

100 U.S. military troops arrive in Bolivia

TRINIDAD, Bolivia (AP) — At least 100 U.S. troops arrived here Thursday and were making preparations with Bolivian police to fight the illegal drug trade.

By noon, about 60 of the U.S. soldiers, some heavily armed and wearing helmets and knapsacks, boarded the Black Hawk helicopters that arrived aboard a Galaxy C5-A transport plane Monday.

The helicopters were believed headed for the Josuani ranch, once the property of prosperous cocaine

traffickers and now the base for the U.S.-Bolivian attempt to disrupt cocaine production and trafficking.

The base, set up by U.S. soldiers and Bolivian "Leopards" narcotics police, is about 75 miles northwest of Trinidad, in the midst of what is known as the Beni flatlands.

Two U.S. Army trucks and a forklift assisted in loading the helicopters. According to Jane's All The World's Aircraft, the Sikorsky Black Hawk helicopters have bulletproof fuel tanks, can cruise at 184 mph

and are especially well-suited for landing in adverse conditions. They are armed with 30-caliber machine guns and can carry up to 11 passengers.

U.S. pilots have been instructed to shoot if fired upon during the planned raids on cocaine labs.

Neither U.S. nor Bolivian officials have revealed where the forces plan to strike.

The arrival of the troops raised to 160 the total U.S. military presence in Bolivia. It is the first time U.S.

troops have been deployed abroad to combat the illicit drug trade, U.S. officials say.

President Victor Paz Estenssoro is providing U.S. servicemen with diplomatic immunity during the expected two-month stay in Bolivia.

In La Paz, Interior Minister Fernando Barthelemy insisted that neither U.S. soldiers nor the potent weaponry of the Black Hawk helicopters would be used directly in the raids.

World Briefs

10 Filipino nuns released from captivity

MARAWI, Philippines (AP) — A U.S. missionary kidnapped by a Moslem group warned he would be killed if the military tried to free him, while 10 nuns released Thursday after five days of captivity pleaded for leniency toward their Moslem captors.

The Filipino nuns said they

were treated well and given a farewell party the night before their release.

The army, meanwhile, moved 400 soldiers and armored vehicles to Marawi to put pressure on the kidnapers of American missionary Brian Lawrence, according to Maj. Gen. Jose Magno.

Nuclear accident damages predicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — A catastrophic accident at any of the nation's 117 commercial nuclear power plants would cause \$300 million to \$15 billion in damages away from the plant, according to a congressional study.

The projected bill could go even higher if an accident oc-

curred during bad weather, the General Accounting Office said in a report released Wednesday.

The GAO said the highest damage cost would result from a major accident at a nuclear generator located near a major population area.

CBS News cuts 70 staffers from payroll

NEW YORK (AP) — Seventy staffers, including longtime correspondent George Herman whose assignments have included the White House beat and the "Face the Nation" broadcast, were told by CBS News Thursday that they had been cut from the payroll and most were given two

weeks to clean up their affairs.

CBS said the staff cuts were due to the CBS Broadcast Group's declining advertising revenues and stagnant profits. CBS News will lose 20 other positions through attrition and consolidation.

Help sought for drought-stricken farmers

Officials of parched Southern states turned to the federal government, Midwestern farmers and neighbors Thursday for help in feeding livestock during a record drought that has turned pastureland to dust.

Atlanta residents faced the prospect of water restrictions for

the first time in their history, and no relief was forecast for the heat wave blamed for 14 deaths as it spread into the Midwest.

The heat has been blamed for the deaths of seven people in Georgia, three in North Carolina and one each in South Carolina, Virginia and Louisiana.

World and Nation

Treaty to ease terrorist extradition

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate on Thursday ended a year-long debate and voted 87-10 approval of a treaty making it easier for Britain to win extradition of suspected Irish terrorists from the United States.

The new treaty has been supported by the Reagan administration as part of the international war against terrorism, but it had been stalled by Democrats from Northeastern states with large populations of Irish descendants.

The treaty stands approved since only the Senate ratifies treaties.

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., told his colleagues he opposed the pact because "it equates all political violence with terrorism... It's a bogus proposition."

Early prenatal diagnosis tests found safe

BAR HARBOR, Maine (AP) — A new technique that allows doctors to check the unborn for defects very early during pregnancy appears to be as safe as amniocentesis, the traditional method used later in the baby's development in the womb, a study shows.

The new procedure, chorion vil-

lus sampling or CVS, is still considered experimental and is available only at a few major medical centers.

However, Dr. Laird G. Jackson, who directed the latest research, said he expects it to largely replace the widely used amniocentesis over the next few years.

Amniocentesis cannot be per-

formed until about the 16th week of gestation, while chorion sampling is done at the sixth to eighth week.

This means that if the fetus is defective, the mother can have an abortion during the first trimester of pregnancy, when it is easier and safer to perform than later.

Gash in Titanic to be viewed by robot Jason

WOODS HOLE, Mass. (AP) — Researchers two miles below the surface of the Atlantic Ocean conducted a post-mortem on the Titanic on Thursday, preparing to survey the fatal gash an iceberg inflicted on the luxury liner 74 years ago.

Ballard told reporters in a ship-to-shore news conference Wednesday night that he would like to send his remote-controlled, camera-equipped robot to the bow of the huge steamship to see if it can find the spot where the Titanic collided with an iceberg shortly before midnight April 14, 1912.

Ballard, who discovered the Titanic's grave last September as head of a French-American team, said there is one discovery he is glad he has not made in the wreckage.

"I am very relieved to not find any (human) remains," he said.

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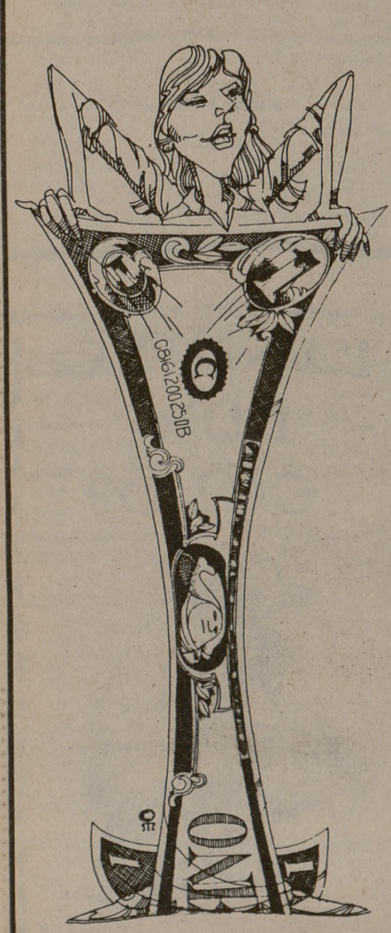
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