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# NATO missile deployment still an issue

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MOSCOW - Soviet Foreign Minter Andrei Gromyko warned Washington Sunday the new Soviet-American arms talks would be jeop-ardized if NATO continued to deploy U.S. cruise and Pershing 2 misiles in Western Europe

Gromyko, in a rare television ap-pearance, also warned that agreement in any area of the arms negotiations must be linked to pro-gress in President Reagan's "Star Wars" initiative.

The warning came as a surprise to Western diplomats because Moscow previously had dropped all public reference to the intermediate-range nuclear missiles that NATO began deploying in December 1983 to counter Soviet SS 20s aimed at West-

ern Europe.

Gromyko's remarks came in an appearance on a television talk show in which he fielded questions from our Soviet political commentators about his meeting last week in Geneva, Switzerland, with U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz.

Both sides agreed to hold arms

talks covering strategic and intermediate-range nuclear arms as well as space weapons, with the location and date to be set in the next month.

Gromyko said that during the meeting he "clearly warned the U.S. that the new talks would be jeopar-dized if it continued to deploy its missiles in Europe" and that "the situation will grow more complicated, ery much more complicated" if the leployment continues.

In Washington, a senior U.S. official said the position voiced by Gromyko was the same the Soviets have taken for months and he played

"We've always assumed that in their public discussions they would put as much emphasis as possible on the missiles in Europe in an effort to drive a wedge into the alliance," the

official said. He noted the statement came as Reagan prepared to meet with Bel-gian Prime Minister Wilfried Marens Monday to underscore the need to press ahead with cruise missile deployments in Belguim scheduled for March.

The Soviet Union walked out of Geneva talks on intermediate-range and strategic nuclear weapons after NATO countries began deploying the missiles and said it would not return until all missiles had been re-

It was not clear after the Geneva talks whether the failure of one set of talks could derail the others. Gromyko said Sunday that was the case. "The Soviet Union would be will-

ing to curtail strategic weapons if the opportunity arose but if no progress were made in space, then none could be made in the question of strategic weapons," Gromyko said. "It is impossible to regard the question of strategic and medium-range weap-

ons without the question of space."

He warned that if the United States began testing and deploying space weapons, "The talks would be blown up. We made such a warning to U.S. delegates."

The United States is now to ting a problem of an anti-missile confesse.

prototype of an anti-missile defense system, but any deployment of such a system is not expected before the turn of the century

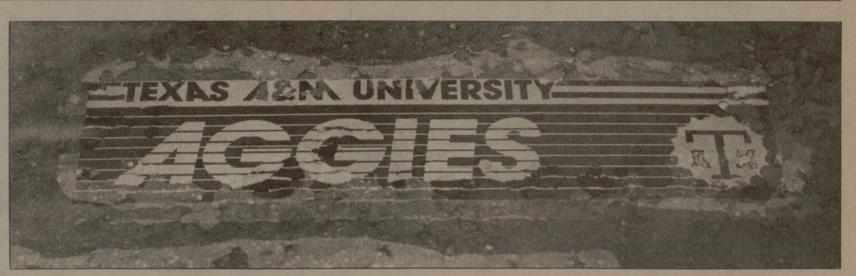
Gromyko said he received a letter from Shultz since the Geneva meeting in which Shultz said the Americans intended to honor the agreements made at their meeting.

"This is a positive sign," Gromyko said, "but we shall have to wait and

In Washington, Shultz said Gromyko's comments linking space weapons to other arms topics "certainly don't doom" prospects for reaching new accords.

"The fact that there is a relationship among the different kinds of arms that we'll be talking about is something that we believe and we have advocated," Shultz said.

Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, speaking on CBS's "Face the Nation," ruled out giving up work on the space weapons system, saying it will be useful in a U.S. effort "to bring the Soviets around to the idea that defense is a much better means of deterence than offense.



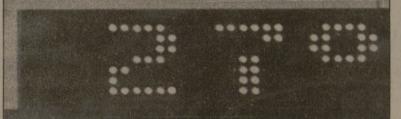


Photo by DEAN SAITO

#### Stormy weather

The scoreboard temperature reading at Olsen Field provides a digital account of the weather in College Station Sunday. Due to below freezing temperatures, ice remains on car win-



### Snowstorm creates problems

A winter storm that dumped more than 16 inches of snow on San Antonio and was blamed for at least one death weakened Sunday, but icy conditions kept many parts of west and south-central Texas paralyzed. In Juarez, Mexico, just across the border from El Paso, police Satur-day found the body of a woman who apparently froze to death. Her iden-

lieved to be from Mexico's interior.

Record snowfall blanketed the Hill Country and portions of central Texas Sunday. San Antonio police reported 16 1/2 inches of snow there, and the weather service reported 11 inches in El Paso, 10 in Hondo, up to 9 in Sonora, 4 in Midland and 3 in

> In San Antonio, which got the worst snow in its history, police from the middle Texas coast south

driving conditions were treacherous and more than 300 accidents were

reported.
"It was 16 1/2 inches (of snow), and above that there's about 3 inches of sleet and ice because it started raining last night, and it's like a sheet of ice," Barrera said.

and medical emergencies at 15 mph.

A winter storm warning remained in effect Sunday for much of south and southwest Texas due to a wide band of freezing rain and sleet, but the snowstorm that buried much of the state with record snowfall weakened, and the National Weather Service predicted a thaw Sunday.

