

## World and Nation

# Dukakis battles to regain ground

From Associated Press reports

George Bush, signaling he won't sit on his lead in the campaign's final weeks, returned to the attack Monday and said Michael Dukakis should "stop running down our defenses." Dukakis charged Bush with ignoring the nation's loss of industrial jobs.

Battling the notion that he is slipping hopelessly behind, the Democratic presidential nominee began a campaign swing through industrial states crucial to his chances. He said his Republican rival has "sat on his hands while America's industrial heartland has been fighting for its life."

Dukakis' running mate, Lloyd Bentsen, launched an attack on Bush in the South as "the only one of the four candidates who has voted for national gun control." He referred to

a 1968 vote while Bush was in Congress.

With three weeks left in the presidential race, aides to Dukakis said he would seek to sharpen the differences between himself and the vice president, particularly on economic issues.

But as he arrived in Ohio, a big state crucial to his chances, a new statewide poll by the Akron Beacon Journal showed Bush holding a double-digit lead.

Bush, buoyant but cautioning against overconfidence, toured a Denver-area defense plant where "Star Wars" research is conducted.

He used the setting to say Dukakis has a "total lack of understanding of our military" and is "trying desperately to jump into the mainstream"

by acknowledging a need to modernize land-based nuclear missiles.

"But there is strong reason to doubt that he would do it," Bush said. "He still opposes the MX, and he thinks the Midgetman costs too much. So he says he's going to work with Congress to find another way."

"Wake up, governor," Bush said, "We've done all that." He defended the Reagan administration's record on conventional forces against Dukakis' past charges that such forces have been slighted in the push for new, big-ticket strategic weapons systems.

Bush dismissed that as "misinformation."

"Governor, it's time to stop running down our defenses," he said. He also ridiculed Dukakis for duplicating some research into Star Wars while dismissing the proposed space-based

missile-defense system as a fantasy.

Dukakis and his campaign staff were embracing the idea of running as the underdog. To underscore his resolve, Dukakis said, "My spirits are good" and took trumpet in hand to play "Happy Days are Here Again," a democratic standard.

Dukakis declared he was fighting for the values he believes in, and, in a touch of populism, told workers at a copper and brass plant, "I want to be the president who stands up and fights for you."

He pointed to recent trade figures showing imports to the United States were at an all-time high in August and said Bush "has not given the American people a clue as to what he would do" to reverse the trade deficit.

# Supreme Court to review law against burning American flag

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court, agreeing to decide how far states may go to limit some form of protest, said Monday it will review a Texas law that makes it a crime to burn the American flag.

The justices, setting the stage for a politically and emotionally charged ruling, will consider reinstating a conviction against a man who burned a flag at a demonstration during the 1984 Republican National Convention in Dallas.

The court will review a ruling by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals that the law improperly abridged symbolic expression protected by the Constitution.

The Texas branch of the American Civil Liberties Union urged the justices not to review the ruling permitting the flag burning. The ACLU said state officials were trying to "create a sense of legal uncertainty" where none exists.

## News in Brief

### Utah brownout cause unknown

SALT LAKE CITY — A power outage darkened buildings in scattered pockets of downtown when a high-voltage transformer failed Monday, but all electricity was restored within an hour, officials said.

Lights flickered across the Salt Lake Valley when the transformer failed at 10:23 a.m. MDT, but only the downtown area lost power, said Utah Power & Light Co. spokesman Dave Mead.

The failure of the transformer in a substation blew fuses there, knocking out power to a second substation and triggering a "cascade effect" in the area, he said.

It was not known what caused the failure of the transformer, he said. Power to 90 percent of the area was restored by 10:45, with the remainder by 11:20 a.m., Mead said.

### Plane crash kills 30

ROME — The pilot of a Uganda Airlines jetliner tried at least twice to land before it crashed into houses and trees early Monday, killing 30 of the 52 people aboard, officials and passengers said.

Authorities said the fog and a possible misunderstanding between the pilot and the control tower at Leonardo da Vinci Airport may have caused the crash, which also injured 22 others aboard the Boeing 707.

Many of the injured were in critical condition with burns, fractures and shock. Wreckage was strewn for half a mile. Only one of the seven crew members, the steward, survived.

### Stocks slowly rise

NEW YORK — Stock prices eked out a modest gain in quiet trading Monday, aided by new evidence of a slowing economy.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials rose 7.29 to 2,140.47. Advancing issues slightly outnumbered declines in nationwide trading of New York Stock Exchange-listed stocks, with 749 up, 669 down and 552 unchanged.

# Protesters attempt to blockade Pentagon

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — About 1,000 demonstrators created a commuter nightmare Monday but failed to achieve their goal of blockading the Pentagon during a boisterous protest of American policies toward El Salvador.

Authorities said about 240 men and women were arrested. There were scattered episodes of fisticuffs between police and demonstrators.

