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# the world

## Dollar value weak in Europe, hits record low in Zurich

United Press International  
LONDON — Following more heavy losses in Tokyo, the dollar fell Tuesday to a record low in Zurich. Pressure eased a bit on some European markets at the opening of trade, but the dollar remained very weak. The price of gold, at the highest levels in 3½ years, fell slightly. "The dollar was extremely shaky with more falls seen, but selling was less hectic," said a dealer for Barclay's Bank in London. A dealer for Chase Manhattan in London agreed. "With a new low in Tokyo overnight the dollar again sagged in Europe, but falls were less heavy," he said.

In Tokyo, the Bank of Japan abandoned efforts to bolster the dollar, which closed at the post-war low of 195.50 yen. It slid below the psychological barrier of 200 yen on Monday. In Zurich the dollar opened at the all-time low of 1.7715 francs, down from Monday's close of 1.77375. Swiss bankers repeated their view that the Bonn economic summit last week — and in particular President Carter's promises — added up to more words without action on solving the world's economic crises. They said the dollar decline is a con-

tinuation of the process begun by what they call the Carter administration's policy of "malign neglect" of the dollar. In London the pound opened at \$1.9370, up nearly a cent from \$1.9275. Gold, riding high near the \$200-an-ounce mark, opened at \$195.875 in Zurich, down from \$195.375. In London it went from \$195.125 to \$194.75. In Paris, where the dollar dipped to 4.3900 francs — down from 4.39500 and the lowest since 4.3800 on Nov. 13, 1975 — the Paris Daily

Figaro said in a front-page editorial: "The United States is acting like the bad boy of the Western world. Inflation has started up again in a big way and the foreign trade deficit will run to \$30 billion this year. Given the enormous mass of dollars circulating worldwide, the least noise provokes a backwash in the market. Publication of an unfavorable statistic or the threat of an OPEC expert is enough to make anyone with dollars want to get rid of them before they burn his fingers."

## High-level visits to Russia banned

United Press International  
WASHINGTON — The State Department Tuesday slapped a general ban on future visits to the Soviet Union by high-ranking U.S. officials until relations improve between Washington and the Kremlin. Department spokesman Hodding Carter III said a scheduled trip to the Soviet Union by Lawrence Si-

mons, assistant secretary of housing, had been officially canceled under terms of the new policy. The spokesman said all such activities are now under review "and pending the completion of the review, on a case-by-case basis we are deferring all high-level visits." The case-by-case review would presumably leave open the possibility of future trips by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

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# what's up

**Wednesday**

**FRANKENSTEIN:** The Texas A&M Theater Arts presentation of "Frankenstein" opens tonight at 8 in the Rudder Forum Theater. The play is taken from the Mary Shelley classic and will be dramatized by the Premier Players. Tickets are \$1 for students and \$2 for all others. They may be purchased at the MSC box office or at the door.

**SQUARE DANCE:** A night of free square dancing with Manning Smith is open to anyone who wants to participate. The square dance will begin in the MSC at 8 p.m.

**BAHAI CLUB:** The Baha'i Club will have a public meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the MSC 139. A slide presentation on the "Unity of Mankind" will be shown.

**SPEAKERS:** The president and senior vice president of Harte-Hanks Communications Company are the featured speakers today in the Finance Department's executive speaker series. They will be making presentations in Sterling C. Evans Library Room 226 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The first session will focus on corporate philosophy and the second will cover market analysis.

**GROVE:** "The Mikado." An American falls in love with a Japanese beauty. Movie begins at 8:45 p.m.

**Thursday**

**JAZZ CLASS:** Dance Arts Society jazz class will meet every Thursday night until Aug. 10 at 7 p.m. in G. Rollie White Room 266.

**BAHAI CLUB:** The Baha'i Club will hold another public meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the All Faith's Chapel.

**FRANKENSTEIN:** The Premier Players production of "Frankenstein" continues at 8 p.m. in the Rudder Forum Theater.

**GROVE:** "King Kong." This 1976 remake of an old favorite stars Jessica Lange and Jeff Bridges. Movie begins at 8:45 p.m.

**Friday**

**CHESS:** The Chess Committee meets at 6:30 p.m. in Rudder Tower 302 for an evening of competition.

**GROVE:** "Catch 22." A surrealistic satire on war and bureaucracy. Inspired MASH. Stars Alan Arkin. Movie begins at 8:45 p.m.

## Miss South Africa is new Miss Universe

United Press International  
ACAPULCO, Mexico — Miss South Africa — chestnut-haired, blue-eyed Margaret Gardiner, 18, of Cape Town — is the new Miss Universe and the first African to win the title of the most beautiful woman in the world. The statuesque model, poet and short-story writer triumphed over 74 other hopefuls at the Acapulco Arena Monday night, but was so surprised at her victory, she momentarily froze and was led to her wicker throne by Miss USA, who came in second. The silver crown was placed on Miss Gardiner's head by the 1977 Miss Universe, Janelle Commissiong, Miss Trinidad and Tobago, the first black to win the title. The 135-pound Miss Universe is 5-foot, 10½-inches tall — one of the tallest contestants in the pageant — and measures 38-28-35. She is a published poet and short-story writer, who plans to model until she is 21, then study journalism. The first runner-up was Miss USA, Judi Andersen, 20, of Honolulu. The second runner-up was Miss Spain, 21-year-old Guillermina Ruiz, followed by Miss Colombia, Shirley Saenz, 18, and Miss Denmark, 17-year-old Cecilia Rodhe. The other seven semi-finalists were Misses Ireland, Israel, land, Mexico, Belgium, Peru and Chile. Before the finals, Miss Gardiner said her life's ambition was to represent her country internationally. She said the person she most admired was Dr. Christiaan Barnard, the South African surgeon who pioneered heart transplants. The winner told UPI in an interview last week that a black chosen Miss South Africa is the beauty, charm and intelligence. She said the grueling contest taught her to be patient and "being a celebrity is hard work." Miss Gardiner said she has a diary since her arrival in Mexico and plans to write a book about the experience. Before the final selection, Miss Universe contestants modeled their choreographed routines and Mexican hat dances to the guests and reporters at the pageant at the arena, which was decorated like a Mayan temple.

## Fourth game in chess match ends in draw after 19 moves

United Press International  
BAGUIO, Philippines — World Chess Titlist Anatoly Karpov and challenger Viktor Korchnoi Tuesday drew their fourth consecutive game in the world chess championship. The first three games last week also resulted in draws. Despite a psychological victory over Korchnoi in the blueberry yogurt debate, Karpov was unable to drive home his advantage of being first, and the players agreed to a draw after only 90 moves. Chief match arbiter Leonid Schmid told Karpov Tuesday he had approved the champion's demand to have blueberry yogurt to him during matches.

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