

Cousteau request pending

RALEIGH (AP)—An advisory committee left it up in the air Tuesday whether it would allow French undersea explorer Jacques Cousteau to film the U.S.S. Monitor.

Two members of the advisory committee on the Civil War ironclad, which lies submerged off the North Carolina coast, the panel should have editorial control over any broadcast of the film Cousteau shoots.

Cousteau has asked permission to film the wreck for three days in early June. His ship, the Calypso, is expected to arrive in Norfolk Va., next week and would go to the Monitor site several days later.

The U.S.S. Monitor Technical Advisory Committee voted to delay a recommendation on Cousteau's request until his organization could submit a more detailed plan. It also delayed action on the editorial-control provision.

"Here's a chance, if properly told, of having the Monitor story told to the American public so that we can have public support," said W.A. "Sonny" Cockrell, underwater archeologist for the state of Florida and a member of the committee.

The committee advises the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration on issuing permits to study the ship, which sank during a storm off Cape Hatteras. The ironclad lies in a federally protected marine sanctuary.

Cockrell said veto power over the script was necessary "to have the story put before the public in the proper perspective."

Added Barto Arnold, underwater archeologist for the Texas Antiquities Committee, "What would you think if they (Cousteau's crew) don't like the idea of the sanctuary and the run it down? I think they should have the right to say they don't like the marine sanctuary, but do we have to let them film it?"

Larry E. Tise, director of the N.C. Division of Archives and History and chairman of the committee, said the committee had previously recommended that four groups be granted permits to study the site and had not required veto power over

the resulting research publications. "I don't see how we can demand to have final authority over the script," he said.

Iranian revolt flares up

KHORAMSHAHR, Iran (AP)—Iranian Arabs set fire to government buildings and battled troops of Iran's revolutionary regime Wednesday in Khoramshahr, the country's largest port and the center of the Khuzestan oil region. Official sources said armed Arab tribesmen were moving toward Khoramshahr from all over Khuzestan province.

The Arabs, renewing their fight for the autonomy that both Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi and Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini have denied them, attacked the naval base and the district governor's office and set fire to the main police station, the post office and the government tobacco factory.

Officials said at least 11 Arabs were killed and dozens more wounded.

A huge column of black smoke hung over the city. The newspaper *Kayhan* said hundreds of buildings had been burned, including a Chevrolet warehouse that was looted. Several supermarkets and a warehouse of the National Iranian Oil Co. also went up in flames.

Kayhan said large numbers of wounded were being treated at four hospitals.

Radio Tehran said Adm. Ahmad Madani, the governor general of Khuzestan province and the head of the Iranian navy, proclaimed a state of emergency in the city of 100,000 at the head of the Persian Gulf and advised residents to stay indoors.

Troop reinforcements rushed to the city after the fighting broke out at dawn and set up sandbag barricades on all the main streets. Heavy gunfire continued into the afternoon.

But oil industry officials said there was no interruption in operations at the world's largest oil refinery, at Abadan, across the Karoun River from Khoramshahr.

Palestinian forces shelled

(AP)—Israeli and Palestinian forces

exchanged rocket and shell fire across Israel's northern border Wednesday, and Lebanese provincial authorities reported five persons killed and three wounded in southern Lebanon. No injuries were reported in Israel.

The Israeli military command said its artillerymen began firing at Palestinian gunners in Lebanon after several volleys of Katyusha rockets landed in northern Israel.

A communique from Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's high command in Beirut said guerrilla positions in the foothills of Mount Hermon and two villages in the western Bekaa Valley were the main targets of the Israeli bombardment. The Palestinians said Israeli shelling had provoked return fire.

Lebanese Foreign Minister Fuad Butros told reporters his country would call for an emergency session of the U.N. Security Council to take up the "grave situation created by Israel's daily attacks."

Since late last week reports from Lebanon have claimed the Israelis were shelling Palestinian bases in Lebanon regularly. The army command in Tel Aviv had denied that, implying Israel's Lebanese Christian allies were behind the shelling. Reports from Lebanon said today was the ninth straight day of hostilities and that more than 60,000 people have fled their homes in southern Lebanon so far.

Israel radio said Wednesday the Israeli-backed Christian militias in the southern Lebanon border zone were exchanging fire with Palestinian artillery farther north.

An Israeli army spokesman did not identify the targets of the Israeli artillery fire, but the PLO communique said they included the villages of Suhmor and Yuhmor in the western Bekaa Valley, 18 miles north of Israel and about 10 miles west of Syrian peacekeeping positions that serve as buffer between rightist Christian and leftist Moslem militias in eastern Lebanon.

Muzorewa names cabinet

SALISBURY, Rhodesia (AP)—Bishop Abel Muzorewa, Rhodesia's first black prime minister, named his cabinet Wednesday, keeping key defense posts for himself and appointing outgoing white Prime Minister Ian D. Smith as a minister without portfolio.

The 17-member cabinet, described as a government of national unity, includes five whites, two blacks from the United National Federal Party which champions the minority Ndebele tribe, and 10 ministers from Muzorewa's United African National Council.

Muzorewa will act as prime minister, minister of combined military operations and minister of defense.

Two posts were left vacant because of a boycott of the new government by the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole's Zimbabwe African National Union. When it became clear in last

month's elections that his party would not win a majority, he began claiming vote fraud and promised not to participate in the Muzorewa government.

The government takes charge at midnight tonight when the new state of Zimbabwe Rhodesia is officially proclaimed.

The appointment of Smith—who became prime minister 15 years ago vowing to keep whites in power for a millenium—as a minister without portfolio had been widely expected. Smith unilaterally declared independence from Britain in 1965 to avoid black majority rule in the former colony.

In his new role, Smith will serve as minister for the white minority. He also will be the strategist in seeking Western recognition for the black-led state he was forced to set up under increased pressure from the six-year guerrilla war and economic boycotts.

The United States and Britain had refused to recognize the elections because guerrilla leaders Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe did not participate. They claim the new government would only be a front for continued white domination, pointing to guaranteed white representation in Parliament and the Cabinet and a five-year extension of white control of the military, courts and civil service.

Young criticizes policy

WASHINGTON (AP)—Ambassador Andrew Young says congressional conservatives supporting an end to economic sanctions in Rhodesia are attempting to force a Democratic party split that will lead to a Republican presidential victory in 1980.

"They don't give a damn about Africa. They don't know anything about Africa," Young said Tuesday night in a speech.

With the Democrats already split on such issues as energy and inflation, "the final nail in the coffin would be an Africa policy that did not respect the sensitivities of the black voters or the young voters of this nation."

Only hours before, President Carter told a news conference he was still making up his mind whether the United States should lift sanctions against Rhodesia in light of moves in that country toward black majority rule.

Boost on SAT possible

WASHINGTON (AP)—A new federal study credits the nation's largest chain of test coaching schools with helping high school underachievers improve by 25 points their scores on standardized college admission tests.

But the Federal Trade Commission, in releasing the report by its staff Tuesday, questioned the study's validity and shied away from any endorsements.

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