The demonstration, sponsored by a coalition of a half-dozen peace groups, began at 5 a.m. EDT and extended into early afternoon. The protesters succeeded in forcing Defense Department workers to abandon the huge parking lot south of the Pentagon — which normally accommodates 3,700 cars — and to run a human gauntlet through selected entrances to get to their offices.

"But they didn't shut down the building; they just created a lot of inconvenience and long walks," said Glenn Flood, a Pentagon spokesman.

Police, including one officer who was attacked by protesters, arrested several people early when they sat in a road to block a military bus from entering the parking lot.

One demonstrator sprayed red paint across the front of a bus. Protesters then pushed one Defense Protective Service officer to the ground when he tried to arrest the demonstrator and beat the officer before other officers rescued him.

Other protesters went to a grassy area used as a helicopter field outside the Pentagon, where they planted crosses bearing the names of people who have died in El Salvador.

The demonstrators oppose U.S. aid to the Salvadoran government,

which has been engaged in a war against leftist guerrillas since 1980. An estimated 60,000 people have died in that conflict, which has produced continuing allegations of "death squad" killings by policemen and soldiers.

The United States considers El Salvador one of its closest allies in Central America. During the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, the Salvadoran government received \$185 million in economic aid. Some 55 U.S. military advisers, the limit set by Congress, are normally assigned to El Salvador to help train the Salvadoran army.

"U.S. policy promotes consolidation of constitutional democracy in El Salvador by assisting the government to defend itself against a determined Marxist insurgency supported by Nicaragua, Cuba and the

Soviet bloc," administration officials told Congress earlier this year in a military aid request.

The protesters maintain the leftist guerrillas are willing to negotiate an end to the fighting, but the Salvadoran government — backed by the United States — refuses to compromise in any way.

On Monday, they offered loud chants of opposition to U.S. policies, yelling: "No violence, no war, U.S. out of El Salvador" and "Hey hey, ho ho, the Pentagon has got to go."

Through most of the morning, the protesters sat four and five deep in front of several building entrances. Whenever an employee approached, the protesters would lock arms to form a human barricade. Police would then wade in and temporarily break open a path for those wishing to enter the building.

# Group fights AIDS in developing nations

By SANDY WALL  
Staff Writer

Combating the spread of AIDS in developing countries with the help of a \$28 million grant is the focus of AIDSTECH, a non-profit group located in Research Triangle Park.

AIDSTECH and its parent organization, Family Health International, received a five-year, \$28 million grant from the Agency for International Development in Washington to help fight the spread of AIDS.

The group helps developing countries educate their citizens on AIDS and provides technical help in preventing the spread of the fatal virus. In one year, AIDSTECH has established more than 50 programs in 15 countries.

The spread of AIDS is a major problem for developing countries, said Dr. Wilson Carswell, an overseas adviser for AIDSTECH.

For example, in Zambia, a survey of intensive care patients found that 20 percent were infected with the AIDS virus, Carswell said. In Kenya, he added, a group of prostitutes surveyed revealed a 90 percent infection rate, compared with 4 percent in 1980. Most of these prostitutes contact four or five partners daily.

AIDSTECH focuses its efforts on high-risk groups in developing African and Asian countries, said Lynda Cole, administrative officer of AIDSTECH.

AIDSTECH works with the World

Health Organization, which coordinates the worldwide fight against AIDS, to prevent duplication of AIDS programs, Cole said.

Four major areas of work prevent the spread of AIDS, she said.

Preventing the spread of it through sexual contact is primary, she said. AIDSTECH agents visit sexually transmitted disease (STD) treatment clinics to educate patients about the dangers and methods of contracting the virus. These agents urge patients to use condoms and limit potentially dangerous sexual behavior.

The second area of concentration is the prevention of transmission through blood. AIDSTECH staffers share testing methods with community and private blood banks in

developing countries. "Most of our energies are put into technical assistance," Cole said.

AIDSTECH also concentrates on surveillance. Many governments want to know how bad the problem is in their countries, Cole said. AIDSTECH recommends testing of certain groups, including STD clinic patients and national armies, to survey the severity of a particular nation's problem.

Making the programs self-supporting is another focus of AIDSTECH. The organization pays the start-up costs for AIDS programs but relies on the countries' governments to maintain them, mainly by putting them into the national budgets, Cole said.

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would raise revenues by \$6.3 million in 1989-90 and by \$13 million in 1990-91.

O'Connor said the proposed increase in faculty salaries would be divided between merit pay and cost of living allowances, and in the past, General Assembly legislators have mandated that increases be split equally.

"It (a salary increase) would certainly be a boon to the faculty," O'Connor said.

Michael Stegman, chairman of the Department of City and Regional Planning, said Monday that if a significant percentage of the proposed salary increases could be spent on merit pay, UNC would be better able to retain outstanding faculty that

other schools recruit.

"There are certainly some smiles on the faces of faculty this morning," Stegman said. "I hope they aren't short-lived."

