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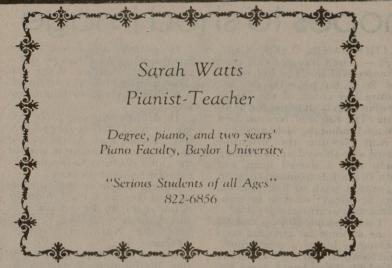
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### World and Nation

# Reagan chooses final members for commission set to study AIDSc

put the newly constituted AIDS commission to work Thursday, saying "a good strong dose of common sense" must accompany research, education and prevention.

Reagan named a dozen people, including a homosexual geneticist, a Roman Catholic cardinal, a former chief of naval operations and four women, to complete the ranks of the 13-member panel headed by Dr. W. Eugene Mayberry, chair-

man of the Mayo Clinic's board of governors.

Reagan flew by helicopter to the National Institutes of Health in suburban Bethesda, Md., where he visited with children suffering from AIDS, or acquired immune defiency syndrome, and then met with commission members.

He also visited the laboratory of Dr. Samuel Broder, where the first work was done on the use of the drug AZT to fight the AIDS virus.

"After the visit to the ward today and after the death by AIDS of friends and former associates,

this is my prayer: One way or another, whether by breakthrough or steady progress, we will beat this disease," the president said

The president, who last April 1 declared AIDS "Public Health Enemy No. 1," gave the commission 90 days to submit a preliminary report that will identify where research on the disease stands and what is needed. As of July 20, the White House said, 533 cases

of AIDS among children 13 or younger had been reported to the Centers for Disease Control. Overall, the CDC said, AIDS had been diagnosed in 40,970 Americans by June 1, and 20,849 of these victims had died. fledged strategy" for coping with the AIDS prob-lem and said that if new drugs and vaccines emerge, "I am determined that red tape will not keep them away."
"It seems to be common sense to recognize

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— President Ronald Reagan

that when it comes to stopping the spread of AIDS, medicine and morality teach the same lessons," he said. "It's also common sense that ignorance about extent of the spread of the AIDS won't help anyone — those who have it, those who might get it, those who are looking for ways

of preventing its spread."
Reagan had appointed Mayberry as chairman of the commission on June 25, and the White House initially announced the panel would be comprised of 11 members, including the chair-

But gay rights groups voiced fears that the homosexual community would have no representation on the commission, and Reagan last week signed an executive order expanding it to 13 flew by helicopter to the National Institut Health in nearby Bethesda, Md.

One member, Frank Lilly, head of generative Albert Einstein College of Medicine in York, who served for a time as a member board of directors of the Gay Men's Health

in New York, is a homosexual.

"I hope to forcefully represent the gay or munity as well as the biomedical community member of this commission," Lilly said in

Sen. Gordon J. Humphrey, R-N.H. critical Lilly's appointment, saying that "for years medefend leaders of homosexual groups have been plane as manding society accept their sexual practice to leave

"The president's action seems to bow to the Thirt demand, at least in this instance," Humping were in said. "That is wrong, because tolerance door struck I require approval. Nor does the compassion with the planting of the victims of AIDS affect the own while o moral issue.

Gary Bauer, a domestic policy adviser to be gan, denied that the commission was expanded to make room for a homosexual representative

AIDS is a contagious, fatal disease that attact the body's immune system, rendering it into ble of resisting other diseases and intection. most cases, it is spread by sexual contact health officials estimate that I million to 152 lion Americans have been exposed to the win Homosexual men and drug addicts who the needles are high-risk groups.

## Navy escorts Kuwaiti ships out of attack 'danger zone'

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Two Kuwaiti tankers moved northward Thursday, under the American flag and U.S. Navy escort, through an area between Iran and Saudi Arabia where Iranian speedboats have at-tacked several merchant ships. Iran's news agency quoted For-eign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati as

saying Kuwaiti oil was "prohibited goods," implying that ships carrying it would be attacked, but Velayati said in West Germany that Iran would not shoot first.

