 F-15s and Egypt would get 50 of the less sophisticated F-5s. Congress has until May 28 to voice its disapproval of the deal.

Unless both the House and Senate register disapproval of the sales by late May, they will go through. Carter submitted the arms proposals to Capitol Hill last Friday.

Spy trade frees American student

BERLIN (AP) — American student Alan Van Norman, freed from the East German jail Monday in exchange for convicted Soviet spy Robert Thompson, said he underwent "rough interviews" and was put in solitary confinement when he did not answer questions.

The exchange completed an international prisoner swap among the United States, East Germany and Mozambique that began last month.

Reunited with his mother here, Van Norman, of Windom, Minn., told reporters he was not mistreated physically during his nine-month imprisonment for trying to smuggle an East German family to the West.

"The psychological stress was quite high," said the junior biology major at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn. He was arrested last Aug. 2 in Gera, East Germany, and sentenced to two-and-a-half years imprisonment.

Thompson, 43, arrived from New York earlier in the day to finish the transaction that included Israeli pilot Miron Marcus, 24, who was released by Mozambique late last month after 19 months imprisonment.

A U.S. Air Force clerk in 1965 when he was convicted of passing secrets to the Russians, Thompson was released from Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary in Pennsylvania Sunday after serving 13 years of a 30-year term for espionage. He was accompanied to Europe by East German attorney Wolfgang Vogel, who helped arrange this prisoner swap and the one involving downed U-2 Francis Gary Powers in 1962.

The exchange took place behind closed doors in the U.S. mission. An American statement said Thompson and Vogel then crossed into East Germany, a country Thompson says has "plenty of freedom."

Explorer, dog sled reach Pole

TOKYO (AP) — Japanese explorer Naomi Uemura became the first person to reach the North Pole alone by dog sled Monday in a 500-mile, 57-day adventure delayed by a hungry polar bear, blizzards, ice floes and the pregnancy of one of his huskies.

And the 37-year old veteran adventurer isn't finished. Having just completed the first leg of a 3,500-mile journey, Uemura is on his way to Greenland now and plans to travel the length of the big island.

First word of the solo feat reached the Smithsonian Institution in Washington through an automatic bleeper the explorer was carrying that sent a beam via Nimbus 6 satellite to Dr. Lee Houchins there.

"The Smithsonian Institution in Washington contacted us to confirm that Uemura reached the pole on May 1 at 0445 GMT 12:45 a.m. EDT," said Haruyuki Takahashi, spokesman for Uemura's financial backers.

World at a glance

From Associated Press reports

Convict now prime minister

NEW DELHI, India — Nur Mohammad Tarrakhi, leader of Afghanistan's once-outlawed Communists, waited in jail last week for the outcome of the bloody military coup that brought him to power, Asian diplomatic sources reported Monday.

Tarrakhi, a civilian believed to be in his late 50s, was freed and Sunday was named prime minister of the new government that gained rapid diplomatic recognition from several Soviet Bloc nations and India.

The sources said last Tuesday, two days before the revolt began against Pres. Mohammed Daoud's regime, Tarrakhi led a mass demonstration in the capital, Kabul. The protesters were demanding Daoud's ouster and decrying the killing of a Communist party official.

Tarrakhi and six other Communist leaders were rounded up by security men and jailed, the sources said.

By late Friday, however, the government had been crushed, Daoud killed and Tarrakhi released.

FCC raps citizen's group

WASHINGTON — A citizens group, contending that television needs to clean up its act for children, was exhorted by the head of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Monday to exercise less rhetoric and a greater understanding of economic realities.

FCC Chair Charles Ferris made the statement in the context of detailing for members of the organization — Action for Children's Television ACT — the kinds of things his agency expects of industries under its regulation.

Ferris cautioned citizen groups such as ACT to exercise "Discipline and endurance" while monitoring the broadcasting industry and the FCC while conceding there's lots of room for improvement in the industry.

