

## World and Nation

# System problem traps men in space

From Associated Press reports

MOSCOW — Two cosmonauts from the Soviet Union and Afghanistan aborted their return to Earth on Tuesday after a malfunctioning guidance system sent them toward a landing in China. They were reported low on food and oxygen.

"Accident: The engine worked 60 seconds and shut off. A violation of the stabilization regime," Soviet cosmonaut Vladimir Lyakhov, 47, told mission control in an exchange reported by the government newspaper Izvestia.

Soviet news reports emphasized that 29-year-old Abdul Ahad Mohmand, the first Afghan in space, and Lyakhov were not in immediate danger but indicated the situation could become critical unless they descend soon.

Lyakhov, a military pilot who has flown in space twice before, and Mohmand, an Afghan air force pilot, were to try again early Wednesday to bring the Soyuz TM-5 space capsule to a soft landing on the steppes of Uzbekistan in Soviet Central Asia, a Soviet space official

told The Associated Press.

James Oberg, a U.S. expert on the Soviet space program who is familiar with the Soyuz TM-5 design, said time is running out.

"If they cannot make the burn tonight to push them back into the atmosphere, they will probably only live another 24 to 48 hours before the carbon dioxide building in the capsule will kill them," Oberg said in an interview with AP in Houston.

The Soyuz capsule is designed for trips to and from space, not for long flights.

Izvestia and the official news agency Tass said life support systems on the globe-shaped capsule are designed to last two days, which could put the cosmonauts in jeopardy Thursday morning.

According to the Soviet space official, however, the cosmonauts could stretch supplies of oxygen, water and food for up to a week. After that the capsule would be like "a lone boat in the ocean," he said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

He did not explain how the air supply could be extended.

# Dukakis criticizes Bush for comment

From Associated Press reports

Democrat Michael Dukakis and Republican George Bush, offering starkly different views of the nation's economy, headed today into the decisive two months of the 1988 presidential campaign, with Dukakis saying Republicans "love to blame American workers first."

In a speech prepared for delivery to Polish-Americans in a Chicago suburb, the Massachusetts governor saluted the Polish union Solidarity and went on to describe Bush as insensitive to American workers.

Bush was campaigning on the West

Coast, and President Reagan was hitting the campaign trail on his vice president's behalf.

Ending a vacation at his California ranch, Reagan was speaking in Nebraska and to the American Legion convention in Kentucky before returning to the White House.

During Labor Day appearances and again today, Dukakis recalled Bush's praise of Soviet tank mechanics during a European trip last fall.

"Send them to Detroit, we could use that kind of ability," Bush said after being told of a trouble-free

Soviet tank maneuver. Later, he apologized to U.S. autoworkers, adding, "Hey, give me a break; I didn't mean anything by it."

Dukakis said Tuesday, "Do you really believe we in America have anything to learn from a society where workers have no rights, consumers have no choices and even Mr. Gorbachev admits their economy is a shambles? Those Republicans in Washington love to blame American workers first."

In an interview published Tuesday in the Washington Post, Republican

vice presidential candidate Dan Quayle said he saw little difference between Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and his predecessors. Quayle described Gorbachev's reforms as "nothing more than refined Stalinism."

The Indiana senator said Gorbachev "has a different approach to things, and his mannerisms and style are unfortunately pleasing to the West... unfortunately because I don't think from an ideological point of view he's any different from (Leonid) Brezhnev or anybody else."

# Fires spread to towns near Yellowstone

From Associated Press reports

COOKE CITY, Mont. — Wind threatened to drive a wall of flame through two small canyon communities bordering Yellowstone National

Park, prompting authorities Tuesday to order all residents to leave town.

"We're going to make every effort we can to save every structure and every home in these communities,"

said Mike Warren, branch commander of the firefighting effort.

But, facing a forecast of southwesterly wind blowing up to 30 mph, fire officials were not optimistic about

holding back the 61,300-acre Storm Creek fire, which was only two miles west of Silver Gate, the first town in the fire's path.

Thirteen major fires have burned roughly 1 million acres in Yellowstone and the surrounding national forests in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

Elsewhere, a fire in parched grass and pine in central Washington exploded overnight from just 160 acres Monday to more than 25,000 acres Tuesday. The fire sent firefighters fleeing and overtook at least one bulldozer that could not move fast enough, said Art Tasker of the state Department of Natural Resources. It burned toward some of the state's prime fruit orchards.

