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Tuesday, February 8, 1972

countries reached their lowest

point 18 months ago after Cuba

refused to return airline hijackers

would allow the bilateral airline

agreement with Cuba to expire

and there was serious talk of a

possible break in diplomatic re-

lations. The air treaty was event-

ually renewed, apparently with

**Rare whale found beached;** 

Mexico has served notice it

to Mexico for trial.

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Cuban promise to consider Mexi-

plane is hijacked over Mexican

The Cubans were unhappy with

Mexico, Maldonado said, because

they believed Mexico was support-

ing the economic blockade of the

island. The ambassador said this

was not true and increased trade

with Cuba has, he said, proven

Mexico does not support the

Relations between the two can pleas for extradition when a

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**Relations between Mexico, Cuba have improved** 

and fragile less than two years to Cuba said Monday. ago, have improved tremendously and Fidel Castro promises there for consultation, said the imill be no Cuban intervention of provement is based mainly on

MEXICO CITY (AP)-Relations any sort in Mexican internal af- increased commercial dealings be- Mexicans that perhaps Castro tionalistic, so are the Cubans." etween Mexico and Cuba, tense fairs, this country's ambassador tween Mexico and Cuba but that cultural and sports interchanges Victor Alfonso Maldonado, home

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have also helped. Mexico was the only country in the western hemisphere to main-tain diplomatic relations with Cuba after Fidel Castro's government was suspended from the Organization of American States a decade ago for trying to export the Cuban revolution to other countries. Relations between the

## two nations were fine for a time until it became apparent to some Rice wins computer contests

A four-man computer programming team from Rice won first place at A&M's Regional Programming Contest held here over the weekend.

Twenty-two teams from 16 colleges and universities in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas participated in the third annual event. Rice won the \$100 first place prize and was the only team to complete all three contest problems. Second place and \$50 went to SMU, the University of Texas-Austin won \$25 third prize and Trinity University won \$25 for

fourth place. ough of College Station finished

ing Center. Funds for the contest were provided by the Industrial Engineering Department, Data Processing Center, IBM and Robert Smith, past director of A&M's DPC. Members of the Rice team were Mike Donegan, Randall Neff, Scott Warren and Gene Mutsch-

An A&M mammal expert believes the 25-foot whale which washed ashore near Freeport last week probably is a rare Atlantic Right whale that somehow wandered into the Gulf of Mexico.

Dr. David Schmidly, curator of mammals for the Texas Cooperative Wildlife Collection, said if he's right it would mean the first sighting of the Atlantic Right in the Gulf.

was trying to interfere in Mexi-

can internal affairs, running guns

through Mexico and perhaps in-

volved in guerrilla activities in

ference by isolated elements but

not by the Cuban government," Maldonado said. "Fidel Castro

lived in Mexico and he knows how

jealous we are to the principle of

nonintervention. We are very na-

"I feel there has been inter-

this country.

life and fisheries science said the whale was buried and the grave was too deep for excavation over the weekend.

Mrs. Roberta Dansby, news editor of the Brazosport Facts in Freeport, said a county commissioners court dump crew buried

the whale about six miles from Surfside on the Galveston Road. Two A&M students located the grave last week and Dr. Schmidly took 10 students to the site Saturday to dig for the whale. Dr. Schmidly said the tide covered the grave and the shells over the site prevented digging with picks and shovels.

He will ask the Brazoria County sanitation crews to assist his project by digging the whale up again.

Dr. Schmidly pointed out he is interested in the skull for use at A&M or it may be donated to the National Museum.

He added the young whale apparently beached itself. Photos taken by a Brazosport

# Paris negotiations anger Thieu, wants more input

Nguyen Van Thieu, apparently annoyed by what he considers U.S. efforts to impose a Vietnam peace settlement, has told Ameri-

SAIGON (AP) - President morning, official sources said Thieu was angry at statements made by Secretary of State William P. Rogers at a Washington

news conference last week. The sources said Thieu instruct-States, Bui Diem, to make in-

liam J. Porter that any proposals

first to be sighted in Gulf Facts reporter have been sent to whale experts to determine if Dr. Schmidly's identification as an Atlantic Right is correct. Dr. Schmidly said Atlantic

Right whales usually go no farther south than off the coast of



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A&M's undergraduate team of Jack Coats of Hurst, Bill Vasen of Pasadena and Ian Kettlebor-

fifth, two points behind Trinity. The contest, sponsored by Upsilon Pi Epsilon, A&M's computer science honor fraternity, was held

Saturday at the Remote Computing Facility of the Data ProcessThe assistant professor of wild-