Supreme Court rules on reporters' rights

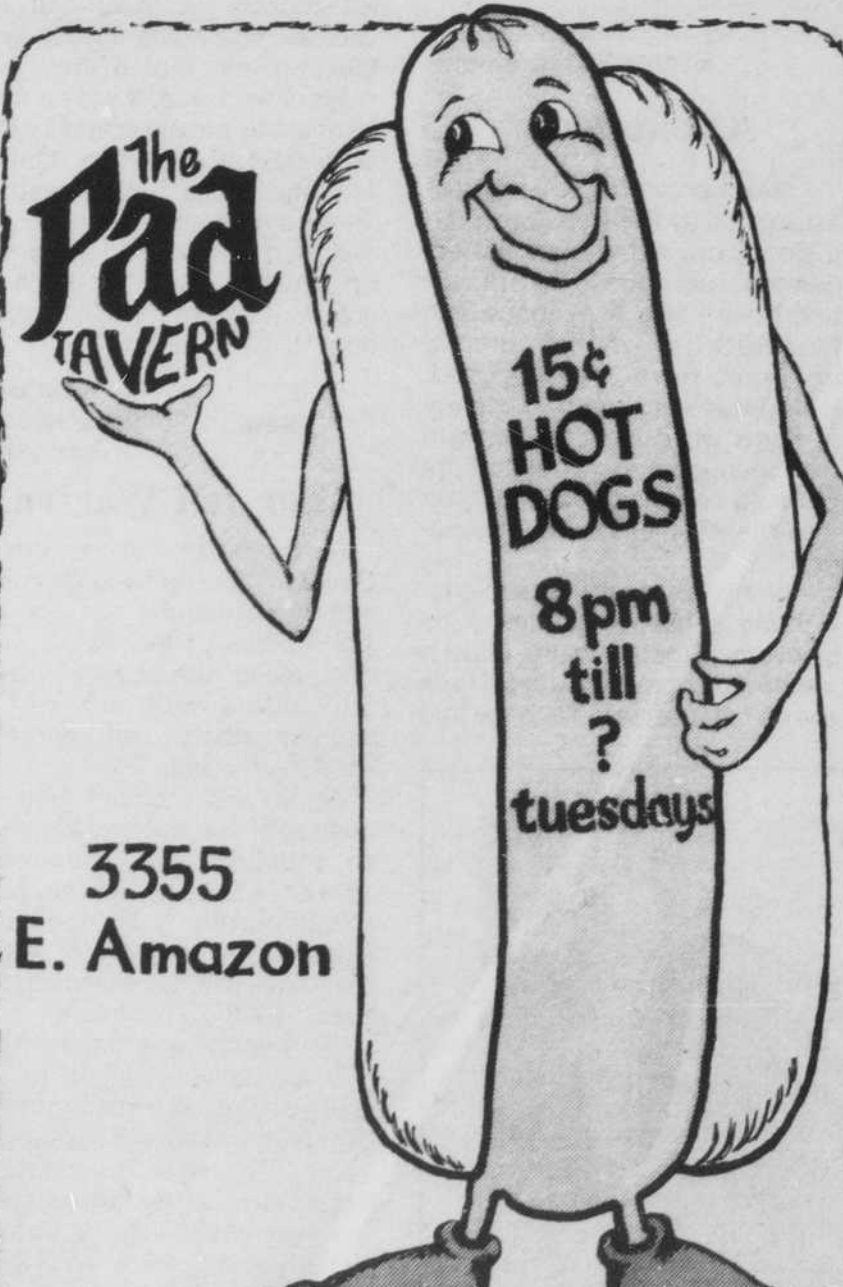
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court ruled Monday that news reporters cannot be criminally punished for disclosing truthful accounts of secret governmental proceedings to readers, viewers and listeners.

Before recessing for two weeks, the justices struck down a Virginia law that made it a crime to report about a state judicial commission's confidential inquiries about judges' fitness to hold office.

Although most states cloak such investigations in secrecy, only Virginia and Hawaii made it a crime for someone not linked to the state commissions to break through that wall of confidentiality.

Landmark Communications, publisher of the Virginian-Pilot newspaper in Norfolk, was indicted, convicted and fined \$500 after the newspaper ran an accurate report in 1975. The article said the state's Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission had studied complaints against a local domestic relations judge, H. Warrington Sharp.

"The article published by Landmark provided accurate factual information about a legislatively authorized inquiry... and in doing so clearly served those interests in public scrutiny and discussion of governmental affairs which the First Amendment was adopted to protect," Chief Justice Warren Burger wrote for the court.



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