The proposed increase in faculty salaries is the largest since a 10 percent increase in 1985-86. The increases, proposed as 12 percent in 1989-90 and 8 percent in 1990-91, are needed to bring UNC's faculty salaries to levels competitive with other comparable universities, Stegman said.

Increased merit pay funds are crucial in retaining outstanding faculty, Stegman said, and he believes Chancellor Hardin will work hard toward achieving better faculty compensation.

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plus contacts at all schools in the UNC system, Armstrong said.

"On the whole, the average college student is not politically active," he said. "But there are pockets of extremely active students who work especially hard for a campaign."

Students aren't likely to turn out in impressive numbers in this election, said Thad Beyle, UNC professor of political science.

"There is no candidate running that is especially galvanizing or exciting enough to make voters want to get out and vote," Beyle said.

To increase young voter and overall turnout would probably require a disastrous presidency, a dismal economy, or some political figure "on a white horse," Beyle said.

Beyle also said the trend of negative campaigning keeps campaigns distant from volatile college campuses and students. Presidential candidates avoid universities for fear that a raucous student body could cause a political mistake that would be used for negative ads for the rest of the campaign.

"Dan Quayle would be eaten alive on a college campus," Beyle said.

# For the Record

In Monday's story, "Renowned author to relate theology, science in lecture," the incorrect site was given for Tuesday's John Calvin McNair lecture. The lecture will be at 8 p.m. in Hamilton Hall, Room 100.

Monday's story, "Groups to promote alcohol awareness," omitted one of the sponsors of an alcohol-free bar party Wednesday night at the Cabaret in the Student Union. The event, part of Alcohol Awareness Week, is also sponsored by Marriott Corp., who will provide food and drinks.


In Monday's article "Societies originate, maintain traditions for

University," The Daily Tar Heel incorrectly reported that the Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies Foundation owned the only portrait of James K. Polk. The foundation owns the only portrait of Polk painted during his presidency.


The society also did not endow books for the University's library; they endowed the library.

The story also improperly identified Douglass Hunt, Hunt is an alumnus of the Dialectic society and now serves as special assistant to the chancellor.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the errors.



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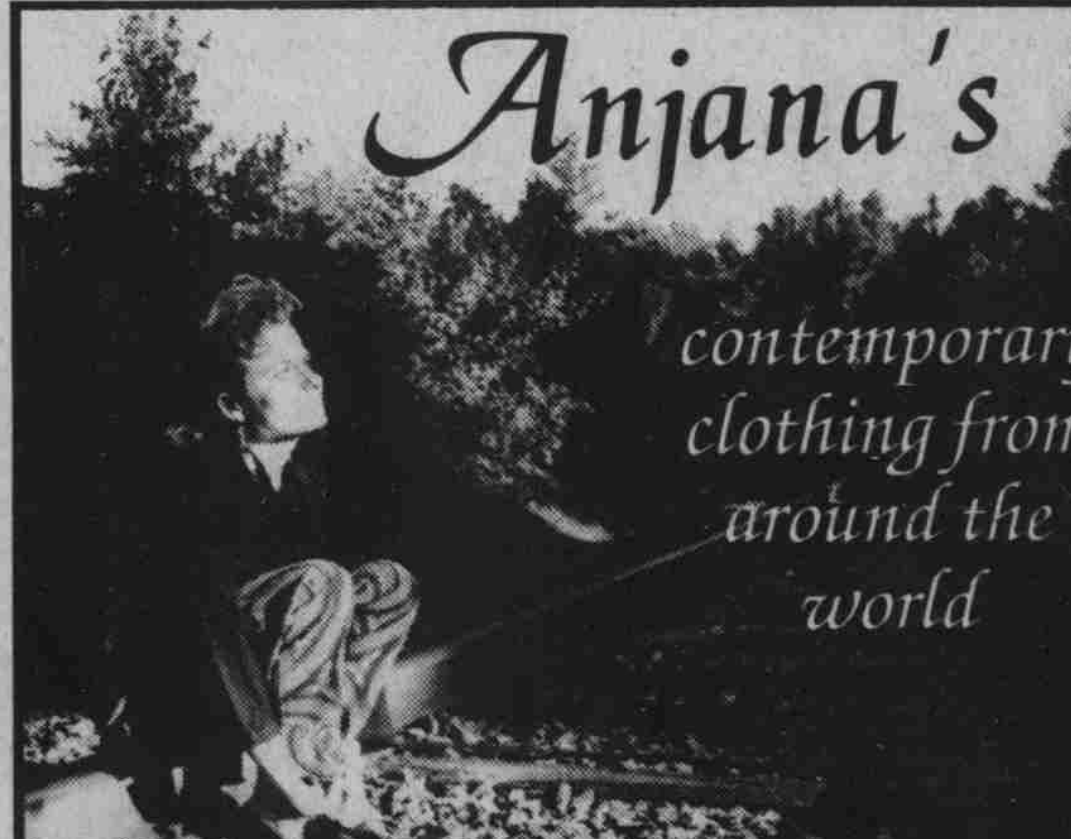
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