By sunset, the ships were in the last stage of their 500-mile voyage up the Persian Gulf from the Strait of Hormuz to Kuwait's Al-Ahmadi oil terminal.

Sources following the convoy's progress said three warships made the entire trip and others of a nineship U.S flotilla in the gulf joined from time to time.

Salvage officers based in Dubai said their main concern was mines in the Al-Ahmadi shipping channel, where at least four vessels have been hit in recent months.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Soviet Union has rati-

fied an international agreement to bar the dumping of

plastic trash at sea, leaving the United States as the lone

roadblock to the pact's implementation, U.S. officials

The agreement, known as Annex V of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from

Ships, enters into force one year after nations representing half of the world's shipping tonnage have ap-

Rear Adm. J. William Kime, head of the Coast

Guard's marine safety and environmental protection division, told two House subcommittees that he re-

ceived a letter last week from the deputy director of the Soviet Union's Marine Pollution Control Authority say-

The Soviet Union, which represents 6.2 percent of the world's shipping, is the 28th nation to approve it,

bringing the total up to 48 percent, Kime said. The

ing Soviet officials have ratified the pact.

a minesweeping operation last week-

The Kuwaiti vessels, a 401,382ton supertanker and 46,723-ton products carrier renamed the Bridgeton and Gas Prince, were to arrive Friday.

After they are loaded they will steam south, again with a guard of

Velayati was quoted by Iran's official Islamic Republic News, Agency as making the indirect threat of attack in a message sent Wednesday to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellor

On Thursday, Velayati said in Bonn: "If Iranian ships are not sub-jected to attack, if no ships are attacked by the Iraqis, no ships will be attacked in the Persian Gulf."

He called the U.S. warships "a threat to Iran" but sidestepped questions about Iranian response. Ve-layati did not mention the message to Perez de Cuellar.

Lloyd's Intelligence Unit in London says 333 vessels have been hit in attacks by both sides during the 7year-old war between Iran and Iraq.

American, Kuwaiti and Saudi experts declared the channel safe after with Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Navy.

Soviet Union OKs pact barring

ocean dumping of plastic trash

Genscher, Velayati repeated Iran's rejection of any U.N. cease-fire resolution that does not call Iraq the ag-

The war began, after several border skirmishes, with an Iraqi invasion in September 1980.

The U.N. Security Council unani-

mously passed a cease-fire resolution Monday, one of several approved since the war began.

Shipping and salvage experts, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they did not discount the possi-

bility of Iranian attacks on the loaded tankers during their return trip through the gulf next week. Iran accuses Kuwait of receiving arms for Iraq, the emirate's eastern neighbor at the northern end of the

gulf, and began last September to concentrate its attacks on ships owned by or serving Kuwait.

Iraq's ports were closed soon after the war started. Kuwait and Saudi Arabia export 300,000 barrels of oil daily through the gulf on Iraq's be-Eleven of Kuwait's 21 tankers are

being reflagged and will be escorted through the Persian Gulf by the U.S.

United States, which has 4.8 percent, would make the

"The ball is squarely in the court of the United States," Kime said. "All we have to do is take action and

President Reagan sent the agreement to the Senate for ratification Feb. 9, but no action has been taken.
Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro has been in-

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has sched uled a hearing on the agreement for Wednesday. Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the panel, strongly

supports the measure and congressional aides expect it

to be approved without controversy.

The agreement would prohibit the disposal of plastic

garbage anywhere in the ocean and ban the disposal of

law bans the disposal of garbage from ships

strumental in drawing attention to the problem.

other garbage within 12 miles of land.

#### The high heat and humin which have made life beastly people across the eastern half the nation have taken a livestock too, broiling chickens their coops and killing the appetites of cattle and hogs. People were coping better the some experts had feared, a though at least three deaths had been some experts had feared at though at least three deaths had been some experts.

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been attributed to heat this week

"I am surprised we are noteding more people," said Dr. Douglas Carroll, an emergency roophysician at Greater Baltimor. Medical Center, which treated the complex of the com

"But problems usually increaduring a heat wave," Carrollsid
"It sometimes takes a couple of days for people to feel the differets."