# Israeli forces close off town; underground calls for revenge

From Associated Press reports

JERUSALEM — Israeli troops sealed off a West Bank town Tuesday, cutting telephone lines, arresting dozens of Palestinians and assembling makeshift army bases in a new tactic aimed at crushing the uprising.

Underground leaders, meanwhile, distributed a new leaflet in the occupied territories calling on Palestinians to attack Israeli targets with "more firebombs and more stones, everywhere and anywhere."

During the unusual clampdown in Qalqilya, troops imposed a round-the-clock curfew and closed all roads into the town of 24,000, an army spokesman said.

Israel Television said hundreds of troops poured into the town with lists of suspected stone-throwers and arrested more than 150 by late afternoon. It showed photographs of soldiers bursting into Arab homes to make arrests and described the operation as unprecedented.

### Soviets implicate Shchelokov

MOSCOW — Leonid Brezhnev's friend and law enforcement chief, Nikolai Shchelokov, accepted lavish gifts and huge bribes, then killed himself when his deeds were discovered, the government charged Tuesday.

The allegations about the former Interior Minister, who died in disgrace in 1984, came on the second day of the bribery-

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corruption trial of Yuri Churbanov, Brezhnev's son-in-law. Churbanov served as Shchelokov's top deputy.

The charges included the first official confirmation of rumors that the 73-year-old Shchelokov committed suicide when he felt the law closing in.

### State probes prison ministry

FAYETTEVILLE — The state Department of Correction has barred a Baptist minister from visiting prisons while the SBI investigates allegations that the preacher accepted money from prisoners to help arrange early releases or parole, officials said Tuesday.

The Rev. John Johnson, director of prison ministry and drug abuse counseling for Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, also has been suspended from the church staff pending the outcome, said the Rev. John Fuller, pastor of Lewis Chapel.

Johnson, who is not related to Correction Secretary Aaron Johnson, has denied any wrongdoing and said he is confident an investigation will clear his name.

"I welcome an investigation that would uncover who has taken funds from my prisoner," Johnson said.

## Panel

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that Hatcher was safe, although no one knows his whereabouts.

"I'm not sorry they did what they did," Sanderson said. "Eddie called me two weeks before they took over the Robesonian and had me pick him up. He told me he had information about drug trafficking in Robeson County and that it involved local officials... He was scared for his life."

Gregory, one of the lawyers on the Hatcher-Jacobs defense team, said: "If either Eddie or Timothy could be here, they would be. Only a few days ago, they had their freedom taken from them illegally. They had complied with everything they were told to do."

Jacobs wrote this for a pamphlet put out by the Robeson Defense Fund: "If I can help put an end to all this, the drugs and corruption, then I am happy and, in my heart, I am free. And to me, my life can't compare to the life of a young child or an unborn child... Children that are young or unborn, they're the future of our people. But we, as adults, must prepare a place for them today and teach them what's right and what's wrong in life... Then and only then will you see a change and that is when our people will have a future here. If we don't take a stand, we have no future, we have no tomorrow. We as a nation will cease to exist."

