

## World and Nation

# Earthquake shakes San Francisco

**From Associated Press reports**  
**SAN FRANCISCO** — A catastrophic earthquake rocked Northern California on Tuesday, killing more than 50 people, causing in a section of the San Francisco Bay Bridge and causing widespread damage.  
 The quake, which registered 6.9 on the Richter scale, forced the evacuation of 60,000 fans from Candlestick Park where they waited for Game Three of the World Series to begin. There were no major injuries reported at the stadium.  
 Three hours after the 5:04 p.m. PDT quake, the magnitude of the disaster began to emerge as reports came in of widespread death and destruction.  
 Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy said that a section of Interstate 880 in Oakland had caved in, killing at least 40 people

in their cars.  
 "The rubble is so bad that they still don't have an accurate account of the fatalities," McCarthy said.  
 Six people were crushed to death in their cars when part of an old four-story brick building toppled onto the vehicles on Bluxome Street in San Francisco, said Police Lt. Jerry Kilroy.  
 The California Highway Patrol said six were killed in the collapse of part of the City Garden Mall in Santa Cruz.  
 One person died of a heart attack and four people were injured in San Jose, 50 miles south of San Francisco, according to Willis Jacobs of the National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo. Mayor Art Agnos' press secretary, Eileen Mahoney, said that as many as 20 people had been injured at a fire in the Marina section. Another

fire was blazing near downtown Berkeley.  
 The quake, which apparently was centered about 10 miles north of Santa Cruz, was felt for hundreds of miles, from Reno, Nev., 225 miles to the northeast to downtown high-rise buildings in Los Angeles.  
 A major fire was blazing in the area near the library at the University of California at Berkeley. A huge plume of smoke was visible for miles.  
 Hundreds of people fled Bay Area Rapid Transit subway and elevated stations in San Francisco and East Bay suburbs, and the system was shut down.  
 Portions of a shopping mall reportedly collapsed in San Jose, south of San Francisco, and searchers were digging in the rubble for possible victims.

Televised footage of the bridge connecting Oakland and San Francisco showed that a 30-foot section of the span's upper deck had collapsed onto the bottom level.  
 At City Hall in San Francisco a radio reporter told listeners, "The entire building started to shake ... you could hear people yelling and screaming all over the building."  
 She said there were "obvious problems" at the health department across the street. "Water was literally gushing out of the building from a window on the second floor," the unidentified reporter said.  
 Citizens of Marin, north of San Francisco, were warned to shut off their gas because the smell of gas was all over town.

# Senate approves \$9 million to aid Ortega's election foe

**From Associated Press reports**  
**WASHINGTON** — Under heavy White House pressure, the Senate moved ahead Tuesday on President Bush's proposal to send \$9 million to boost the chances of Nicaragua's struggling political opposition in next February's national elections.  
 Senators voted 74 to 25 to limit debate on the issue, heading off a threatened filibuster, then began to deal with a series of amendments to the package, which was passed by the House Oct. 4 263 to 156.  
 Bush has sought the money as a way to "level the playing field" for the coalition of parties opposing leftist President Daniel Ortega's re-election bid. He met earlier Tuesday at the White House with GOP senators to drum up support for the package.  
 Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater called the Feb. 25 elections "the last crucial shot at getting representative democracy in Nicaragua."

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oned for non-violent exercise of their human rights decreased from 600 three years ago to about 90 in July.  
 An Amnesty International delegation was allowed into the Soviet Union for the first time last March, and found that "the Soviet perspective on human rights has shifted dramatically since 1986," the report said.  
 "The most promising prospect for long-term reform is a major review of law ... apparently aimed at bringing Soviet law into line with international standards."

**Successor must oppose abortion**  
**WASHINGTON** — President Bush's personal physician says he'd like to be U.S. surgeon general, but is out of the running because he disagrees with the president on abortion.  
 "I would love the job," Dr. Burton Lee III said in an interview Tuesday. "But I couldn't take it if that had to be my position. I wouldn't be able to work effectively and I couldn't do what the president wants that guy to do. So I would have to say 'no.'"  
 "I think it's wrong," Lee said of the abortion litmus test.  
 "But what the hell, a lot of people think it's wrong."

# East German leader's rule in question

**From Associated Press reports**  
**BERLIN** — East Germany's ruling Politburo held a meeting Tuesday that could determine the fate of Erich Honecker, the 77-year-old leader whose stern rule has been challenged by mass emigration and pro-democracy protest.  
 Demonstrations were reported in five cities on the eve of the regular weekly meeting, including a march by 120,000 people in Leipzig that was the largest protest since East Germany was founded 40 years ago.  
 In West Germany, the mass-circulation newspaper Bild reported late Tues-

day that a special session of the Communist Party Central Committee had been called for Wednesday.  
 Quoting party sources it did not identify, Bild said Honecker would be "pressured" to turn over leadership of the party "to younger hands." Honecker also is East Germany's head of state.  
 Secrecy surrounded the Politburo meeting and there was no indication when news might emerge from it.  
 The flight of tens of thousands of East Germans and protests that began early this month have been the most visible signs of growing opposition to

Honecker, who has presided over an authoritarian regime for 18 years.  
 Pro-democracy activists estimated the Monday night throng in Leipzig at more than 120,000, but West Germany's ZDF television network quoted witnesses Tuesday as saying the number of marchers was closer to 150,000.  
 Chants of "Freedom!" and "Democracy now!" rose from the throng and marchers shouted "We're staying here!" Most protesters in East Germany have been people who do not want to emigrate and who demand reform at home.  
 ARD television of West Germany said thousands also marched Monday night in Magdeburg, Plauen and Halle.  
 About 3,000 pro-democracy activists held a vigil in an East Berlin church Monday night. Security on the capital's streets was increased, but no incidents were reported.

