

making the news

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — The best example of wasteful government spending in November is a wave-making machine designed to create a 4-foot-high surf in a swimming pool, Sen. William Proxmire said Tuesday.

The Wisconsin Democrat said the device, which the Interior Department had installed in a Salt Lake City community swimming pool, cost the taxpayers \$145,000.

The bureau responded to Proxmire's "Golden Fleece" award by acknowledging that is taking another look at the "wave-action swimming pools."

TOKYO — Another wall poster attacking Mao Tse-tung went up in Peking Tuesday within 24 hours of Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping's suggestion that critics should lay off of the "great helmsman" who died two years ago.

In Tiananmen Square, thousands of Chinese gathered Tuesday night to demand more political and economic democracy and the rehabilitation of some leaders cashiered during Mao's Cultural Revolution of the late 1960s.

Japan's Kyodo news service said the latest anti-Mao poster, signed by restaurant workers, accused Mao of making the state his own property, like a feudal king.

WASHINGTON — Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark said Tuesday the Justice Department did not take control of the investigation of Martin Luther King's assassination because it would have worsened relations between him and J. Edgar Hoover.

He said that although there was a "quality of racism" in the late FBI director's attitude toward the civil rights leader, the FBI investigation of the killing was vigorous and thorough.

"The FBI's reputation was on the line," Clark said. "Failure to perform would have had profound impact on public confidence in the FBI."

MADRID, Spain — Eleuterio "El Lute" Sanchez, a Spanish gypsy bandit who for years was No. 1 on the police wanted list, will be freed from jail if he finds someone to guarantee he will behave.

El Lute faced a prison sentence of 1,300 years when he appeared for trial two weeks ago charged with numerous crimes, including confrontations with police and three prison breaks.

Judge rules on Boise's alleged lesbian firings

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — A federal judge has ruled that the city of Boise improperly fired six female police employees last year after what he called an "abysmal" investigation into alleged lesbian activity.

The women, who have not denied they are lesbians, sued the city for \$10 million, claiming that their constitutional rights of due process were violated and that the city broke its own civil service rules by denying them hearings.

U.S. District Judge Ray McNichols, in a partial judgment issued Monday, said he could not understand "a city the size of this about 100,000 people with the help it has available to it going through such an operation in 1977."

Israeli television reports West Bank settlement plan

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — The Jewish Agency has proposed investing \$2.8 billion over the next five years to settle 27,000 Jewish families in 46 new settlements in the West Bank of the Jordan River, Israel television reported Tuesday.

The Jewish Agency is Israel's semi-official authority responsible for immigration and settlement activities.

A spokesman for the agency's settlement department was unable to confirm the television report, which said the plan also calls for adding another 8,000 families to existing and new West Bank settlements in the coming year at a cost of more than \$840 million.

The plan has been presented to Prime Minister

Menachem Begin and the head of the government's settlement committee, the television report said, but no decision has been made to implement it.

Israel agreed at Camp David to freeze new settlement construction in the occupied territories during the three months following the signing of the Israel-Egypt accords. That period expires Dec. 17.

The television quoted settlement department head Mattityahu Drobles as saying the new settlements should be constructed near both existing Jewish settlements and Arab towns in the West Bank "because in the future we will have to learn to live with the Arab residents" in the area.

There now are about 1300 Jewish families in 50 settlements in the West Bank.

For San Francisco murders White charged under special law

San Francisco (AP) — Former Supervisor Dan White was charged Tuesday with the murders of Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk under a law that calls for the death penalty.

District Attorney Joseph Freitas said at a news conference that the two-count complaint, filed in Municipal Court, cites murder under "special circumstances" — a crime covered by the death penalty in California.

He said White, 32, would be arraigned Wednesday.

Freitas charged that White killed Moscone and Milk, the city's

first avowed homosexual supervisor, "in retaliation for and to prevent the performance of the official duties" of the two officials.

The two were shot to death before noon Monday — Moscone in a conference room of his office, Milk in White's own office. White surrendered to police 45 minutes later.

In addition to the two counts of murder, White was charged with possessing and using a firearm, a

.38-caliber revolver, during the assassinations.

A colleague who visited White in prison said Tuesday that White was "a casualty of pressure" brought on by work, money problems and the birth of a baby.

"I think everybody has a breaking point," said Supervisor Lee Dolson, who visited a weeping White in his cell Monday night. White, he said, "was just a normal, devoted young father."

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