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ferrorists are knocking down airplanes with sian shoulder-mounted missiles," said U.S. fficial Robert Kupperman in a speech

Thursday night in Rudder Tower. So far, he said, America has escaped most of the world's Battalion photo by Larry Parker terrorist activities.

Official describes terrorism

S. untouched tor now most on attention, and he expects terrorists will begin attacking more though terrorism is an international problem, the United States has

By RICHARD OLIVER

Battalion Reporter g bites present a much more significant economic and political ult problem in the United areas around the world. than terrorism, a federal offiid Thursday.

og bites are an incredibly more alt problem in the U.S. than sm, if you measure it in lethal 'said Robert H. Kupperman, cientist of the U.S. Arms ol and Disarmament Agency. pperman, in a speech spon-by the MSC Political Forum ittee, stressed that terrorism ill an important problem, but rorists npact of terrorist actions is

really cares any longer the next hijacking?" he said. ody pays attention to it any-

erman said terrorists thrive

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been spared from any major harrsament. "Terrorism is theatrical, and it's well-planned," he said. "Terrorists need not stick to the mundane hijacking. They understand the the CIA. Achilles' heel of the governments

They can manipulate media, and will utilize it to their advantage. Kupperman estimates about 140 terrorist groups are active in the world. He also said more than 5,000 deaths have been attributed to ter-

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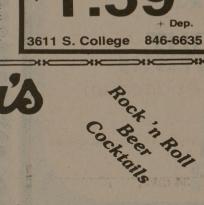
"After awhile, terrorism goes on for its own sake," he said. "These agement people can't ever go back to society

"We must have a set plan of what to do," he said. "You must test Most of them are on the most wanted lists of every country in the people and give them an opportunity to deal with problems that in-Kupperman emphasized that alvolve the most important decisions

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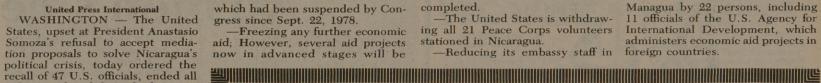
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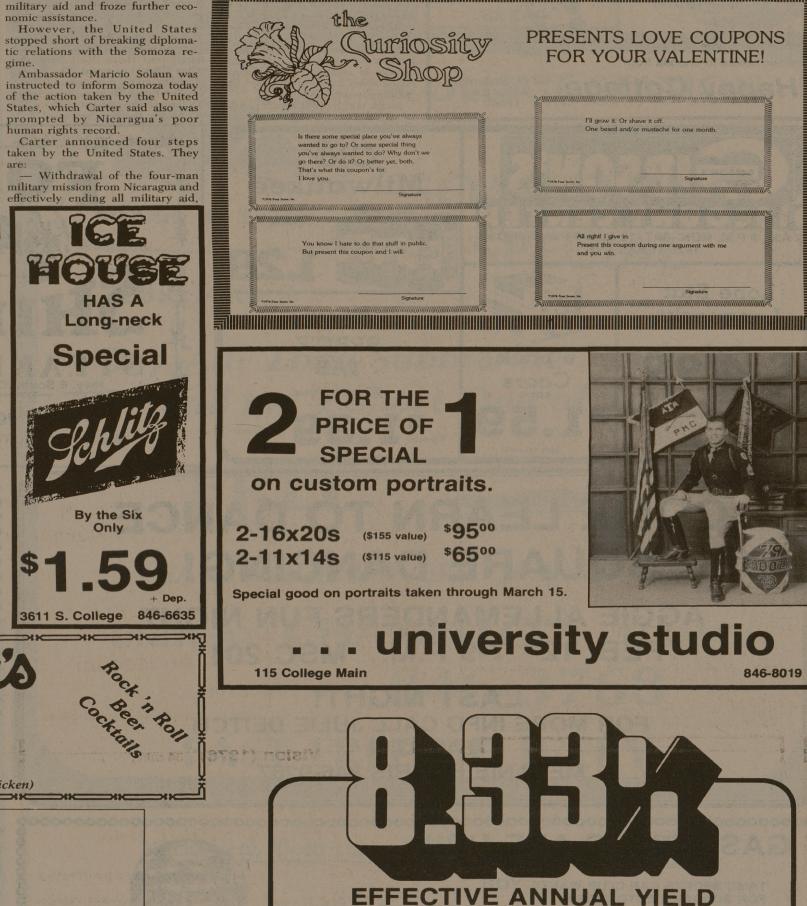
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-Reducing its embassy staff in foreign countries.



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Kupperman said in order to combat terrorism, the United States must stop weakening the FBI and We must understand that there have been abuses," he said. "I'm not justifying these abuses, but it's far

better to have advance knowledge of impending events then to have to live through them." Kepperman also emphasized the importance of effective crisis man-

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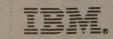
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