Bernice Cooper, a spokesme for Leila Hospital and Hell Center in Battle Creek, said, i just talked to the chief of or trauma unit and he thinks it's to cause it's been hot for so long people are learning how to cope From Connecticut to California

nia, there was barely a cloud i the sky Thursday afternoon. Record temperatures at mid-ternoon Thursday included 92 Alpena, Mich., 97 in Harrisbur Pa., and 99 in Jacksonville, E

which also had an ozone advis William Satterfield, spokes for the Delmarva Poultry Ind

try Inc. in Georgetown, Del., so the heat killed half a million bid just on Tuesday.

"The first day of a heat was hits them hardest and then the adjust to the heat a little bil," be said. "The chickens who were said. "The chickens who w

gonna get it, probably got it Tuesday

Growers have equipped toops with big fans and mist systems, and also tried to get chickens to fan themselves stirring them up to flap the wings. Still, poultry worth about \$750,000 was lost, Satterfied "The worst is yet to come, be

cause the hens stop laying," sa Dr. Gordon Miller at Ho

## Teen-ager drowns, leaves message for family

within three miles of the coast.

this will come into force.'

BROOKSVILLE, Fla. — A 17-year-old scuba diver who had planned on going out to celebrate his mother's birthday instead found himself lost in an underwater cave, and scratched a farewell message to his family on his air tank before he drowned, officials say.

"I love you Mom, Dad and Christian," read the words on the tank, which contained only a few minutes' supply of air when found, Sheriff's Frank Bierwiler said.

The tank was a few feet from where Jason Tuskes' body was discovered Tuesday, in 57 feet of water in a spring which had been as a ter, in a spring which had been posted with a "No Diving" warning.

Authorities believe the honor student got trapped in the cave and shed his gear while trying to make his way to the surface. When he realized he couldn't, he unsheathed his diver's knife and etched his last message on the yellow metal tank.

The teen-ager's father, Art

Tuskes, said Jason had been close to his parents and 13-year-old brother. "He was so exceptional. . . . He

was my arms and legs and sometimes my head," said Tuskes, who is wheel-chair-bound. "It's such a loss. Why couldn't they take somebody like me who's been crippled up for 28

Jason would have been a high-school senior this fall. He had been enrolled at a community college and was scheduled to receive an associate's degree in mathematics next spring. His goal was to be a lawyer by age 23, his father said.

He also was an expert swimmer and had made about 100 dives since obtaining his open-water certification in February

Tuskes said he reluctantly gave his son permission to dive in the

spring with 16-year-old Vincent Cusmano after a scheduled dive in the Gulf of Mexico was canceled. 'I said, 'Fine, but keep it short,'

Tuskes said

When Jason left the house Tuesday morning, he planned to be home in time to celebrate his mother's 42nd birthday by going out to dinner with the family that night. Although no one will ever know

for certain, authorities believe Jason got lost in the spring, near Weeki Wachee in west-central Florida, and became trapped in a narrow passa-geway. He had a guideline, which di-vers deploy so they can trace their way back, but apparently lost it.

"He got wedged into a small area. It was quite murky down there. The poor lad just didn't know which way to go," Bierwiler said.

Vincent made his way out of the cave but lost his friend as their

movement kicked up silt and greated reduced visibility. Experienced vers say the area is surrounded mixture of limestone and mud college a unstable combination that is e

disturbed. "Most experienced divers of even go around it," said to Green, a certified diver who me two dives looking for Jason. "It's a very advanced dive."

The cave opening has a diame of about three feet leading in U cramped, dark cavern that desce to 80 feet, divers said.

The "No Diving" sign is hard see and may be misinterpreted mean no diving headfirst from

platform, rather than a warning scuba divers, Hernando Com

deputies said.

"It's really a dangerous cave," 
Kevin Love, a water management district worker familiar with cave. "It needs to be blocked up."

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