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WORLD AND NATION





Aspirin may be linked to fatal youth disease

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The government said Wednesday an industrysponsored advertising campaign will begin next week to warn of the possible link between aspirin and the often fatal children's disease known as Reye Syndrome.

The Department of Health and Human Services said the campaign will include posters and warning stickers on store shelves along with radio and television commercials.

But new aspirin labels warning of the link will not begin appearing in stores until this summer, the depart-ment said, after the flu season is

The new labels will warn against the use of aspirin for children suf-fering from chickenpox or flu because of a possible association with Reye Syndrome, a rare disease that days later, and government and in-

is fatal to about one of every four children who contract it.

Aspirin products now on the shelves do not contain warnings against such use, and labels on children's aspirin even recommend use of the product to relieve the discom-fort of colds or flu. The action taken by the aspirin industry does not include recall of those products to

change the labels. HHS Secretary Margaret M. Heckler, in announcing the cam-paign, applauded the Aspirin Foun-dation of America for "its prompt and responsible action, which will be getting the message to Americans within a week." Heckler had called for voluntary

action by the industry on Jan. 9, after rejecting a request for emergency action. The industry agreed two

dustry officials have been meeting for nearly two weeks to work out de-tails of what would be done.

In a statement released today, the secretary also asked the news media to use the public service announcements and store managers to display the posters, "because we will rely on these materials to notify people buy-ing aspirin products with the old la-bels — or already having such products in their homes.

The action follows release of a pi-lot study by the federal Centers for Disease Control suggesting children who take aspirin for influenza or chickenpox may run a 25 times greater risk of contracting Reye than children suffering from the illnesses who are not given aspirin.

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Investing in a franchise operation may be the answer for those wa to go into business for themselv because it provides a pretested mula for success, says a former viser to the U.S. Small Busines, ministration.

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"As a franchisee, however, cover-up eliminate some of the risk bez chief riva you have the franchisor's experie and expertise behind you," hes signed t The franchisor has, in effe blazed the trail for you.'

ppines a Under the tranchising system dividual business operators and lowed to sell or distribute good led by A Gen. Lu services using the parent compa name. The system is used by m of direct than 1,800 American company some 40 industries today

"The health care field is one where franchising has really off recently because of the ing number of people who are ing a healthier lifestyle ther priority," said Goings.

id We "But no matter which indu you choose to enter, there a rent farm gate before signing a franc Block agreement."

Among these, he said, are the of experience required of the ness, the hours and comm necessary to run the business the franchisor is and what his track record has been.

Also, how much it's going t to get into the franchise, how you're going to pay for the oni ing right to operate the business if there are any products or service you must buy from the france and how and by whom they are plied.

And finally, the terms and on tions under which the frame relationship can be terminated. how many have been term during the past few years.

Baker awaits confirmation of new job

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate Finance Committee voted unanimously Wednesday to recommend confirmation of James A. Baker III as Treasury secretary after hearing him say the administration believes simplifying the tax code is as important as attacking deficits.

Baker, however, stressed repeatcurrent Treasury secretary, Donald Regan, was only a "starting point" taken up by the full Senate next week and Finance Committee Chair-

and could be substantially modified before it is sent to Congress. Baker, President Reagan's chief of

quick approval. Baker, credited as the key strategstaff for four years, is swapping jobs with Regan. Baker's nomination won easy approval from the panel follow-ing a 2¹/₂-hour hearing in which Baker was relaxed and often engaged in friendly banter with his Senate interrogators. to get a major tax bill and spending

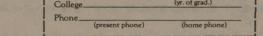
cuts through Congress.

ist responsible for the president's the broad outlines of the tax r first-term legislative victories, said the administration hopes 1985 will be a replay of 1981, when the ad-ministration "found the resources" proposal in his State of the l address next month.

The tax proposal unveiled b gan last November would slast rent tax rates and broaden d making more income subject taxes.

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to overhauling the tax code. Baker said Reagan would



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priority," Baker said, to reducing budget deficits that are soaring to

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