



# World Beat

## Deaver loses appeal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michael K. Deaver, the former presidential aide who is to stand trial later this month on perjury charges, today lost a Supreme Court appeal aimed at scuttling his prosecution.

The court, without comment, let stand a decision that Deaver prematurely pursued his challenge of a federal law that provides special independent counsels to investigate top government officials.

Deaver, a high-ranking member of President Reagan's staff from 1980 through 1985, was indicted earlier this year. His trial, after a false start in July, is rescheduled to begin Oct. 19.

Deaver became the first person ever indicted under a law authorizing court appointment of independent counsels, sometimes called special prosecutors, to investigate top officials in the federal government's executive branch.

## Bailout considered

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House decides this week whether to offer a \$2.5 billion bailout to the Farm Credit System.

The Farm Credit System, a nationwide borrower-owned network of agricultural lenders, has lost \$4.8 billion over the past two years because of hard times in rural America.

Congress is working on a legislative package of remedies for the ailing 37-bank system. The streamlining proposal would call for more restructuring of problem loans and allow the system to pool its loans for resale to investors in a secondary market similar to those that already exist for mortgage loans.

When the bill comes before the House for action on Tuesday, House Agriculture Committee Chairman Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, plans to ask that it also include a direct \$2.5 billion federal infusion to aid the most troubled regional banks.

## Regional

### Paper criticized

CORVALLIS (AP) — An independent student newspaper has caused a stir among parents and advertisers who object to its

content, especially its use of objectionable language.

Not long after the first edition of the Oregon Student Voice was distributed at two Corvallis high schools, the complaints started coming in.

Advertisers said last week that they were misled into believing they were supporting a school-sponsored newspaper. Some said they felt his shop's reputation had been damaged because of the newspaper's content.

Editor Jason Moore, a junior at Corvallis High School, wrote in the newspaper that the publication was independent and supported solely by its advertisers.

"This means the school district can't control us by threatening to cut us out of the budget," he wrote. "We exist to serve the students and no one else."

## City fights bad PR

PORTLAND (AP) — Charging that inaccurate and unfair news coverage has hurt the proposed Salt Caves Dam, Klamath Falls officials are taking the offensive with a series of advertisements.

The ads are aimed at influencing public opinion in Portland and the Willamette Valley, where there has been little editorial support for the controversial hydroelectric project on the last free-flowing stretch of the Klamath River in Oregon.

"The city feels the news coverage has been fairly inaccurate and one-sided," said David Hooper of Pihas, Schmidt and Westerdahl, the Portland advertising firm handling the 10-week campaign.

All the ads proclaim the virtues of the dam and how it will benefit the sagging economy of Klamath County. The ads also say the dam will improve the upper Klamath River for rainbow trout.

## Court may unionize

SALEM, (AP) — Court employees will decide this fall whether they want to join a union after labor organizers made their third attempt more than three years to unite workers in the state's legal system.

The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees on Friday filed with the state Employment Relations Board to represent about 940 court employees statewide. The union, known as AFCSME, already represents more than 10,000 workers in Oregon.

Cecil Tibbetts, executive director for the Oregon AFSCME, said the union had gathered signatures from more than 30 percent of the proposed bargaining unit, as required by law. The court employees will decide whether they want union representation in a vote by mid-November, Tibbetts said.

The chief union concerns are overtime with no pay or compensatory time off, arbitrary management decisions, one-year probation periods, broadly written job specifications and frozen salaries.

## OPEU OKs contract

PORTLAND (AP) — The members of the Oregon Public Employees Union have voted overwhelmingly to approve a contract that will increase wages 6 percent by 1989.

More than half the 13,000 ballots issued were returned, with 87 percent voting to approve the two-year contract, according to Bentley Gilbert, an OPEU spokesman.

"The size of the vote shows how much the bargaining team was supported," Gilbert said after the results were announced Saturday night at the union's annual meeting in Portland.

The union, which represents 16,500 workers, ordered its first strike in an effort to settle bitterly contested contract issues. The nine-day walkout ended Sept. 24 after state negotiators and union officials agreed on terms.

## Drug crop burns

GRANTS PASS (AP) — Forest fires that swept through southern Oregon during the past month burned millions of dollars worth of marijuana grown in the region's remote hills, an observer of the illegal industry estimates.

Tom Alexander of Corvallis, publisher of Sinsemilla Tips, a quarterly magazine aimed at marijuana smokers and

growers, said the fire has devastated the crop.

The conditions that created extreme fire danger last summer also produced an ideal growing season, Alexander said.

"This was going to be one of the best years ever," he said. "The sunny conditions made a bumper crop for the whole West Coast. But the fires were also in the main growing areas."

The fires also have increased the cost of the potent southern Oregon marijuana, he said, noting that the average price a pound of dried marijuana is as much as \$3,200.

## L.A. still shaking

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Quake-jittered residents got another aftershock on Monday, after the most powerful one

following last week's severe earthquake killed at least one person, injured 200, and shattered buildings and nerves.

Hundreds of frightened residents fled their damaged homes and stayed outdoors, refusing to enter structures, as panic spread after Sunday's pre-dawn aftershock, the 22nd measuring above 3 on the Richter scale since Thursday's magnitude 6.1 temblor.

Within three and a half hours of Sunday's big aftershock, three more above magnitude 3 on the Richter scale shook the area.

An aftershock measuring 3.4 was recorded at 12:05 a.m. today, said Robert Finn, spokesman for the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. There were no immediate reports of damage, and a police dispatcher said it triggered few calls.

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