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Royal couple visits Arlington Cemetery

Charles, Diana wind down U.S. visit

Associated Press
 WASHINGTON — After smiling regally through three glittering days in Washington, Britain's royal couple wound down their stay on a sobering note Monday.
 Prince Charles placed a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Princess Diana took part with Nancy Reagan in a moving rap session at a drug treatment center for children.
 Dressed in his ceremonial Royal Navy uniform, with the rank of commander, the Prince of Wales saluted the tomb as the band played the

British anthem, "God Save the Queen."
 He held the salute for the National Anthem that followed.
 In the color guard was the Union Jack.
 The prince and princess were given a 21-gun salute as they arrived and when they left.
 Accompanied by Maj. Gen. John Ballantyne, commander of the military district of Washington, Charles climbed the broad steps to the tomb, where the unknown of four wars are buried and, as a bugler played taps,

placed a wreath at the marble structure.
 Behind, stood the princess, eyes downcast.
 She wore a royal blue dress with a wide black sash, and a wide-brimmed hat also trimmed in black.
 She was escorted by the British ambassador, Sir Oliver Wright.
 Afterward they proceeded to the cemetery's memorial display room containing medals and other insignia, including Britain's Victoria Cross, that had been presented to the Unknown Soldier by the nations of the world.

Charles also placed a wreath at the memorial for Field Marshal Sir John Dill, who was head of the British Joint Staff Commission in World War II.
 In the evening Charles and Diana were to be at a farewell reception at the National Gallery of Art.
 They leave Tuesday for a one-day stay in Palm Beach, Fla., and yet another gala dinner.
 The young couple's afternoon activities were far different from the morning's when they sauntered through a J.C. Penney's store, admiring its display of British goods.

UPI creditors seeking final decision on buyer

Associated Press
 WASHINGTON — United Press International and its major creditors sought Monday to agree on a prospective buyer from among three final bidders for the news agency.
 UPI spokesman William Adler said the three finalists were Mario Vazquez Rana, a Mexican newspaper publisher; Joe Russo, a Houston real estate developer; and a six-member consortium led by Financial News Network Inc. of New York, a cable TV company.
 Adler said late Monday it was not clear when the committee of creditors, in consultation with a nine-member UPI management team and the Wire Service Guild, might decide on a proposed new owner for the company.
 A news story that UPI transmitted to its subscribers Monday and made available to The Associated Press said the final bidders had made offers ranging from \$36 million to \$40 million in cash and working capital.
 UPI filed for protection from

creditors under Chapter 11 of federal bankruptcy law on April 28.
 As of May 31, the news agency reported \$40.2 million in debts and nearly \$24 million in assets.
 UPI chairman Luis Nogales has said that once a prospective buyer is selected, a joint reorganization plan is expected to be filed with federal bankruptcy court here.
 U.S. Bankruptcy Judge George Francis Bason Jr. has empowered the creditors, UPI management and the Guild, which represents about 750 UPI editorial employees, to file plans to reorganize the company.
 Adler said the creditors' committee met all day Monday at UPI's Washington headquarters, hearing presentations from the three finalists bidding to purchase UPI, the recommendations of UPI management and the Guild, and a report from a new group representing non-union UPI employees.
 When that is completed, Adler said, the creditors planned to caucus to make a final selection.

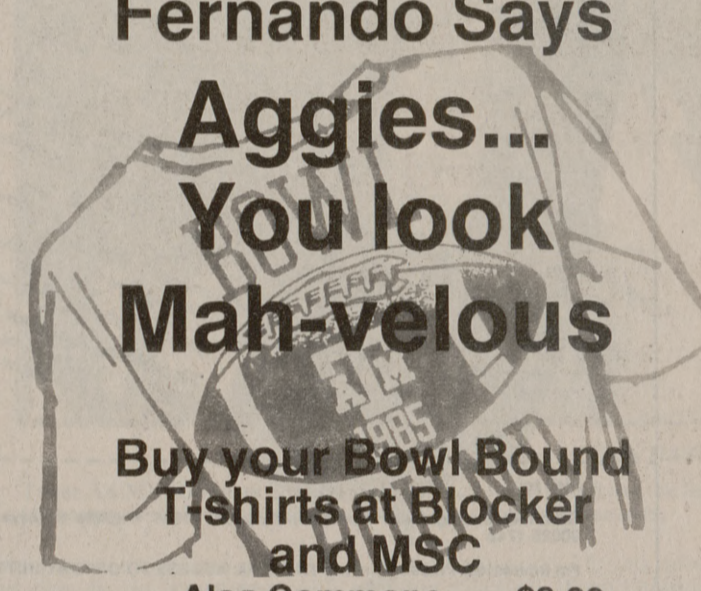
New Mormon leader expresses love for all

Associated Press
 SALT LAKE CITY — Ezra Taft Benson, expressing love for everyone of "every color, creed, and political persuasion," said Monday he had been appointed by God as the Mormon Church's 13th prophet and president.
 Benson, 86, a former U.S. agriculture secretary whose ultraconservative politics made him the most controversial modern church apostle, said he planned no major changes as successor to President Spencer W. Kimball, who died last Tuesday at age 90.
 "This is a day I have not anticipated," Benson said in a voice high with emotion. "Now that the Lord has spoken, we will do our best, under his guiding direction, to move the work forward in the earth."
 Benson was ordained as president Sunday afternoon during a meeting of the Council of the Twelve Apostles in the Salt Lake Temple.
 The announcement was not made until Monday, but it had been anticipated because the prophetic mantle always has gone to the most senior church apostle and president of the Twelve.


At a news conference at church headquarters, Benson announced appointment of two members of the Twelve to serve as his counselors in the governing First Presidency — Gordon B. Hinckley, 75, and Thomas S. Monson, 58.
 Hinckley's selection was expected because of his four years in the First Presidency under Kimball, during which he directed church affairs for the frail and ailing leader.
 The choice of Monson, known as a conservative in the church hierarchy, elevated an apostle who is fourth in seniority to Benson.
 Marion G. Romney, 88, a counselor under Kimball, will serve as president of the Twelve.
 He is heir to the presidency after Benson, but because Romney has been ill for years and confined to his home, Benson appointed Howard W. Hunter, 76, next to Romney in seniority, as acting president of the Twelve.
 Benson promised renewed emphasis on missionary work, "but only in those nations that permit it."
 He reaffirmed a basic Mormon belief that Jesus Christ is the real head of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

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