## No decline in SAT scores

United Press International NEW YORK — A study indicates the national average of college-bound high school students taking the Scholastic Aptitude Test this year did not decline for the first time since 1968 and that students' career interests have

The College Board said Monay the average score on the SAT, aken by 1.5 million students in 1981, remained at the 1980 level: 424 on the verbal part of the test

and 466 on the math. The top score on each test is 800.

For the past 18 years, the scores have declined — with the exception of 1968 and 1981 when they stayed at the same level.

"It is still too early to predict whether this signals the end of the score decline or simply an interrruption in the 18-year trend," said Robert G. Cameron, executive director of research and development for the College Board.

A second part of the report, a profile on college-bound seniors from the class of 1981, showed student plans over the last several years shifting from the liberal arts and service professions to fields such as business and commerce,

the most popular area of study among many high school graduamong women. Interest in careers ates.

ing from 1963, has alarmed educators, parents and taxpayers, inengineering and computer science.

For the first time, the board reported, business and commerce edged past health and medicine as in reading, writing and math

# U.S. cash flow endangered

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WASHINGTON — Unless the Senate approves an increase in the government's borrowing author-ity by midnight tonight, the Treasary will run out of cash and be unable to pay next week's bills.

Despite the urgency, the Senate spent Monday debating unrelated amendments, with Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan. - keeping with the administration's desire for a "clean" bill — managing to beat

back each attempt.

The Senate debate continued
Tuesday, beginning with an amendment by Sen. William
Armstrong, R-Colo., to grant the president authority to withhold

borrowing authority has topped trillion.

Not wanting the momentous occasion to pass unnoticed, Sen.
William Proxmire, D-Wis., stayed up all night speaking "in painstaking detail" on the direct

funds for federal programs already

approved by Congress.

At the outset of the debate
Monday, Senate Republican leader Howard Baker warned his colleagues, "It is absolutely vital that the Senate act on the measure as soon as possible." The bill before the Senate would raise the existing debt limit of \$985 billion to an unprecented \$1.079 trillion the first time the government's borrowing authority has topped \$1

ceiling. But Proxmire, who began talking at 6:15 p.m. EDT Monday and was still at it when the sun came up Tuesday morning, was the only senator in the chamber

If the Senate misses its dead-

1982 fiscal year — the debt ceiling will slip back to its permanent level of \$400 billion, leaving the Treasury with insufficient funds for government payrolls, Social Security checks and other obliga-

### Plant delayed by snag in design, not protest

United Press International AVILA BEACH, Calif. — A design discrepancy did what the nation's largest anti-nuclear protest was unable to do for the past two weeks — indefinitely delay preparations to activate the Diablo Canyon nuclear

power plant.
Pacific Gas & Electric, owners of the \$2.3 billion plant on the California coast, disclosed late Monday that engineers had "discovered a discrepancy" in a diagram used to analyze stress on pipe supports in the reactor's

A PG&E spokesman said the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington had been informed of the problem — discovered Sunday during a design review - involving pipe hangers, which support an overhead crane used to move fuel

The fuel loading will be post-poned indefinitely while pre-vious stress analysis studies are reviewed to "confirm the ade-

quacy of the piping systems in the area," the spokesman said. There was no indication how

long the delay might last.

Hours before the PG&E announcement, the Abalone Alliance anti-nuclear group ended its two-week protest at the plant, calling it a success although they consistently failed to successfully close the still-unfinished plant.

The group's final action before abandoning the protest Monday resulted in the arrest of more than 250 protesters attempting to stop workers from entering the plant, including actor Robert Blake and singersongwriter Jackson Browne.

The arrests raised the total number during the past two weeks to 1,901 — the most for any anti-nuclear demonstration in U.S. history.

The Abalone Alliance, a coalition of 16 anti-nuclear groups, said it was now shifting from its "Phase 1" focus of confrontation to "Phase 2," featuring a nationwide education effort on the hazards of nuclear power.

Monday's trespass arrest was the second for Browne, who was warned following four days in jail last week that those rearrested face several weeks in

Most of those arrested were dragged, pushed and pulled from the street by about 15 helmeted sheriff's deputies while approximately 120 demonstrators stood nearby singing and dancing as their comrades were taken into custody.

Blake, star of the "Baretta" TV series whose real name is Michael Gubitosi, had escaped arrest early in the protest when he participated in an unsuccessful sea blockade at the plant.

Last week, Blake apologized

to San Luis Obispo Sheriff George Whiting for calling him a "fat sheriff." It was not known whether Whiting was present during Blake's arrest Monday morning.

#### Flip Wilson misses court hearing, warrant delayed

United Press International TORRANCE, Calif. — Comedian Flip Wilson failed to appear in court on drug charges and a warrant was issued for his arrest, but a judge agreed to delay the warrant until today.

Attorney Jacob Bloom said Monday Wilson would appear in court today and a date would be set, probably in October, for a hearing on an evidence motion.
"Mr. Wilson was out of the city

Friday and the judge knew about Bloom said.

Wilson missed his pre-trial hearing last Friday and Superior Court Judge Edward Hinz issued the warrant, but Wilson's attorney

managed to get the warrant de-layed until Wilson appears in

Wilson, 47, was freed on \$2,500 bail following his arrest last March 10 on charges of possessing cocaine and hashish oil. He was arrested at Los Angeles International Airport after a flight from Florida when police reportedly found 2.5 grams of cocaine, several grams of hashish oil and a small quantity of marijuana in his pos-

If convicted he could receive a maximum sentence of three years in prison, or be ordered to attend a drug diversion program.

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