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Million-plus sign anti-Watt petition

WASHINGTON

The Sierra Club brought 1.1 million signatures demanding the ouster of Interior Secretary James Watt to the Capitol steps Monday in what the group claimed was the largest citizen petition ever presented to Congress.

Sierra Club volunteers from 46 states lined up in front of a banner proclaiming "More than 1 million Americans know Watt's Wrong" and presented the signatures as the culmination of a six-month "Dump Watt" campaign.

"We and millions of Americans believe Secretary Watt and his programs are radically out of step with what the people want as our policy toward natural resources and the environment," said Sierra Club Pres. Joseph Fontaine.

Doug Baldwin, Watt's chief spokesman, attacked the petition drive as a media event aimed at getting new members and money for the Sierra Club.

Reagan preserves hatchery funding

OLYMPIA

The Reagan Administration has backed away from its proposal to cut all but \$400,000 in federal funding for 22 Columbia River fish hatcheries, Washington state officials said today.

Washington State Fisheries Director Rolland Schmitt says he has received word the administration has agreed to restore all the money cut from the hatchery program.

Gov. Vic Atiyeh praised federal officials for listening to logic and called the decision "welcome and wise."

"It is gratifying to know that the persuasion of logic can be heard at the highest levels of the federal government," Atiyeh said in a printed release.

Atiyeh said the decision buys the Northwest time to develop

an alternative strategy to preserve the hatcheries as a vital supplement to natural runs.

Iran appoints prime minister

BEIRUT, Lebanon

Iranian Pres. Ali Khamenei appointed a U.S.-educated pediatrician as prime minister Monday. If confirmed, Dr. Ali-Akbar Velayati will be the only layman holding a top government post in the fundamentalist Moslem regime.

The state-run radio said 47 Mujahedeen Khalq guerrillas were arrested in six cities over the past three days in the regime's continuing efforts to

eradicate the violent leftist opposition.

In other developments, the official news agency Pars quoted central bank figures as reporting that Iran had a 25 percent inflation rate in the six-month period ending Sept. 23.

Housing starts continue to fall

WASHINGTON

Housing construction started by U.S. builders hit the third-lowest level in at least two decades last month, declining 1.7 percent as interest rates rose to record highs, the government reported Monday.


The bad news was com-

pounded by statistics showing that permits for future construction fell for the fifth straight month, dropping nearly to the lowest level of last year's recession.

Pres. Reagan himself said this weekend that it had become apparent the nation was in "a slight recession."

In other economic news Monday, the Federal Reserve Board reported that U.S. manufacturers cut back factory use to 78.5 percent in September, the lowest rate since last October as the national economy slowed. The government reported last week that the nation's industrial production declined 0.8 percent in September.

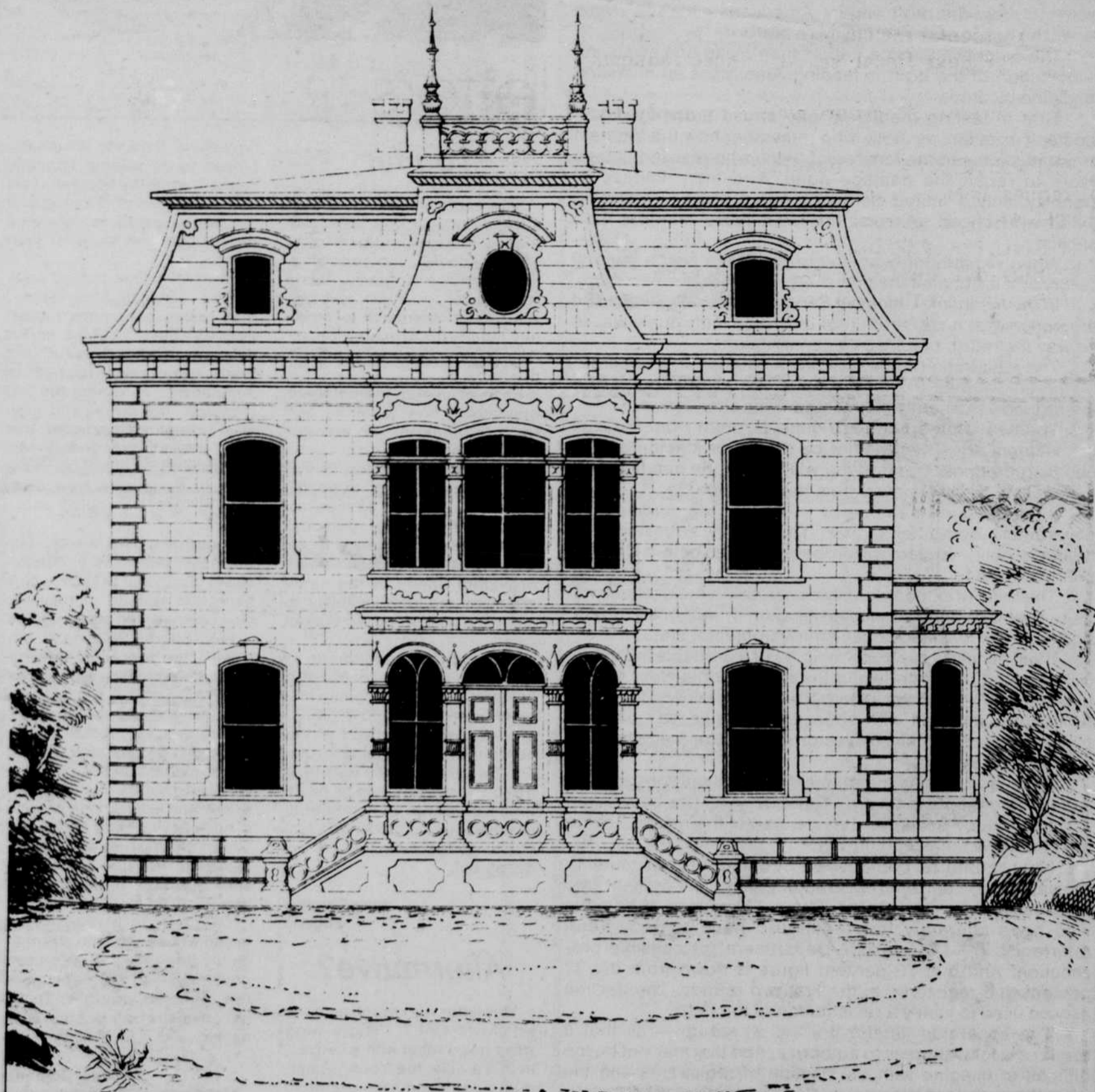
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