Freezing rain and sleet ranged

where rain and a low of 29 degrees early Sunday froze water to citrus

But afternoon temperatures rose above the freezing point in south Texas, and the weather service said the sleet would change to rain as the

melt off began. Fire Department spokesman Joe
Montanez said emergency vehicles
snow fell, University of Texas Amy Long reported all Monday morning classes were

> However, lawmakers were expected to return to the Capitol on schedule, said Dick Merkel, press secretary for House Speaker Gib Le-

In San Angelo, which received 6 inches of snow, Blaine Palmer, manager of Palmer Feed and Supply,

said the snow and icy roads forced all traffic to a halt.

"We've had about 3.5 inches of snow (Sunday), and it's still freezing," he said. "What we've got is slick, slicker than glass."

Palmer, who owns about 60 head of cattle on pasture, said they could not get to grass buried beneath the snow and ice, and he and ranchers were trying to get hay to their stock, but the icy roads made that nearly

In the Lower Rio Grande Valley, which was ravaged by a viscious win-ter freeze last year, rain and low temperatures plastered citrus groves

"We had a freeze here," said Eddie Garza of Mission. "It got down to 29 degrees, and of course it rained a little bit all day yesterday and last

#### Parsons' Cavalry to ride in parade

**United Press International** 

COLLEGE STATION - The Parsons' Mounted Cavalry ceremonial mounted unit of the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets — has been invited to join the more than 50 organizations that will march in the Inaugural Parade in Washington, D.C., Jan. 21, school officials said.

The unit was selected by White House officials to represent the State of Texas in the parade that follows the president's swearingn ceremonies about mid-morn-

Several members of The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents are personally contributng funds and leading fund-raisng efforts, and Texas A&M's Association of Former Students has agreed to provide financial sup-

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Capt. Edwin Kennedy, the faculty adviser to the Parsons' Mounted Cavalry, says that cadet members of the organization have begun making preparations

for the trip. "We plan to take 36 horses and 42 cadets, as well as the caisson," Kennedy said. "We will be the only mounted unit in the parade

will be fourth in line, so this is quite an honor.

Kennedy added he felt the president's background as a sec-ond lieutenant in the U.S. Cavalry nearly 50 years ago might have been a factor in the selec-

President Reagan left the cavalry to enter the Air Force in 1942 and was discharged from service in 1945 with the rank of

The Parsons' Mounted Cavalry has been a traditional part of Texas A&M pageantry since the unit was revived in 1972. Combat horsemanship had always been an important part of the military training conducted at Texas A&M, Kennedy noted. At the turn of the century Col. John "Black Jack" Pershing recruited many troopers from among the students at Texas A&M on his way to West Texas to chase the Mexican bandit Pancho Villa.

The Parsons' Mounted Cavalry is composed of junior and senior cadets who are responsible for the care and upkeep of the horses used by the outfit. A select group of sophomores also assist in the care of the animals

## Belgian diplomat in U.S. for talks

**United Press International** 

WASHINGTON — Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens traveled to Washington Sunday on a delicate political mission of mollifying both President Reagan and leaders of his own party on the touchy subject of installing cruise missiles in

Reagan was prepared to tell Martens that the March 1 deployment of the first of 48 medium-range missiles must go ahead in order to strengthen America's hand in arms

Martens heads the largest of the four parties forming his govern-ment, but his own Flemish Social Christian party has twice called for postponing the deployment, most recently last week after the Geneva arms talks between Secretary of State George Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Martens is scheduled to meet Reagan at the White House today. In an interview with the Belgian

publication La Libre Belgique, Reagan said the prospects for a Geneva

siles is not, as Belgian opponents contend, a valid reason for delaying deployment. It was alliance solidarity behind

NATO's two-track decision (to nego-tiate while deploying cruise and Pershing 2 missiles) that helped to bring the Soviets back to negotiations, and alliance solidarity behind the dual track approach is crucial to our prospects for success in renewed negotiations," he said.

And the president blamed "an enormous disinformation cam-

pean public opinion against the allied buildup, which he said was necessary "to redress the balance in Europe.

West Germany, Italy and Great Britain have already begun deploying the missiles, and Belgium is scheduled to start taking them

Reagan is prepared to maintain that allied resolve in the November deployment caused the Soviets to return to the bargaining table, an offi-

Center provides graduate students with training

#### Counseling available to students

By MARY COX

Reporter

Few students or faculty members know about the Counseling and Assessment Center located in 701 Har-

rington Tower. We can serve anyone who has a genuine need in the community," said Jan Hughes, director of the cen-

"Our main mission is to train graduate students in counseling and our second purpose is to help peo-

Graduate students videotape the counseling sessions and the tapes are

viewed by supervisors. This allows for 'hands on' experience for the graduate student, Hughes said.

Three counseling programs are provided for the graduate students, she said. A doctoral program in school psychology involving child counseling and family therapy, a doctoral program in counseling psychology involving adult-oriented counseling such as group therapy and a master's program in counseling psychology that provides individual counseling, particularly vocational counseling.

Though the center has been in operation since the late 1960s, Hughes said, it has suffered an up and down history. This year, however, the center is adequately staffed and the emphasis has been changed.

Hughes said the center operates on a sliding fee schedule which is quite low. The fees range from \$2 to \$60 per hour, depending on the income of the client and the number of people in the session.

Last semester, the counseling services were free to Texas A&M

students, she said, but that policy may be changed for this semester.

Though the center relies on a word-of-mouth referral method, the center's growth has not been hin-dered. Hughes said that due to an increase in family counseling, the center has more cases than it can

The center offers aptitude, personality and intelligence testing. Biofeedback training, which monitors and affects responses to stress, is also available at the center.