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Americans' education level on rise

From Associated Press reports
 WASHINGTON — Americans are more educated than ever, setting records for the share of people with high school diplomas and college degrees last year, the Census Bureau reported Wednesday.
 More than three-quarters of people aged 25 and over have completed high school and nearly one in five has finished at least four years of college — both new records — the Bureau said in a new study on educational attainment.
 The percentage of educated Americans has been increasing gradually

over the years, as society places stronger emphasis on education, said Census demographer Robert Kominski.
 "The entire post-Second World War era has been characterized by an expansion of educational opportunities and structures in the country," Kominski said in a telephone interview.
 "In the 1960s the civil rights movement added another level of opportunity. And the expansion of college grant and aid programs in the '60s and '70s allowed this to continue," he said.

Also, Kominski added, changes in the age breakdown of the population have had an impact, as the less educated elderly die and the numbers of younger people who have spent more time in school increase.
 People in their teens, with 80 to 90 percent completing high school, are replacing older folks who were raised at a time when completion of six to eight years of schooling was a major accomplishment, he said.
 Does this mean that Americans today are smarter than in the past? "Not necessarily," said Kominski. "We all like to think that we were

raised in the generation which produced the best and the brightest."
 Overall, 76.5 percent of Americans were found to have completed high school and 19.9 percent had finished four years of college, as of March 1987.
 Those figures compare to 74.7 percent and 19.4 percent a year earlier and are up significantly from 68.6 percent and 17.0 percent in 1980.
 By comparison, in 1940 only 24.5 percent of Americans aged 25 and older had completed high school and 4.6 percent were college graduates.

Disclosure of CIA operation draws fire from conservatives

From Associated Press reports
 WASHINGTON — Congressional conservatives voiced outrage Wednesday over House Speaker Jim Wright's disclosure of a purported U.S. covert operation in Nicaragua.
 President Reagan referred to Wright's comments as a "violation" and said the speaker had been indiscreet in telling reporters Tuesday that the CIA hired operatives inside Nicaragua to stir up demonstrations against the leftist government and damage peace efforts.
 The administration refused to either confirm or deny Wright's report.
 Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., the ranking minority member of the House Intelligence Committee, called Wright's assertions "Sandinista propaganda."
 "It's appalling," Hyde said of Wright's disclosure, which the speaker said was based on CIA testimony. "It's a no-win situation for America. God help Americans down there (in Nicaragua), that's all I can say."
 Hyde said he could neither confirm nor deny the disclosure, but added: "What he said is news to me, and I serve on the Intelligence Committee... I sure as hell want to know who that testimony is from and under what circumstances he got it."

News in Brief

0.5 percent for the month, compared with 0.9 percent in July when the Labor Department said the greatest impact of the dry weather in the Farm Belt began reaching consumer pocketbooks.
 But gasoline prices jumped a whopping 3 percent in August, the biggest increase in 12 months. Analysts noted that the normal vacation season price spikes for gasoline are usually over by August, but that there were shortages of unleaded grades in many markets this year.
Race riots in Louisiana
 SHREVEPORT, La. — Hundreds of angry black people burned stores and rioted in the streets after a white woman fatally shot a black man, and black leaders warned Wednesday against a recurrence of violence.
 "We're sitting on a powder keg," said state Rep. Alphonse Jackson, who called for a biracial anti-crime committee.
 His plea followed a meeting of city officials and black leaders to discuss the rioting that persisted nearly five hours, until 3 a.m. Wednesday, and which officials said was related both to drugs and racial problems.
 Stores were looted and burned, and rioters threw rocks and bottles at whites. There were reports of racial slurs and chants of "Hot Biscuit," the restaurant where a white teenager killed a black teenager on Aug. 4, an incident that set off racial tension in this northwestern Louisiana city of 250,000.

Candidates prepare for upcoming debate

From Associated Press reports
 Presidential candidates George Bush and Michael Dukakis plunged into preparations Wednesday for their first debate, poring over fat briefing books and getting tips from media and political advisers. Dukakis took out time to propose a "Healthy Start" program guaranteeing basic medical care for poor women and children.
 "When children and their families have needed a helping hand, the Bush administration has given them a cold shoulder," Dukakis said during a visit to Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston.
 "When the time came to stand up for our children's health care needs, Bush was nowhere to be found," the Democratic nominee said.
 Bush, with his schedule cleared of public appearances, spent the day in Washington meeting with advisers in preparation for the nationally televised debate Sunday night. The 90-minute debate at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C., will begin at 8 p.m. EDT.