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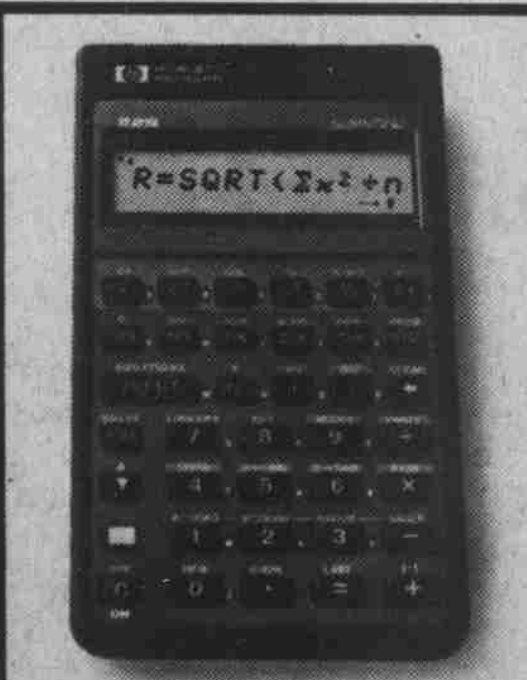
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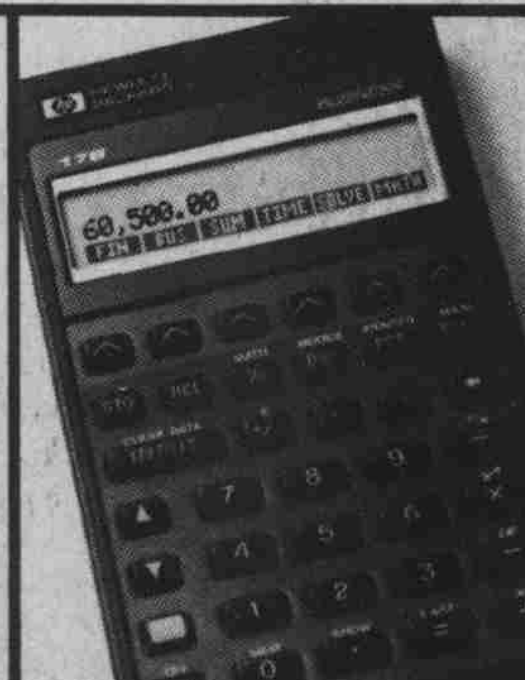
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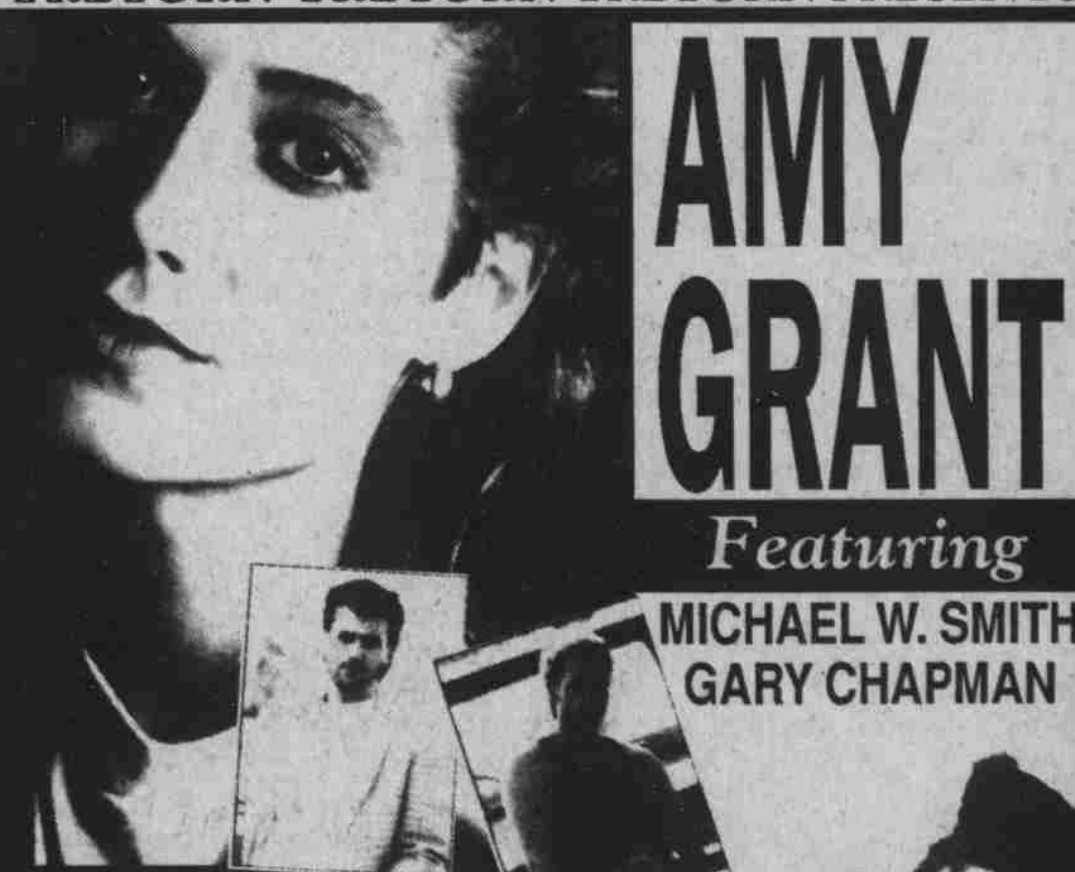
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