

World beat

International Man admits to spying

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP)

— An American said to be the brother of a U.S. congressman was arrested at an air base and told authorities he worked for a group specializing in military espionage, Nicaragua's government said Sunday.

The leftist Sandinista government identified the man as Sam Nesley Hall and said his case would be treated like that of U.S. mercenary Eugene Hasenfus.

Officials said that when Hall was arrested, at 10 a.m. Friday at Punta Huete air force base, about 13 miles northeast of Managua, he was carrying maps and sketches of military targets stuffed in his shoes.

Reports in the United States said Hall, 49, is the brother of Rep. Tony P. Hall, D-Ohio, and is himself a former Ohio state legislator and a onetime Olympic diving medalist.

Marcos wants to go home

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Ex-President Ferdinand Marcos told Filipinos on Sunday he hopes "a miracle" will bring him home for Christmas, and authorities said the airport in his provincial stronghold is closed to private traffic.

About 1,000 supporters of the ousted president rallied in Manila to denounce President Corazon Aquino's government and her cease-fire with communist rebels.

During the rally, a speaker announced the death Sunday of Marcos' sister, Elizabeth Marcos-Keon. The Marcos family chaplain Rev. Domingo Nievres said she died of heart failure.

National Dole wants new adviser

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republican leader Bob Dole urged President Reagan on Sunday to let someone other than chief of staff Donald Regan advise him on the Iran-Contra affair.

The pressure on Reagan to act more decisively in the crisis came amid reports that fired White House aide Lt. Col. Oliver North helped a conservative group's advertising campaign to gain support for Reagan's Nicaragua policy and target members of Congress on the Contra aid issue.

While others on Capital Hill have called for Regan's ouster, Dole recommended that former Sen. Howard Baker of Tennessee or another respected lawyer be appointed as White House chief of staff on the Iran-Contra issue.

Democrats push defense

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic elected officials who banded together after the party's disastrous defeat in the 1984 presidential election are trying to turn national defense





into the issue that wins the White House for them in 1988.

The Democratic Leadership Council, created primarily by moderate Democrats from the South and West, is pushing a platform of strong defense and arms control as the solution to what they see as the Democratic Party's image of weakness on defense.

Regional Bridge opening delayed

NORTH BEND (AP) — Reopening of the McCullough Bridge over Coos Bay has been delayed until noon Tuesday, a state Highway Division spokesman says.

The division planned to reopen the bridge Monday mor-

ning but temporary repairs to the mile-long span have taken longer than expected, John Elliott, division spokesman, said Sunday.

The agency closed the bridge Dec. 4 after it was struck by a freight ship, forcing traffic on U.S. 101 to take a 15-mile detour. The bridge normally carries the U.S. 101 traffic.