Bush's schedule included a mock debate with former Deputy Treasury Secretary Richard G. Darman, Bush campaign sources said.
 With the real debate just four days away, the two campaigns settled their argument over the height of the lecterns where the two candidates will stand.
 The 6-foot-1 Bush will stand at a 48-inch high lectern, down slightly from his customary 52 inches. Dukakis, at 5-foot-8, will stand behind a 41-inch lectern and use a small riser, a Bush source said.
 Before resolving the matter, Dukakis officials had pushed for shorter lecterns for both while Bush staff members argued for a minimum of 46 inches, saying their lanky candidate would not stand behind anything that made him stoop.
 President Reagan offered encouragement for the vice president. Asked whether he'd given Bush any debate hints, Reagan responded with a chuckle, "Take no prisoners."

Burmese general seizes government; protesters lie low

From Associated Press reports
 RANGOON, Burma — Gen. Saw Maung on Wednesday became the fourth head of government in two months, and the government said troops have killed more than 140 civilians since the hard-line officer ousted the civilian president on Sunday.
 Demonstrators demanding democracy and a halt to 26 years of authoritarian rule stayed off the streets for a second day during the crackdown.
 Troops killed 67 people, wounded 34 and arrested 100 "in the course of the government's law and order restoration work" in Rangoon and three other areas Tuesday and Wednesday, government spokesman Kyaw San told reporters.
 San said he had no knowledge of a rumored sweep by authorities against student leaders who spearheaded the pro-democracy protests.
 The latest tally brought the official death toll since the coup to 144. But some Western diplomats in Rangoon believe at least 400 people have been killed in the Burmese capital alone, many when troops opened fire on largely unarmed protesters Monday.
 "At Rangoon General Hospital, there were 200 corpses on Monday night and that was only one hospital," said one diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity.
 State radio said Saw Maung was named prime minister by the nine-member governing council, appointed the day before and made up primarily of his military cronies. He also holds the defense and foreign affairs portfolios.
 The government spokesman listed

eight separate incidents in Rangoon during a 20-hour period beginning Tuesday morning in which 57 people died as troops broke up mobs looting government warehouses and a biscuit factory.
 Nine more people died when security forces beat back attacks on a local government office in Mudon and a patrol in Mandalay, Kyaw San said.
 Pro-democracy demonstrators who have filled Rangoon by the hundreds of thousands in recent weeks stayed off the streets Tuesday and Wednesday, residents reported.
 All major markets remained closed although small food stores and roadside shops were open.
 Troops conducted house-to-house searches in the heart of Rangoon on Wednesday after a nighttime attack against City Hall and the main government administration, residents and officials said. No casualties were reported.
 Saw Maung, 59, is known as a loyal follower of strongman Ne Win, who seized power in 1962 and instituted a repressive, military-backed system that turned resource-rich Burma into one of the world's poorest nations.
 After Ne Win resigned in late July, the government was led for 17 days by former military officer Sein Lwin, who was succeeded by civilian President Maung Maung.
 Maung Maung gave in to opposition demands to hold elections and allow a multiparty system. The sticking point was the opposition demand for an interim government to ensure a fair vote. Maung Maung was removed in Saw Maung's coup.

Inflation rate holds steady

WASHINGTON — Higher food, shelter and gasoline prices maintained an annual inflation pace of 5.2 percent in August as the effects of the drought on consumers began to ease, the government said Wednesday.
 Food and beverage prices rose

Growth

allows local government to direct where and what projects will be built.
 "When the developers come in, they're in competition," she said. "They have to be good projects."
 Andren is skeptical of the proposal's chances, however.
 "I don't think there's a majority on the council that would back an allocation plan right now," she said.
 Herzenberg said, "I think there are some real problems with that system."
 He is interested in pursuing such an idea, but says similar laws in Colorado and San Francisco had mixed results.
 But Herzenberg sees the potential for agreement on planning issues.
 "I don't really think there's two sides," he said. "I think there's a spectrum."
 The planning report made other noteworthy projections for Chapel Hill by 2010:
 ■ The percentage of service industry jobs will double.
 ■ The percentage of industrial and manufacturing jobs will be cut in half.
 ■ Increased traffic pressure and a desire to keep the downtown heart of the city may mandate innovative mass transit options, including a possible trolley system.
 ■ Gentrification: Property values will cause Chapel Hill to become "a residential and employment center for middle and upper income families." Many of the new jobs created in Chapel Hill will not pay enough to enable workers to live in town.
 Williford said this change in demography determines what type of residential growth will occur.
 "We think there will be a shift to single-family dwellings," he said.
 Carrboro has the state's highest population density; fully 65 percent of its residents live in multiple-family dwellings. New zoning efforts are expected to lower that percentage to 55 percent, Williford said.

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