Three men were given prison terms for vandalism, illegal assembly and resisting arrest Oct. 4-5, when thousands of people tried to board trains at Dresden that carried East German refugees to West Germany from Czechoslovakia and Poland.  
 Two got more than three years and the third received four years, said the official news agency ADN, which reported the convictions and sentences Tuesday.  
 Mayor Wolfgang Berghofer of Dresden told 10,000 protesters from a City Hall balcony Monday night, speaking through a megaphone, that he was prepared to continue dialogue with reform-minded groups.  
 He refused, however, to talk with the pro-democracy New Forum, a relatively new organization that has united the East German reform movement.

**Soviet prisoners reduced**  
**LONDON** — The Soviet Union's attitude toward human rights has improved dramatically, and most political prisoners have been freed, although abuses persist and the picture is "deeply confusing," Amnesty International says.  
 In a report published Wednesday, the worldwide human rights group says its list of Soviet citizens impris-

## McKinley

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mony of McKinley's first witness, Joe Straley, UNC professor emeritus of physics and community activist. The court allowed Straley to read a resolution adopted by leaders of the Community Church of Chapel Hill acknowledging McKinley's activism.

McKinley also called Jones and Diana McDuffee, a UNC employee at the Institute for Research in Social Science and chairwoman of the Carolina Inter-Faith Task Force on Central America, as witnesses.

## Peta

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Hardin was unavailable for comment Tuesday.  
 PETA does not intend to pursue any legal action at present, Peterson said, "But they won't just stop with Chancellor Hardin saying 'We're not going to deal with you.'"  
 The pamphlet states that PETA wants UNC to make a number of changes. These include letting students and animal protectionists tour the labs regularly, stopping the use of dogs and cats

from pounds, opening its Animal Care and Use Committee meetings to the public, and honestly evaluating its use of animals and making a commitment to phase out animal use.  
 PETA urges people to write to Hardin saying they won't donate any money to UNC until these things are implemented. "Several donors have already decided not to give because of PETA and (UNC's) Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (SETA)," said SETA president Chris Brannon.

**Informational Meeting**  
**UNC Year-At-Montpellier**  
**Wednesday, October 18**  
**Video Presentation and Panel of Last Year's Participants**  
**3:30 - 5:00 in Toy Lounge**  
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**For the Record**  
 In Tuesday's article "Hiring hold on faculty at seminary," the location of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary was incorrectly reported. The school is in Wake Forest, N.C.

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**Meal card**  
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 about anything (on campus)."  
 Bibbs said a Marriott agreement with Franklin Street merchants would require setting up card-reading machines in the stores. "Businesses could use card-reading machines instead of vouchers. This would be much more profitable to Marriott because they wouldn't have to go through the vouchers later and take the money off the meal cards. It could work like the Circus Room, where students can use their meal cards, but it's not run by Marriott."  
 Student Body President Brien Lewis said the plan might prove useful to many students. "I haven't seen anything on paper yet. I've only heard about the plan. It sounds like a great idea, but it's still so much in the idea phase that I can't tell how it will work."  
 Gina Graham, a freshman from Fayetteville, said she would enjoy the variety of using her meal card on Franklin Street. "Chase food is really boring, but with a meal plan you have to eat there. It would be great to be able to eat at the Rat and put it on my meal card."  
 Greg Jones, a sophomore, said he thought it might be a good idea. "The meal card would mean students wouldn't have to carry any cash. Not that carrying cash is a problem for me — I don't have any."  
 Eddie Williams, owner of Time Out, said he would like to participate in the meal card service. "I would love to be included, especially since I'm one of the few people open 24 hours."  
 Williams is willing to adapt to fit into student government's plans, he said. "I'd be willing to do it however they want me to."

**GUILD OPTICIANS**  
**YOUR EYEGLASS PRESCRIPTION**  
**What does the Federal Trade Commission say about "Eyeglass Prescriptions"**  
**Q. Can an eye doctor charge patients an extra fee for releasing eyeglass prescriptions?**  
**A.** No. It is illegal for an eye doctor to charge their patients any fee in excess of their normal examination fee as an extra charge for releasing or giving the patient a copy of their eyeglass prescription. Example, if their normal examination fee is \$40, they cannot add an extra \$5 or \$10 for giving you the prescription.  
**Q. When does an eye doctor have to give out a prescription?**  
**A.** The prescription must be given to the patient immediately after the eye examination is completed. This means that the doctor must give the patient his or her prescription before they begin selling you eyeglasses (if they also sell eyeglasses).  
**Q. What if the patient doesn't ask for the prescription? Does the eye doctor still have to give it out to his or her patient?**  
**A.** Yes. The Prescription Release Rule requires that the eye doctor prepare the prescription and physically offer it to the patient. Of course, the eye doctor can't force the patient to take it, but must offer him or her the written prescription. Simply asking the patient whether they want their prescription is not sufficient. It's been found that many consumers had never seen a prescription for corrective eye wear, and were unaware that they could take that piece of paper and use it to comparison shop.  
**Q. What is the penalty for violating the Rule?**  
**A.** The penalty for violating the Rule is up to \$10,000 per violation.  
**Q. How can you report violations of the Rule?**  
**A.** You can contact the Federal Trade Commission directly in Washington, D.C. at:  
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