

# Majority of telephone workers back on the job after strike

**United Press International** arly 700 directory salesple in Western states rened on strike Tuesday, but st telephone workers were on their jobs providing ator assistance and catching n orders for repairs and in-

egotiations in Denver and Angeles sought to end those tes continuing against untain Bell and Pacific Teleagainst

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Los Angeles, John Vivrett he International Brother-dof Electrical Workers, said

"We're a long way apart right now," Vivrett said. "The company is proposing take-back offers in our wages." Elsewhere, almost all other

vorkers were on the job after a 22-day walkout, and American Telephone & Telegraph Co. spokeswoman Edie Herman

sumer services director, said the

commission's decision "means

## axi regulation hanges authority Tom James, the city's con-

**United Press International** ALLAS — City officials and er cab companies Tuesday led the decision of the Texas exclusive regulation of airtaxi cabs, marking the end one firm's monopoly. Yellow Cab of Dallas Inc., has

in the only firm to receive a unse from the commission inte the D-FW's opening in

Monday's decision by the mission to allow the airt's governing board the aurity to issue licenses to taxi ms drew praise from city offias and applications to begin rvice from at least two comes, Terminal Cab Co., and will be Taxi Dallas.

that local authorities can reg-ulate local service and by provid-ing a wide range of choices, should be in the public interest." Yellow Cab officials were cri-tical of the commission saving tical of the commission, saying the decision would hurt the public by overloading the airport with cabs. Yellow Cab, under the pre-

sent license agreement, subcon-tracts with other firms for the right to pick up passengers, charging each company \$1 per pickup.

Under the commission's new rule, taxi firms licensed through the airport board will not have to pay the fee to Yellow Cab.

about 450 Yellow Pages sales and support personnel were "still holding out" in his city. In Denver, Mountain Bell Mexico, Arizona, Idaho, and

The said bargaining was to re-sume Tuesday in the strike, which is "really starting to hurt." Bargaining also was being con-ducted in Denver. "We're a long way of the strike as a long way of the s



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## Shuttle lights up night with a flawless launch

#### **United Press International**

Cape Canaveral, Fla. — The shuttle Challenger rocketed the first black American spaceman and four other fliers into a 184mile-high orbit early Tuesday, riding a brilliant spear of fire that turned night into day in a spectacle seen 400 miles away.

The launch was flawless and the astronauts got down to work quickly with Guion Bluford, one of four blacks in the space corps, using a biological processing machine to purify living cells for the first time in space.

Four and a half hours after their rain-delayed blastoff, mis-sion commander Richard Truly, co-pilot Daniel Brandenstein and mission specialist Dale Gardner told mission control what it was like to take off in the middle of the night atop two fiery solid booster rockets.

Dr. William Thornton, the fifth crewman and at 54 the old-est man in space, rode on the lower deck of Challenger's cabin and apparently missed much of the show

To spaceport observers, it was like an instantaneous sunrise. The flame gushing from Chal-

lenger's boosters cast an eerie orange glow that brightened in seconds to virtual daylight inten-

sity over the spaceport. To the astronauts aboard Challenger, at one point it seemed like they were "inside a bonfire." That was when the two boosters were kicked away by explosive charges to parachute into the Atlantic ocean near two waiting recovery ships.

"It looked like we were just totally enveloped in a ball of flame," Gardner said. "The

flame appeared to be all around us, like we were in the center. "It looked like we were in a

ball of flames for about 15 seconds. In fact, it looked like it was never going to stop. That really surprised us. It was quite a ride

Truly said the liftoff was like driving through a fog bank with an internal light that "got brighter and brighter." Before liftoff,

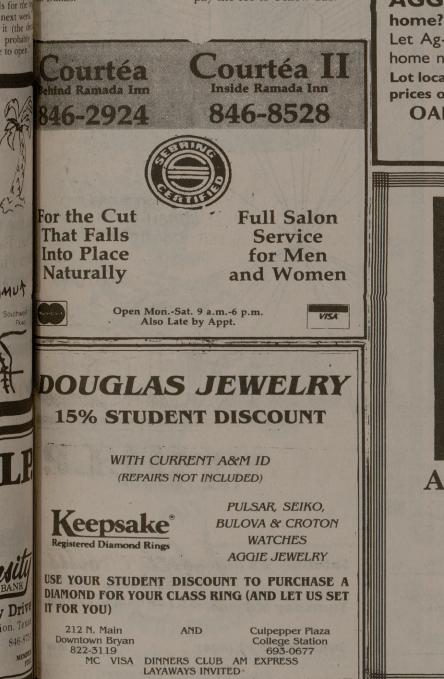
President Reagan saluted Bluford on his historical trip.





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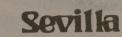
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